

The Assistant Pastor

August, 1945

Our School

Let me portray our school to you,
Where under Christian teachers' care
Each child receives his portion due
Of mental and religious fare.

It is a Bethel, house of God,
Re-echoing with prayer and song;
Where Christ's own Word is daily taught
To build convictions, deep and strong;

A nurs'ry, where the gard'ner tends
Young grafted trees with loving care,
So that, when God His blessing lends,
They may be fruitful, fresh, and fair.

A cornerstone this school will prove
Where safely rests the nation's weal,
As long as through its halls shall move
The Spirit of God's love and zeal.

The school can be an anteroom
Of Church on earth and Church above,
From which, year after year, will come
The increase of God's bounteous love.

It is an aid to Christian homes,
It trains for service in this life
And for the life beyond the tombs,
Where victory replaces strife.

Move us, O Lord, schools to maintain
Where not the intellect alone
Of children, but their heart we train;
And faith, not reason, holds the throne.

Lord Jesus Christ, Thou children's Friend,
Whose blood their garments washes white,
Upon our school Thy blessing send!
Protect it, Savior, by Thy might!

G. H. HENTSCHEL
from Lutheran Witness

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Church Directory

N. S. Tjernagel, Pastor

SAUDE CONGREGATION

Trustees: Carl Swenumson, Juel Natvig, Martin Borlaug.
Treasurer: Odell Natvig.
Secretary: Arthur Anderson.
Cemetery Committee: Oscar Natvig, Henry Borlaug, N. S. Tjernagel.
Ladies' Aid: Miss Johanna Ellingson, president; Mrs. Tom Swenumson, secretary; Mrs. Ned Borlaug, treasurer.

JERICO CONGREGATION

Trustees: Selmar Aasen, Tom Roberson, Carl G. Johnson.
Secretary: Kenneth Fossen.
Treasurer: Ole J. Johnson.
Ladies' Aid: Mrs. Tom Roberson, president; Mrs. K. C. Johnson, secretary; Mrs. Edwin Johnson, treasurer.
Cemetery Committee: Mrs. Sever O. Johnson, Mrs. Carl Landsverk, Mrs. Ole J. Anderson.

OUR SCHOOL

Our school will open, God willing, on Monday, September 3. No undertaking your pastor has ever been associated with has ever shown such repeated manifestations of Divine providence as this school. Time and again obstacles have stood in its way. But in His way God has seen to it that each obstacle has been removed so that our school could carry on. This year I had doubted very seriously that we would be able to reopen. One difficulty was the fact that there is a most serious teacher shortage. Another is that we had no building this year. But each of these needs have been met.

Mr. LeVine Hagen graciously consented to take a year out of school so as to make the continuation of the school possible. And at the last minute a building was secured which will be placed at Saude.

Authorized by meetings of the congregations which took place this summer, your pastor appointed a committee from each congregation to consider certain problems connected with the conduct of the school. The committee from the Jerico Congregation consisted of Clarence Cutsforth, Ole J. Johnson and J. A. Robinson. The committee for the Saude Congregation consisted of Henry Borlaug, Fred Steensland and Enus Ferkingstad. These committees met with the School Board of the school. They recommended that for the present it may be best that the school remain a private school rather than be sponsored directly by the congregations. They appointed Enus Ferkingstad and John Robinson to attend the auction of the school building to purchase it for the school. They recommended that it be placed in a location most favorable for the Saude Congregation and that the School Bus be used to furnish transportation for as many of the Jerico children as possible.

By resolution made at our annual meetings we have held an annual offering in behalf of the New Hampton Mission, and the Christian Day School. This offering will be taken this year at Saude on September 9, and at Jerico on September 16. This will be an altar offering and envelopes will be distributed for the offering. In view of the fact that a

building was purchased this year we hope you will contribute accordingly. The patrons of the school are also requested to bring their contributions for the purchase of the building at this time.

Yes, we realize that the operation of our school entails some expense. But it is much more than worth what it costs. The war that we have just gone through has just shown us the woeful inadequacy of public school education. It has shown that education that ignores Christianity is education for worldliness and godlessness. And that is not good enough for our children.

We are continuing our school because nothing but the best is good enough for the precious souls God has given us for safe-keeping. We want the education our children receive to emphasize Christianity, and to ground them firmly in the truths that are our salvation.

Our school has been a success. That is evident from many things we see in the moral development of the children and, though this is not so important, from the fact that three of our five graduates last year were worthy of the honor roll.

Please consider seriously sending your child if it is in any way possible for you. Your child will benefit wonderfully from it.

SCHOOL FUND ACCOUNT

1944-1945

Receipts

G. G. Vaala, \$50.00; T. G. Vaala, \$25.00; O. N. Anderson, \$30.00; Enus Ferkingstad, \$20.00; Geo. N. Anderson, \$25.00; Clarence Cutsforth, \$27.00; M. G. Boleng, \$15.00; Thos. Swenumson, \$23.00; John Robinson, \$15.00; Carlyle Natvig, \$20.00; Capt. Nels J. Anderson, \$20.00; Fred N. Steensland, \$30.00; Henry O. Knutson, \$20.00; N. S. Tjernagel, \$60.00; Tollef Knutson, \$20.00; Mrs. Caroline Vigdal, \$1.00; Mark Robinson, \$15.00; Louie Paulson, \$13.00; Alvin Johnson, \$10.00; Carl Swenumson, \$10.00; Theo. Knutson, \$25.00; Odell Natvig, \$5.00; Offering, Saude Congregation, \$56.29; Offering, Jerico Congregation, \$53.76; Sale of Christmas Cards, \$13.21; Lunches at P. T. Meetings, \$21.95; Balance carried forward from last year, \$63.87. Total, \$664.21.

Expenditures

Fuel	\$ 33.79
Teacher's Salary	360.00
School Supplies	67.67
Heating Stove	40.00
Rev. C. M. Gullerud, expense	6.00
School Bus	70.49
Total	\$572.95

Summary

Balance Carried Forward, 1943-'44	\$ 63.87
Receipts, 1944-'45	600.34
Total	\$664.21
Expenditures 1944-'45	572.95
Balance Carried Forward	\$ 91.26

REDEEMER BUILDING FUND

Redeemer Congregation wishes to acknowledge with sincere thanks the gifts listed below for its building fund. Due to these kind gifts the congregation has been enabled to furnish its place of worship, and pay half the original cost of purchase, which was \$2,300.00. Gifts made by each of the Ladies' Aids at Saude and Jerico, and \$310.00 additional donated when the building was purchased are not included here. Contributions made by members of Redeemer are also not included. The debt of the congregation which remains is \$1,150.00.

Contributions by members of the Jerico Congregation: L. S. Roberson, \$50.00; Alfred Robinson, \$10.00; Carl Roberson, \$5.00; Ole A. Knutson, \$25.00; Knute Roberson, \$100.00; Fred Amman, \$25.00; Carl O. Knutson, \$10.00; Mrs. Martha Iverson, \$10.00; Miss Lena Iverson, \$5.00; Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Robinson, \$25.00; J. N. Anderson, \$10.00; John Robinson, \$25.00; O. N. Ferkenstad, \$30.00; Andrew J. Johnson, \$4.00; Ole Ellingson, \$5.00; Alvie Iverson, \$5.00; Carl A. Knutson, \$10.00; S. T. Roberson, \$25.00; Carl Ellingson, \$5.00; Bessie Ellingson, \$5.00; Lloyd Roberson, \$8.00; K. C. Johnson, \$5.00; Ole C. Johnson, \$5.00; Ole J. Johnson, \$25.00; J. A. Knutson, \$10.00; Carl G. Johnson, \$10.00; Andrew N. Anderson, \$5.00; Harvey Roberson, \$10.00; Tom Roberson, \$5.00; Olaf Roberson, \$5.00; Severt Fossen, \$10.00; Alert Johnson, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Robinson, \$3.00; Mr. and Mrs. Will Mettner, \$5.00; Alvin Johnson, \$2.00; Mrs. L. A. Johnson, \$5.00; Mrs. Robt. Knutson, \$1.00; Alfred T. Johnson, \$5.00; Ole T. Thompson, \$5.00; Mrs. Jack Johnson, \$1.00; Ole J. Knutson, \$1.00; Selmar Aasen, \$20.00; Albert Haugen, \$2.00. Total, \$538.00.

Contributions by members of Saude Congregation: Carrie Natvig, \$25.00; Geo. Miller, \$5.00; Pearl Natvig, \$10.00; Oscar Natvig, \$20.00; Geo. Natvig, \$50.00; Enus Ferkingstad, \$5.00; Mrs. Hannah Hanson, \$10.00; Ole N. Anderson, \$10.00; Fred Steensland, \$5.00; Tom Swenumson, \$5.00; Mrs. E. Ellingson and Johanna, \$2.00; Henry Ellingson, \$5.00; Carl Swenumson, \$10.00; Mrs. Emma Borlaug and Oscar, \$5.00; Ned Borlaug, \$7.00; Rollef Hagen, \$3.00. Total, \$177.00.

OBITUARY

T. W. Munson was the son of Halvor and Anna Munson, early settlers of Chickasaw County, born on a farm in Jacksonville Township on August 1, 1880. He received his education in the public schools of the county.

On September 24, 1902, he was married to Anna Robinson. They moved that fall to a farm near Iola, Kansas, where they remained until 1905, when they returned to Chickasaw County, settling on a farm three miles northeast of Jerico, living on the same place 40 years.

He took an active interest in every thing that gave promise toward the progress and development in the community. He served for six years as county supervisor, also as secretary, later president of the Jerico Creamery Association. He was stable, dependable and devoted his efforts and talents in helping his fellowmen. A fine tribute left his posterity is that he never flinched duty.

Mr. and Mrs. Munson retired from their farm and moved to New Hampton last February, where they

purchased a home on North Chestnut Avenue.

In the few short months in which he lived in the neighborhood, his friendliness was felt as a truly deep feeling of affection and respect was felt for him by his neighbors. He will be missed.



T. W. Munson

He is survived by his wife and seven children: Anna, Mrs. Jesse Amble and Alice, Mrs. Elmer Natvig, Waterloo; Sigrid, Mrs. Carl Miller; Ruth, Mrs. Lloyd Roberson; Harold and Henry residing in the local community and Paul, an ensign in the U. S. Naval Reserve, now serving in the Pacific. In addition to 14 grandchildren, he is survived by five brothers, George, Alfred, Adolph and Carl residing in Chickasaw County and Henry of Omaha, Neb. He was preceded in death by an infant son in 1912, a brother, Shelly, who died in 1892, and Marie, a sister, Mrs. Alvah Griffith, who passed away in 1938.

One grandson, Carmen Miller, is now in the service, with the Merchant Marine, stationed at Brooklyn, New York.

He was a life-long member of the Lutheran Church of Jerico. Friday afternoon, Rev. N. S. Tjernagel, his pastor, held a short prayer service at the home, closing by singing one selection of sacred music. The remains were then taken to the church at Jerico where at 2:00 o'clock funeral services were held. Burial was in the adjoining cemetery. His pall bearers were nephews, Halvor, Floyd, Russell and Arthur Munson, Oscar Anderson and Henry Robinson.

MEMORIAL WREATHS

Tom Munson

Home Missions: Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Amble, \$5.00; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Roberson, Dale and Jule Ann, \$5.00; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Miller, \$5.00; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Munson and family, \$5.00; Mrs. Mary Attleson and sons, \$4.00; Mrs. Mae Fossen, \$3.00; Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Robinson and family, \$3.00; T/Sgt. and Mrs. Franklin Jones, \$2.00; Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Knutson, \$2.00; Carmen, Gayle and Marlowe Miller, \$2.00; Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Vigdal and family, \$2.00; Adys and David

Amble, \$2.00; S. T. Roberson and family, \$2.00; Wayne, Lyle and Meryl Rae Natvig, \$2.00; Jim Anderson Family and Mrs. Evelyn Macha, \$2.00; the following \$1.00 each: Mr. and Mrs. Chris Treider, Tommy Roberson, Mrs. Isabelle Robinson, Carl A. Knutson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Munson, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Basteson, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. N. Braham, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Roberson and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Natvig, Orietta Knutson, Mr. and Mrs. Omar Roberson and boys, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Gilman Robinson and Carol Rae, Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Iverson and family, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Knutson, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cutsforth and family, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gilbert and Raymond, Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Roberson and family, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Alva O. Knutson, Andrew N. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Robinson and family. Total, \$69.00.

Army Navy Fund: Ensign and Mrs. Paul Munson, \$5.00; Mrs. Mamie Grimso and Mr. and Mrs. Halver Munson and family, \$5.00; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Munson and Linda, \$2.50; Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Knutson, \$2.00. Other contributions \$1.00 each: Mr. and Mrs. Iver Natvig and Sylvia, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Nelson and Sandra Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Ole J. Anderson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Anderson and Mary Jane, Mr. and Mrs. Severt O. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Carl G. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Anderson and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Robinson and Lowell, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred N. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Robinson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ball, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Munson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Russel Munson. Total, \$28.50.

Church Extension Fund: Mrs. Muns Munson, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Steensland, Lt. (jg) and Mrs. Frank Dow, \$5.00; Mr. and Mrs. Mark Robinson, \$2.00; \$1.00 each from Mr. and Mrs. Norman Nelson and Joann, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Munson and family, Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Ferkenstad and Clifford, No Name, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Grove, Mr. and Mrs. John Grove and family, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kostad and Loren. Total, \$15.00.

Deaf Mute Inst.: Mr. and Mrs. Theo. G. Haugen, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Landsverk, \$1.00; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Vaala and Mrs. John Vaala. Total, \$3.00.

Bethany College: Mrs. Anna Munson, \$5.00; Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Landsverk, \$2.00; Knudt Roberson, \$1.00. Total, \$8.00.

Lutheran Hour: Mrs. Augusta Gilbert, Mrs. Ger-tie Amble, and Mr. and Mrs. Nels Nerison, \$3.00; Mr. and Mrs. John S. Roberson, \$1.00; Martha and Lena Iverson, \$1.00. Total, \$4.00.

Synod Fund: \$5.00 from J. A. Robinson and son.

Old People's Home: \$1.00 from Mr. and Mrs. Fred Amman.

Needy Pastors: \$1.00 from Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Roberson.

Mr. and Mrs. Iver Natvig celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on Wednesday, May 30, 1945. It was a beautiful day and many relatives and

friends came to greet the bride and groom. There was, as usual, a sumptuous repast and a handsome gift presented to the celebrating couple. An informal program was given, which opened with words of greeting by Anna Steensland. There was a clarinet solo by Lyle Natvig, a violin solo by Wayne Natvig, and a song by a group of girls, Ann Marie, Gladys and Elenore. The pastor greeted the bride and groom. But that which stands out in our memories from the program was a letter from Ingval Steensland, a brother of the bride, which recounted in a most interesting manner the events that preceded the wedding of fifty years ago.

The Lutheran Sentinel should come to every home in this parish. If you are not receiving it please let me know and I will send your name to the publisher. And, of course, everyone should receive the Assistant Pastor. If you know of some one in the congregations who is not receiving it, please tell me about that too. I will be glad to send it to this parish will participate in the religious instruction anyone whom you wish it sent to outside the parish also.

Holy Communion will be celebrated at Saude on September 9 and at Jerico on September 16.

The Confirmation Class will be organized at Jerico on September 7 at 1:30 p. m. Saturday School will begin at 10:00 a. m. on September 8.

The Trustees of the Saude Congregation request that members of the congregation be as careful as possible with our hymn books. Children should not be permitted to use the books as a plaything during the service. Unnecessary damage has come to our books in the past because of this.

Returning Service Men have been honored by the Saude Congregation at receptions given in the church parlors. The first of these occasions was in honor of Capt. Nels J. Anderson, of the U. S. Air Force, who had returned home after completing his bombing missions in the Southwest Pacific Area. The second was in honor of Sgts. Orlo Natvig and Harris Vaala. Orlo returned home after two years' imprisonment in Germany. Harris had seen service in the Aleutian Islands. The third gathering was in honor of Sgt. Everett W. Borlaug, home from service in the Southwest Pacific. Each of these men spoke very interestingly of their experiences during their absence from home.

The High School Class in New Hampton will soon be reorganized. We hope that every student from this town that will be given during the coming year. We are of the opinion that this instruction has been most valuable for our boys and girls. We have appreciated the interest that most of the pupils have shown in their work.

But while we have been giving this instruction we have also often thought of the fact that if the high school children have enjoyed their religious instruction and have benefited from it, then it should be appreciated by those who are not attending high school also.

This year, therefore, I should like to invite the young people of the congregation to reorganize their young people's societies with the view to making these interesting studies available to them too. A special letter of invitation will be sent to them in the near future.