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## FIELD SERVICE

In accordance with resolution adopted by Pacific District of the Norwegian Lutheran Church of America the College Board of Trustees called the Reverend Mikkel Lono to take charge of congregational field service. Pastor Lono accepted the call and entered upon his duties November 1.

His aim will be to establish an extension department through which the College will make a special contribution to the building up of the Kingdom of God in this section of the country.

To accomplish this he offers his services as special preacher at Sunday services, as speaker at meetings of church organizations, and as evangelist and Bible teacher at evangelistic meetings, Bible weeks, or Bible conferences, and in any other manner his services may be useful to the congregations.

Pacific Lutheran College is built and maintained as an institution of the Church, and will seek in an ever-increasing measure to serve the whole Church. Its chief endeavor will, of course, continue to be the training of young men and women who will bring their Christian ideals as contributions to the life of the communities and churches of our territory, but every other opportunity for direct service is a responsibility that Pacific Lutheran College gladly assumes.

This department of congregational field service is new, and will be developed as needs and opportunities present themselves. Pastor Lono will welcome suggestions and assistance to make his work of maximum usefulness to the churches. In offering this service to the congregations he does it with the confidence that the people of our Lutheran Churches will support the College in proportion as they appreciate its importance in the building of the Church of our Lord. The ultimate purpose of the congregational field service is therefore to unite the congregations and the College in the closest cooperation for the promotion of the Kingdom of God. Humanly speaking, the College needs two things in order to operate—students and money, both of which should come chiefly from the churches, if the College is to continue to serve the Church. History has demonstrated that any college will continue to serve the Church only as long as it is dependent on the congregations for students and financial support. For this reason this department will serve the College in stimulating such support on the part of the congregations. It is the hand of the College reaching out to the people of the churches both to give and to receive, and is thus truly a "right hand of fellowship."

LAYING OF THE CORNER STONE  
OF  
PACIFIC LUTHERAN COLLEGE LIBRARY

Dignified and impressive were the ceremonies that marked the laying of the corner-stone of the Library-class-room building on the College campus Saturday, October 23.

The festivities began with a luncheon, served in the College dining room, to which twenty-five guests of honor had been invited. The majority of these had taken prominent part in the Library campaign that resulted in pledges amounting to more than \$100,000. Seventeen of those present are members of the Golden Jubilee Committee, which has agreed to function until 1944, when the College will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary.

The ceremonies for laying the corner-stone took place on the campus, near the new building, whose walls were more than half-way up, and where a large number of people were gathered.

The Reverend Alf M. Kraabel, President of the College Board of Trustees, presided and introduced the Reverend Dr. C. R. Swanson, of the Augustana Synod, who delivered the invocation. Following this, the Choir of the West, under the direction of Prof. Gunnar J. Malmn, sang Christiansen's "Hosanna."

The president of the day thereupon spoke fitting words of welcome, after which he introduced Dr. O. A. Tingelstad, the President of the College, who delivered the dedicatory address. In his address Dr. Tingelstad briefly reviewed the Library Campaign, paid fitting tribute to the many persons and organizations that had cooperated in the undertaking, and explained the significance and meaning of a library to the College and to the community it serves. He centered much of his thought around the following couplet by the English poet Denham:

*"Books should to one of these four ends conduce:  
For wisdom, piety, delight, or use."*

At the close of his address he introduced Professor N. J. Hong, the oldest teacher at the College, and for twenty years President of Pacific Lutheran Academy, who named the documents that were to be placed in the stone, as follows:

1. The Bible, The Lutheran Hymnary, The Book of Concord, and Dr. Tingelstad's dedicatory address.
2. Copies of *The Lutheran Herald*, *The Lutheran Companion*, and *The Lutheran Standard*, organs of the three synods that operate Pacific Lutheran College; namely, The Norwegian Lutheran Church of America, The Augustana Synod, and The American Lutheran Church.
3. Copies of *Pacific Lutheran Herald*, containing an account of the fortieth anniversary celebration of the College, October 14, 1934, and of the dedication ceremonies, October 14, 1894.
4. The final issue of *Pacific Lutheran Herald* and of *The Columbia Lutheran* and the first three issues of their successor, *The Western Lutheran*.
5. Copies of *Budbaereren* and *The Journal of the American Lutheran Conference*.
6. A copy of the *Constitution of the Pacific Historical Society of the Baltic Peoples*, together with Dr. O. M. Norlie's address at the organization of the Society, Aug. 18, 1936.
7. Current issues of Tacoma papers and a copy of the program of the day.

8. A book containing a list of all the donors, with the amount pledged by each, from 10 cents to \$10,000.00.

When the sealed copper box containing these documents had been placed in the corner-stone, President Tingelstad read an appropriate ritual and declared the corner-stone laid in the name of the Triune God. The stone is of brown Swedish granite and bears the inscription:

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Following this the Choir of the West sang Christiansen's "Beautiful Saviour," which sounded strangely impressive in the sacred stillness among the somber firs.

When teleggrams and letters of congratulation had been read and a number of photographs taken, the festivities were brought to a fitting close with the singing of the doxology and the benediction, pronounced by the College pastor, the Reverend T. O. Svare.

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During the two months that have passed since the laying of the corner-stone, the work on the Library building has progressed apace. The outside of the building, with the exception of windows, is now complete, including tiled roof and copper-covered cupola. It is a beautiful and dignified structure, the pride of our campus.

#### PRESIDENT TINGELSTAD INJURED

On Armistice Day afternoon Dr. O. A. Tingelstad slipped on a wet driveway leading to his garage and fell in such a manner as to fracture his hip. He was immediately taken to the Tacoma General Hospital, where he was placed in a cast that incloses most of his body. Because of the seriousness of the break the doctors in charge announced that he must remain in the cast from three to six months, and that it would take a year for complete recovery.

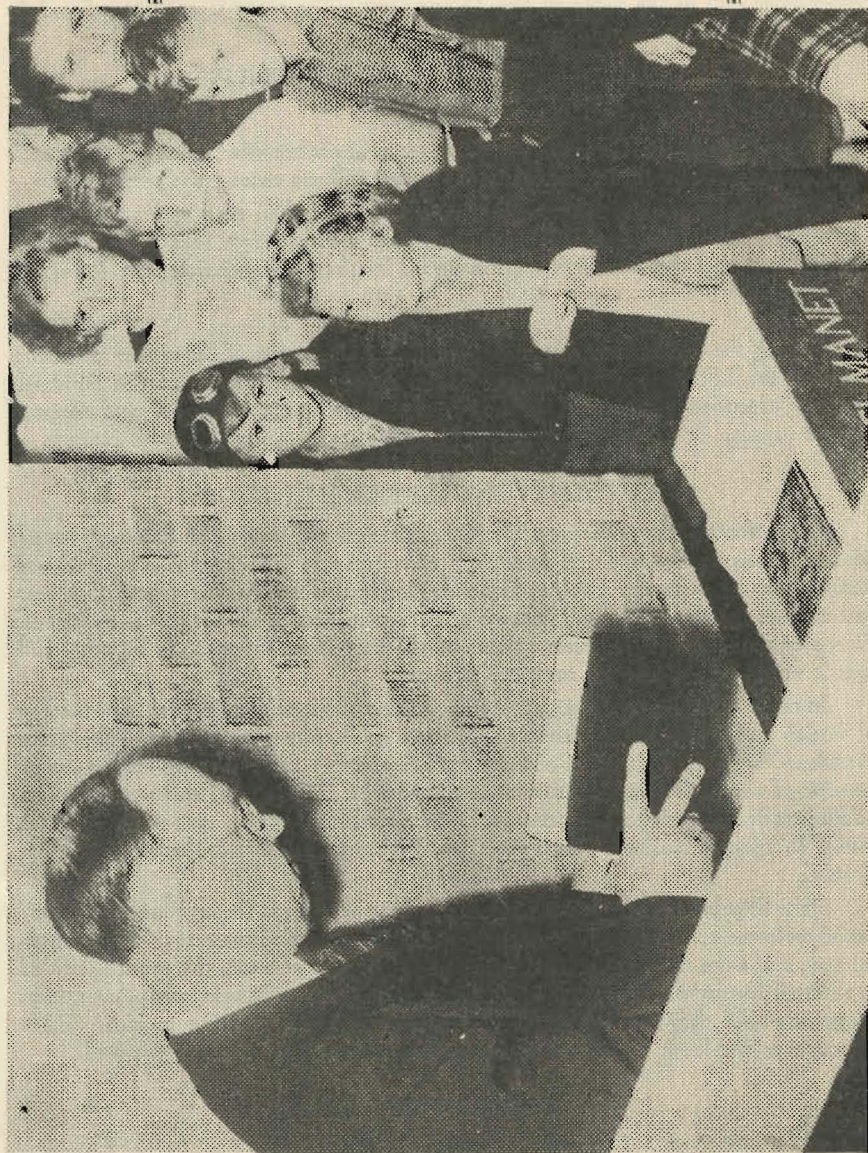
In order that he may have opportunity to devote himself entirely to the recovery of health and strength, the Board of Trustees at its recent meeting voted to grant President Tingelstad a leave of absence until September first, relieving him as far as possible of responsibilities and duties connected with the College, and setting up an administrative council to have charge of administrative affairs, consisting of Dean Philip E. Hauge, Business Manager Theo. Nelsson, and Board President Alf M. Kraabel.

Since they believed that Dr. Tingelstad's host of friends throughout the country would welcome an opportunity to express their sympathy and interest in some practical way, and since the welfare of the College is his chief concern, the council decided to write all former members of the Pacific Lutheran College Development Association suggesting that they renew their membership as a special greeting to him. Early responses to this letter indicate that the suggestion has been favorably received.

#### THE WESTERN LUTHERAN

*The Pacific Lutheran Herald* was published by the Board of Pacific Lutheran College until it was merged in *The Western Lutheran*, which began publication recently as an organ of the whole American Lutheran Conference on the Coast. In surrendering its publication for this larger venture, the College did so in the interest of progress and the strengthening of the whole Lutheran Church, and recommends the new publication as worthy of the fullest support.

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