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Behold, We Go Up to Jerusalem

"Behold, we go up to Jerusalem."—This was the startling announcement Jesus made to His disciples near Caesarea Philippi. Often He had gone to Jerusalem before; but, this last journey was to end for Him in suffering, anguish, pain, and death. "Betrayed," "delivered unto the Gentiles," "mocked," "spitefully entreated," "spitted on," "scourged," "put to death," these were the Savior's expressions describing His great Passion. As He had foretold, so it came to pass. Judas betrayed Him, Peter denied Him, the Sanhedrin denounced Him, the soldiers and servants mocked, tortured, scourged Him, Pilate condemned Him, on Golgotha they crucified Him. Why? He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities."

"Behold, we go up to Jerusalem."—This is our answer to Jesus' announcement. During the approaching Lenten season we accompany our Savior on the Way of Sorrows. We withdraw, for a time, from the turmoil and trouble of the outside world, torn by strife and conflict, and repair to the quiet of our sanctuaries. There we shall sing our Lenten hymns, unforgettable melodies, soul-stirring chorales, "O bleeding Head and wounded," "A Lamb goes uncomplaining forth," "Beloved Jesus, what law hast Thou broken?" "O Lamb of God, most holy," "O sorrow dread, our God is dead!" There we shall hear again the profound truths of man's lost condition, of our Savior's conflict with sin and death and hell, of His glorious victory. We shall be moved—God grant it—to sincere repentance, crying: "Have mercy on us, O Jesus," and accepting in faith His great redemption for us, we shall sing: "Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, dearest Jesus, unto Thee!"

"Behold, we go up to Jerusalem."—There is another Jerusalem, that "city fair and high," which is for us the journey's end. A closed city it was for us, the doors securely locked against sinful men, its glories and eternal bliss forever denied men, unless—Unless what? Unless these doors were opened to us by the love of Almighty God.

"He opens us again the door
Of Paradise today;
The cherub guards the gate no more.
To God our thanks we pay."

Now all who walk with Christ here, who see in Him their only Savior and Redeemer, who take their cross and follow Him, who remain faithful unto death, and who endure unto the end, may truthfully say:

"BEHOLD, WE GO UP TO JERUSALEM!"

L. G. Heinecke

THOMAS H. GALLAUDET

On Sunday, December 10, the deaf of America celebrated the 157th anniversary of the birth of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, founder of the first permanent school for the deaf in this country, at Hartford, Conn., in 1817. This is only right and proper, for, looking at the matter broadly, where would the deaf of the present era be if Gallaudet had not come along. Suppose Providence had selected some one else, would we be where we are today? Perhaps so, but most likely not.

Would any other man have devoted to the cause of the deaf, as Gallaudet did, the active and effective days of his life? Would he have given to their interests his heart's warmest sympathies and the intense exercise of his talents to

educate them? Perhaps so, but we doubt if any other man of that time was especially fitted to educate the deaf as was Gallaudet.

In the matter of methods of instruction, would any other man have been as judicious as Gallaudet? Again, perhaps so and then again perhaps not. Gallaudet did not devise a new method. Instead, he judiciously selected the best among his predecessors which has eventually come to be known as the American Combined System, and which today is being used by the great majority of the residential schools for the deaf in the country. The Combined System seeks to educate the deaf through all kinds of methods which seem best adapted to the individual for mental development. It stresses the acquisition of language as one of its most important elements.

And that is why the deaf of America hold Thomas Hopkins

Gallaudet in great reverence. We know if it had not been for him we would not be where we are today—so far ahead in education

and contentment as compared with the deaf of other countries. Surely, we have cause to be grateful!
—Ohio Chronicle.

Parents Often Do Not Know Value of School

Children Sometimes Kept Home Until Too Late

One of the greatest tragedies universally encountered in Schools for the Deaf is that tragedy effected by misguided parental love which restrains them from placing their deaf child in a school for the Deaf until it is too late—too late to afford the child a finished education; too late to avoid in the child a sense of inferiority to other children his age; too late to prevent in the child a feeling of animosity for those who did not give him his rightful opportunity to learn.

Several such real-life tragedies come to mind. There is the case of D. S., a congenitally deaf, intelligent lad who was kept at home during the most plastic years and sent to a rural school because his mother "couldn't bear not to be able to see him every day." Finally, when sixteen years old, the boy was enrolled in a School for the Deaf. He then knew less than a first-grade child. During his five years at school, every effort was made to help him overcome the tragic loss of time, but although

WELCOMED INTO THE KINGDOM OF GLORY

Since the last issue of the "Advocate" went to press, our Lord and Savior again called a number of our friends and readers to Himself into everlasting bliss. They are Mrs. Caroline Bergt, Terra Bella and Mr. George C. Maahs, Walnut Park, California. Rev. O. Rauschelbach, Chicago, Mrs. Emma Glassmeier, Wood River, Illinois. Mrs. Henry F. Brandt, Indianapolis, Mr. E. H. Munzel, Laporte, Mr. Otto Selking, Monroeville, Indiana. Mr. Ed. Ruhlig, Bay City, Mrs. William Schmiede, Chesaning, Mrs. Louise Bach, Mr. Ferdinand Bendick, Mr. Louis Bliemeister, Mr. Grover Heine, Mrs. Augusta Jansen, Mr. Albert Kamin, Mr. August Klebba, Mr. Rudolph Kornack, Sgt. Gustav P. Riske, Sgt. Edgar Schumm, Mrs. Regina Triebe, Mr. Robert Willets, Detroit, Mr. Leonard Frank, Frankenmuth, Mr. Carl Winkel, Harbor Beach, Mrs. Paul Lenski, Sr., Jackson, Mr. Frederick W. Marksmann, Lincoln Park, Mrs. Louis Bellhorn, Mrs. Louis Faulman, Mt. Clemens, Mr. Oscar Lundwall, Palmer, Mr. Riley Wolfrom, Plymouth, Mrs. Arthur Vogt, Richmond, Mr. Arthur Neiger, Royal Oak, Mrs. Wintermeyer, Saginaw, Mich. Rev. R. Jeske, Rev. J. Westendorf, Mrs. Wm. Nolte, Claremont, Rev. Otto E. Richter, Frazee, Minnesota. Rev. H. C. Sauer, Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Elmo Melde, Bishop, Mr. A. H. Wagner, Port Arthur, Texas. Mr. Wm. Schoepp, Arcadia, Mr. Wm. C. Looyen, Milwaukee, Mr. Leonard Krenzke, Sr., and Mr. Wm. Schabacker, Racine, Wisconsin.

We shall miss these friends and their many gifts of love and faith with which they have helped to make possible this work of bringing deaf children to Christ and through Him to eternal salvation. But we also are happy to know that they have been found worthy to be numbered with those who now already serve the Master in the heavenly abode.

WIFE OF FORMER PUPIL KILLED BY TRAIN

Mrs. Arthur Baden of Ottawa, Ohio, met her death on December 16th as a result of an accident. She was killed instantly and her husband and son injured when their car was struck by a freight train at a Nickel Plate railroad

crossing near Ottawa. Mr. Baden received lacerations and bruises and their son Jerry a severe left leg injury. They were taken to a hospital for treatment. The car was demolished.

Mrs. Baden met death just six days short of her 26th birthday. She was born Dec. 22, 1918, in Liespic, Ohio, and was married in 1939.

Mr. Baden attended our Lutheran Institute for the Deaf from 1921-1930. Both Mr. and Mrs. Baden were members of the Lutheran Church and attended services regularly at Findlay, Ohio.

THIS AND THAT

The Christmas vacation was enjoyed by our pupils and the members of our staff. It gave the children an enjoyable visit with loved ones at home or with friends who were kind enough to invite them into their homes for the two weeks, and it gave our workers a short breathing spell during which they rested and gained strength for the six months of hard work ahead.

To our many friends who this year again remembered our children so kindly with gifts, we here once more say a hearty "THANK YOU!" — From our own Ladies' Aid we received the sum of \$150 to be used for playground equipment.

We also want to thank our many friends who in so many cases enclosed such nice words of encouragement with the gifts they sent us for the Institute. We should like to print them all, but space does not permit this. And so we will bring only a few excerpts which are samples of what most of the letters contained.

From Milwaukee: "In memory of my husband, Dr. E. A. J., please accept the enclosed contribution. . . . The doctor always had a special place in his heart for 'the children of silence.' What a blessing will be theirs when they meet the Savior face to face and hear a voice—His Voice—for the first time." Mrs. A. S. B. — Downers Grove, Ill. "We are old and crippled, but enjoy reading your paper about the children. We are enclosing a contribution." Mrs. F. K. — Mrs. L. E. H. writes: "I want to thank all of you because since Larry attends your school he is a different boy." — From V., Iowa, a pastor writes: "My wife says to me: 'Papa, send this to the dear children at Detroit. They need



Grace DeRouville, Monica Gable, Beverly Kropp, Lois Brandes
Are Having Fun in the Snow

the money for the grand work they are doing for those unfortunates.' I cheerfully bow to my wife's wishes and send you this gift of \$— for the great work you and your assistants are doing. May the Lord bless your work richly." Rev. E. L. — Fort Wayne, Ind.: "We are enclosing a bill for \$—. We wish it were a thousand." Mr. and Mrs. E. W.—Chicago, Ill.: "Kindly accept the enclosed contribution of \$— from St. S. Mixed choir. Our director, Mr. E. W. K., thought it very fitting that we, who have been blessed in that we are able to lift our voices in grateful praises to God, should assist some way in aiding those who are less fortunate and will perhaps never be able to enjoy this wonderful blessing. May God continue to bless and prosper your fine work." D. H.

Our dentist and friend, Dr. Carlyle Rueger, had a serious accident which kept him confined for months. We, and especially our pupils, miss the good doctor's weekly visits in our dental office where he always takes care of our youngsters' teeth. We hope that he will soon be back with us again. — In the doctor's absence our most urgent dental work has been taken care of by Dr. V. Rein of East Detroit.

During the Christmas vacation one of our teachers, Mrs. Lucretia Myers, took unto herself a man and in consequence thereof her name is now Mrs. Stevenson. We all wish Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson much happiness. — Mrs. Stevenson will remain with us as a teacher until next June.

Mr. Johnston, the father of one of our boys, repaired gratis our children's many old and broken sleds, as well as much broken fur-

niture. This kind deed makes it possible for our boys and girls to really enjoy the beautiful snow this winter and, incidentally, it has saved the institute a large repair bill.

We must ask our many friends to have patience with us if they haven't as yet received an acknowledgment for their offerings. We are desperately short of office help and for that reason we are almost one month behind in receipting gifts.

Mrs. Warren Twork, Mrs. J. R. Moore and Mr. & Mrs. C. E. Witt again deserve our sincere thanks for the days of assistance they have given us in the laundry, kitchen and office.

EIGHT ANNUAL BANQUET

From the remarks made by the capacity crowd that again gathered in the basement of our Institute for the Deaf on Sunday evening, Jan. 21st, we are assured that the eighth annual banquet of the Ladies' Aid for the Deaf was a success in every way.

For those interested in food, the full course dinner, featuring roast turkey, brought out a host of satisfied smiles. The Rev. J. P. Fackler of Toledo, Ohio, always a very capable toastmaster, conducted the introductions of a varied and most enjoyable program. The speaker for the evening was Rev. H. V. Mueller, who presented his interpretation of the book, "God on a Battlewagon." Other participants contributing toward the evening's merit were: Rev. Carl Kemp, Dr. P. J. Fackler, Mr. Conrad Aumann, Mrs. V. Reaume and Geraldine, and Mrs. R. Schmitz.

Behind every successful pro-

he was able to finish fifth grade before leaving, he never was quite able to adjust himself to the fact that he was scholastically inferior to other boys his age.

There is the case of I. M. Her parents refused to send her to any school because of an unavoidable accident which had occurred to another child while in school. This girl, therefore, received no formal education until she was thirteen years old and then only after laborious re-education of the parents was she allowed to enter a School for the Deaf.

Upon entering, I. M. had a vocabulary of some fifty to seventy-five common words. She had a pleasing appearance but was pitifully shy and self-conscious of her meager knowledge. She was eager to learn, however, and soon after her entrance the act of learning new things became such a revelation and joy to her that her whole disposition was transformed miraculously. This speedy develop-

ment in the case of I. M. was exceptional to all and brought great satisfaction to all concerned. But simultaneous with the happiness of achievement, there appeared the "too late" specter. It gradually became evident to I. M. that she could not make up for all the years lost because of the whim of thoughtless parents. Naturally she felt resentment, but the depth of her feelings was not as great as the remorse felt by her parents.

Tragedies like hers MUST be avoided. We who see them enacted must be stirred by sympathy for the victims to make plans for prevention. Parents, who wisely entered their child in time, should bear testimony of the wisdom of their decision to less-prudent parents whom they may know. Alumni, friends of the School, Public Health nurses, Doctors, Legislators—all should enlist in the campaign to eliminate this tragedy "too late" from the lives of many deaf children.—Rochester Advocate.

tute family and all the furniture. The entire Institute family at that time consisted of twenty deaf pupils, Pastor Speckhardt and his family, and Mr. H. Uhlig who, in January of 1875 was called from the theological seminary in St. Louis as an assistant instructor at the munificent salary of \$10.00 per month. Our records show that the following deaf children were enrolled at that time: Wm. Engelbrecht of Waldenburg, Mich., Anna Kalb of Detroit, Margaretha Grauf, Frankenmuth, Mich., Margaretha Frisch, Frankenmuth, Mich., George Streb, Kendallville, Ind., Mathilda Gehrke, Chicago, John Maass, Wm. Schmidt, Chicago, Karl Gruetzmacher, —, Theodore Fick, Chicago, Gustav Batzke, —, Bernhard Keck, Engelfield, Ind., Fred Klage, Winona, Minn., John Puehn, Racine, Wis., Karl Baumrueck, Chicago, August Doerfeld, Chicago, Pauline Gensche, Chicago, Bertha Reuter, Detroit, Maria Thress, Pomeroy, Ohio, and Albert Orth, Pittsburgh, Pa. — Of all these we only know of Albert Orth that he is still alive. Several years ago we had the pleasure of meeting him when he paid his old Alma Mater a visit. If any of the others are still alive it would be interesting to hear from them or their relatives.

During the process of erecting the new building the Board of Directors was always in financial difficulties. To meet current bills money was borrowed from banks and individuals and wherever such loans could be obtained. Interest as high as 10% had to be paid on some short term loans.—

In 1874 a pastoral conference, convened in Adrian, Mich., petitioned the Delegate Synod in an overture to take over and conduct

the Lutheran Institute for the Deaf as part of its work. Synod in its answer to this overture declared that its constitution does not permit it to undertake the operation of the Institute, but that it is willing to lend assistance, and for that reason asked that an annual report on the Institute be submitted to Synod by the president of the Northern District.

In a Board of Directors meeting held on January 14, 1875, Supt. Speckhardt reported on the transfer of the orphans to the orphanage at Addison, Ill. No names of these orphans are contained in our records. It would, however, be interesting to know if any of them or their descendants are readers of our "Advocate." An interesting fact is that one of the orphans who was not sent to Addison, but remained in the Institute, is the mother of Mr. Walter Maul, who is the secretary of our Board of Directors and also the architect who planned and supervised the construction of our present beautiful building.

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History of the Lutheran Institute of the Deaf

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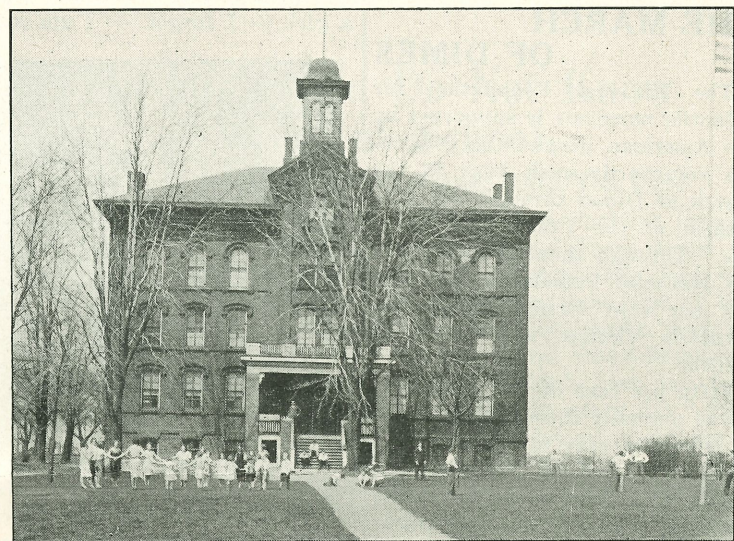
On August 31st, 1874, the Association finally decided to purchase the 20-acre plot of land in the village of Norris and to relocate the Institute on it. After the land was bought, the building plans and specifications which had been prepared and submitted by Mr. A. Albrecht, Jr., for a building at Royal Oak were now adopted for the site at Norris and building operations were begun at once under a Building Committee which consisted of the members of the Board of Directors. The hope was expressed that the new building might be completed that fall yet.

To finance this rather large project, it was resolved to solicit cash and materials from congregations, various firms, and individuals and to sell non-interest bearing bonds. Pastors Arndt, Huegli, and Moll were appointed to sell these bonds. It may be of interest to our readers to know that the balance in the Institute treasury was exactly \$335.73 at that time. One must marvel at the faith and trust of our fathers. But with hard work, many and great sacrifices, and the blessing of the Lord they accomplished great things.

The cornerstone-laying service was held on Sunday afternoon, September 27th. This was a day of great rejoicing. A special train was chartered to bring the many

friends to this service at Norris. Excursion tickets were printed in the German language and sold at 25c for the round trip. Mr. Keil was appointed to assist the train conductor at collecting the fares. Messrs. Keil, Beyer, Strubel, Schieler, Flach and Berger were appointed to keep order on the train. Pastor Speckhardt preached the sermon and Pastors Moll and Dankworth assisted at the service. The items placed into the little lead box which was then put into the cornerstone were the following: The proceedings of the Northern District of the Missouri Synod, a history of the Institute prepared by Pastor Moll, a map of the city of Detroit, a map and history of the Norris townsite, a map of Michigan, a German round trip railroad excursion ticket, a Prairie Mound Plank Road excursion ticket, and a penny with a hole in it.

The hope expressed that the new Institute might be completed in the fall of 1874 was not fulfilled, and it was not ready for occupancy until February 24th, 1875, when the transfer from Royal Oak was made. Mr. Rehahn was put in charge of the moving activities. He and his committee reported in the Feb. 21st meeting as having secured fifteen teams and wagons as well as the help of sufficient men gratis to transfer the Insti-



The Building Which Was Erected in 1874 and Which Was Replaced by Our Present Buildings in 1939

KEEP THEM COMING

We are referring to those green ink self-addressed envelopes. We know that not all our readers found it possible to return them with their gifts during the holiday season, but we are confident that these envelopes will continue to reach us during the next few months. Friends, and readers, your Institute for the Deaf needs your support and for that reason we say, "Keep Them Coming."



Gordon Goebel Is Tackling His Job with a Smile

gram you will find people who have contributed tirelessly in effort and time in its organization, administration, and general detail. Mrs. A. C. Johnson, President of the Ladies' Aid for the Deaf, Mrs. P. J. Fackler, C. D., Program Chairman, Mrs. H. Zuelch, in charge of the kitchen, together with their committee aids are to be congratulated for the accomplished evening.

It is comforting to know that so successful and active a group as the Ladies' Aid is so sincerely devoted to the interests and welfare of our school. We have always found our ladies ready, willing and generous in providing for the miscellaneous needs and comforts of our children. May God continue to bless them, and grant them a more promising year than ever before.

THE MARCH OF DIMES

The National Foundation for Infantile paralysis is supported by the American people who contribute voluntarily each year to the March of Dimes through the celebration of the President's Birthday. Through these contributions the National Foundation provides 100 per cent hospitalization for paralysis victims where this is needed.

Fifty per cent of the money received annually through the March of Dimes is sent to the National Foundation and its Chapters for grants to Universities for Polio research, epidemic aid, and education. The other fifty per cent of the money raised provides the aid required by polio victims. Michi-

gan has become a center of polio research. The State Department of Health, the University of Michigan and Wayne University have laboratories devoted to research into the cause and prevention of the disease.

Our children who know what it means to be handicapped, also contributed their mites to this worthy cause during the recent March of Dimes campaign in order that the victims might receive the best of care and so overcome the results of this dreadful disease. Thus they again demonstrated their love for the Savior who has given Himself for them.

YOUR GIFTS ARE APPRECIATED

Gifts from our friends near and far came to gladden the hearts of our children this Christmas. There were toys of all kinds, books, puzzles, candy, even lovely things to wear. A goodly number of the toys were used in a Toy Store in one of the pre-grade classes as part of a reading project. And how the children loved it!

The children are truly grateful, and take this opportunity to thank all who so generously and thoughtfully remembered them—the Ladies' Aids, the Sunday Schools, the Clubs, and Guilds, and the individuals. It is indeed heartwarming to see what pleasure the children derive through these gifts.

OUT OF THE CLASS ROOM

Mrs. Kirchhoff's Class
(1st Pre-grade)

Speech Expressions: Thank you. — I love you. — Good-bye. — I am a girl. — I forgot. — I am sorry.



Gordon Goebel of Michigan, Curtis Ketelsen of Iowa, Junior Behmer of California, Helmut Quiram of Texas, Dean Hofman and Bruce Becker of Nebraska

— A woman gave me some candy. — Estelle Provow, Age 6

Lip-reading commands: Wipe your mouth. — Roll a ball. — Stand on your chair. — Blow your nose. — Break your bread. — Fold your hands. — Put your feet on the floor. — Comb your hair. — Wash your face. — Rose Marie Bier, Age 7.

Language — Using have and has: I have some new gray pants. — I have some old black shoes. — I have a new book. — Carol has a pink bow. — Estelle has some blue and red socks. — Vincent has a red airplane. — Bruce Becker, Age 7.

News: Today is Wednesday. — It is cloudy. — It is cold. — We are well. — Patricia is home. — Rose Marie has a pink comb. — Dean has some new brown shoes. — Junior has some new glasses. — Vincent Lackey, Age 6.

Language — Using verbs in the past tense: Junior ran. — Bruce fell. — Carol jumped. — Robert cried. — Vincent laughed. — I marched. — Patricia walked. — Rose Marie hopped. — Estelle coughed. — Dean Hofman, Age 6.

Miss Jaques' Class
(3rd Grade)

Change the direct discourse to indirect discourse: 1. Nancy said, "I shall not go home Friday, January 26." — Nancy said that she would not go home Friday, Jan. 26. 2. Miss Born said, "Last Saturday was Mr. Klein's birthday." — Miss Born said that last Saturday was Mr. Klein's birthday. 3. Marlene and I said, "We can make a crown with string." — Marlene and I said that we could make a crown with string. 4. The radio man said, "It will be cloudy today." — The radio man said that it would be cloudy today. — Julia Madach

1. Mrs. Myers said, "I eat a lemon every day." — Mrs. Myers

said that she ate a lemon every day. 2. The children said, "We like to play in the snow." — The children said that they liked to play in the snow. 3. Miss Jaques said, "Some children can skate very well." — Miss Jaques said that some children could skate very well. 4. Julia said, "I can smell popcorn in the bag." — Julia said that she could smell popcorn in the bag. — Kenneth Carter

1. Miss Jones said, "It is very dark this morning because it is cloudy." — Miss Jones said that it was very dark this morning because it was cloudy. 2. Mrs. Heschke said, "The birds can't find food in the winter." — Mrs. Heschke said that the birds couldn't find food in the winter. 3. Merilou said, "Miss Jaques has something in a bag for us." — Merilou said that Miss Jaques had something in a bag for us. 4. Kenneth said, "My mother can cook." — Kenneth said that his mother could cook. 5. Marlene said, "I can't cook." — Marlene said that she couldn't cook. — Nancy Costen

CHILDREN VISITING WITH SCHOOL MATES

We frequently have requests from parents to take children other than their own to their homes as visitors and guests. We are not permitted to allow children to go to any home other than their own without special written permission from parents. This permission must be given by the parent of the child who is to be the visitor, and also a written invitation must be in our files from the parents in whose home the pupil is to visit. —

May we ask that all parents cooperate with us in circumstances of this kind?

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