

The Assistant Pastor

December, 1936

**May Our Hearts as well as Hearths
Reflect the Joy of
A Christian Christmas**

"RECEIVED of Andrew Vaala as administrator of the estate of ANNA G. VAALA, deceased, the sum of Five Hundred Dollars, the same being paid by said Andrew Vaala, administrator, and received by the undersigned as a perpetual fund to assist in caring for the cemetery of the Saude Lutheran Church."

Dated this 28th day of July, 1936.

(Signed) John Borlaug,
Enus Firkingsstad,
Chris. Treider,
Trustees.

Paragraph 2 of the will of MARY L. NATVIG of Cresco, now deceased, reads as follows:

"I will and bequeath to the Norwegian Lutheran Church located near Saude, Iowa, this being the church in whose cemetery that adjoins the church my parents and my sister Caroline are buried, the sum of Two Hundred Dollars; this amount is for the benefit of said cemetery adjoining the church and for the purpose of keeping the cemetery lot where my folks are buried in proper condition."

Said Two Hundred Dollars have been received by the above named Trustees of the Saude Ev. Lutheran Church.

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Church Directory

H. M. Tjernagel, Pastor

SAUDE CONGREGATION

Trustees: Chris Treider, John Borlaug, E. Firkingstad.

Treasurer: Oscar Natvig.

Secretary: Ole N. Anderson.

Cemetery Committee: Martin Borlaug, Chris Treider, Mrs.

Andrina Munson, Mrs. C. O. Natvig, Miss J. Ellingson.

Ladies' Aid: Mrs. Omar Miller, president; Mrs. Chris. Treider, secretary; Miss Martha Munson, treasurer.

JERICO CONGREGATION

Trustees: Geo. N. Anderson, Ole C. Johnson, J. A. Knutson.

Secretary: A. N. Anderson.

Treasurer: J. A. Robinson.

Ladies' Aid: Mrs. A. N. Anderson, president; Mrs. Herman Ronnfeldt, secretary; Mrs. Henry Robinson, treasurer.

Standing Services

JERICO

First Sunday, Norwegian, October-April, 10:30 a. m.

Third Sunday, English, October-April, 10:30 a. m.

Saturday School every Saturday, 10 a. m.

Confirmation class, Fridays, 2 p. m.

SAUDE

Second Sunday, bilingual service, Oct.-April, 10:45 a. m.

Fourth Sunday, English, October-April, 10:45 a. m.

Saturday School, 2 p. m.

Confirmation class, Fridays, 9:30 a. m.

Fifth Sunday by special announcement.

BAPTISMS

Omar Elroy, born October 6, baptized November 4. Parents: Oscar Nystel and wife Ella, née Christensen. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Roberson, Omar Roberson, Nora Dybevig.

Roy Myron, born October 26, baptized November 15. Parents: Alvie T. Johnson and wife Cora, née Attelsen. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Amman, Marjorie and Alfred Attelsen.

Arthur Merle, born October 19, baptized November 15. Parents: Arthur Swenson and wife Clara, née Robinson. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cutsforth, Arthur and Bernice Johnson.

Rosaleen Fae, born October 22, baptized November 22. Parents: T. G. Vaala and wife Lydia Heimerdinger. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Reinhardt, Ethel Mae and Gregory Vaala.

Dagny Ann, born November 27 and baptized at home shortly after birth. Parents: K. C. Johnson and wife Anna, née Sanderson.

BURIALS

Carrie Andrina Dahlen, née Gordon, died at the age of nearly fifty years, October 26. Her husband, Carl Adolph Dahlen, passed away three years ago. Mr. Dahlen was in poor health for many years while Mrs. Dahlen was always strong and well and efficiently carried the double burden laid on her shoulders. Her eldest son John is now a dependable young man, her three daughters, Marion (Mrs. Carl Moen), Bernice, and Iola, are competent young

women, and the youngest son, Carlton, is thirteen years old. Her days of heavy work and worry, outside and inside the home, were over and rest seemed in store for her. Rest did come to her though not in the way we had thought. She has, as we fondly hope, through faith in Jesus Christ her Savior, entered into that rest that remaineth to the people of God. She was interred in the Jerico cemetery October 29th.

Dagny Ann Johnson opened her eyes in this world of sin and distress, received the "washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Ghost," then closed her eyes in death, and her soul was carried to its mansion in heaven, all within the short period of fourteen hours. A day later the little body was placed in the grave to await resurrection when it shall be reunited with the soul to live on and on forever in perfect joy and happiness. This is most certainly true. Therefore dry those tears, father and mother, brothers and sisters, and look forward to the day when you may, through Christ Jesus, join her.

WEDDINGS

Christian Treider and **Clara Matilde Steensland** were, according to the records of the Saude Ev. Luth. Church, united in marriage November 30, 1911. They were identified as the son of Johannes Treider og h. Julia, f. Tolledsdr., and daughter of Knut K. Steensland og h. Marie. It is furthermore recorded that both were born in Chickasaw Co., Iowa, that Alert Landsverk and Bertilda Steensland were witnesses to the marriage which took place in the bride's paternal home.

Years pass swiftly to the happily married husband and wife. We have therefore brought out evidence to prove to Mr. and Mrs. Treider that they have actually and in fact been married for twenty-five years, and that their many relatives and friends made no mistake when they recently broke in upon them to celebrate with them their silver wedding anniversary.

Ole O. Natvig and **Anna O. Borlaug** were joined in holy wedlock fifty years ago and neither God nor man has "put asunder" that union. Their golden wedding anniversary was celebrated at their commodious home December 2. Everything conspired to make it a pleasant and memorable event. The bride and groom were well and active, the three sons and four daughters were everywhere to bid everyone welcome and make them comfortable. The dinner was beautiful to the eye and delightful to the palate.

We discerned only one note of dissatisfaction: The bride was served instead of serving, she was first not last, she was not allowed to do any work. After fifty years of faithfully giving her service of love to husband and children and as frequent hostess to relatives and friends, it was apparent that she did not fit snugly in the roll of inactivity and seat of honor assigned her on her fiftieth wedding anniversary.

We do not wish Mr. and Mrs. Natvig another fifty years of wedded life, but we do wish them something that is infinitely greater and which is attainable, namely an eternal home in heaven when this life's course is run. This may be had for the

asking through and in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior and Redeemer.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollof Hagen have also recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. Relatives and friends were anxious to have invaded their home and extended their congratulations, but due to the bride's state of health it was deemed inadvisable to do so.

The Hagens were married in Norway and came to this country and settlement soon after. Their two daughters, Mrs. Henry Reinhardt and Mrs. Alfred N. Anderson, are active workers in our congregations. We wish the Hagens a pleasant sunset of life and a happy awakening when Jesus comes to call them for their graves.

Receipts through the small monthly envelopes for Synod and Teachers' Salary Funds will be reported in the January issue of our parish paper. Amounts received after December 31st, though intended for this year, will not appear in the report.

The annual business meetings of the congregations were held at the appointed time. Action was taken on routine business matters only. The staffs of officers were not changed excepting in the north Jerico district where Ole C. Johnson was elected to succeed Ole J. Johnson. The financial reports follow:

SAUDE

Receipts

| | |
|---|------------|
| Ladies' Aid | \$ 75.00 |
| Dividend check | 3.36 |
| Interest on Emma Munson legacy..... | 20.00 |
| Special thank offering for rain..... | 32.90 |
| Mission offering | 45.80 |
| Jerico treasurer, 1935 repairs on parsonage roof | 6.77 |
| North District | 302.00 |
| Center District | 425.00 |
| South District | 139.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,049.83 |

Disbursements

| | |
|---|------------|
| Insurance | \$ 11.95 |
| Organist (back salary \$40.00)..... | 50.00 |
| Janitor (back salary \$40.00)..... | 50.00 |
| Balance on painting of church..... | 103.53 |
| Pastor's salary, part payment..... | 687.95 |
| Repairs on parsonage well..... | 7.70 |
| Offerings remitted to Synod treasurer.... | 78.70 |
| Heater for parsonage..... | 40.00 |
| Cemetery committee | 20.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,049.83 |

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JERICO

Receipts

| | | |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Balance brought forward..... | \$344.70 | |
| District No. 1..... | 553.00 | |
| District No. 2..... | 540.50 | |
| District No. 3..... | 454.50 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$1,548.00 |
| District No. 1—for school..... | \$ 23.50 | |
| District No. 2—for school..... | 16.00 | |
| District No. 3—for school..... | 27.00 | |
| | <u> </u> | 66.50 |
| Confirmation offering | \$ 77.82 | |
| Thanksgiving offering | 45.85 | |
| Mission offering and dinner | 87.46 | |
| Special thank offering for rain.... | 55.75 | |
| | <u> </u> | 262.24 |
| Y. P. Convention offering..... | \$ 98.75 | |
| Lenten offering | 116.40 | |
| Synod Fund and Teachers' Salary.. | 122.26 | |
| Ladies' Aid | 49.20 | |
| Individuals | 134.85 | |
| | <u> </u> | 521.46 |
| For "Sentinel" and "Tidende"..... | 8.00 | |
| Saude Treasurer, on parsonage heater.... | 40.00 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$2,446.20 |

Disbursements

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|--|-------------------|------------|
| Pastor's salary, part payment and back salary | \$940.00 | |
| School | 69.00 | |
| Janitor | 65.00 | |
| Organist | 35.00 | |
| Gasoline, brooms, and kerosene.... | 6.10 | |
| Synod Treasurer | 224.39 | |
| "Sentinel" and "Tidende" | 81.75 | |
| Coal and drayage..... | 75.71 | |
| Insurance and interest | 32.71 | |
| Insurance and repair on parsonage | 46.08 | |
| Note | 110.00 | |
| Light bulbs | .97 | |
| Heater for parsonage (see Saude refund) | 80.00 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$1,766.71 |
| Sent direct to Synod Treasurer by others.. | 559.31 | |
| Balance in treasury | 120.18 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$2,446.20 |

The Jerico Aid was entertained by Mrs. Rosa Dahlen in the church basement on November 3rd. Mrs. Alva Knutson was hostess to the same Aid and at the same place on November 18th.

Church attendance on Thanksgiving Day was very gratifying. Let us begin now planning our Thanksgiving dinners for next year, if we live, so that they may not interfere with church attendance. Watch "Sentinel" and "Tidende" for receipt for our Thanksgiving Day offerings. We were pleased with the total of the many gifts.

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