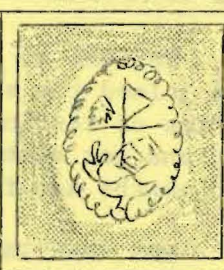




# Knightletter

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## CHOIR OF THE WEST LEAVES TODAY ON SIX-DAY TOUR

The Choir of the West will leave today on a 6-day concert tour of Puget Sound cities.

This will mark the first tour for Prof. Maurice H. Skones who took over as director of the 63-voice choir last fall. He succeeded Prof. Gunnar J. Malmin who had been director since 1937.

Friday evening the singers will appear in Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Stanwood. The new sanctuary of Oak Harbor's First Reformed Church will be the site for Saturday evening's performance.

Sunday afternoon the choir will sing in the Seattle Center Arena at an ecumenical rally, "A Gathering for Prayer for Christian Unity." In the evening the choir will give a concert in Central Lutheran Church, Bellingham, under the sponsorship of the Whatcom County Lutheran Ministerial Association.

Traveling up to Vancouver, Canada, the group will give a concert in First Lutheran Church Monday evening. Lutheran churches in Mt. Vernon will sponsor Tuesday night's program in the Mt. Vernon High School auditorium.

Final concert on the tour will be Wednesday evening in the Peninsula High School auditorium at Gig Harbor, under the auspices of Peninsula Lutheran Church.

The Choir will be taking another concert tour in March with 12 concerts slated in Washington, Idaho and Montana cities.

Milton Nesvig, director of public relations, will go with the group as tour manager and Mrs. E. C. Knorr will be choir mother.

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## LESLIE EKLUNDS TO BE FETED ON 25th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. & Mrs. Leslie O. Eklund, former director of testing and his wife, will be guests of honor at a reception on their silver wedding anniversary Wednesday, Jan. 27. The event will be held at 2:00 p.m. in the Friendship Room at Trinity Lutheran Church. All members of the faculty and staff and their spouses are welcome to attend.

Back in 1940, Eklund was teaching in Franklin, Minnesota, and his fiancée, Thelma O. Greenfield, was working for the Nebraska Department of Agriculture in Lincoln. They took a weekend off from their work, met in Sioux Falls, S. D. and were married there on Jan. 27 in First Lutheran Church by the Rev. H. J. Glenn.

The next fall Eklund entered the graduate school at the University of Nebraska and in 1943 he obtained his master's degree. The next year he was superintendent of schools at Inavale, Neb. The Eklunds moved west in 1944 to Aberdeen where he taught for two years at Grays Harbor Junior College. In the fall of 1946 he came to PLU as teacher of English and psychology. The next year he was appointed dean of men. When PLU became a university in 1960 he was appointed director of testing and veteran's affairs. For reasons of health he resigned his position at PLU as of Dec. 1, 1964.

The Eklunds have one child, Leslie, Jr., age 17.

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"Reason does not prove God, any more than beauty or goodness does. But reason testifies to God; and without God, reason becomes madness."

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WELCOME to MRS. PATRICIA SCHUTTE who has joined the staff as secretary in the office of testing and veteran's affairs. Pat and her husband moved to Tacoma about two months ago from Nampa, Idaho.

MRS. MARTHA HILBERT, instructor in the school of business administration, left recently when her husband, an army officer, was transferred.

Because of business and personal matters, ROBERT STRATTON of Anchorage, Alaska, has resigned his post on the PLU Board of Regents.

NORMAN FINTEL, director of the Board of College Education, the American Lutheran Church, will visit the campus Monday and will meet with administrative officials.

DR. ELWIN D. FARWELL, president of Luther College (Iowa), was a campus visitor Wednesday. He is on a west coast tour to address Luther Alumni Clubs.

DR. JENS KNUDSEN (biology) shipped the 600-plus page manuscript and 150 drawings for his new textbook to his publishers in New York yesterday. He and two students leave next week for a semester of research on the island of Eniwetok out in the Pacific. More on that in next week's issue.

DICK KUNKLE (news bureau) has been on the shelf this week, a victim of the flu and fatigue. It is expected that he will be back on the job Monday.

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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Willie Mae Callahan	January 25
Christine Olsen	January 26
Nancy Maxfield	January 27

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"Without realizing it, we have become a society of students. More than forty million are enrolled in formal education programs."

Accreditation of the University by the Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools has been extended until 1969. Word of this action was received recently from Dr. James Bemis, executive director of the Associations' Commission on Higher Schools, who conducted a visit and evaluation. He added, "You are to be complimented on the excellent progress being made at Pacific Lutheran since the visitation in 1959."

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The committee on higher education of the North Pacific District of the American Lutheran Church and of the Pacific Northwest Synod of the Lutheran Church in America will hold a joint meeting in the Conference Room here on Monday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. PLU administrative leaders will meet with the committees at their morning sessions and representatives of the Division of College and University Work of the National Lutheran Council will attend the afternoon session.

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About 50 full-time new students have been accepted for the second semester which starts next week, according to J. E. Danielson, director of admissions. This is about the same number as last year, he states.

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High school seniors from the Tacoma area planning to attend here next year and their parents will be guests of the University at a reception to be given Wednesday evening in the Chris Knutzen Fellowship Hall. Several faculty members will be assisting the admissions department in talking to the guests about their university programs.

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"Education which does not mold the character of the human receptacle, spiritually and morally, is readily transformed into lethal poison for the individual and social dynamite for the body politic." H. W. Prentice, industrialist.

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"BUSY" EVENING SLATED FOR  
FACULTY WIVES CLUB MONDAY

A "busy" meeting is scheduled for the Faculty Wives Club Monday evening at 8:00 in the Faculty Lounge. Mrs. Harold Leraas, president, will conduct a business session after which there will be an informal knit and chat meeting.

Hostesses for the gathering will be the Mesdames Harry Adams, Harold Ehret, Jack Ellingson, Raymond Klopsch, Philip Nordquist and Walter Schnackenberg.

For wives who are interested in drama (and what housewife isn't?) Mrs. Lawrence Hauge announced that tryouts for the play, "Enter a Queen," will be held Tuesday evening at 8:00 in CB-200. The one-act play, to be given at the February meeting, will be directed by Dr. Abe Bassett of the speech faculty.

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GONZAGA UNIVERSITY CONCERT BAND  
TO APPEAR HERE JAN. 29

Three solo groups will be featured on the program which the Gonzaga University Concert Band will give Friday evening, Jan. 29, at 8:00 in Eastvold Chapel. The event will be complimentary to the public.

A trumpet trio comprised of Don Sickler, Richie Dipasquale and Vernon Mayer will play "Divertissement." A vocal trio will sing special arrangements of Gilbert and Sullivan tunes. Trio members are Lorna Mitchell, Signa Sinnerud and Theresa Downes. "Beguine for Flutes" will be performed by a 15-member flute choir, accompanied by the band.

Accordionist Terry Chamberlain, who performed last summer at the New York World's Fair, will play "Serenata" by Leroy Anderson.

Jon Nicholson, chairman of Gonzaga's department of music, is director of the concert band. He states that the 55-piece band will provide solid classical music from the best in band literature.

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BASKETBALL TEAM WILL TANGLE  
WITH SEATTLE PACIFIC SATURDAY

Coach Gene Lundgaard will take his Knight hoop forces up to Seattle Saturday night to do battle with the high flying Seattle Pacific College Falcons. Game time will be 8 o'clock in Royal Brougham Pavilion on the banks of the Lake Washington ship canal. The junior varsity clubs of the two schools will meet in a preliminary contest at 6:00.

The Knights have fallen twice this season to the Falcon attack, and will be in the underdog role. However, with starting guard Mark Andersen (he missed the last SPC tilt) recovered from ankle miseries and Doug Leeland, front line reserve, back in service, the Lutes could spring an upset.

After dumping the Western Washington Vikings last week, the Knights are in second place in the league with a 2-1 record. There is no league competition this week, but next Friday and Saturday the Lutherans will be at Cheney and Spokane for games with Eastern and Whitworth.

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PRESIDENT MORTVEDT ELECTED  
TO TWO IMPORTANT POSITIONS

On his recent trip to education meetings in St. Louis, President Robert Mortvedt was elected to positions on national organizations.

He was elected vice president of the National Lutheran Educational Conference. This group is comprised of all Lutheran institutions of higher education in the nation.

Then he was elected to the Commission on Religion in Education of the Association of American Colleges.

He also attended the sessions of the Council of Protestant Colleges and universities.

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