

The Assistant Pastor

December 1940

The 1940 Christmas Season

SAUDE

Dec. 19, 11:00 A. M. The Ladies' Aid Christmas Party at the Parsonage.

Dec. 26, 11:45 A. M. Christmas Service.

Jan. 1, 11:45 A. M. New Year's Day Service.

JERICO

Dec. 18, 2:00 P. M. The Ladies' Aid Christmas Party in the Church Parlors.

Dec. 23, 8:00 P. M. Children's Christmas Program.

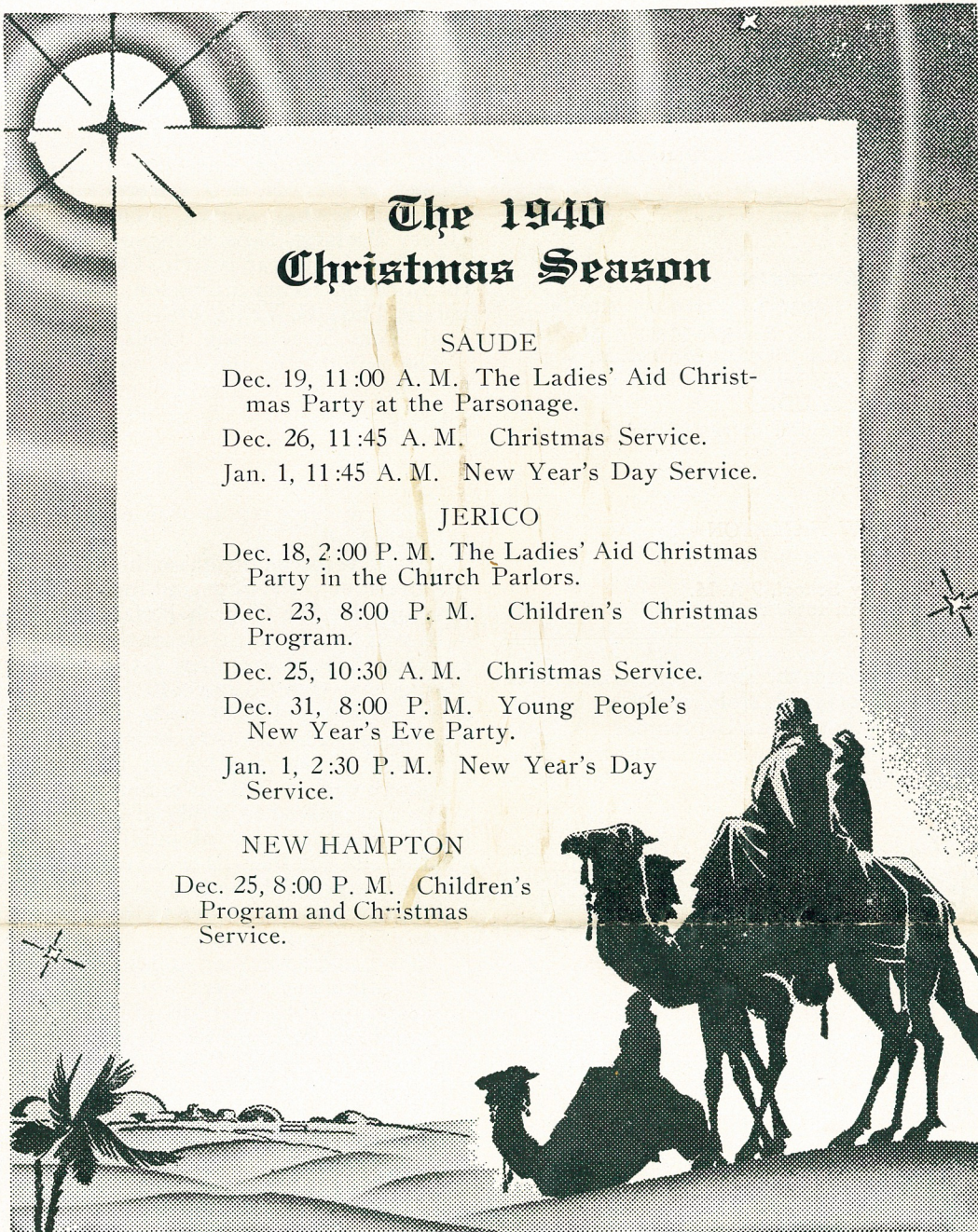
Dec. 25, 10:30 A. M. Christmas Service.

Dec. 31, 8:00 P. M. Young People's New Year's Eve Party.

Jan. 1, 2:30 P. M. New Year's Day Service.

NEW HAMPTON

Dec. 25, 8:00 P. M. Children's Program and Christmas Service.



He Shall Save His People From Their Sins

Matthew 1, 21

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Church Directory

N. S. Tjernagel, Pastor

SAUDE CONGREGATION

Trustees: Chris Treider, Ned Borlaug, John Natvig.
Treasurer: Milton Boleng.
Secretary: Fred Steensland.
Cemetery Committee: Olis Borlaug, Juel Natvig, Miss Carrie Natvig, Mrs. John Natvig, Mrs. Otto Hanson.
Ladies' Aid: Mrs. Carl Miller, president; Mrs. Fred Steensland, secretary; Mrs. Otto Hanson, treasurer.

JERICO CONGREGATION

Trustees: C. Cutsforth, Lloyd Roberson, C. O. Vigdal.
Secretary: A. N. Anderson.
Treasurer: J. A. Robinson.
Cemetery Committee: Mrs. Theo. O. Knutson, Mrs. Thos. Roberson, Mrs. Carl Knutson.
Ladies' Aid: Mrs. S. T. Roberson, president; Mrs. Thos. Attleson, secretary; Mrs. Jeff O. Knutson, treasurer.

Services

JERICO

First Sunday, Bilingual Service, 10:30 A. M.
Third Sunday, English Service, 10:30 A. M.
Fifth Sunday, by special announcement.

SAUDE

First Sunday, Norwegian Service, 2:30 P. M.
Second Sunday, English Service, 10:45 A. M.
Fourth Sunday, English Service, 10:45 A. M.
Fifth Sunday, by special announcement.

NEW HAMPTON

Nils Oestebj, Pastor

Sunday School, 9 A. M.
Services, 10:30 A. M.

Maurice John Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Thompson, received Holy Baptism on October 13th. His birthday was September 14, 1940. Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Robinson and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Johnson were sponsors.

Arthur L. Anderson and Doris Arlene Knutson were united in marriage at the Saude parsonage on November 19, 1940. John Anderson and Theodora Knutson were witnesses. God bless and keep this bride and groom.

Harvey E. Nelson and Mary Ann Kohles made their matrimonial vows at the Saude parsonage on November 26, 1940. Witnesses were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Anderson. Our best wishes and prayers are offered for this happy couple.

Your Pastor counts it among his greatest privileges and joys to call on and minister to the sick. But he can not always know when one or another is taken ill. You do him a great favor by informing him even though the illness in question may not be considered extremely serious. And where it is possible, he is particularly anxious to be at the bedside of one who is about to undergo a serious operation. Let me beg you not to think that you are intruding on the time of a busy Pastor when you ask him to

make a sick-call, whatever the time of day. Nothing is more important than that the sick receive the spiritual meat and drink of God's Word.

The Angel of the Lord was on the scene when near-tragedy overtook Omer, Eleanor, and Doris Ellingson in a highway accident recently. Omer and Eleanor were seriously injured, and parents and friends were greatly concerned with the final outcome of their injury. But under God's grace they were permitted to return home from the Cresco hospital in ten days, and it appears that they will have no permanent injury.

ANNUAL MEETING FOR 1940

Saude Congregation

The annual meeting of the Saude Lutheran Congregation was held on Wednesday, November 20, 1940. The meeting was opened with devotion conducted by Rev. N. S. Tjernagel.

The following voting members were present: Henry Borlaug, Nels Ellingson, Enus Ferkingstad, John Natvig, Oscar Natvig, Ole N. Anderson, Martin Borlaug, Henry Ellingson, Andrew Vaala, G. G. Vaala, Theo. G. Vaala, Milton Boleng, Fred Steensland, Tom Swenumson, Chris Treider.

The minutes of the last annual meeting and of two special meetings held Sunday, June 9, 1940, and Sunday, September 29, 1940, were read and approved.

The financial report was read by the treasurer and accepted.

The cemetery report was read by the chairman and accepted.

It was resolved to have the Pastor take care of the envelope collections and to designate the August envelope for the Church Extension Fund.

It was resolved to discontinue the nine o'clock services from December 1st to March 31st, and during that time to have 10:45 services the second and fourth Sunday of each month; to have Norwegian services one afternoon each month in winter, and to have one regular service in the Norwegian language each month in summer.

It was resolved to send out envelopes once a year for payment of cost of publishing the "Assistant Pastor," and if there is a shortage take the balance out of the general fund.

It was resolved to leave to the trustees the responsibility of deciding on cancellation of services due to unfavorable weather or road conditions.

The following officers were elected:

Secretary, Fred Steensland.

Treasurer, Milton Boleng.

Trustee for North District, John Natvig.

Cemetery Committee, the present incumbents were reelected.

Auditors, Tom Swenumson and Alfred Larson.

Ushers, Kenneth Natvig, Carmen Borlaug, and Nels Anderson.

The meeting adjourned and closed with blessing.

Fred Steensland, Sec.

Pastoral Report

Baptisms: Marilyn Marie Hereid.

Marriages: Charlotte Olga Borlaug and Leonard Cunningham Culbert.

Burials: Mrs. Inger Natvig, the Rev. H. M. Tjernagel, Mrs. Ida Swenson.

Communion: Total attendance 153; 45% of the communicant members attended two times, 27% attended only once, 27% did not attend at all.

Membership: 160 souls, 134 communicant members, 58 voting members.

Services: Six Norwegian and thirty-two English.

School Enrollment: Saturday School 7, Confirmation Class 4.

Treasurer's Report

Expenditures

H. M. Tjernagel, salary (balance for 1938) ..	\$110.00
H. M. Tjernagel and vacancy salary	312.50
N. S. Tjernagel, salary	250.00
Martin Borlaug, janitor	40.00
Organist (Mrs. Chris Treider, Mrs. Ned Borlaug)	40.00
Communion wine	14.99
Insurance	19.50
Fuel	23.91
Lutheran Sentinel	41.00
Trucking	2.50
Rev. J. B. Unseth, travelling expense	5.00
Repairs, cemetery fence	2.00

Total actual operating expense for 1940....\$861.40

Receipts

North District	\$364.00
Middle District	362.00
South District	178.00

Total actual contributed income for 1940....\$904.00

Note: The above is a summary of the detailed report read by the Treasurer, Mr. Nels Ellingson. It takes no account of the balance on hand at the end of 1939, or of loans made and repaid, or of income from bonds and legacies. It is merely an effort to show the relation between actual income and actual operating expense during the past year. It shows that the income was \$42.60 greater than the expenditures for 1940. The treasurer's books were closed with a balance of \$74.32 with no large bills outstanding.

Interest from Bonds and Legacies

Interest from Emma Munson legacy	\$20.00
Interest on bonds, Anna G. Vaala	7.50
Interest on bonds, Mary Natvig	5.50

Total.....\$33.00

Paid to Juel Natvig, Treas. Cemetery Com...\$33.00

Benevolences

Thanksgiving Offering	\$103.75
Lenten Offering	95.93
Convention Offering	70.95
Mission Offering	87.19
Teachers' Salary and Synod Fund	130.02
For Hans Bleken	6.50
Bethany Debt Fund and Church Extension contributed by Myrtle Swenumson	17.00
Ladies' Aid 50th Anniversary Offering	31.30
In memory of Mrs. Inger Natvig	70.00
In memory of the Rev. H. M. Tjernagel	118.50
In memory of Mrs. Ida Swenson	7.50
In memory of departed members of Ladies' Aid	50.00

Total 1940 contributions for benevolences..\$788.64

Note: The above represents acknowledgments for contributions from the Saude Congregation as reported in the Lutheran Sentinel from November 27, 1939, to November 12, 1940.

ANNUAL MEETING FOR 1940

Jerico Congregation

Minutes of the Meeting

The annual meeting of the Jerico congregation was held at the Jerico Church basement Friday, November 15, 1940.

The following voting members were present: J. A. Robinson, A. N. Anderson, Olaf Roberson, Lloyd Roberson, Clarence Cutsforth, C. O. Vigdal, Hans Braham, Erwin Ellingson, M. A. Robinson, Severt Fossen, Theo. O. Knutson, John N. Anderson, Fred Amman, Geo. N. Anderson, Ole J. Johnson, Tom Thompson, L. S. Roberson, John Roberson, Jeff A. Knutson, Ole J. Knutson.

The meeting opened with Hymn, Scripture reading and prayer by Rev. N. S. Tjernagel. The Secretary's report was accepted as read. Motion made to accept minutes of "Joint Meeting" of March 4, 1940. The treasurer's report was read and accepted. The trustees and school committee read their reports. The following officers were elected: Secretary, Alfred N. Anderson; Treasurer, John A. Robinson; Trustee from District No. 2, C. O. Vigdal; School Committee from District No. 2, Martin Dahlen; Sexton, Hans Braham; Substitute, Tom Thompson; Ushers, Erwin Ellingson, Cletus Anderson; Substitutes, Severt Fossen, Geo. N. Anderson.

Motion made to send out envelopes once a year for payment of "Assistant Pastor," and if there is a shortage take the balance out of the general fund.

Motion made to have services first and third Sundays, and fifth Sundays by special announcement, from December 1st to March 31st. Motion made to have part Norwegian and part English services on the first Sunday of each month from December 1st to March 31st.

Motion made to leave matter of Christmas tree program to Ladies' Aid.

Motion made to leave it to trustees to decide on cancellations of services due to bad weather or bad roads.

Motion made to adjourn.

Meeting closed with blessing.

Alfred N. Anderson, Sec.

Pastoral Report

Baptisms: Gene Arthur Johnson, Gary Allen Knutson, Grace Violet Betts, Muriel Clarene Johnson, Lowell Gene Johnson, Maurice John Thompson.

Confirmations: Madonna Avonne Johnson, Calvin Lester Johnson, Lola May Cutsforth, Spencer Orville Johnson, Charles Willard Johnson, Mavis Oriette Anderson, Clare Jarvis Anderson, Richard Marol Knutson.

Marriages: Edith Norma Anderson and Walter Frederick Grosser.

Burials: Raymond Oliver Knutson, Mrs. L. Aasen.

Communion: Total attendance 349; 32% of the communicant membership communed twice during

the year, 43% attended only once, 25% did not attend at all.

Membership: 434 souls, 324 communicant members, 143 voting members.

Services: Six Norwegian, 31 English.

School Enrollment: Saturday School 39, Confirmation Class 14.

Treasurer's Report

Expenditures

H. M. Tjernagel and vacancy salary.....	\$567.50
H. M. Tjernagel, school.....	70.50
N. S. Tjernagel, salary.....	250.00
Tom Thompson, janitor.....	100.00
Milton Robinson, organist.....	50.00
Insurance	56.65
Fuel	52.02
Miscellaneous repairs	76.64
Lutheran Sentinel	81.75
Rev. J. B. Unseth, travelling expense.....	5.00
Howard County Electric Cooperative (REA)	5.00

Total actual operating expense for 1940...\$1,315.06

Receipts

District No. 1 for General Fund.....	\$396.25
District No. 1 for School Fund.....	27.50
District No. 2 for General Fund.....	419.00
District No. 2 for School Fund.....	21.00
District No. 3 for General Fund.....	429.00
District No. 3 for School Fund.....	24.00

Total actual contributed income for 1940..\$1,316.75

Note: This report of expenditures and receipts is a summary of the detailed report presented by J. A. Robinson, the treasurer. It takes no account of loans made and notes and interest paid, or of the balance on hand at the beginning of the year. It is merely an effort to show how our actual expenses compare with the actual contributed income for the year. The treasurer's books were closed with the following summation:

Balance on hand	\$679.55
Notes outstanding, and unpaid bills.....	525.00

Net balance

Benevolences

Thanksgiving Offering	\$121.05
Thanksgiving contribution, Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Roberson	25.00
Teachers' Salary and Synod Fund.....	101.13
Convention Offering	107.28
Chris Roberson Estate.....	225.00
Lenten Offering	100.06
Hans Bleken	8.50
Mission Offering	82.66
Home Missions (Mission Day Dinner).....	49.15
Home Missions (Ladies' Aid).....	66.37
Contribution by Knut Roberson.....	10.00
In memory of Nels Anderson.....	13.75
In memory of Raymond Knutson.....	3.50
In memory of the Rev. H. M. Tjernagel....	52.00
In memory of Mrs. L. Aasen.....	26.50

Total 1940 contributions for benevolences..\$991.95

Note: The above represents acknowledgments for contributions from the Jerico congregation as reported in the Lutheran Sentinel.

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