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"It is not the will of your Father which is in Heaven, that one of these little Ones should perish." Matthew 18:14.

IN MEMORIAM

On April 6, at the age of fifty-eight years, Mr. William Hopf passed from this life into the Church Triumphant. Mr. Hopf was most intimately associated with the Institute, as a member of the Board of Directors. Had he lived till summer, he would have rounded out exactly thirty years of service. Surely an excellent record and conclusive evidence of the esteem in which he was held by all. Himself a Christian of true quality, knowing himself saved by grace and, in consequence, rich in good works of an unselfish love, he was interested, with heart and soul, in the work of the Institute and deeply concerned about its welfare. Close to his heart lay the future of the School, specifically, its building plans. He was a very industrious worker in the drive for the funds for the

new Institute, some years ago, and was very insistent that the new buildings be erected as speedily as possible. For many years he served as the cashier of the Institute, an office, which though not difficult to handle, takes time and care to perform accurately, and his books were always in a model condition. Though we, together with his widow and three grown-up children, mourn his loss, yet we rejoice for him because he has been delivered from every evil forever, for he had not been a well man for many years past. Truly, "blessed are the dead that die in the Lord from henceforth. Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

Mr. William Hopf, our cashier for many years past, having been translated into the Church Triumphant, the Board of Directors, in his place, elected as cashier Mr. Fred Auch, 3646 Mt. Elliott Avenue, Detroit, Mich. Treasurers of Districts, of congregations, and individuals please note the change and forward all monies to Mr. Fred Auch.

"DEAFNESS

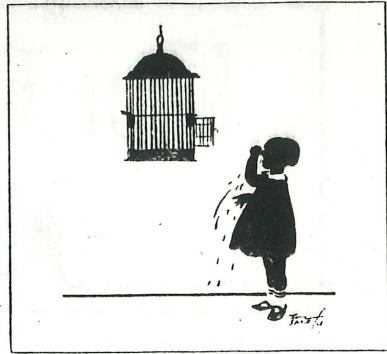
is a real tragedy for a child". This is a statement made by a member of the special committees on the hard of hearing child, at a meeting of the American Medical Association. In fact, deafness from early infancy is a greater tragedy in a child's life than is blindness. This statement may seem to most people as absurd, for the general belief is that blindness is the worst physical affliction that may befall anyone. However, to get at the real truth of the matter, we must not consult those having sight and hearing, but we must consult the blind and, better still, the deaf-blind. Some years ago, the writer

happened to sit next to a blind, educated man, on an interurban bound from Cleveland, O., to Toledo. Because of his affliction, an acquaintance was soon formed and conversation was made. In its course the writer said to the blind man: "You have been blind from early childhood. Tell me, if you had the choice, which would you choose, to be blind or deaf?" He said, emphatically: "Blind, any day." Helen Keller, the gifted deaf-blind woman, gives it as her opinion that "deafness is a much worse misfortune than blindness." On the authority of one of our missionaries to the deaf, we have the statement of a deaf-blind man, blind from earliest childhood but deaf since the age of thirty, that he feels the loss of hearing much more acutely than the loss of sight.

Now, the greater the affliction the greater must be the love and the efforts to alleviate it. The deaf child stands in absolute and positive need of the helping hand of others. His lot must be made easier. It can be made easier only by bringing him somewhat, to the estate of the hearing people, by opening up to him the world of thought as expressed in the language of the hearing, and, above all, by bringing him to his spiritual estate, to Christian man- and womanhood, that he might be Christ's own and serve Him now and forever.

All of this your Ev. Luth. Deaf-Mute Institute is doing for the deaf child of our Church and for others not of the Church. This School is in urgent need of funds to carry on this work of greatest charity. Much has been given to us since the last issue of the Advocate was published. But much more needs to be done, shall the burden of the afflicted deaf child be lightened and happiness shed into its life for the time now and the time yet to come. Will you, who have hearing and more of this world's goods than you need for yourself, will you not help to ease the burden of the deaf? Help us by your intercession before the mercy seat of God? Help us with your earthly treasures? Will you not say, with the poetess, Grace Noll Crowell,

Because I have been given much,
I, too, shall give;
Because of Thy great bounty, Lord,
Each day I live.
I shall divide my gifts from Thee
With every brother that I see
Who has the need of help from me.



EDITH AND THE CANARY

One day Edith's mother bought a new canary which sings sweet. She put it into a bird-cage. Edith fed food to the bird every day.

One night her father came home from working in a factory. He heard it singing and went into the living-room and saw it. His wife called him to get his supper. Pretty soon Edith crept into the living-room. Then she sat down on the soft chair and watched the canary for a little while. Then she got up and went to the bird-cage and opened the door. The canary flew out of the cage around the living room. Edith cried for the bird and her mother heard her and went to the room and said, "What happened?" She told her mother that she opened the door and the canary flew around the room. She cried and cried. Her mother told her to go to bed for an hour.

After a while the canary came into the cage and sat on a bird-swing and slept for a long time.

(A picture story, as written, by Elvera Schoenberg, 5th grade)

DONATIONS RECEIVED

Jan., Feb., March, 1932.

(General Fund)

Districts: Atlantic: \$55.00; Central: \$717.40; Central Illinois: \$131.65; Colorado: \$103.50; Eastern: \$46.27; English: \$213.70; Iowa: \$194.61; Michigan: \$1351.63; Minnesota: \$65.15; No. Dak. and Montana: \$114.22; No. Illinois: \$109.75; No. Nebraska: \$42.30; No. Wisconsin: \$31.60; Oklahoma: \$26.31; Oregon and Washington: \$66.56; Southern: \$48.85; So. California: \$140.13; So. Dakota: \$42.01; So. Nebraska: \$36.22; So. Wisconsin: \$84.15;



As is the custom this year, the Boards of the Institute, together with the faculty and pupils, celebrated the bi-centennial of Washington's birthday by planting two elm trees in his memory. The smaller children, coached by Mr. Bellhorn and Miss Zuberbier, executed an intricate marching drill very creditably. The older pupils, supervised by our principal, Mr. Klein, rendered, in speech, very nicely a program

composed by him. The program consisted of a short essay, short fact paragraphs concerning Washington's life and work, and the recitation of Joyce Kilmer's poem "Trees".

The presidents and some members of the two boards of the Institute also gave, to the children, short, simple talks appropriate to the occasion.

So. Illinois: \$28.92; Texas: \$202.05; Western: \$244.45.

(Building Fund)

Michigan: \$36.25; No. Illinois: \$10.00; Texas: \$5.00.

(General Fund)

Arkansas: \$5.50; St. John's S. S., Stuttgart.

California: \$5.00; St. John's Luth. School, Los Angeles; \$1.00; Rev. S. Hoernicke, Napa.

Colorado: \$3.50; Members Rev. Meyer's Congr., Durango.

Florida: \$7.60; Mrs. H. Lamb, West Palm Beach.

Illinois: \$20.00; St. John's Ladies' Aid, Buckley; \$7.19; Christ Church, Orland Pk.; \$1.00; H. A. Block; Rockford; \$.25; Wm. Salefski, Decatur.

Indiana: \$5.00; E. H. Krentz, La Porte; \$2.00; H. Buddenbaum, Indianapolis; \$1.00; Mrs. J. Bachmann, La Porte.

Iowa: \$2.00; Mrs. H. Berghoef, Hampton. Kansas: \$3.35; Congr. at Hutchins; \$3.00; Ladies' Aid, Barnes; \$2.50; St. Luke's Ladies' Aid, Wheaton.

Maryland: \$7.00; Edna Kuehn, Baltimore.

Michigan: \$26.87; Eastern Zone Walther League; \$10.00; St. John's Ladies' Aid, Frankenmuth; Mr. Eichbauer, Monroe; St. Jacob's Ladies' Aid, Waterloo; \$2.00; Emily Heidemann; Jackson; \$1.50; H. Bernhardt,

Flint; \$1.00; Mrs. Kath. Urban, Detroit; H. B. Press, Detroit.

Minnesota: \$5.00; Ladies' Aid, St. Peter; \$1.00; Prof. Klatt, New Ulm; Prof. J. E. Sperling, New Ulm; Rev. H. Meyer, Lakefield; \$.25; Prof. E. J. Monich, Minneapolis.

Missouri: \$10.00; Ladies' Aid, Hanover; \$5.00; Member of Carrolton Congr.; \$2.49; Clark's Fork Lutheran S. S.

Montana: \$5.00; Rev. E. Gehr's S. S., Harlowton.

Nebraska: \$1.00; Rev. Clarence Peters, Star. New York: \$8.57; J. A. Beyer, Saratoga Springs.

North Dakota: \$13.00; Rev. Gerike's Congregation, Wartburg; \$5.41; Salem Congr., \$5.15; Immanuel Luth. S. S., New Rockford; \$5.00; Rev. E. Hansen, Mayville; Zion S. S., Bismarck; \$3.40; Peace S. S., Barney; \$3.15; Rosebud Congr.; \$2.00; Rev. G. Gesell, Parshall.

Pennsylvania: \$5.00; A. C. Gutberlet, Pittsburg; \$1.50; N. N., Pittsburg.

So. Dakota: \$25.00; S. S., Milbank; \$5.75; St. Peter's Congr., Roshalt; \$5.25; St. John's S. S., Columbia; \$5.00; Rev. C. H. Mueller, Columbia; \$4.61; Rev. Harm's Pupils, Gregory; \$4.69; Rev. Bauer's Congr., Alaska; \$3.00; Ladies' Aid, Mobridge; \$2.75; N. N., Groton; \$1.00; Mrs. E. R. Gamm, Mobridge; \$.25; Alma Angerhofer, Aberdeen.



**The 60th School Year of the Ev. Luth. Deaf-Mute Institute Opens
Wednesday After Labor Day**

The purpose of the Institute is to give our Lutheran deaf children and other deaf children a proper secular education and a Christian education in conformity with the Confessions of our Church.

Its purpose is, in short, that of the Christian parish or day school.

The course comprises the teaching of the English language, of arithmetic, drawing, penmanship, some geography and United States history, the history of the Old and New Testaments, the teaching of the chief Bible doctrines preparatory for Holy Communion and communicant church membership. It teaches speech and lip-reading to all deaf capable of learning it. It teaches these deaf by the oral method. It uses writing, finger spelling, some signs in the teaching of those deaf that cannot be taught orally.

The course consists of Kindergarten, 1 year pregrade work, and six year of grade work.

Only deaf and deafened children from six to twelve years of age (old children are accepted, if they have been to another school before), whose mentality is normal and who are not afflicted with a communicable disease, are accepted as pupils.

For tuition charges and other information write the Editor of The Deaf Child's Advocate.

Our slogan: "Every Lutheran Deaf Child a Pupil of our Lutheran Deaf-Mute Institute."

Friends of the Institute, who prefer sending their gifts directly to the school and who will receive due credit during the year, please send the gift to our cashier: Mr. Fred Auch, 3646 Mt. Elliott Ave., Detroit, Michigan.

Virginia: \$5.00: C. F. Schreiner, Alexandria.

Washington: \$5.00: F. Stickel, Kennewick.

Wisconsin: \$3.00: Medora Dobberfuhl, Wausau; Mrs. Pogenkopf, Ashippun; Mrs. H. Hoge, Wauwatosa; \$2.00: German Luth. Mothers' Club, La Crosse; \$1.00: Mrs. C. Lescow, Woodland; Rev. F. Stern, Watertown; N. N. Appleton, No. 6.

Donations in Value

Jan. 1-March 31, 1932

Quilts: Nazareth Ladies' Aid, Detroit, 1; Lutheran Ladies' Aid, Craig, Mo., 1; Trinity Ladies' Circle, San Angelo, Tex., 1; Willing Workers Circle, Mt. Clemens, 2.

Towels: Ladies' Aid, Onokama, Mich., 32, Mrs. J. H. Osterloh, Hecla, S. Dak., 10.

Bed Sheets: Trinity Luth. Mission Sewing Circle, Bloomington Ill., 8. 1 Used Singer Machine in good condition: Mrs. Peters, Detroit, Mich., Groceries and provisions: Nazareth Ladies' Aid, Detroit, Mich.

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