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Valparaiso University Guild
Victory and Peace

shall be ours, O Lord of Hosts, if Thou but give unto us Thy merciful benediction. We come before Thee humbly in this our beloved nation's hour of danger and peril to beseech Thee to extend Thy mighty arm of protection over our armed forces of land, sea and air and to grant unto their loved ones the confidence of Thy presence and guidance. Endow with wisdom our nation's rulers, great and small, that evil and violence may cease, and preserve unto us, O Heavenly Father, the precious gift of our freedom to worship Thee. Give us strength in these times of stress; keep us watchful lest we become blinded by bitterness and hatred; and lead us to a true repentance of our many sins. Show us the narrow way to the Cross and our salvation manifested through our Redeemer's glorious resurrection on Easter morn! Hear us for the sake of Jesus, the Giver of Victory.

Amen.
"Thou Shouldst Be Living at This Hour"

A. C. Oldsen, Pastor, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Valparaiso

War belts the earth! When the Christian contemplates war, its beastly and wasteful methods, and its brutalizing effects on the hearts and minds of many of those who engage in it, he is deeply distressed and devoutly wishes never to be associated with it. But now war is a grim reality! No longer are we observing it from a ringside seat; we are in the ring. We have come upon one of the greatest crises in the story of man. Our country is facing the hardest task in its history. Our Church is entering upon a period of new difficulties. Ahead of us is sacrifice and suffering, grinding work and unprecedented change. Rapidly we are moving away from the kind of life we had come to regard as permanent. It is hard to realize that much of it we will never see again. Several friends and relatives may die in action, some bomb-quick, some bed-slow, some life-long. Today the winds of hatred and revenge are blowing over the battlefields of the world and through the streets of many homefronts, strong enough to sway the most loving oak-hearted. There is enough noise in the roar of modern history to frighten the bravest of the children of men. The shadow of coming events is dark and ominous enough to make our nights sleepless and our days restless. Some of our best thinkers, ablest writers and most gifted speakers are revealing how profound is their despair. Now we know what Keats meant when he spoke of "the giant agony of life." And yet, the future is not without hope.

Did you ever hear the story about Bishop Quayle? One night he had been walking for many hours up and down in his study, in pessimistic mood brooding over the troubles of the world. Suddenly he stopped, blew out the candle that flickered dimly on the corner table, and went cheerfully to bed. Later he told of his experience. As he so gloomily pondered the world’s ills it seemed for a moment as though the voice of God was speaking to him. And this is what it said, "It's all right now, Bishop. You go to bed; I'll stay up the rest of the night." If sometime late at night you sit listening to the round-up of the day's news, as it comes almost instantaneously from all fronts and suddenly realize how tremendous is the power of evil in the world and how fearful are its possibilities for ruin and destruction, and little shafts of fear make you uneasy inside, it will be good for you to hear the same voice saying reassuringly, "You go to bed now; I'll stay up the rest of the night." There is something very comforting in the conviction that God still "upholds all things by the word of His power," that the ultimate forces of the universe rest in His stern but loving hands, that He knows tomorrow better than we know today and says to us, "Fear thou not: for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God; I will strengthen thee: yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness." (Is. 41, 10)

That does not mean, of course, that we can now stand confidently aside and watch all that is going on in the world from a safe distance. Just think, God has selected us to hold high the torch of Christian faith and to carry on the work of the Christian Church in a time like this. We do not choose the age in which we live the span of our lives. God does that for us. He must think a great deal of us to pick us for these days. He evidently believes we can and will live through the darkness with firm faith, high courage, and active zeal. We must not disappoint Him.

There is work to do. As citizens of a land we love we will stand by our country in her dark hour. As Christians we recognize our God-given duty to help defend and protect her. We will strive to bring our enemy to his knees as soon as possible, but not to avenge his wrong. We must defeat him, but we must not forget to dress his wounds. The dove with an olive leaf in its beak that beckoned to the enemy at the close of the last great war to lay down his arms and
promised him fair treatment turned out to be a bird that laid dragon eggs and the monsters that hatched from them are now ravaging the world. We must work with all the strength and opportunity God gives us that it shall not happen again. We must win the peace. But before we can win the peace we must win the war. Let us work hard, then, and the harder we work now, the less tears and blood will flow.

We have further duties. During the Napoleonic era Wordsworth keenly felt the need of strong Christian example and influence and so he wrote, “Milton, thou shouldst be living at this hour. England hath need of thee.” It is time once more to call out, “Christian men and women, let the world know you are living now, for the world needs your example and influence desperately.” The more trying the day in which we live, the greater is our responsibility. The darker it is out in the world, the brighter must shine the light of our Christian faith and courage.

The University Guild is doing noble work, doubly noble because of the time in which it is being done. It is one of the tragedies of our day that we will go down in history as a generation that destroyed what preceding generations had built. The University Guild is building. It is building so that tomorrow our children will be able to answer the call, “Christian men and women, you ought to be living now.”

EVIDENCE OF FAITH
EMMA D. HOPPE, Chairman,
Campaign Advisory Committee

The members of the Guild have come a long way together. Through ten years they have worked devotedly for Valparaiso University, proving their FAITH in Christian higher education. Our country was founded and built on FAITH. FAITH was in the hearts of our Saxon pioneer mothers and fathers as they left the land of their birth and journeyed to a strange country. These forebears had a strong FAITH in their dreams of a church in which they might worship according to the dictates of their conscience.

It is attested by the bronze tablet on the large granite boulder on the south campus at Valparaiso that the men and women who organized the Lutheran University Association in 1925 possessed vision and FAITH. Likewise, it is FAITH in the hearts of Guild members that prompts them to strive for ever greater goals in promoting the cause of Valparaiso University. These efforts have been directed not only to the financial support of the school but also toward the improvement of buildings and campus. Now for the first time in the Guild history, the members are pledging their efforts to the collection of funds for the construction of a new building—the most important project ever undertaken by the Guild.

Comprehensive and detailed plans for conducting the campaign for funds were made, so that all chapters may function along similar lines. And now, it is a pleasure to announce that the wheels of the campaign have begun to move, slowly, steadily in the right direction. Thus far, a number of states have co-operated fully in scheduling and holding meetings of chapter presidents. These presidents have returned to their respective communities and have put into operation the accepted plan for raising their apportioned share of the Guild Hall Building Fund.

As in the past each chapter has a regular yearly goal which is to be raised in the usual manner, through membership dues and chapter activities. The aggregate of these yearly goals is, as you know, insufficient to meet the requirements of the new building. For this reason an additional amount—a so-called campaign goal has been assigned to each chapter. The Campaign Advisory Committee recommends that this latter goal be raised by special contributions; and that chapters organize campaign committees.
whose duty it shall be to personally solicit prospective donors and members of the Guild for funds. It is further expected that each chapter will select its own time for solicitation, approximately of two weeks’ duration, preferably a period not later than the spring of this year.

A unique souvenir booklet, "A Cloud with a Silver Lining," is to be mailed to all members and donors, shortly before the solicitation periods.

Printed pledge cards provide for the acknowledgment of pledges and cash payments. In case of larger contributions, payments are to be made as the donor desires, any time before June 30, 1943. The chapter treasurers will record these payments as made, on the pledge cards.

If the donor wishes to do her patriotic duty and at the same time give to the Guild project, she may take advantage of a two in one opportunity, namely: Contributors to the Guild Hall Fund may make their gifts in the form of Defense Stamps and/or Series F and Series G Bonds. These bonds must be made out in the name of the Lutheran University Association, Guild Hall Building Fund, Valparaiso, Indiana. Credit will be given to the donor only in the amount of the value of bonds at the time of purchase—not the maturity value. If Defense Stamps are given, they should be turned in to the chapter treasurer who will send them to the University for conversion into Series F and Series G Defense Savings Bonds. Such gifts are a tribute to your patriotism and a testimony of your FAITH in the power of a Christian school.

To each and everyone of us is given the privilege and the duty to share in this gift to Valparaiso University.

Will you hold fast this FAITH and do your part to help keep the wheels of the campaign rolling—smoothly, efficiently and speedily—by placing your name as high as possible on the roll of those who contribute generously and promptly to this pressing need?

She who is wise,
Defense Stamps buys!

What the Guild Means to the University

When I consider what the Guild means to the University, a flood of particulars rushes into my mind. Women have always been noted for their faith. An example of this is given in the Lenten story. After being informed by the sacred writer that all the disciples of the Savior took to their heels for their own safety, we get a glimpse of the little congregation of women under the cross on Calvary. They gave no thought to safety, but cared only to be near their suffering Savior.

Evidence of the stronger faith of women is apparent in their dealings. When they are given a task in the Church, they are not concerned about making a name for themselves; instead they deliberately approach the task, take its measure, and then do their utmost to accomplish it even though the odds are against them. They trust in God to see them through, and He sees them through.

I might go into detail about the work that the Guild is accomplishing. Here is an organization that sees its job and moves swiftly and directly to accomplish it. It is working alongside a larger organization, recognizes itself as a subsidiary, finds its own place in the larger program, fills that place and does it well.

But I prefer to emphasize an intangible which permeates all the activities of the Guild, for I believe the Guild’s greatest contribution to Valparaiso grows out of its faith and out of its realism. It can be summed up in the one word Encouragement. By this I do not mean to belittle the Guild’s solid contribution in money, in time, in publicity, and in prayer. I am merely singling out one of its great contributions.

The University movement in our Church was begun by men. After the first stage of enthusiasm there came to some of these men the cold realization that great universities are tremendous structures, the result of years of labor. They began to feel what is meant by the saying that a century is a short time in the life of a school. And some of them became discouraged; they lacked the stamina to continue.

By this time our Lutheran women had fortunately taken Valparaiso to their hearts.
From far and wide they rallied together in their auxiliaries to work for the University. Disheartening events were met with an inflexible cheerfulness, with a contagious smile that refused to be wiped away. Representatives of the University were warmly welcomed, cheered, and sent on their way rejoicing. The Guild chapters began to raise money for various projects and they were extremely successful at it. More and more of their friends were drawn into their local chapters and imbued with a sense of the importance of the work of the University. Their husbands saw the sincerity and persistence of their efforts and were spurred on to work for a greater Valparaiso.

Because I have seen this effort of our Guild, the national as well as the locals, I commend it for its faithfulness out of which grew that mighty monument of Encouragement which, I believe, has so profoundly and so favorably influenced our University movement. God bless you all for it!

G. W. LOBECK, Director,
Department of Public Relations.

The Future of the University
PRESIDENT O. P. KRETZMANN
Address delivered at the 1941 Guild Convention.

An academic community is often somewhat isolated from the great world beyond the borders of the campus. There is always a danger that the necessary routine of day by day living will make us forgetful of the men and women throughout the country whose hearts and spirits join us in a common devotion to our cause. We are, therefore, deeply grateful when representatives from the world beyond the campus come to our quiet halls for a convention such as this. For this reason I am particularly happy to welcome the members of the University Guild for their annual convention.

The past year has again been a year of progress for the work of our Guild. Under the leadership of its consecrated officers its membership has been expanded and the results of its work are evident here at the school. Many features of our Lutheran University's physical, academic, and spiritual life would not be evident today if it were not for the sure and quiet support of our Guild.

The national officers have given me the privilege of speaking to you today about the future of the University. It is obvious that the future of the Guild is intimately bound up with the future of the University. As one grows, the other must grow. The greatness of our school will be reflected in the greatness of our Guild. Together we can look forward to a future bright with promise.

Our plans and hopes for Tomorrow must be based on the achievements of yesterday and the potentialities of today. It is, therefore, necessary for me briefly to report to you on our present status. I believe that we can honestly say that we already have a great school here at Valpo. The basic requirements for a great school are a good faculty, a good student body, and a great spirit. These we have today. A faculty carefully selected for character and ability, a student body representative of many of our best homes, and a spirit of courage and optimism—these are the distinguishing marks of the University today.

During the past year we have again made definite academic progress. The co-operative arrangement with Northwestern University enables our students to do first-rate work in the field of journalism. Our Department of Religion has been strengthened by the addition of courses and the employment of a full-time instructor. A Department of Physical Education has been added to our academic offerings. Several art courses have been incorporated in the curriculum.

The current academic year has also been one of spiritual progress. Certain changes in the time and program of our chapel exercises have made them outstanding factors in the spiritual life of the campus. The appointment of Mrs. C. R. Heidbrink as Social Director has assured us of a sane and well-balanced program of social activities. In every field—physical, academic, social, and spiritual—we are able to offer our students a thorough and well-integrated program.

With these achievements definitely recorded in our history we turn confidently toward the future. As the members of the Guild know, the Board of Trustees has adopted a Five-Year Program of Development for the University. Every phase of this program has been subjected to careful and thoughtful consideration. It provides for definite advance in all departments of our work. The years
immediately before us may look dark and troubled, but we are dominated by the conviction that they are decisive for the future of our school. We are marching ahead not despite world conditions, but because of them.

The leaders of the Guild are taking an important place in the general line of advance. There can be little doubt that the future will see an increase in our feminine enrollment. To provide for a growing number of young women who will come to Valpo for their college career the Guild is undertaking the erection of a women’s hall to be known as Guild Hall. Few factors in our entire program will be more important and valuable to the future of the University.

As we face the future of Valpo our spirit is even more important than our immediate objectives. In our plans for the future the dominant note must be an absolute faith in our destiny. It is more clearly evident than ever before that we must become a distinctive school. We must stand for something which is bitterly necessary in the World of Today and Tomorrow. We must bring to our tasks all the devotion of an heroic faith and the driving power of a relentless courage.

The Lutheran University of Tomorrow will stand for the great “plus” in education. There must be nothing apologetic or fearful about our emphasis on this fact. Perhaps more than ever before our work today should be determined by the long view. We are casting our bread upon far waters. We shall not stay to see it return to us. We know that we shall not live to see our work done. That does not matter. As long as we recognize the will of God for us and for the University, so long shall we be able to do our common work with courage and with hope. No task which can be done today and tomorrow should be left for another generation. We are the children of God upon whom the ends of the world have come. In this spirit, I am certain, the Guild and the University will join hands to move forward into a future out of which shall come the fulfillment of our God-given destiny.

Attention All Treasurers

As you know, the Guild’s “special” gift for this year will be a series of artistic reprints for beauty and cultural purposes at a cost not to exceed $150.00. Will all chapter treasurers, therefore, kindly MAIL TODAY (or as soon as conveniently possible) $5.00 for this purpose in order that these reprints may be purchased in time for presentation to the University at the convention. Thank you!

Fewer and Better Activities

Listening on the sidelines to what chapters are doing, and judging from the requests that come to the committee, we are aware of a lively activity in Guild affairs which we hope will again result in the meeting of suggested goals.

For the benefit of newer chapters, may we repeat that the sponsoring of “fewer and better” activities has proved to be very successful in Guild work.

Though large projects entail considerable effort, yet in reality they do not require more energy than many small affairs. Chapters have found that the financial results thus achieved are far more favorable and that this method of entertaining has met with great appeal generally.

The importance of the psychological effect of “fewer and better” activities must not be underestimated. Members and patrons will look forward to Chapter functions and will respond to them with greater enthusiasm when not called upon too often to participate. Also, the presentation of well-planned and well-executed cultural programs creates a desire for the finer things and thus our social activities make for educational advancement. Growth in Guild membership

I pledge allegiance to my flag,
And the Republic for which it stands,
One Nation, indivisible,
With Liberty and Justice for all.
will be a natural consequence to the sponsoring of "fewer and better" activities. By this means then we can assist in the building of a larger future Guild, an organization with the high privilege of aiding the cause of Christian Higher Education.

ADELIA L. VOGEL, Chairman,
Activities Committee.

Nomination of Officers

The Nominating Committee consists of the following members: Mrs. E. W. Jaeger, 4527 S. Greenwood Ave., Chicago, Ill., chairman; Mrs. Alwin Mau, Buffalo Chapter; Miss Lydia E. Schultz, Evening Group of the Milwaukee Chapter; Mrs. C. L. Manske, Sebewaing Chapter; and Mrs. E. V. Bartholomew, Mishawaka-South Bend Chapter. All members of the Guild have the privilege of suggesting candidates for office. All suggestions are to be sent to the chairman of the committee. It is to be remembered that all of the present officers have served in the same capacity for three consecutive years and constitutionally cannot be re-elected to the same office.

Proposed Amendments

At the 1941 convention a resolution was adopted that the Guild president appoint a committee to study the constitution and by-laws of the Guild. This committee should recommend revision if necessary and report such recommendations to the 1941 fall meeting of the Executive Board.

Mrs. Hoppe appointed the following members to serve on this Revisions Committee: Miss Louise Nicolay of South Bend, chairman; Mrs. F. C. Proehl, Milwaukee; Mrs. Arch. McKay, Detroit; Mrs. Karl Henrichs, Valparaiso; and Mrs. N. E. Bishop, Cleveland.

The committee has studied the constitution and by-laws of the Guild and at the October meeting of the Executive Board submitted various proposed changes. The Executive Board approved the changes as recommended by the committee.

The following regulation is found in Article VI of our constitution: "The Constitution and the By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Guild by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present. Provided, however, that any such proposed amendment shall have been submitted in writing to the Executive Board as herein-after provided for. The Executive Board shall thereupon submit notice of this proposed amendment to the members of the Guild four weeks previous to the meeting. Provided also, that any proposed amendment is in harmony with the Constitution and the By-Laws of the Lutheran University Association." We take this opportunity of submitting to all members of the Guild the required notice of the proposed amendments to the constitution which shall be deliberated upon in our next annual convention meeting. The proposed changes as approved by the Executive Board are as follows:

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I.
Membership.

SECTION 2. To be omitted entirely.

SECTION 4. On or before June 30 of each year chapters shall elect officials as needed. The names and addresses of the officials shall be sent to the office of the Department of Public Relations.

SECTION 6. Chapters shall institute and promote such activities as are most conducive in their community to the interests of the Guild. These activities, however, shall be kept on a high plane and include cultural features, and shall at all times center on the common purpose of the Valparaiso University Guild.

ARTICLE III.
Dues.

1) The annual membership fee in a chapter of the Guild is $1.00 or more.

ARTICLE V.
Officers.

SECTION 1. All officers of the Valparaiso University Guild shall be elected for a term of two years. No officer shall hold the same office for more than two consecutive terms.

SECTION 4. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings and conduct the correspondence of the Guild.

SECTION 5. The Executive Board shall be composed of the president, past presidents, the two vice-presidents, the secretary, the state chairmen, and the chapter presidents. This Board shall report to the Guild at the annual meeting. The Executive Committee shall consist of the national officers and the state chairmen.
ARTICLE VI.
Executive Board.

SECTION 2. The president shall appoint all committees and fill all vacancies.

SECTION 3. The Executive Board shall develop plans and submit programs and a model constitution to the members and chapters of the Guild in order to insure uniformity of action.

SECTION 4. At a duly called meeting of the Executive Board the members present shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE VIII.
Meetings.

SECTION 1. The regular meetings of the Valparaiso University Guild, unless otherwise ordered, shall be held in April or May, upon the decision of the Executive Board. Meetings, unless otherwise ordered, shall be held at Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana.

ARTICLE X.
Miscellaneous.

3) The corresponding secretaries of the various chapters shall regularly send items of interest of their chapter meetings to the president or secretary of the Guild. Each secretary shall prepare a brief annual report of the work of her chapter for the year during the month of June and send it to the president or secretary of the Guild for publication in the special bulletin of the Valparaiso University Guild.

7) To be omitted.

The committee urges all Guild members to study these proposed amendments to the constitution and by-laws, to discuss them at chapter meetings, and to express your sentiments pro or con when they are deliberated upon at the convention to be held in May.

LOUISE NICOLAY,
Executive Board Secretary.

FOR GRACE TO USE OUR GIFTS

O Lord God Almighty, who dost endue Thy servants with divers and singular gifts of the Holy Ghost, leave us not, we beseech Thee, destitute of Thy manifold gifts nor yet of grace to use them always to Thy honor and glory; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Amen.

CHAPTER CHATTER

WAUSAU CHAPTER—Mrs. O. P. Dippman, secretary of the chapter, writes: "All our members were happy to receive the Guild edition of the Valparaiso University Bulletin and after reading Mrs. Louis Heinecke's article 'A Busy Mother and Her Bible,' we decided that for our next chapter meeting we shall answer the roll call with a short story of some of the famous women of the Bible. The names were chosen at our last meeting."

BAY CITY—Mrs. Henry Born, president, writes enthusiastically regarding their Christmas Musical and Tea which was attended by 300 guests from Lutheran congregations in Bay City and county, Sebewaing and Saginaw. Charming Yule decorations, including the miniature Christmas trees which centered the small tables at which guests were served, the red candles which lighted the rooms and the exquisite centerpiece at the service table, accentuated the event. Highlighting the program was a group of songs by Miss Irene Walther, who was accompanied by Alvin Hitzmann. Frederick Boehringer was the piano soloist. Likewise a feature of the program was a skit "Campus Life" written and presented by four alumnae of Valparaiso University.

KANKAKEE CHAPTER—We are happy to receive a communication from this chapter. Though having a membership of but 18, the Kankakee chapter, through its secretary, Mrs. H. M. Laube, reports a successful and beautiful Christmas Musical which was held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, the Rev. Carl Haller, pastor. Participating in the inspiring
concert were the St. Paul's Treble Clef Choir and the Children's Choir of the local congregation and the St. Paul's A Capella Double Quartet of Chicago Heights, Illinois.

**TOLEDO** advises that for the past two consecutive years their chapter has served a Smorgasbord at the Art Museum dining room. Everything is placed on attractively decorated plates, and a girl of Swedish descent, dressed in native costume, serves the warm syrup roll for which the Swedes are famous. After the luncheon a lecture "Cloisters" and a tour of specific interest was given by a member of the Art Museum. Mrs. Alfred Heidtman, the president, writes that their members find this sort of activity very profitable and educational.

The **MAUMEE VALLEY** chapter reports a very interesting activity. From Mrs. H. C. Knust, president of the chapter, we quote the following: "The officers entertained in a unique and novel manner when they asked twenty friends to come to a 'Valpo Benefit Luncheon' at the home of Mrs. Henry Benien with Mrs. Walter M. Fehner as hostess. At the appointed hour the guests were seated at a prettily decorated table and found unusual and original menu-place cards, in bright red, written in Chinese characters. After they had partaken of their 'rice and tea' in American fashion, they were asked to journey further to the home of Mrs. Earl Twietmeyer. Here they were treated to real Chinese Chop Suey in true Chinese fashion, with fitting table setting and appointments. Having partaken bounteously of chop suey, they were again asked to travel further, and this time to the home of Mrs. Otto Lankenau, where they were served real Chinese tomato soup. By this time, the guests, who had been somewhat nonplussed, began to realize that they were being served a Chinese Progressive Dinner, served in 'reverse.' Now they were told the last had been first, and the first would be last and they lost no time in making a wild scramble to the Knust home and were there in advance of the hostesses, to greet them when they arrived. As a last-first course they were served a grapefruit cocktail."

**MILWAUKEE**—Miss Lydia E. Schultz, president, writes us the following: "Perhaps you would like to know a little about the work of our organization. We recently changed our name from the 'Senior Girls' Club of the Milwaukee Chapter' to 'The Evening Group of the Milwaukee Chapter.' We had a membership of 35 girls. Since then we accepted nine new members and are hopeful of accepting at least three more in the March meeting. We have a very fine group of girls, business and professional, and very fine cooperation from the committees and all other members. It is a pleasure to be chairman of a group of this kind. Our meetings have been well attended and our Christmas party was a great success. We raise no money through card parties or similar functions. We have two special collections during the year, one in November and one in March. Last year we contributed $115.00 and I am hopeful that we exceed that amount this year. We will also do all we can in boosting the Guild Hall Drive. Our group has gone through its experimental stage and, from now on, we should show a healthy growth both in membership and funds."

**CLEVELAND**—Mrs. H. C. Vogel, publicity reporter of the chapter, sends us the following item: "Special festivities marked the observance of the 10th anniversary of the Cleveland Chapter when on January 30 approximately 300 guests assembled for a Birthday Tea and Book Review. Beautiful harp music preceded the program which opened with a spirited "Star Spangled Banner" by the assembly, as Old Glory majestically stood by. Our Guild president, Mrs. W. N. Hoppe, extended felicitations from the national organization, and as guest speaker for this festive occasion, Mrs. Hoppe very fittingly spoke on 'The History of the Guild and Its Ideals.'

"No birthday party could be complete without refreshments, and so the guests were generously treated to dainty sandwiches and tempting cookies, served from well appointed tea tables, resplendent with birthday candles and a large birthday cake. Mrs. H. W. Bartels, past president of the Cleveland Chapter, and Mrs. N. E. Bishop, president, poured.

"A feeling of genuine friendliness and comradeship pervaded among the many guests and the homely atmosphere, peculiar to birthdays, was enhanced through the interesting review of Bellamy Partridge's 'Big Family,' especially chosen as an escape from the heavy world problems.

"The spring meeting of the chapter, held March 10, also carried the anniversary key-
note, and a special birthday luncheon was served from individual tables representing each month of the year in its traditional mood. It was the pleasure of this chapter to have as its honor guests the Rev. G. W. Lobeck, who together with the State Chairman, Mrs. H. C. Knust, and the Ohio chapter presidents and a representative of the Pittsburgh, Pa., area, attended a meeting at the home of Mrs. Hoppe, prior to the luncheon.”

MICHIGAN DAY—The second annual “Michigan Day” rally was held at Immanuel Parish Hall, Bay City, on October 21, 1941. This meeting was attended by several hundred Guild members, including ten of the eleven presidents of Michigan chapters. The morning was spent in informal group discussions conducted by Mrs. Harry Eberline, Miss Emma Stoeckert, Mrs. A. C. Moeller and Mrs. Walter Brechtelsbauer. The afternoon’s meeting was opened with a welcome address delivered by the Rev. Theo. Stiegemeyer, pastor of the host church which was responded by Mrs. H. Born, Bay City chapter president. Important addresses were delivered by the Rev. H. Mayer, District Chairman of the Lutheran University Association, Mr. Henry Steppelwerth, Student Secretary of Valparaiso University, and by Mrs. W. N. Hoppe, national president of the Guild. Others on the program were Mrs. Theo. Richter, Detroit chapter president, Mrs. Geo. Schmidt and Mrs. Carl Bellmeier of Bay City, Mrs. C. L. Manske of Sebewaing, Mrs. G. O. Johnson of Saginaw, and Mrs. Otto Sohn of Flint. Mrs. M. W. Hemmeter, state chairman for Michigan, was in charge of the meeting and Mrs. Sohn acted as secretary. The Detroit chapter extended an invitation to hold the 1942 rally in Detroit and this invitation was accepted. This meeting proved to be very successful in that it served to arouse inspiration and enthusiasm for keener participation in the work of the Guild.

CONVENTION PLANS

What fond memories the 1941 Guild convention brings to mind! The business session, where we pledged to create a building fund for the erection of Guild Hall; the Tea at Altruria, where we made new friends and greeted old; and then, almost with Aladdin-like magic, we were whisked from our hotel room to a veritable fairyland of flowers and music in the gym to attend our Guild’s tenth birthday party. Those were momentous and never-to-be-forgotten hours and we made a mental resolution never to forego the pleasures and privileges of attending future conventions.

In reviewing last year’s convention and the gloriously enjoyable things we did, let us not let our thoughts dwell too much upon the past, but direct our thinking to plans for the trip to Valparaiso this coming May.

The 1942 convention will be significant for two reasons. It will be the first time our national Guild will meet under the shadows of war clouds and it will end the first year of our Guild Hall campaign. Now, more than ever before, our Guild must be diligent and alert to the task it has undertaken to do. Valparaiso University must hold high the torch of Christian higher education and our Guild must assist in sustaining and encouraging such noble purpose during the present emergency. We, the members of the Guild, will gain much inspiration and enthusiasm for our work by joining other like-minded Lutheran women at the convention, all banded together in a service to Christ and their church and country, by assisting in providing a Christian institution of higher learning for our college-going sons and daughters. Here, too, we shall learn of the progress of the Guild’s most important objective, the campaign for Guild Hall.

The 11th annual convention of the Valparaiso University Guild will be held on the campus of Valparaiso University Saturday and Sunday, May 9 and 10. Of particular interest to members of the Guild will be the announcement that Baccalaureate services and the 68th annual Commencement are scheduled for May 10, thus providing two days of Christian companionship and devotion to our cause.

Convention headquarters again will be the Lembke Hotel and a local reception committee will be on hand Friday evening and Saturday morning to greet all members and guests. The first business session will be called to order by the president, Mrs. Hoppe, in the University Auditorium at 9:45 a.m. Saturday. Important business will be transacted, the Guild’s “special” gift will be presented, and a timely pertinent paper will be read by one of our members. The afternoon session will begin promptly at 1:30 and continue until 4 o’clock.
The social program is in the capable hands of Mrs. Richard Schoenbohm and her assistants, Mrs. Karl Henrichs, Mrs. Ben Schumacher, and Miss Ruth Genuit of Valparaiso, and Miss Ella Reinking of South Bend. Miss Louise Nicolay represents the official staff.

The committee announces only a few limited details since they want no preliminary or advance publicity to dim the surprise in store for you. Briefly, the only information they make available at this time is that we shall have the pleasure of a cup of tea following the business session. The highlight of social activities is, of course, the Guild banquet which will be held in the Health and Physical Education Building. Come all dressed up in your best “bib and tucker.”

May 4 is the deadline that banquet ticket requests are to reach Mrs. E. G. Schwiebert, the registration chairman. We especially urge you to send in reservations by the time specified because of the very limited facilities at the Health and Physical Education Building. This building, as you know, has no kitchen and you will appreciate the problems confronting the committee. Mr. Garrison, the chef, must prepare all food at Altruria, bring it over in trucks, and try to keep it hot on Skellgas plates set up in an improvised kitchen in the lounge of the building. One can readily understand that accepting last-minute reservations is almost a physical impossibility. Last year, in order not to disappoint the many Guild members who waited until the day of the convention to purchase banquet tickets, all members of the Valparaiso Chapter gave up their tickets and thus were unable to attend the banquet. We know you will agree that a repetition of this sacrifice must not occur again.

You will not wish willingly to miss this convention as it furnishes to each and every Guild member the opportunity to voice her opinion and to assist in transacting all of our important business. The official staff of your Guild is eagerly looking forward to greeting you at the 11th annual Guild convention. May all our deliberations be worthy of our high objective and the Christ Whose name we shall thereby glorify.

Now that Easter is over, why not live the life for which Easter stands? “If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above.”

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**Convention Schedule**

**FRIDAY**

Nominating Committee meeting, Hotel Lembke
6:00 p.m.

The members of the Committee are: Mrs. E. W. Jaeger, Mrs. Alwin Mau, Miss Lydia Schultz, Mrs. C. L. Manske, and Mrs. E. V. Bartholomew.

Revisions Committee meeting, Hotel Lembke,
6:00 p.m.

The members of the Committee are: Miss Louise Nicolay, Mrs. Karl Henrichs, Mrs. Arch. McKay, Mrs. F. C. Proehl, and Mrs. N. E. Bishop.

Executive Board meeting, Hotel Lembke,
7:30 p.m.

The Executive Board consists of the officers of the Guild, the three past presidents, and all chapter presidents of the Guild. State chairmen and the members of the Resolutions Committee are also asked to attend this meeting.

Registration of all guests, members, and officers, Hotel Lembke, 4 to 9:30 p.m.

**SATURDAY**

Registration, University Auditorium, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

First Business Session, University Auditorium, 9:45 a.m.

Executive Board Luncheon, University Dining Room, 12:30 p.m.

Second Business Session, University Auditorium, 1:30 p.m.

The Guild Tea, 4:30 p.m.

The Guild Banquet, Health and Physical Education Building, 6:45 p.m.

**SUNDAY**

The Baccalaureate Service, University Auditorium, 10:30 a.m.

The 68th Annual Commencement, University Auditorium, 2:30 p.m.

Convention headquarters will be Hotel Lembke. The hotel management has made a special rate of $1.50 per person provided two guests occupy a room with a double bed or four guests occupy a room with two double beds; otherwise the regular rates will obtain. Please send reservations directly to Hotel Lembke. Since this is also the week-end of Commencement it is most important that you make your reservations well in advance in order to be assured of hotel accommodations.
The program of the Business Session together with the Registration Form will be mailed to all Guild members approximately three weeks prior to the convention. It is imperative that you mail this form with the $1.75 fee to Mrs. E. G. Schwiebert, 175 McIntyre Court, Valparaiso, not later than May 4.

Lowell Thomas Agrees to Be Film Narrator

Lowell Thomas, Valparaiso '07, commentator for Fox Movietone News, has complied with a request made by Ed Kurtz and will speak the running narrative for Valparaiso University's all-color movie now being taken on the campus. In a letter to Kurtz, Mr. Thomas, a passive member of AE social fraternity, indicated his willingness to read the commentary which is to be prepared by the university. The letter from the world famous author, commentator and radio news analyst in addition offered several professional suggestions for the preparation of the movie for a running commentary.

The film, largely completed by Mr. Henry Stoeppelwerth, former student secretary of Valparaiso University, is being taken through several final shots by a crew especially appointed by the University. Don Bohl, Howard Hackel, and Paul Stuckert are operating the equipment, and the film will be finished within the next two weeks.

Editing and cutting will be done by Mr. Stoeppelwerth while Mr. Rechlin will make final arrangement in New York for the sound track. John Strietelmeier and Ray Scherer will assist President Kretzmann in preparing the commentary for the film, which will be from 45 minutes to an hour long and will be completely in color.

Our National Anthem

“Oh say can you see by the dawn’s early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight’s last gleaming.”

No song in America has been so widely known as “The Star Spangled Banner.” These words are sung with patriotic enthusiasm at patriotic meetings or whenever a love for our country is preached.

This anthem was legally designated as the National Anthem by an Act of Congress on March 3, 1931. It is a song of hope—buoyant, aspiring, climatic; a song of sunrise in contrast-distinction to the Australian National Anthem that is a song of sunset. The author, Francis Scott Key, graduated from St. John's College, Annapolis, and practiced law in Baltimore during the War of 1812.

The “Star Spangled Banner” was written in 1814 and under rather peculiar circumstances. While Key was a temporary prisoner on the British warship, “Surprise,” he watched the British attack Baltimore, chiefly the bombardment of Fort McHenry. During the bombardment, Key anxiously watched the Stars and Stripes flying over the fort and was overjoyed after a night of suspense, to see in the early dawn that “the flag was still there.”

Then all the glory of the old flag came over the watcher with tremendous force and in a few minutes the famous song was written, all under the spell of the greatest excitement.

When you see the Stars and Stripes waving, stop a minute and be thankful you are living under them, and breathe a prayer that it may defend us. No matter where you are join everyone in singing.

“Tis the star-spangled banner, oh long may it wave,
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!”

GOD, LORD OF SABAOTH, THOU WHO ORDAINEST

God, Lord of Sabaoth, Thou who ordainest Thunder Thy clarion and lightning Thy sword,
Show forth Thy pity on high where Thou reignest;
Give to us peace in our time, O Lord.

God, the omnipotent, mighty Avenger, Watching invisible, judging unheard;
Save us in mercy, oh, save us from danger;
Give to us pardon and peace, O Lord.

God, the All-merciful, earth hath forsaken Thy ways all holy and slighted Thy Word;
Let not Thy wrath in its terror awaken;
Give to us peace in our time, O Lord.

So shall Thy people, with thankful devotion, Praise Him who saved them from peril and sword,
Singing in chorus, from ocean to ocean,
Peace to the nations and praise to the Lord.

Hymn 582, LUTHERAN HYMNAL.