# The Assistant Pastor

November, 1941

#### A Letter

To the Boys of the Saude and Jerico Churches who are Serving Their Country in the United States Army and Navy

Saude Parsonage, November 24, 1941.

Dear Friends:

You are scattered from coast to coast, but the routine of your lives is much the same, all of you are confronted with much the same problems. But no matter where you may be you can be certain that you are not forgotten by your friends, and that your families and your church are remembering you in their prayers. And no matter in what camp you may be you still need your church. This short letter is being written to you in order to acquaint you with how you may keep in contact with your church during your absence

As you may know, our church, the Norwegian Synod, is in agreement as to Christian doctrine, with the Missouri and Wisconsin Synods. The Missouri Synod, the largest of these church bodies which together are spoken of as the Synodical Conference, has taken the lead in providing for the spiritual welfare of you who are in the nation's armed forces. You will find chaplains of Lutheran bodies other than our own, and therefore I urge you to go to the chief of Chaplains in your camp and ask him the name of the Pastor or Chaplain in charge of Lutheran boys of the Missouri Synod. When you have found him you should get in contact with him and place yourself under his spiritual care for the duration of your stay in camp. If you cannot find a Pastor or Chaplain of the Missouri Synod within reach, please let me know so that I may be of service in directing you.

The Missouri Synod has 57 Chaplains in full time service, but there may not be one of them in your camp. If not, there is a civilian Pastor with a congregation near your camp who has been placed in charge of our boys in your camp. In many of the camps you will find a "Lutheran Service Center." Those centers are maintained by our church, and you will find a hearty welcome at them. You will receive a "Service Prayer Book," and a bulletin, "Loyalty News," as well as other Lutheran literature. Use them with the

compliments of your church.

In closing let me repeat that your church is concerned with your welfare, and because of that concern it has provided you with a Pastor who will gladly serve you. When you have found him (remember to ask for the Lutheran Pastor or Chaplain of the Missouri Synod in your camp) attend services conducted by him, and attend regularly the communion services which will be announced from time to time.

> God be with you, Your Pastor,

N. S. TJERNAGEL.

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#### Church Directory

#### N. S. Tjernagel, Pastor

SAUDE CONGREGATION

Trustees: Carl Miller, 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. Geo. Natvig, president; Mrs. Elmer Natvig, secretary; Mrs. John Natvig, treasurer.

#### JERICO CONGREGATION

Trustees: J. N. Anderson, Lloyd Roberson, C. O. Vigdal.

Secretary: A. N. Anderson. Treasurer: Jeff A. Knutson.

Cemetery Committee: Mrs. Theo. O. Knutson, Mrs. Thos.

Roberson, Mrs. Carl Knutson.
Ladies' Aid: Mrs. O. J. Johnson, president; Mrs. Henry
Munson, secretary; Mrs. H. O. Knutson, treasurer.

#### Services

**IERICO** 

First and third Sundays 9:00 A. M. Second and fourth Sundays 10:30 A. M. (First Sunday Norwegian.)

First and third Sundays 10:30 A. M. Second and fourth Sundays 9:00 A. M. (First Sunday Bi-lingual Service.) Fifth Sundays by special announcement.

#### NEW HAMPTON

Nils Geslehn, Pastor

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

### Christmas 1941

**JERICO** 

Ladies' Aid Christmas Party, December 16, at 1 P. M. Childrens' Program, December 23, at 8 P. M. Christmas Service, December 26, at 10:30 A. M. New Year's Eve Party, December 31, at 8 P. M.

Ladies' Aid Christmas Party, December 18, at 12 M. Christmas Service, December 25, at 10:45 A.M.

#### COMMUNION SERVICES

Saude, December 14, 10:45 A.M. Jerico, December 21, 10:30 A.M.

#### FOR THE RECORD

The following official acts have not yet been reported in the Assistant Pastor:

#### Marriages

Edwin Olever Johnson and Agnes Marie Dahlen at the parsonage on June 25, 1941.

Joseph Vaala and Alyce Anderson at the parsonage on October 22, 1941.

Virgil Behrens and Palma Borlaug at the Saude church on June 1, 1941.

Kenneth Lester Benz and Gunilda Mildred Treider at the Saude church on June 19, 1941.

#### Confirmations

Mrs. Omar Roberson, at the parsonage on Sep-

tember 19, 1941; Walter Grosser and Leonard C. Culbert, at the parsonage on September 29, 1941.

#### Baptisms

Lila Mae, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Munson, born March 23, 1941, baptized on April 27. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Roberson, Palmer Anderson, and Leona Vaala.

Walter Laverne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Johnson, born May 14, 1941, and baptized on June 22, 1941. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Antony Sanderson, Carlyle and Verna Johnson.

Janice Agnes, daughter of John B. Dahlen, born May 7, 1941, baptized on June 22, 1941. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Norman Vigdal, Iola and Carleton Dahlen.

Jean Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Roberson, born September 9, 1941, baptized on September 28, 1941. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Tom Roberson, Roy and Janice Roberson.

Joyce Marie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John O. Dahlen, born October 8, 1941, baptized November 9, 1941. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Johnson.

Lorraine Theodora, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theo. G. Vaala, born September 10, 1941. Baptism was performed the same day at the Cresco Hospital in the presence of Miss Emma Praska. Confirma-tion of baptism at the Vaala home on November 20. Mr. and Mrs. Ole N. Anderson, sponsors.

#### OTTO HANSEN Obituary

Otto Hansen, one of five sons and four daughters of Dorius and Inger Hansen, was born in Skien, Norway, December 31, 1874. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran Faith in Statskirken, in Skien, Norway.



Otto Hansen

He came to this country on June 7, 1896. He was married to Hannah Leifsen on July 14, 1908. To this union were born four children of which two preceded him in death: Dorius, a son, who died on March 23, 1928, and Inger, a daughter, who died

The deceased made his home in this community from the time he came to this community. He became ill a year ago, and was confined to his bed the last two months of his life. He died at his home in Howard County on October 12, 1941.

His family, which remains to mourn his passing are his wife Hannah, his daughter Thelma (Mrs. Tollef Knutson), his daughter Hilda (Mrs. John Kelly) and one granddaughter, Hazel Knutson.

#### Memorial Wreaths

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Natvig, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Alva Knutson and Nels Harvey, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Anderson, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Enus Ferkingstad, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Anderson and family and John Leifson, \$3.00; Dr. and Mrs. G. L. Smith, \$1.00; Mrs. John Vaala and family, \$1.00; Mrs. Sarah Hurd, \$1.00; Mrs. Otto Hanson, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gilbert, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Knutson, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Underwood, \$1.50; Mrs. Alice Heimerdinger and son, 50 cents; Mrs. Mae Fossen, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Julian Natvig, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Vaala and family, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Tollef Knutson, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Vigdal and family, \$1.00.

### MRS. ELLEN ANDERSON Obituary

Mrs. Ellen Anderson died suddenly on Wednesday morning, October 22, from a heart attack at the age of 65 years, 9 months and 2 days. She was born on the old Knutson Homestead in Jackson-ville Township a daughter of Severt and Anna Knutson. She spent her entire life in this community.



Mrs. Ellen Anderson

She was united in marriage to Ole Anderson in November 1905. To this union were born four children, two of which died in infancy. A son, Ole, died in 1939. Her husband preceded her in death, passing away in 1934.

Surviving is one daughter, Alice, two grandchildren, Virgil and Helen Anderson. Also four sisters and one brother. They are: Mrs. Tom Thompson, Mrs. Halvor Ronnei, Mrs. George Clynch, Mrs. Fauberg of Forestburg, S. D., and Robert Knutson of Jerico.

#### Memorial Wreaths

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Johnson and sons and Ole Johnson, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Robinson and family, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Thompson, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Johnson, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Halvor Ronnei, \$1.00; Henry Ronnei, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schwemle, Bertha Fouberg, Alvin Fouberg, Mrs. Ole O. Olson, \$2.50; Mr. and Mrs. George Clynch, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Knutson and Ed., \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Anderson, \$1.00; Jerico Ladies' Aid, \$5.00; Concordia Ladies' Aid, New Hampton, \$2.00.

#### ROBERT KNUTSON Obituary

Robert Knutson was born in Jostedalen, Norway, February 9, 1865. He was the son of Sjur and Anna Knutson. At the age of three years he immigrated with his parents to America, and settled in this community where he remained the rest of his life.



Robt. Knutson

He was baptized in Norway, and confirmed by Rev. John Moses at Saude. In 1887 he was married to Gunilda Anderson by Rev. John Moses at Saude. To this union were born ten children, four of which died in infancy, and Anna (Mrs. A. J. Anderson) passed away in 1927. Those who remain to mourn his death are his wife and five children: Julia (Mrs. Ole O. Olson), of Woonsocket S. D.; Andrew, of New Hampton; Severt of Jerico; Clara (Mrs. George Peacha), of St. Paul, Minn.; Edwin, at home. He also leaves four sisters, Mary (Mrs. Halvor Ronnei), Anna (Mrs. George Clynch), Martha (Mrs. Tom Thompson), all of this community, and Bertha (Mrs. Fouberg), of Forestburg, S. D. Also 16 grandchildren, and two great grandchildren, and a host of relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Knutson celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary four years ago at the Jerico Lutheran Church, of which they had been life-long members.

He suffered from a lingering illness, but death came suddenly at his home on Sunday morning, November 2, 1941, at the age of 76 years, 8 months,

and 22 days. During his lingering illness he was given the loving care of his devoted wife.

#### Memorial Wreaths

Severt Fossen and Knut Knutson, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Orlando Thompson and Orin, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Severt Knutson and family and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Knutson and family, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Ole Throndson, Lizzie and Pearl, \$2.00; Mr. and Mrs. Thom Thompson, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. George Clynch, \$1.00; Mrs. Robt. Knutson and Edwin, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Halvor Ronnei and Mrs. John Nichols, \$1.00; Andrew J. Anderson and sons, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schwemle and Mrs. Bertha Fouberg, \$2.00; Mr. and Mrs. Ole O. Olson and family and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Peacha, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Mark Robinson, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Johnson, Orin, Lowell and Ole Johnson, \$1.00.

#### JOINT MEETING

At a special joint meeting of the Saude and Jerico congregations held at the Jerico church on Friday evening, November 14, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved that the Saude and Jerico Congregations give releases with God's blessing to their members in New Hampton who desire to organize a congregation there;

that the Saude and Jerico congregations promise to all the members of the New Hampton congregation who shall have been released from the Saude and Jerico congregations, the privilege of their cemeteries;

and that until such time as the New Hampton congregation shall have its own church the Saude and Jerico congregations shall grant the use of their churches for funerals, and for such other occasions as may necessitate the use of a church edifice.

#### JERICO ANNUAL MEETING.

## Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Jerico Congregation held on Novmber 21, 1941.

The meeting opened with Scripture reading and prayer conducted by the Pastor. The Secretary's report was read and accepted. The Pastoral report for the year was read. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted. The Trustees' report were read. The School Committee reports were read and accepted.

The following officers were elected:

Secretary, Alfred N. Anderson.

Treasurer, Jeff A. Knutson.

Trustee, Third District, John N. Anderson.

School Committee, First District, Carlton O. Johnson.

Sexton, Thom Thompson, Assistant, J. A. Robinson.

Ushers, Erwin Ellingson, Cletus Anderson, Oliver Anderson, Kenneth Fossen.

Financial Secretary, Harvey Roberson.

Resolved to excuse from payment of church dues

all members of the Jerico Congregation serving in the Army or Navy.

Resolved to adopt the envelope system for home

expenses for the coming year.

Adjournment, Apostolic Benediction pronounced in closing by Pastor Tjernagel.

#### SAUDE ANNUAL MEETING

### The Annual Meeting of the Saude Congregation held on Wednesday, November 19, 1941.

The meeting was opened with devotion conducted by Rev. N. S. Tjernagel. The minutes of the last Annual Meeting and of special meetings held June 8, July 6, September 28, and November 5, 1941 were read and approved. The financial report was read by the treasurer and accepted. The cemetery report was read by Juel Natvig, treasurer of the Cemetery Committee, and accepted. Rev. Tjernagel read the Pastoral report for the year. The following officers were elected:

Secretary, Fred Steensland. Treasurer, Milton Boleng.

Trustee, South District, Carl Miller.

Ushers, Godfrey Natvig, Gregory Vaala, John Anderson.

Auditors, Tom Swenumson and Alfred Larson. Cemetery Committee, present incumbents reelected.

Resolved to authorize the Pastor to introduce the full order of service; and to continue its use if it is found practicable.

Resolved to use the weekly envelope system for collecting the funds for the regular expenses of the congregation.

The matter of official records of the congregation which may be in the hands of individual members of the congregation was discussed. All those who may have record books and official documents of historical interest relating to the congregation were urged to bring them to the parsonage for safe keeping in the congregation's safe.

The meeting closed with prayer.

#### GOTTFRED GULBERG

Gottfred Gulberg at Concordia Seminary, Springfield, Ill., requests that I acknowledge with sincere thanks the help that was given him by members of the Jerico congregation whose gifts paid the first quarter of his board bill at the Seminary.

Those contributions were as follows: Olaf Roberson, \$1.00; S. T. Roberson, \$1.00; Theo. Knutson, \$1.00; Ole C. Johnson, \$1.00; N. S. Tjernagel, \$2.00; Nils C. Oesleby, \$1.00; J. A. Robinson, \$5.00; O. J. Johnson, \$1.00; Rob. Knutson, \$1.00; J. N. Anderson, \$1.00; Alva Knutson, \$1.00; Omar Roberson, 50 cents; M. A. Robinson, \$1.00; Albert Haugen, \$1.00; Harvey Roberson, 50 cents; Norman Roberson, 50 cents; Lloyd Roberson, 50 cents; Ole Ellingson, \$1.00; T. W. Munson, \$1.00; J. A. Knutson, \$1.00; L. A. Robinson, 50 cents; Alfred N. Anderson, \$1.00; O. N. Ferkingstad, \$1.00; Fred Amman, \$1.00; Cletus Anderson, \$1.00; Ladies' Aid, \$6.50.