## Incidentally yours

School-closing festival and dedication service June 12th—excellent weather—fine program—good speakers—Dr. H. Grueber and Rev. G. Walter Schoedel—many visitors rom far and near—Favorable comments from visitors on the beauty, simplicity and practicability of the new unit and the entire Institute in general.

Improvements durng past year, besides the erection of the addition to the boys' residence, were the construction and furnishing of four additional class-rooms in the administration building, the laying of a new 250 ft. 4 inch water main from the street into the building, the decorating of the interior of the old part of the boys' residence and the painting of the exterior of the entire Institute - the grading and seeding of the grounds around the new unit - the tiling of the walls in the girls' hospital ward to conform to sanitary requirements - the blacktopping of the parking spacethe laying of several hundred feet of concrete walks-the building and installing of cabinets in all class rooms—the acquiring of a 11/2 h.p. garden tractor with necessary attachments.

NEW ENROLLMENT: Due to enarged facilities the parents of many pupils on our long waiting list could be notified that their children would be accepted for enrollment in September.

TEACHERS: Five new teachers were obtained to fill vacancies and added classes. They will come from New York, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Canada.—Responding to our appeal in the Deaf Child's Advocate for students to take up training to become teachers of special education, Miss Krueger from Valparaiso, Miss Keup and Mr. Tegeder from River Forest and Miss Jacobson from Montana will enter Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf to be prepared for teaching positions in schools for the Deaf.—By being in-service trainees these students will receive tuition, board and room from the Pennsylvania school.

LEGACIES: Recent receipts of the Lena Cramer, the Irene F. Sharrer, and the Minnie Jordan legacies made it possible for us to dedicate our new building debt-free.

The good works of these and other friends of the Institute who in their last wills and testaments have remembered and will remember the cause of their Lutheran Institute are thus being perpetuated until the day of the coming of our Lord. St.

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# The President Reports

The president of the Lutheran Institute for the Deaf, the Rev. H. R. Wacker, in his report to the 76th annual meeting of the Association held June 15, 1949, among other things said: "Your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions." Joel 2. Today we reverently bow in grateful adoration unto Him Who so mercifully and faithfully granted the fullest realization of the dreams and visions of His special friends of the deaf. "Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy Name give glory, for Thy mercy and Thy truth's sake." Indeed, "The Lord has done great things for us whereof we are glad!"

"At the close of this seventy-sixth year of the history of our beloved Christian School for the Deaf, the Lord of the Church has graciously granted us the high and holy privilege of dedicating to the glory of the Triune God the 127 foot addition to our Boy's residence.

"The Lord granted our large family good health during the past year. Not once was it necessary for any of our doctors to visit the Institute. — Our operating costs are up. Today it costs us \$1,000.00 per year per child. This may seem high, but it is still much below that of the State schools for the Deaf. — Almost one quarter of all operating expenses is received from the parents of our pupils, the rest must come from free-will offerings and legacies. — Thanks to God, the generous support of our friends, and the Cramer legacy, the new wing just dedicated is debt free. — But the enlarged Institute with its increased enrollment will mean greater upkeep expenses. These, so necessary funds, we must continue to expect from our many loyal friends whom God has made willing to support this special, but unique and worthwhile, missionary endeavor."

# School-opening Date

The 77th school term will begin on Tuesday, September 6th. All children coming from great distances should arrive on that day or a day or two earlier. All pupils coming from Detroit and nearby points should arrive on Wednesday, September 7th.

We again ask that the parents have their children's full names on each garment, including handkerchiefs, hose, and shoes, also that all children be vaccinated and immunized against contagious diseases and given so-called booster shots where necessary.

J. A. KLEIN, Director

## Shirley Hubbard Success Story

Ed. Note: The following story is a partial reprint of an article that appeared in "The Herald Review" of Roy Oak, Mich.

Shirley Hubbard, an attractive brunette, was graduated from Royal Oak High School, despite the handicap of complete deafness.

To her hearing classmates struggling with final exams, Shirley, being totally deaf, was nothing less than the eighth wonder of the world. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Hubbard, 904 Ottawa Drive, Royal Oak, Mich.

Spelling was her best subject, Sociology and office practice were the subjects she liked best. In an aptitude test taken at Burroughs' Adding Machine Co. (where she plans to attend training school following graduation), she was perfect in spelling.

Shirley has accomplished her remarkable record despite complete deafness. She and her parents want to recommend a school for the deaf, which takes children at the age of three. The school is the Ev. Lutheran Institute for the Deaf at 6861 Nevada Ave., Detroit



Shirley Hubbard

# The eternal reward

Through Memorial Wreaths, we have been informed that the following readers of our Advocate have been called by the Lord to be with Him in the heavenly mansions:

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Rev. Markus Wilk, Durango, Colo.; Mrs. Minna Gehrs Streit, Chicago, Rev. K. G. Schlegel, Nashville, Sophia Pfaff, Rock Island, Illinois; Charles Weimer, Elizabeth Weimer, Avilla, Adam Bienz, Decatur, Herman Jaeger, Theo. M. Kosche, Gary, Mrs. Golterman, Hammond, Indiana; Edward F. Krueger, Adrian, Mrs. Wilhelmina Horning, Ann Arbor, Fred Hartmann, Bay City, Rudolph C. Albrecht, Ferdinand Bischoff, Peter N. Eisenback, Martin Friling, Mrs. Chas. Hess, Mrs. Ernestine Jankowsky, Louis Kniffel, Herbert Manzelman, John Methner, Louis Pressel, Mrs. Celina Rodemsky, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schacht, Richard Schwandt, Mrs. Charlest H. Strauch, Detroit, Henry Neumann, East Detroit, Clara Sohn, Farmington, John Maurer, Frankenmuth, Mrs. Henrietta Schumaker, Grosse Pointe, Mrs. Louise Anschuetz, Norman Bridgeman, Highland Park, Mrs. Anna Stall, Ida, Mrs. Herman Klemm, Ludington, Mrs. Lewis Menzel, Monroe, Wm. Schoof, Mt. Clemens, George Daenzer, Otisville, Mrs. Anna Einhardt, Pigeon, Bertha Bekemeier,, Richville, Otto Schmekel, Mrs. Otto Wenzel, Rogers City, Frank Glave, Saginaw, William Paul, Saline, Mrs. P. Waschilewsky, Wyandotte, Michigan; Prof. G. Burk, New Ulm, Minn.; Henry Bohning, Cleveland Heights, Albert F. Diehl, Defiance, Fred Loschky, Mrs. William Streng, Marysville, Rev. Karl R. Trautmann, Convoy, Mrs. E. G. Grosser, South Euclid, Henry Norden, Wauseon, Ohio; Arnold Sylvester, Portland, Oregon; Henry H. Hoeldtke, San Antonio, John Schwausch, Walburg, Texas; Mrs. Henry Groth, Sr., Rev. Paul Brammer, Karl Krueger, Wausau, Wisconsin.

"Well done, thou good and faithful servant, thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."-Matthew

## A Correction

In the last issue of this paper the name of Mrs. Frank Hoge was listed among those of our deceased readers by mistake. We are happy to state that our good friend, Mrs. Hoge, is still very much alive and in good health.

## Helen Keller on Deafness

"I have found deafness to be a much greater handicap than blindness," she said. "Actually, blindness does not mean very much to me. I know the beauty of flower's by their smell, and the loveliness of their texture and shape through my hands.

"In other ways, I have found that acuteness in other senses and the kindness of people have richly compensated me for blindness.

"With deafness it is different. In advancing years, I have grown closer to the deaf because I have come to regard hearing as the key sense. That is the door that opens most readily on knowledge, because it is largely by listening to their parents that children learn.

"Deafness, by fettering the powers of utterance, cheats many of their birthright to knowledge. A child born deaf cannot learn easily because he can hear nothing to imitate.

"It took me 25 years to learn to speak as I speak now, and few people fully understand me without Polly's help.

"How can people pick up words and weigh their value if they lack the foundation on which knowledge is built?

"It is infinitely harder for the deaf than for the blind to grasp concrete facts, much less ponder on the abstract.

"It is possible to supply the blind with the means of replacing nearly everything. With the deaf, it is ever so much harder to find a substitute.

"That is why, if I could live again, I'd work more than I have for the deaf, and encourage the utmost endeavor to break the silence in which they live."

Miss Keller said that training deaf children could begin even at six months.

"I want to see hearts grow softer and warmer towards the deaf and the blind," she said.

"If the average kind-hearted person realized what pleasure the deaf get from talking to people outside their own immediate group, they would take the time and patience required to speak to them."

> With acknowledgments to the Adelaide News, Australia

#### HAVE YOU SEEN IT?

Those who have seen our all color sound film, "The World of Silence" have acclaimed it highly as being both interesting and educational for children as well as for adult groups. The entire congregation or its individual organizations will welcome an opportunity to actually see and hear the story of the deaf child and his educational world at your Lutheran Institute for the Deaf.

What do others say of this film?

"By far the best yet." Rev. J. A. B., Columbus, Ohio.

"Excellent. We're proud of that school." Rev. A. L. P., Pine

"The film is excellent. If we had known how fine a picture it is we would have given it a much better build-up." Rev. A. C. S., Alexandria, Minn.

"Should be shown in every congregation of our Synod." Rev. W. H. W., Youngstown, Ohio.

"Very excellent photography and certainly inspiring presentation. Everyone was extremely touched and even children were fascinated." Rev. P. L., Towson, Maryland.

# We Want to See the World of Silence

Name of Church
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Date on which film is desired:
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Signed
Mail your request to: Evangelical Lutheran Institute for the Deaf, 6861 E. Nevada Avenue,

Detroit 34, Michigan

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John says of them, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their WORKS do follow them." And the Lord will say to each of them, "Well done thou good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."



#### FORM OF BEQUEST **OUR INSTITUTE**

I give, devise and bequeath to the Evangelical Lutheran Institute for the Deaf, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Michigan, and located in the city of Detroit, the sum of ......dollars and the receipt of the Treasurer of said corporation shall be a sufficient discharge to my executor for

Have you booked the **ALL** color Sound Movie THE WORLD OF SI-LENCE? Running Time 35 Min.

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## Macomb Count Ladies' Aid

A God-send to the Lutheran Institute for the Deaf is the Macomb County Ladies' Aid. The initial meeting of the Macomb Branch of the Ladies' Aid for the Deaf was held January 31, 1935, at Mount Clemens, Michigan. Devotions were conducted by the late Rev. L. A. Wissmueller and the Rev. Ernest Fackler addressed the assembly on the work of the Institute in Detroit. Mrs. Louisa Arendt, a past president of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Lutheran Institute for the Deaf of Detroit, also spoke on the work for the deaf. Pastor Geo. Sebald was elected temporary chairman for this meeting and Pastor A. Krentz served as temporary secretary. Thirty-one ladies, present from Fraser, Mt. Clemens, Macomb, Waldenburg and Canal, expressed their desire to join the newly formed society. The results of an election were as follows: president, Mrs. Geo. Sebald; vice-president, Mrs. Wm. Klemm; secretary, Mrs. Edwin A. Blank; treasurer, Mrs. Chas. Beyerlein.

A constitution, drawn up by Rev. Geo. Sebald, was adopted on February 12, 1935, and later revised. Meetings were held monthly, but since 1943 they have been held every other month. At first many of the meetings were joint meetings with the Detroit group and in 1942 it was decided to join with Detroit only once a year at the Institute in May.

Gifts to the Institute included towels, bedspreads, clothing, etc., and at the end of the first year \$75 was donated for floor lamps and maintenance fund. Since 1937 the main project has been to furnish dishes and other kitchen equipment. Between 1939 and 1943, \$600 were contributed toward furnishing a room at the Institute and at the present time the group is undertaking to raise \$500 to furnish a room in the new building. It is expected that the entire amount will be contributed during 1949. On the Wednesdays during May volunteers of the group help with the mending at the Institute.

Funds to carry on the work of the Macomb Aid are raised through dues and special collections. An offering is lifted at each meeting after which a lunch is served.

Special activities have included addresses at the meetings by various speakers, a teaching demonstration by a teacher and six pupils of the Institute, observance of the 10th anniversary of the society at Waldenburg, January 7, 1945, and assistance at the 75th anniversary celebration last year.

The membership which at the end of 1935 numbered 75 has grown to 167.

## Memorial Room Roll of Honor Additional Room Dedications

Dedicated to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of my Husband Mr. Herman D. Schoettger and my Parents, Mr. & Mrs. Edward Rothe

By Mrs. Emma Schoettger, Fremont, Nebraska

#### Letters from Parents

"Your acceptance of our Mary Ann in your school this September is, indeed, the answer to our prayers." S. E. B., Wausau, Wis. "Your good news completely overwhelmed me for a few days. I am most happy to be able to say Robert wll be enrolled in your school this fall. My prayers and those of my many interested friends have been answered."—D. D., Detroit, Mich.

## **Balloon Race**

The balloon ascension of this year has started international competition. The winds carried one ascension of balloons north into Michigan. Balloon cards have been returned from these cities in Michigan: Yale, Melvin, Capac, Carsonville, Utica, Washington, Deckerville, Centerline, Warren, Emmett, Immlay City and Peck. Another balloon ascension was carried east into Canada. Cards have been returned from the following Canadian cities in Ontario, Creemore, Rockwood, Embro Guelph, Dashwood, Milton, Hespeler, Atwood, Brampton and Lakeside.

At the writing of this article it is impossible to give the final decision as to the winner, Creemore, Ontario, is the farthest point on record now. The mailman brings balloon cards everyday. So the big question as to which ascension went the farthest, the one going north into Michigan or the one going east into Canada, will be answered in your October issue of the Advocate.



Macomb Society an Active Group



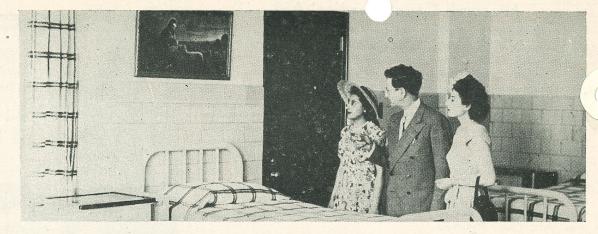
After a meeting Refreshments



The President, Mrs. G. W. Schoedel, and her official family consisting of the Mesdames R. Foerster, G. Sebald, E. Reackhof, W. Junke, A. Schoof, W. Nieman, W. Penzien, W. Klemm, and A. Behm. Not present were Mesdames L. Heinecke, A. Rohrbeck, C. Seiss, and G. Remer.

## **FESTIVAL FEATURES**

Ed. Note: Due to the great amount of enthusiasm displayed at the Annual Festival by those who were in attendance, the editors of the Advocate felt encouraged to print a full page of pictures, so that you, its readers, might also pictorially enjoy it.



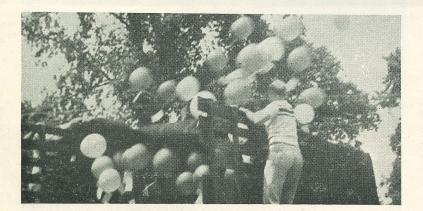
Dr. de Goenaga and friends viewing rooms in new building



Dir. J. A. Klein awarding diplomas



Some of the Institute's many friends



A balloon ascension of 1949



One of the beautiful drills



Part of the colorful program presented by the deaf children

The success of the children's program on Festival Day is, of course, entirely dependent upon our faithful teachers, who annually give a great amount of their spare time in order to produce an interesting pageant.