

Incidentally yours

The days of June were busy days with festival preparations—housemothers packing children's clothes—the office force arranging for bus, train, and air transportation—parents calling for their youngsters—teachers arranging exhibits and making their final reports—graduation—and finally, taking the youngsters to the various stations for transportation to their respective homes.

All our pupils are now at home enjoying the vacation period in the midst of loved ones. September will bring them back to their home-away-from-home where they then again will enjoy the pleasure of being with their many school mates.—All available beds and class room seats vacated by our June graduates will be occupied by the many new pupils from far and near who are now waiting to join our happy family. We are sorry that we must report that this year again there will be those for whom there will be no room because of lack of facilities and teachers.

Our new pupils are coming to us from Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Wisconsin, Minnesota, South Dakota, South Carolina, Maryland, and Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.—Kind reader, do you realize the immensity of the sacrifice which these children and their parents are bringing for the sake of a Christian education for these youngsters?

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EPHPHATHA CONFERENCE MEETS AT INSTITUTE

Our Institute was host to the pastors of the Ephphatha Conference from July 4th to July 8th. This conference is composed of the thirty full-time missionaries for deaf in the Missouri Synod. They came from Oregon, California,



The ever-young Rev. John Salvner, D.D., Executive Secretary Board of Missions to the Deaf

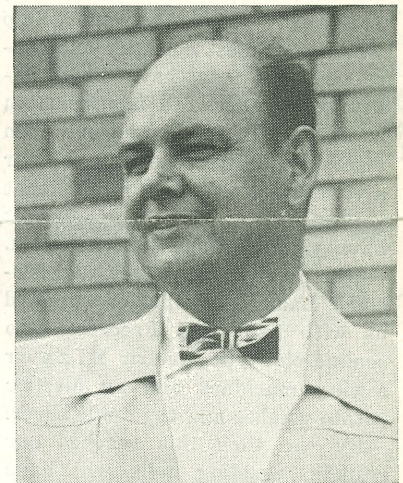
Texas, Florida, New York, and other states. Pastor William Buege, chairman of Synod's Board for Deaf Missions, also attended the sessions of this conference.

Business sessions were conducted on the four week-days. The general theme of the conference was "Doing Effective Mission Work Among the Deaf." On Saturday morning the pastoral service was held, in which the pastors partook of Holy Communion. Pastor Theo. Frederking of Cleveland, Ohio, spoke the confessional address. On Sunday morning Pastor E. Mappes of Omaha, Nebraska, preached the conference sermon. Activities on Sunday were concluded with a turkey dinner, served by the Ladies' Aid of Our Savior's congregation of the Deaf.

The missionaries were highly pleased with the cordial welcome extended to them by Director Klein and the members of the

household staff, and with the pleasant and comfortable accommodations provided by the Institute. When invited to come again, they expressed their willingness to do so in a most emphatic manner.

—Rev. N. E. Borchardt



The Rev. Wm. Buege, Chairman of Synod's Board of Missions to the Deaf. "The Bossman"



The Superintendents who constitute the Conference of Executives of American Schools for the Deaf met in annual convention in Little Rock, Arkansas. Your Lutheran Institute was represented by its Director, J. A. Klein. Important phases of the education of the deaf were discussed and the modern trends in this field of special education were noted in particular

Incidentally yours cont.

Three teachers will also be newcomers. They are the Misses Juntilla, Powell and Ohlinger. They are Special Education graduates from the Michigan State Teachers' College at Ypsilanti and the Michigan University at Ann Arbor.

Among our many visitors this summer were also an entire busload of Walther Leaguers from Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas, who were on their way to their convention in Ottawa, Canada. — Convention guests were the Ephphatha Conference members who convened here for five days and delegates to the Michigan District convention who were lodged with us. — Conventions visited by us were the Michigan and English District conventions at East Detroit and River Forest respectively and the convention of the Executives of the American Schools for the Deaf held at Little Rock, Arkansas. — Already some group visits of Ladies' Societies and other organizations have been announced for the fall months from as far as Ohio. We welcome such visits and invite others to ask for a visiting date. We assure you that you will never regret nor forget having gone on such an excursion. — Our everwilling Detroit and Macomb Ladies' Auxiliaries supplied us with two Deep Freezers, two commercial-type electric Singer sewing machines and an electric potato masher and vegetable slicer. — By the time this reaches our readers, wedding bells will have rung for three of our faithful workers. They are the Misses Emily Born, a long time teacher in our school, Priscilla Keup, also a teacher, and Ila Mae Wackler, one of our office workers. We wish them the Lord's richest blessings and all possible happiness in their married life.

Mr. Bellhorn, our Principal, has been working hours preparing and arranging class room work for the new school term. We are confident that having completed this work, he is now enjoying his vacation to the fullest extent.

Mr. Tegeder, although on vacation, kept himself busy going to summer school, doing the composite work for the Advocate, and laying concrete driveways. Being our Athletic Director, the latter will help to keep him in form.

Barbara Brauer, one of our former pupils, will have the unique experience of spending a year in

Germany with her family, where her father, Mr. John Brauer, of Evanston, Illinois, will be an exchange teacher at the Hansaschule in Bergedorf, near Hamburg.

Our bookkeeper, Mrs. Murphy, having a new electric adding machine which adds, subtracts, and multiplies up to a million, will be able to do her work more efficiently and quickly.

Through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. John Walter of Detroit, our teachers and pupils will enjoy the use of a fine electric microscope in their science lessons and benefit from it.

Now is the time to book a copy of our 16mm all-color sound film. There is no fixed rental charge for this interesting picture.

Miss Vera Handschin, one of our efficient housemothers, is spending the entire summer in the Alps of Switzerland. We expect her back in our midst by September 15. — Deaconesses Marie Bliefnick and Esther Matz are vacationing in Illinois and Wisconsin respectively. — The household personnel which remained on duty is busy cleaning, painting, and in general, setting the house in order for the reopening of our school on the 2nd of September.

On July 20th, the writer had a part on the WJR Radio program titled, "Religion in Action." Arrangements will be made for a longer TV show later in the year.

We are happy to report that our son, Lt. Col. John J. Klein, who spent twenty months on the battlefront in Korea and on Koje Island, returned unharmed and is now active in the Psywar Center at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

Records of Success

At an Alumni Reunion more than 100 former students representing classes from the earliest to the most recent returned to Central Institute.

Chemists, engineers, college students, clerks, bakers, ranchers, farmers, accountants, and research chemists were among those attending the reunion to illustrate their ability to carve out careers on equal terms with persons possessing normal hearing.

Evidence of the initiative and competitive ability of the CID alumni was dramatically offered in a special exhibit presented in connection with the reunion. Featured in the exhibit were displays in which individual alumni illustrated their occupations, their hobbies, and their modes of life.

Language Necessary for Deaf Students

Much of our success in earning a living and in making friends depends upon the words we use and the way we use them. Good Language can help us to move up to better jobs or Poor Language can forever hold us down. We are constantly judged by the way we express ourselves. First impressions, which are often most important, are largely based on our manner of expression, either oral or written. The language we use in speech and writing indicates to the world our worth, our capabilities, our usefulness. It is a mirror of personality and character, intellectual and social background, habits of thinking, attitudes, feelings, beliefs. **THE WORLD FORMS ITS OPINION OF US BY WHAT WE SAY AND HOW WE SAY IT.**

Average children with normal hearing pick up a vocabulary of approximately 1200 words before they enter school at the age of six. This vocabulary is acquired through daily contacts with adults and playmates and the extent and quality of the child's language depends largely upon his environment. The profoundly deaf child, however, is denied this natural vocabulary and enters school with no language background. His is a Herculean task. With no hearing to guide him he must remember how expressions look in lipreading or on the printed page. Therefore, his language is limited by these two to evaluate their language, hearing people resort to that which sounds familiar to them. How often we remark, "That doesn't sound right." Without sound for an aid, how can the deaf child judge what is acceptable? It is only through constant use and thorough drill on the principles of good language that he can acquire good language. It is not only through those who understand the student's problem and know how to cope with it that he can be helped, but through his own realization of its importance to his future success and happiness.

—Oregon Outlook

Our beautiful Memorial Wreath folders are always available upon request, free and post-paid.

Parents Are Satisfied

Dear Mr. Klein,

I am sorry I have not written you before; I especially wanted to write to tell you how happy we are about Paul's excellent progress. He uses words continually, and seems to have added many new ones to his vocabulary. He recognizes and pronounces words from the newspaper and magazines, sometimes, too, words I had no idea he knew about. He seems genuinely interested in learning now, which was the biggest step he had to take. He had quite lost his taste for the academic life after two years at the — School.

Paul is in excellent health, eats very well, and keeps busy all day long. Quite a changed little boy from two years ago, for which we are eternally grateful to your fine school

We wish to extend to you, your family, and your staff the best of wishes for a pleasant vacation time.

Mrs. B. —, Des Plaines, Ill.

Hellenic Prayer

Gilbert Murray, noted British classical scholar, author of "Four Stages of Greek Religion" has translated an early Greek prayer which, if motivated by love for Christ the Savior and with Him in mind as the example, is as applicable today as it was 2000 years ago.

"May I be no man's enemy, and may I be the friend of that which is eternal and abides. May I never quarrel with those nearest me; and if I do, may I be reconciled quickly. May I never devise evil against any man; if any devise evil against me, may I escape uninjured and without the need of hurting him. May I love, seek and attain only that which is good. May I wish for all men's happiness and envy none. May I never rejoice in the ill fortune of one who has wronged me. When I have done or said what is wrong, may I never wait for the rebuke myself until I make amends. May I win no victory that harms either me or my opponent. May I never fail a friend in danger. May I respect myself. May I always keep tame that which rages within me. May I accustom myself to be gentle and never be angry because of circumstances."

Our film,
"THE WORLD OF SILENCE,"
is again available.

THAT MIRACLE WORD

To obtain and retain good teachers and other personnel, the Board of Management had to adjust all salaries upward. Due to these adjustments, together with the ever rising cost of living our operating costs have greatly increased since the late thirties and early forties. At that time our budget requirements per child were around \$1000 per year of ten months. Beginning September our needs per child for board and tuition will be \$1500 per year. Yes, friends, deaf education is very costly. The special schools with specially trained personnel which it requires makes it so.

In order to continue this blessed work of the church, it becomes more and more necessary for us to appeal to such as the Lord has blessed with material goods and favored with physically and mentally normal children and grandchildren to help bear the heavy burdens He has laid upon others when He caused their offspring to be afflicted with deafness. He, no doubt, brings the needs of these "Lazaruses" to our attention in order to test our love for and our faith in Him. Since many parents of our children, after having paid for necessary clothing and traveling expenses, can pay but a small portion of what it costs us to operate your Institute, it has become necessary for us to grant ever more and greater partial and entire scholarships to our many pupils.

The doors of your Institute have NEVER been closed to any deaf child because of inability on the part of the parents to pay. However, in order to continue this policy of keeping our doors open to ALL deaf children, so that they may here learn to know their Savior, even though their parents can pay but little or nothing at all for board and tuition, we feel compelled to invite and solicit Christian friends whom the Lord has blessed financially and otherwise to sponsor a deaf child in our school by supplying for him or her a whole or partial scholarship by paying that portion of the board and tuition fee which the parents cannot afford to pay. It would seem that such a project would be extremely interesting to Ladies' Societies, the membership of which is generally composed of mothers who realize what it means to have healthy children and grandchildren and whose hearts therefore go out to the afflicted child.

Among many others, we need a full scholarship for a son of one of our Missionaries to the Mexicans. This boy is not only deaf but also partially blind. Full scholarships are also needed for two orphans, a brother and sister from Kentucky. And there are many, many others for whom full or partial scholarships must be made available. — What a challenge to mission-minded persons or organizations!

Be assured that such deeds of love performed for the benefit of the least of Christ's brethren will heap upon you the undying gratitude of the parents of these deaf children. And it will, above all, have the approbation and approval of Christ who Himself had compassion upon the deaf youth and miraculously restored his faculties.

We shall be very happy to supply names and information to any and all who may be interested and willing to repeat that MIRACLE word, EPHPHATHA, by supplying funds for such needed scholarships.

THE 1952 - 1953 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Sept. 2 (Tues.)	School Opens
Oct. 24 (Fri.)	Lutheran Teachers' Conference
Nov. 26 (Wed.)	Thanksgiving Holiday, Classes dismissed at noon.
Nov. 31 (Mon.)	Classes Resume at 8:45 A.M.
Dec. 18 (Thurs.)	Christmas Program, 2:00 P.M. (Pupils leave with parents after the program)
Dec. 19 (Fri.)	Pupils leave by train, bus, or plane
Dec. 19 (Fri.)	Teachers leave after 3:30 P.M.
Jan. 4 (Sun.)	Pupils Return
Jan. 5 (Mon.)	Classes Resume 8:45 A.M.
April 2 (Thurs.)	Easter Vacation begins at 12:00 Noon
April 6 (Mon.)	Pupils Return
April 7 (Tues.)	Classes Resume at 8:45 A.M.
June 14 (Sun.)	School Closes — Annual Festival
June 15 (Mon.)	Pupils leave by train, bus, or plane

The last Friday of each month is considered the beginning of the so-called long week-end on which pupils may be taken home after 3:15 and kept until Sunday evening or Monday morning.

Association Meets

Pastors and delegates of the 48 Association congregations assembled to review activities of the past year (the 79th) heard the president's report as well as that of the School Board. The following are excerpts of President Rev. H. R. Wacker's and Pastor Geo. Krach's reports:

"During the past year the Lord continued to provide the necessary financial support for this costly type of special Christian education. The operating cost per child again rose from \$1200, the previous year's figure, to \$1294 for '51-'52. Due mainly to salary adjustments the anticipated cost is expected to approach \$1500 for the coming school year.

Income from legacies decreased over the previous year, however, gifts from pound day and of farm produce from the Detroit, the Thumb District, Macomb County and other farming areas, were the largest ever. The Detroit Ladies' Auxiliary and Macomb County Auxiliary again contributed generously."

The main project of the former, among others, was the re-decorating and tiling of the girls' basement room. The latter's projects included donating toward the new Garbridder and furnishing an ironer and an electric sewing machine.

Mr. Louis Knorr and Mr. Fred Auch were re-elected to the Board of Management. Rev. Geo. Hildner, the newly elected member replaced the Rev. Rossow, who declined re-election. Rev. N. E. Borchardt was re-elected to the Board of Education.

The Board of Education reported that a fine Christian spirit prevailed in the school and that our teachers faithfully performed their work along with Director Klein and Principal Bellhorn.

The school's physical education program which until now was conducted at the Y. M. C. A. and Recreation Center, will have to be discontinued, due to its tremendous transportation and high membership costs. — In order that we may eventually resume these worthwhile activities, the Association decided to erect a modest gymnasium on our campus as soon as feasible.

There were 105 pupils enrolled at the close of the year. More applications for enrollment in September than can be accepted are already on file in the Director's office.

Married

Former pupils of our school of whom we have heard that they were married in recent years are: Beck, Donna Lee; Berkey, Bernidine; Bevier, Betty; Bowers, Katherine; Braun, Florence; Burgess, Betty; Burgess, Earl; Breitwieser, Vera; Burtzlaff, Fred; Dowling, Doris; Ery, Shirley; Harder, Alfred; Hage, Ramond; Holle, Richard; Hubbert, Shirley; Kinney, Florence; Kelly, Irene; Klein, Stephen; Kling, Loretta; Kutzner, Mearl; Lutz, Gloria; Lewis, Roberta; McKenney, Wm.; Merritt, Robert; Moeller, Genevieve; Moeller, Vivian; Moore, Alberta; Nissen, Anna; Noel, Wm.; Ohlberg, Dorothy; Papajohn, Cleo; Pollmacher, Wilma; Schaeg, Clifford; Schoenberg, Bernice; Schoenberg, Lorraine; Schulz, Clarence; Thate, Kathleen; Thate, Evelyn; Wenner, Dorothy; Winans, Eugene; Winkelman, Helen; Wirgan, Esther.

We will greatly appreciate receiving the married names and addresses of the women and also the present addresses of the men for our records. If we have missed any names of such who also were married, we ask that their names and addresses be sent to us.

FORM OF BEQUEST TO OUR INSTITUTE

I give, devise and bequeath to the Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Deaf-Mute Institute, 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 of my executor for same.

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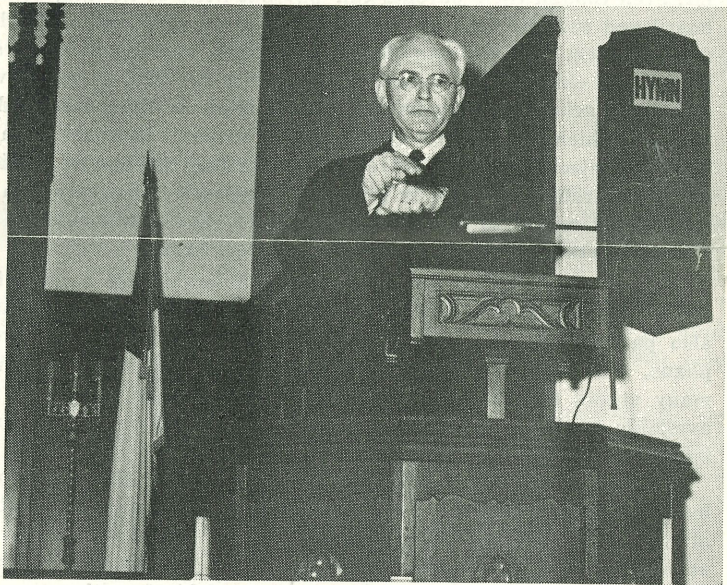


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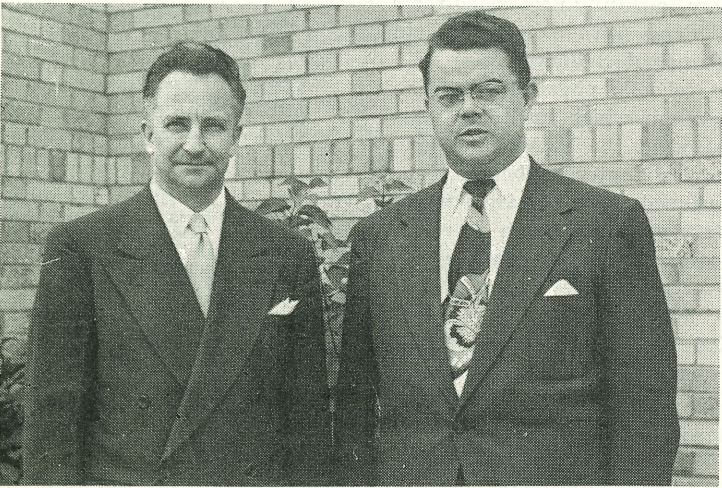
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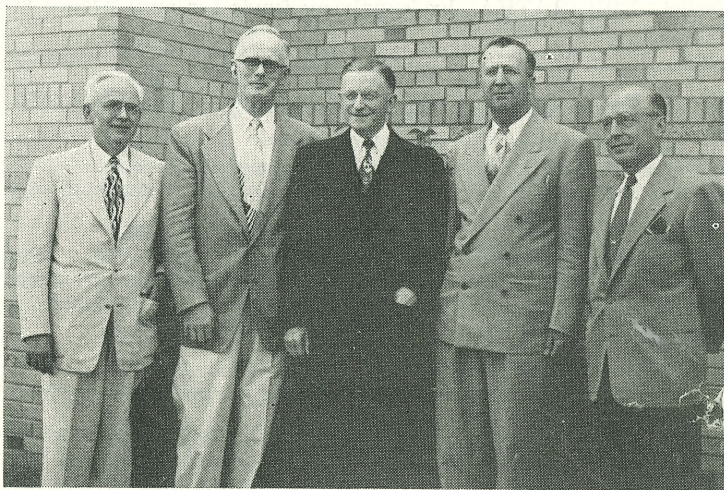
The Rev. N. E. Borchardt (in gown), Chairman of the Ephphatha Conference welcoming the Rev. Alvin E. Ferber of Kansas City, Mo.



The Rev. Ernest E. Mappes of Omaha, Nebr., preaching the convention sermon



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