

# The Deaf Child's ADVOCATE



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## THOUGHTS

### WHEN THE ANGELS WERE GONE AWAY

"It came to pass as the angels were gone away" — that is always the testing hour, the hour of crisis. It is easy enough to enjoy Christmas, to listen to the children's program, to attend the special services, to rejoice with our loved ones in that blessed season, but the testing time comes when the angels have gone away — when the sermons are over — when the choirs have ceased to sing — when Christmas is past and we find ourselves in a common place world once more.

"As the angels were gone away" what happened then? Were the shepherds any better for the sermon and the song and the heavenly splendor? They heard the message, — what would they do with it? They listened to the song — what would it mean in their lives? Would the light which they had seen lead them to greater light or only increase the darkness around them?

"Let us go" said the shepherds. That was the saving word. You and I know that when they did that, they found Jesus and that was better than seeing the angels and hearing the heavenly chorus. It was better than anything in heaven or in earth.

They came with haste and they found — as millions have found since that time — that the old, old story is true. That is why we can say, "I love to tell the story — Of unseen things above, — Of Jesus and His glory, — Of Jesus and His love. I love to tell the story, — Because I know t'is true, — It satisfies my longing as nothing else can do.

And not only did these shepherds find the Christ but in finding Him they also found, as every man finds, the power of a new life. It was again the old, old story of how having found Jesus they had found the Christmas spirit — they had learned to share.

Now, if the story of Christmas has become true to your own experience in that you have seen the Christ then the other part will also be true. You will go forth from this season with the true Christmas spirit, determined to share the wonderful blessings of Christ's coming. You will be trying to do all the year round what Jesus is always doing — GIVING ...

It is our opportunity to share Him with others through our activities in our program of missions and charities. — As we do this our gift to the world will be in our own small way the gift that Christ made — the gift that God made — even Jesus Himself.

God grant that after the services are over — after the lights are out — after the trees are removed — when the Christmas season is past — AFTER THE ANGELS HAVE GONE AWAY — we may do that very thing.

Charity Thermostat

## A Blessed Christmas To All

In deep appreciation of your continued loyal support for the needs of our handicapped children we pray that God may richly bless you. And may the joy which comes from the true spirit of Christmas be yours throughout the New Year.

With Sincere Christmas greetings,

The Lutheran School for the Deaf

### Christmas Program

Our Annual Children's Christmas Program to which all friends of the School are cordially invited will be held in the School Chapel on Thursday, December 20th at 1:30 P.M. — The Ladies Auxiliary for the Deaf will give a tea for all visitors immediately after the program.

Parents who are present for the program may take their children home after the service. All other children will be sent home by plane, train or bus as directed by their parents.

All children are expected to return by Monday morning, January 7th, when classes resume.



The Installation and Consecration Service — Left to Right: Walter Bellhorn, The Rev. G. Hildner, Miss Elaine Walter, The Rev. H. R. Wacker, The Rev. Carl Nietzsche, Miss Judy McFall, The Rev. Wilfred Junke and Herman Holste.

### INSTALLATION — CONSECRATION

Walter Bellhorn was officially installed into the office of Executive Director and Herman Holste into the office of Principal in a special service which was held in the School Chapel on Sunday evening, October 14. Two new teachers, Miss Elaine Walter and Miss Judy McFall were consecrated in the same service.

The Rev. Wilfred Junke, pastor of Trinity Church, Mt. Clemens, Michigan and brother-in-law of Mr. Bellhorn preached the sermon. The rite of installation was performed by the Rev. H. R. Wacker, Chairman of the Board of Management. The Rev. Carl Nietzsche, chairman of the Board of Education conducted the Consecration ceremony.

The Rev. E. Schildt and Rev. G. Hildner, members of the Board of Management were the liturgists. Mr. Louis Beer, Musical Director at the Lutheran Church of the Epiphany served as organist and Mrs. Beer, soloist, sang "How beautiful are the Feet," by Haendel.

A reception sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary for the Deaf was held immediately after the service in the basement dining room of Bernthal Hall.

Mr. Bellhorn has served the School since 1930 and Mr. Holste joined the staff in 1957. Miss Walter and Miss McFall are newcomers having begun their teaching career in September. May our gracious Lord give them strength and guidance as these laborers in the field of deaf education officially enter into their respective responsible positions.



## Incidentally Yours

The School's enrollment presently stands at 106 pupils — 43 girls and 63 boys. Except for a few cases of Chicken Pox, the health of the children has been very good.

### EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Our Older boys are again enjoying the use of the neighboring Grant School Gym for basketball practice and tumbling.

Redemption Lutheran Church, The Rev. Harold Bernthal, pastor, is providing monthly roller skating parties for all of our children, even the four-year-olds. Mr. Soper, youth director of the church, and his young people's group are doing a tremendous job entertaining our group on the roller rink.

Free bowling each week is made possible through the generosity of both Van Dyke and Mt. Elliott Recreation.

Other recent activities were as follows: Trip to the Zoo — by the Detroit Junior Chamber of Commerce. Hallowe'en Party, Christmas Party — by Outer Drive Faith Lutheran Church. Goodfellow Football game. Two overnight camping trips for our older boys. Attendance at the Lutheran Hour Rally in the Cobo Hall Arena, Detroit. And, finally, plans to get acquainted with Gordy Howe, Hockey Land which recently opened only two blocks from our School.

### LADIES' AUXILIARY:

The Ladies' Auxiliary for the Deaf held its annual Smorgasbord at the school on October 23rd which was very well attended. On this occasion, the Auxiliary presented a gift check to Mrs. Klein as a token of their appreciation for the outstanding services rendered the Deaf by Dr. and Mrs. Klein over these many years.

The Auxiliary also voted a \$1200.00 scholarship for one of our pupils for which we are most grateful.

### THE KLEINS:

Dr. and Mrs. Klein are planning to move into their newly constructed home in Spring, Texas the latter part of December or early January. Dr. Klein mentioned that landscaping around the new home will keep him busy for some time.

### FOOD DONATIONS:

The volume of food donations has again been most gratifying this Fall. Responsible for the well filled bins and shelves in our storerooms are the congregations in the thumb area of Michigan and in the counties around Detroit plus the congregations in the Rogers City area and the Christian day schools and Sunday Schools of The Metropolitan Detroit area. Our heartfelt THANKS go to these donors for the bountiful ingathering again received.

### TOURS & DEMONSTRATIONS:

Many visiting groups have toured the buildings and observed classes in session during the past months. Talks and demonstrations before various organizations also have been given. In this way, interested people receive a good understanding of the problems of deafness and the methods used to bring education to these Children of Silence.



Members of the Ladies Auxiliary for the Deaf who served at the reception following the Installation service. Left to Right: Mrs. Clara Rast, Mrs. Ruth Koch, Mrs. Herbert Manzelmann, Mrs. Geo. Taylor, Mrs. Heidi, Mrs. Albert Butzen, Mrs. Louis Antilla, Mrs. Alfred Klein, Mrs. John Loose.

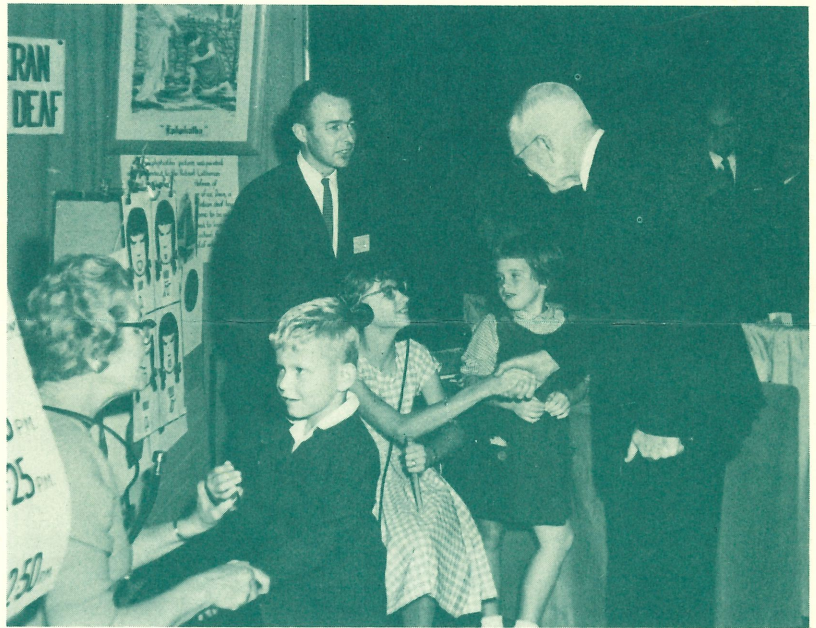


President John F. Kennedy is shown accepting an honorary chairmanship of the 10th International Games for the Deaf from Jerold Jordon, left, a graduate of the Detroit Lutheran School for the Deaf. In a recent issue of the Advocate it was mentioned that Jerold was named Chairman of the International Games which will involve approximately 800 deaf athletes from 33 countries. The event will be held in Washington, D. C. June 27th through July 3rd, 1965.

The editor of the Advocate has been informed that Jerold, a member of the Gallaudet College faculty is also assisting in a special research project for the U. S. Navy at the present time.



Mrs. Clara Rast, president of the Lutheran Ladies' Auxiliary for the Deaf presents a gift check for the Kleins to Mrs. J. A. Klein. At the time of the presentation, Dr. Klein was in Texas. Left to Right: Mrs. Klein and Mrs. Rast.



Our teachers and children appeared in demonstrations at the Sunday School Teachers Convention held in Cobo Hall, Detroit on September 13-14. The Rev. Dr. John Behnken, past president of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod discusses education of the deaf with Principal Herman Holste and meets pupil Ellen Single.

### FORM OF BEQUEST

I give, devise and bequeath to the Lutheran School for the Deaf, 6861 Nevada Ave., Detroit 34, Michigan, a duly organized and incorporated, non-profit corporation, the sum of \$..... and/or the following described real estate and/or stocks and bonds.

The receipt of the Treasurer or Executive Director of said corporation shall be sufficient discharge to my executor for same.



**EXCERPTS FROM LETTERS**

We, the Bethlehem Lutheran Ladies Society of Saginaw, Michigan wish to express our sincere thanks to you and your staff for a very pleasant day touring the Home recently. We enjoyed the delicious dinner with the children and were much impressed with their living testimonials which, indeed, demonstrates the wonderful work you and your staff are doing . . .

Mrs. John Spenner, Corresponding Secy.

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I have returned your film "The World of Silence" insured airmail.

On behalf of the Korean National Convention for Deaf Education I want to express appreciation to you for allowing us to use this excellent film. This film was the best film we have seen on deaf education and made a great impression on each person viewing it. I had several opportunities to show this film to Koreans and Americans in various fields. This film has had a large part in helping to improve the education of the deaf in Korea.

Although it was not possible for us to take up offerings due to the type of meetings I am personally enclosing a check for \$15 for the support of your school.

Thank you again for allowing us the use of this film.

Betty Haney, Seoul, Korea

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With a great surprise I received the "Certificate of Award" as a Patron since 1943.

It was done in thankfulness to our 10 children and now continuing for our healthy 16 grandchildren. In Christian love.

Otto G. Liebenow, Racine, Wisconsin

**SWEDISH SENATOR STUDIES SCHOOL PROGRAM**

The School Staff and Children enjoyed having very special visitors in the persons of Mrs. Wallentime who is a Senator of Sweden; Mrs. Edward Joahansson, the Swedish Consul's wife in Detroit and the Consul's daughter, Mrs. James N. Garber, who lives in Plymouth, Michigan. Senator Wallentime presently is in the States visiting some of the special Residential Schools such as ours and studying the Academic and extra curricular programs offered to exceptional children.

Mrs. Garber acted as interpreter during the visit as we discussed and compared the educational programs of both countries. Senator Wallentime was very much interested in the religious education of our children and mentioned that the study of the Lutheran religion is part of the Child's total education in Sweden.

We pray for Senator Wallentime a safe return to her country and the Lord's richest blessings in her responsible position.

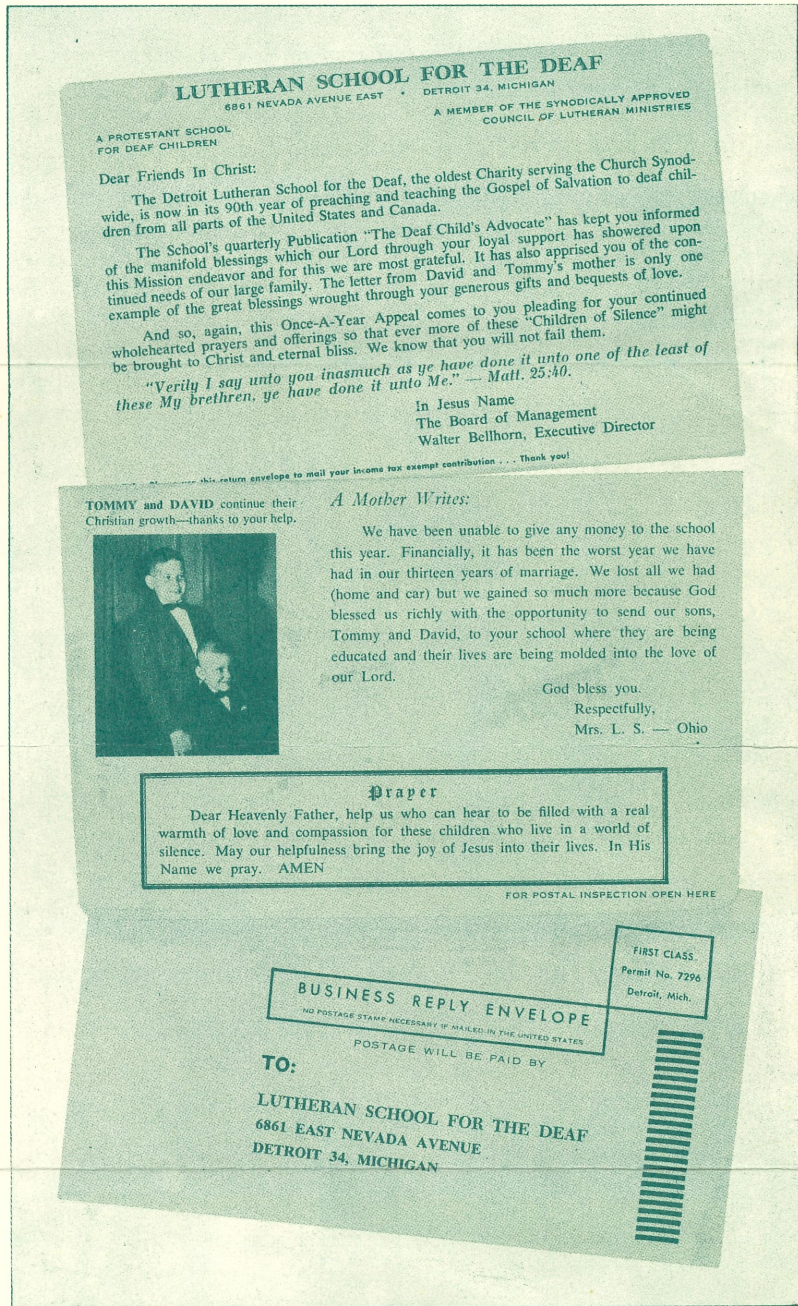


And what are we making? — Standing L. to R.: Mrs. Johanson, Senator Wallentime and Mrs. Garber look on as Ricke Aylesworth, Troy, Michigan and David Mills, Lincolnwood, Illinois, cut pumpkin faces for Hallowe'en decorations.

# The "Life-Line" Is Out

**DEAR READER:**

Recently you received our "Once a Year" appeal for the support of the Detroit Lutheran School for the Deaf. Since this effort is the school's only "lifeline" upon which it depends for seven-eighths of its operating needs, we hope and pray that if you have not already done so you will respond to our petition as the Lord has prospered you and as your love for Him moves you to lend a helping hand to these less fortunate of His brethren.



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Dear Friends In Christ:

The Detroit Lutheran School for the Deaf, the oldest Charity serving the Church Synod-wide, is now in its 90th year of preaching and teaching the Gospel of Salvation to deaf children from all parts of the United States and Canada.

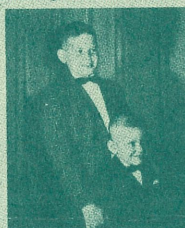
The School's quarterly Publication "The Deaf Child's Advocate" has kept you informed of the manifold blessings which our Lord through your loyal support has showered upon this Mission endeavor and for this we are most grateful. It has also apprised you of the continued needs of our large family. The letter from David and Tommy's mother is only one example of the great blessings wrought through your generous gifts and bequests of love.

And so, again, this Once-A-Year Appeal comes to you pleading for your continued wholehearted prayers and offerings so that ever more of these "Children of Silence" might be brought to Christ and eternal bliss. We know that you will not fail them.

"Verily I say unto you inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me." — Matt. 25:40.

In Jesus Name  
The Board of Management  
Walter Bellhorn, Executive Director

TOMMY and DAVID continue their Christian growth—thanks to your help.



A Mother Writes:

We have been unable to give any money to the school this year. Financially, it has been the worst year we have had in our thirteen years of marriage. We lost all we had (home and car) but we gained so much more because God blessed us richly with the opportunity to send our sons, Tommy and David, to your school where they are being educated and their lives are being molded into the love of our Lord.

God bless you.  
Respectfully,  
Mrs. L. S. — Ohio

**Prayer**

Dear Heavenly Father, help us who can hear to be filled with a real warmth of love and compassion for these children who live in a world of silence. May our helpfulness bring the joy of Jesus into their lives. In His Name we pray. AMEN

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**CHILDREN'S HEALTH GUARDED**

The School is deeply indebted to the professional people who volunteer their services gratuitously in order that our children might have the best possible health care.

Since School opened in September the Annual Eye Examination Clinic was held in which the following optometrists and assistants participated: Drs. J. V. and O. R. Dueweke, H. R. Bunge, C. W. Johannes, R. W. Bertshinger, G. R. Henderson, Mitchell Kamlay, Donald Laken, Richard Muse, J. A. Park, R. D. Sobieski, Ed Wallace and Assistants Mrs. Charlotte Bunte and Mrs. Marilyn Karuso.

Our dentists, Dr. Carlisle Rueger and Dr. Warren Bruland have examined the teeth of all of the pupils and now are busy one day a week attending to their dental needs. The dental X-Ray equipment which was donated to the school by the Strathmoor Kiwanis Club has been put to good use in the dental health program.

The School's Chiropodist, Dr. Lester Kreis and Dermatologist, Dr. Alice Palmer have been called upon from time to time for their special services.

Last, but certainly not least, our Physician, Dr. Charles Scharrer is always willing and ready day or night to respond to our call in cases of illness or accident. He is Doctor Father to the children.

The School is signally blessed in that it has these fine professional friends of the Metropolitan Detroit area who serve the needs of the children without ever asking for remuneration.



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