Psalm 96:9 Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

...An Address at the Dedication of the Gloria Christi Chapel

September 27, 1959

By Dr. O. P. Kretzmann

This is another great, immortal day in the history of the University. Few organizations within the Church have had more frequent occasion to give thanks to Almighty God for His manifold blessing upon their work. Many of you will recall the dedication of Guild Hall, the silver anniversary, the evidences of the work of the University Guild in almost every nook and corner of the campus. Hand in hand the University and the Guild have gone from one achievement to another, courageous and confident that God is in this work of ours. I would be untrue to the deepest voices of my heart this morning if I did not say a very warm word of gratitude to all of you who have made these great things possible for almost a generation. In the sight of God and man you have done very well!

And now we have come this morning to another memorable moment in your history. We are worshipping for the first time in a place which is the work of your hands. This is the chapel of the Guild, dedicated to the glory of Christ. It is, however, also a shining memorial to hundreds of women who worked and prayed for this chapel and whose love for the living God in Christ is permanently reflected and immortalized in this place.

I would, therefore, like to discuss with you very briefly this morning just what will be going on in this place for many generations to come. As we all know, this chapel will be used more frequently than the great chapel above us. Here there will be many smaller services, matins and vespers. Here many visiting groups will worship. Here students and alumni will say their marriage vows. Here, more than anywhere else, there will be constant petitions and private prayers ascending to the Throne of God. In all this, day after day and year after year there will be a devoted following of the imperative in our text: "O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness." This is what you have made possible for untold thousands of young men and women. This, I hope you will always remember in all your remaining years. You have given those who will come after you a place, a lovely, hallowed
place, to worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

Just what will this mean? We all know that there has been a growing interest in worship in all parts of Christendom. When man can turn nowhere else he may turn upward. When he has been forced to weep, he may turn his tear-filled eyes to Calvary and the Cross. When he has been beaten to his knees by the whips of God whistling through the universe in anger and in judgment, he may learn to pray in the kneeling position.

Worship! What is it? What will be going on in this place which you have given to the University? Let me say it simply and clearly: The home of man is in God, and true worship is the return of man to his home. It is God giving Himself to man in grace, and man in gratitude giving himself to God. The spirit of the worshipper, conditioned as it is by the chances and chances of this fleeting world, looks beyond the shadows to the unchanging and finds peace and hope and glory. At the very heart of all this, in sermon and in sacrament, there will always be our Lord Christ pouring Himself down and away to all who come to seek Him here.

I wonder if I should not ask you as members of the Guild to remember all the Gloria Christi worshippers in your daily prayers. Remember the student who will come here to pour out his troubles! Remember the parents who will come here with their children! Remember the groups of scholars who will be discussing the problems of the world and the Church! Remember all the endless procession of men and women who will use this chapel as a moment of rest from life's fitful fever, who will find their God-given moment of eternity and of peace here. Will you pray for them?

And all that goes on in this chapel will be done "in the beauty of holiness." This is how we must worship! It is a strange, surprising phrase — "the beauty of holiness" — especially to us in the twentieth century. We speak of beauty of mind, of face, of structure, of ornament, as in this chapel. But what is the beauty of holiness? Let me say it simply and clearly again! Holiness is beautiful with an incredible, unearthly beauty. Those who love God share in His beauty. It is only the life of holiness that is beautiful in itself and brings beauty into the life of others. It brings beauty into life because it brings God into it.

All this you have made possible in this chapel. Into this chapel will come men and women marred and scarred by sickness of sin. Their shoulders may be bowed and their faces may be torn by sorrow. But here if they will worship, if they will pray, they will, please God, again find beauty — a beauty which age cannot destroy and time cannot take away — the ageless, timeless, unending beauty of holiness — the beauty of surrender, of love, of mercy, of God Himself touching them with the sunlight of heaven. There will be long, lovely, holy hours here for uncounted souls. You have given them a bit of eternity, a touch of God, a glimpse of their real home with God and in God.

It is with this prayer and this hope that we dedicate this Gloria Christi Chapel. We pray that in these surroundings of beauty men and women will worship God in the beauty of holiness, that God will dwell here in majesty and in honor, and that all that is dark and ugly and sin will fade and disappear before the eternal life shining in these walls. God is here, brought here. enshrined here by your prayers and your gifts.

And so I would conclude this brief meditation with an ancient prayer for all those who will come to this place in the long years to come.

Lo, at Thine altar, Lord most high,
I claim the ancient right,
To lay my battered armor by,
And trust Thy sacred might,
The foes who follow on the track
My feet in fear have trod,
Hold from this silent threshold back,
Give peace to me, O God.

Within the shelter of these walls
The tumult fades away
The wonder of Thy presence falls
About our hearts who pray.
Faint in the distance dies the din
Of armies iron shod
From doubt and fear and pain of sin,
Give peace to me, O God.
The twenty-eighth annual convention of the Valparaiso University Guild was opened with a devotional service in the Great Hall of the Valparaiso Union, Saturday, September 26, 1959, at 9:00 a.m. The Reverend Edward Wessling, pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Valparaiso, based his meditation on the convention theme "The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad." Psalm 126:3. The assembly sang the hymn "Lord of the Worlds Above." Miss Nancy Mahler, accompanied by Miss Karen Schmidt, sang "Where'er I Go" by Bach.

Miss Louise Nicolay was the narrator for the Flag Presentation Ceremony. The Church Flag was presented by Mrs. Marvin Borgelt, Minneapolis; the American Flag by Mrs. Albert Jabs, Bristol, Connecticut; and the Valparaiso University Flag by Mrs. Erwin Kurth, Detroit.

Mrs. Roy Frank, the president, called the meeting to order and extended cordial greetings to the convention assembled in the year of the Centennial celebration of the University. Greetings were extended by Mrs. Byron Ferguson on behalf of the Valparaiso Chapter.

It was moved and seconded to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 1958 convention and to approve them as printed in the November 1958 Guild Bulletin. Motion carried.

The president appointed the following committee to approve the minutes of this convention: Mrs. C. J. Jacobson, St. Paul, Minn., Miss Evelyn Middelstadt, Elk River, Minn., Mrs. Frederick Schmalz, Minneapolis, Minn.

The secretary gave a resume of the Executive Board meeting of September 25, 1959. It was announced the Guild Special for 1959-1960 would be the furnishing of the Prayer Chapel in Wehrenberg Hall, the men's new dormitory; any available balance to be used toward the purchase of a piano for the same dormitory.

Mrs. Frederick Schmalz, First Vice-President, took the chair while the president gave her annual report. (The report in its entirety is printed elsewhere in the Bulletin).

Mrs. Jay Doud, Treasurer, submitted the following financial report:

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A letter of audit from Janet L. Sievers, C.P.A., certified the books were in order. It was move and seconded to accept the auditor's report. Motion carried.

Mrs. E. H. Ruprecht, Executive Secretary, in her report stated twelve new chapters had been organized and four chapters had withdrawn during the past year with the result there are now 120 Guild chapters with a membership of 7320. Representatives from the new chapters were introduced. She also stated the Guild is to grow spiritually strong as well as numerically. (Her complete report is printed elsewhere in the Guild Bulletin.)

Mrs. Malcer Johnson, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, presented the following resolution which was adopted:

WHEREAS, the following new chapters have been organized in the Guild since our last convention: Phoenix, Arizona, Northern Delaware, Chicago North Shore, Danville, Illinois, Kendallville, Indiana, Adrian, Michigan, Western Michigan, Fair-Med-Ow, Minnesota, Northern New Jersey, Elmora, Ohio, Madison, Wisconsin, Lake Shore, New York.

therefore, BE IT RESOLVED, that we extend a hearty and sincere welcome to them, offer our congratulations and wish them God's richest blessings.

Mrs. Erwin Kurth, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, announced the following slate of candidates for national offices:

President:
Mrs. Roy Frank, Chevy Chase, Md.
Mrs. Arnold Scherer, Fort Wayne, Ind.
1st Vice-President
Mrs. Gilbert Otte, Detroit, Mich.
Mrs. Frederick Schmalz, Minneapolis, Minn.
2nd Vice-President
 Mrs. Harold Meilahn, Chicago, Ill.
Mrs. Cyril Wismar, Cleveland, Ohio
Secretary
Miss Ethelyn Baade, Grand Rapids, Mich.
Mrs. L. H. Welherman, Hinckley, Ill.
Treasurer
Mrs. Jay H. Doud, Valparaiso, Ind.
Mrs. Horace Gibson, St. Paul, Minn.

After the candidates were presented, the president asked for further nominations from the floor. Hearing none, the Chair declared the nominations closed.

The president appointed the following tellers: Mrs. Edw. H. Schultz, Waukesha, Wis., Mrs. Norman Gilles, Cleveland, Mrs. Harold Brown, Lansing, Mrs. B. Hoffmeister, Tonawanda, Mrs. Herbert Struss, Roselle Park, N. J., Mrs. Justus Kretzmann, St. Louis, Mrs. A. T. Tennon, Minneapolis, Mrs. Martin Rupprecht, St. Petersburg, Mrs. Ervin Roscheke, Des Plaines, Mrs. Henry Heck, Greenwich, Conn., Mrs. Dean Arnold, Fort Wayne, Mrs. E. V. Bartholomew, South Bend.

Ballots were distributed for voting. The election of officers to serve during the next year took place.

Communications extending congratulations were read from the St. Paul Chapter of the Guild; Mr. Paul Amling, Vice-President, Board of Trustees, Valparaiso University, and Mrs. Gilbert Hankel, Corresponding Secretary of the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League.

The Field Secretaries were presented by Mrs. E. H. Ruprecht, the Executive Secretary.

The State Unit Presidents were presented by the president. Each president gave the 1959 date and place of the State Unit Convention.
Illinois-Missouri — Chicago, Oct. 10
Michigan — Davison, Oct. 8
Ohio — Pittsburgh, Oct. 24
Wisconsin — Plymouth, Oct. 13

The Indiana State Unit president was absent. However, it was announced that the Indiana State Unit Convention would be held in Gary, Nov. 7.

The Convention Reporter, a Valpo graduate, Mrs. Clifford Schrader, Kansas City, Mo., was introduced by Mrs. Frederick Schmalz, First Vice-President.

The chairman of the Registration Committee reported that 462 members and guests from 19 states had registered.

The president introduced the speaker, Mrs. Wilber Brucker, who spoke on the topic, “The Struggle for Freedom.” Mrs. Brucker stated in part that we must have vision because many things that seemed fantastic only a few years ago are now realities. There are two types of government — one is a government for the sake of the people which is based on love and Christianity; the other is atheistic and communist based on hate, greed, and tyranny. The countries of the free world look to America for leadership, and we must be willing to help the smaller countries resist Communism and keep their freedom. This means men with intelligence and talents must be trained, the colleges must give the citizens a well-rounded education which includes religion, and we must fight for this freedom as long as we are on earth.

Mrs. Leonard Heitmuller presented the following resolution which was adopted:

WHEREAS, this Centennial Convention has been greatly edified by the message brought to us by Mrs. Wilber M. Brucker, and
WHEREAS, Mrs. Brucker has done an outstanding job to promote Christian precepts in the instruction of young people, and
WHEREAS, we are proud to have this eminent woman as an associate member in our Guild, therefore
BE IT RESOLVED, that we extend our sincere thanks to her and wish her continued success in all her endeavors.

Following announcements by Mrs. Ruprecht, the Convention recessed at 12:00 noon.

The convention reconvened at 2:00 p.m. in the University Memorial Chapel.

Dr. Luther Koepke, Dean of Students, spoke on “Student Living.” He stated God expects each one of us to develop our greatest potential in life and thought, and it is the responsibility of the University to start the students to think and do for themselves and to make the right decision — these are important aspects of a student’s life. He introduced Mr. Robert Lux and Miss Judy Pfizer who spoke on “Living in the Dormitories,” and Miss Shirley Flynn, Dean of Women, who spoke of her duties.

Mrs. Paul Block, Chairman of the Activities Committee, stated in her report the 1960 calendars are available and would be delivered shortly to the 60 chapters who had placed their orders by the appointed time. There is now available a 45-minute program of colored slides “Home Decorating Travelogue” put out by the Celanese Corporation of America. Guild members were urged to send in new program and project ideas.

Mrs. Arnold Scherer, Chairman of the Revisions Committee, reported the By-laws of the Guild to be adequate and proposed no changes at this time.
Mrs. Wm. A. Drews, Historian, reported “that which is of special interest and importance will be recorded and will become part of that continuing story known as the history of the Valparaiso University Guild.”

Mrs. C. R. Heidbrink, Chairman of the Patron Program reported $6,767.40 had been received from the new patrons secured by Guild members during the one-year project. It was pointed out that this amount would pay the gas and light bill for the University for just two months.

Mrs. Walter Hoppe, Parliamentarian, reported on her activities during the year and again solicited questions by mail from the chapters.

Mrs. Henry Moellering, Jr., Chairman of the Project Committee, explained the proposed project for 1959-1960.

Mrs. Malcer Johnson presented the following resolution which was adopted after questions and discussion.

WHEREAS, Heritage Hall, formerly the Library, is now vacant and is structurally sound, and
WHEREAS, there is a need for: A Language Laboratory, A Remedial Reading Laboratory, A Faculty Lounge, A Student Lounge, Faculty Offices, and WHEREAS, the Guild is seeking a project, therefore
BE IT RESOLVED, that we accept the recommendation of the Project Committee and underwrite the rehabilitation of Heritage Hall to the extent of $30,000, and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Guild set aside a sum totalling $10,000 for the purchase of an appropriate organ to be placed in the Gloria Christi Chapel.

Mrs. Clarence Siess presented the following resolution which was adopted:
WHEREAS, the International Lutheran Women’s Missionary League met in Toronto, Canada, and expedited the work of the Lord’s Kingdom on earth, and
WHEREAS, the delegates to the convention of this Christ-centered organization elected as president Mrs. Walter N. Hoppe, our beloved parliamentarian, therefore
BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of this convention indicate their esteem and congratulations by rising and acknowledging her presence, and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the members of this group pray for the Lord’s continued blessings that Mrs. Hoppe may have the health and strength to guide this dedicated work.

Mrs. Ruprecht reported the proceeds from the 1957-1958 Calendar Project were divided among the sororities for improvement of housing. Excerpts of the letters of thanks were read.

The tellers’ report was read by Mrs. E. H. Schultz, Chairman. The chair declared the following elected:
President, Mrs. Roy C. Frank
First Vice-President, Mrs. Frederick D. Schmalz
Second Vice-President, Mrs. Cyril M. Wismar Secretary, Miss Ethelyn Baade
Treasurer, Mrs. Jay H. Doud

Presentation of the Guild Special for 1958-1959 — the black-topping of a recreational area in the rear of Dau and Kreinheder halls — was made by Mrs. Frederick Schmalz. Dr. O. P. Kretzmann thanked the Guild on behalf of the University for this gift.

In his report on “The State of the University,” Dr. Kretzmann stated the total enrollment is 2575 students with 2478 on campus, (97 student nurses located in various Lutheran hospitals). He also stated that Valparaiso University is still in competition with other good schools for quality students, and he requested the Guild to continue its efforts in student recruitment. He announced the first stained glass window for the Memorial Chapel chancel is enroute from Germany. The Gloria Christi Chapel is to be finished forthwith. He stated further that because of recent incidents it was deemed advisable to ban hazing and the homecoming bonfire. He also stated that Communism is the greatest evil and menace in the world today; that it has six times as many followers as the evangelical religion; that it has made alarming infiltration into the United States; and that we must defend our Christian heritage.

Mrs. Leonard Heitmuller presented the following resolution which was adopted:
WHEREAS, in the past the Guild has aided in recruiting students for Valparaiso University, therefore
BE IT RESOLVED, that we continue our efforts in recruiting quality students, and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that special


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concentration be made toward increasing the male enrollment, with student representation from all sections of the United States.

Mrs. Clarence Siess presented the following resolution which was adopted:

WHEREAS, there has always been present the possibility of a tragic accident or even death in connection with hazing proceedings and the building and burning of railroad ties at homecoming, and
WHEREAS, Dr. O. P. Kretzmann, President of Valparaiso University, in order to protect the life and limb of the students has banned the aforementioned two dangerous practices, therefore
BE IT RESOLVED, that the women here assembled at the Centennial Convention on campus of Valparaiso University, give Doctor Kretzmann a vote of confidence and herewith most earnestly endorse his action.

The following resolution was presented by Mrs. Malcer Johnson:

WHEREAS, the Activities Committee realized a profit of $1,628.74 from the sale of calendars in the year 1958-1959, and
WHEREAS, in the past the Guild has aided in building the University Chapel, therefore
BE IT RESOLVED, that these monies be used for furnishing cushions on the pews now in use.

It was moved and seconded to amend the last paragraph of the resolution to read “BE IT RESOLVED, that these monies be used for furnishing cushions for permanent seating.”

After discussion the motion was carried to accept the amendment to the resolution. The resolution as amended was adopted.

Prof. Kenneth Mortimer of the College of Engineering explained the appointments now in use in Gloria Christi Chapel as well as those to be installed.

It was moved and seconded that we dispense with the reading of Roll Call due to the lateness of the hour and that the secretary record Roll Call attendance from the Registration records. Motion carried.

The following resolution presented by Mrs. Heitmuller was adopted:

WHEREAS, this 1959 Centennial Convention, as others, has been most inspiring and stimulating, and
WHEREAS, the many details for this Convention were so well planned and ably handled by many individuals and committees, therefore
BE IT RESOLVED, that we extend our sincere thanks to all who contributed to the success of this convention;

Evening Social Hour at Union.

The University Centennial Committee for including the Guild in their arrangements for this unique celebration:

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, Mrs. E. H. Ruprecht for the efficient manner in which she has executed the added responsibilities of the Centennial Convention;
The townspeople of Valparaiso, Indiana, for the many courtesies extended on behalf of our Centennial;
The local chapter of Valparaiso Guild;
The Chairmen of Standing Committees;
The speakers:
Dr. O. P. Kretzmann, The Rev. Edward Wessling, The Rev. and Mrs. H. Bielenberg, Mrs. Wilber M. Brucker, Dr. Luther Koepeke and his panel, Miss Shirley Flynn, Mr. Robert Lut and Miss Judy Pfitzer; Mrs. Louis Jacobs, Mrs. C. T. Nelson, Miss Nancy Mahler, Miss Karen Schmidt and all others who by their prayers, talents and labors added so much to the success of this Centennial Convention.

Mrs. Jay Doud, Treasurer, presented the 1959-1960 Budget.

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It was moved and seconded that we accept the proposed budget. Motion carried.

After announcements by Mrs. Ruprecht, the Convention adjourned at 5:15 p.m. with the Lord’s Prayer spoken in unison.

Ethelyn Baade
Secretary
CLINTONVILLE, WIS.
In the May meeting the Guild members were brought closer to the work of the Indian Mission in Red Springs near Gresham, Wis. Lester Zimmerman, a former teacher there, showed colored slides to illustrate his talk. The annual chapter picnic was held in June at the Pine Lake cottage of Dr. and Mrs. W. O. Speckhard.

CHICAGO SOUTH SUBURBAN
An experiment with a garden party in July proved especially successful with the Chicago South Suburban chapter. Lunch was served consisting of sandwich loaves frosted with cream cheese and half watermelons filled with fresh fruit. The women played cards and more than 120 participated in the afternoon social hour.

BUFFALO, N. Y.
The Buffalo Chapter again sponsored a retreat for Lutheran Women at Camp Pioneer, June 5-6-7. Dr. August Brustat was the speaker, and Valpo was represented by Mrs. Walter Hoppe, Parliamentarian.

MILWAUKEE SUBURBAN
The Milwaukee Suburban Chapter, together with the Valpo Alumni Chapter, sponsored a coke party for all present and prospective Valpo students from the Milwaukee area. Plans are also being made for a bus to bring high school students to the campus for senior day. A dinner and style show will be the project presented by the new Marshall Field store in Milwaukee.

KANKAKEE VALLEY
The members of the Kankakee Valley Chapter attended the production of "Kismet" given by the University Players in June. At a later meeting Miss Dorothy Herscher showed slides of a recent trip around the world.

WESTERN MICHIGAN
The members of the Western Michigan Chapter held a guest meeting at the Muskegon State Park. This was a breakfast meeting. The members are also sponsoring a bus to bring high school students to Valpo's campus for Walther League Day.

NASSAU-SUFFOLK
The members of this Chapter planned an evening in June to which Valpo alumni, Valpo freshmen and parents, and prospective students were invited.

ROCHESTER, MINNESOTA
Mrs. Frederick Schmalz was the speaker for the Centennial Year "Guest Night" sponsored by the Rochester chapter. The program also included a demonstration on flower arrangement by a local florist.

BERRIEN COUNTY CHAPTER
The lovely home of Mrs. F. A. Reddel was opened for a tea given on the patio of her home. A descriptive pamphlet of the beautiful paintings and art work in the house was included with a tour of the home.

LaPORTE, IND.
The annual Guild supper was held at St. John's Parish hall. An oriental decoration theme was used. Chinese lanterns and serpentine streamers were suspended above the tables and the guests were greeted by a committee dressed in Chinese costumes and wearing coolie hats. Guests were served tea and Chinese fortune cookies. The decorations featured Chinese pagodas, small cherry trees with blossoms, tulips, daffodils and tiny Chinese lanterns. Johnson Tsai, student at Valpo from Hong Kong, China, studying to be a civil engineer, spoke about his country — its problems and its customs.

DETROIT
Members were invited to "Come Over to My House" by Mrs. Paul Diederich for a garden party. A famous hat designer fashioned hats on Milady's head, each an original creation. Mrs. Calvin Gauss and Mrs. William Rieck were co-chairmen. A fall luncheon at Hudsons featured Mrs. Donlop, whose sub-
ject was “Artistic Table Settings for Modern Living.”

BAY CITY
A profitable baked goods sale and a Brunch card party were successful. At the latter, an interesting demonstration on floral arrangements took place.

EVANSVILLE
Excellent publicity was given Valpo in the local Evansville paper when the headlines read “Valpo Once was Harvard’s Rival.” A history of the school, an account of the Guild Chapter, listing its officers, and the names of present students appeared in the article. The annual picnic for members and husbands was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Krauss. Leslie Kuhiman, L.L.L. representative, spoke on the scholarship program for students at Valpo. Mrs. Arthur Deitsch acted as chairman.

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY
This new chapter sponsored a party honoring the five students who graduated from Valpo in June. The names of the graduates were placed on tiny diplomas and brown mortar board caps and after refreshments a “This is Your Life” program was given. Each mother was asked to write a short sketch of her child, giving humorous episodes. A father read one written for his daughter and as he elaborated and ad-libbed much fun was injected into the program. The women graduates were accepted as Guild members.

LAPEER-HADLEY
Mrs. Fred Jens was given the “Outstanding Woman of the Year” award for her county. This was given for her interest and work in community affairs, the Red Cross, her church work, and her Valparaiso University Guild leadership.

NUTMEG CHAPTER
A full house was present for the Fashion Show and program given by the Nutmeg Chapter in Bristol, called a “Cascade of Fall Fashions.” The program centered around school days, teachers, the school team, and a Happy 100th Birthday to Valparaiso. 150 people attended the second annual banquet for students and friends of Valpo sponsored by the Nutmeg chapter.

CLEVELAND CHAPTER
A special Centennial Tea was held at Redeemer Church at which mothers of students at Valpo, mothers of Junior and Senior high school students, and members of the Alumni, were special guests.

MT. CLEMENS
At the annual garden party held at the home of Mrs. Gerald Bersma in Mt. Clemens, installation of officers took place. A pot luck Smorgasbord was enjoyed by the guests and as Mrs. Heinecke reported, “The river flowing by so softly, making its presence felt by an occasional glint from the sun, the lazy breezes in the tops of the huge old trees, the green clipped grass, the hush of mid-afternoon, the solemn words by the Pastor — all made this day a most memorable event, never to be forgotten.”

JACKSONVILLE
An informal party for prospective students was given by the Jacksonville chapter. Representatives from the University were present. This has become an annual event.

DETROIT-WEST
A Centennial supper was served for the Guild at Grace Church, Redford Township, Michigan. Centennial coin-boxes were deposited by members at the conclusion of the dinner. These boxes, used during the past year, were a replica of the Chapel-Auditorium, executed by Mrs. Carol Sepke Heidenreich, an alumna and her husband. As each member deposited her coin box she placed a small cardboard evergreen tree at the “chapel” symbolic of the current landscaping project. Special tribute was paid Mrs. Harry Eberline, who completed her term as president, and who so ably lead the chapter during the first years of its existence.

MINNEAPOLIS
A party celebrating the Centennial of the University was given by the Minneapolis chapter. Interesting and informative material about Valpo was placed on a large bulletin board. Members wore old and new costumes and a large birthday cake had been constructed which held donations from the members. A question and answer quiz pertaining to the 100 year history of Valpo brought forth much discussion.
Welcome
New Chapters

CHICAGO NORTH LAKE SHORE

A tea at the home of Mrs. James Rehm, Wilmette, Ill., with an attendance of 50 women, resulted in forming the Chicago North Shore Chapter. Mrs. Wachholz, Northern Illinois, field secretary, had previously met with seven women in Glenview to arrange the meeting. Mrs. Ruprecht spoke about the Guild, its aims and purposes, and Mrs. Wachholz told about formal organization of the chapter. A lovely tea table was decorated with a tiered centerpiece depicting a Valpo student. Mrs. H. Nilles was elected temporary chairman. New officers are president Mrs. George Wendt, Morton Grove, and secretary, Miss Ruth Gockel, Wilmette.

MADISON, WISCONSIN

Mrs. Lester Wegner met with a small group of women at Madison in May. They then decided to become members of the national Guild and elected Mrs. A. Schroeder, president, Mrs. Roger Rouse, vice-president; Mrs. G. Heinrichs, secretary, and Miss Marilyn Randall, treasurer. In September, Mrs. Ruprecht was present at a meeting where the constitution was adopted. She spoke about the work of the Guild and advantages of membership, and about the University in general. This second meeting was held at Redeemer, the newest mission church in Madison.

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

A new chapter was organized in Wilmington in May. Mrs. Roy C. Frank spoke about the values of Guild membership and participation in the national organization. Mrs. R. F. Meyer was appointed temporary chairman, and Mrs. Milton Garwood, secretary. Both had been former members of the Delmarva Chapter, which graciously released them to work in this new area. Plans were made for several to attend the national convention in September.

DANVILLE, ILLINOIS

At the invitation of Mrs. Wm. Schramm, Jr., Mrs. Ruprecht drove to Danville to address a group at Trinity Church. The women were given an overall picture of the work of the Guild, its aims and purposes, and after a question and answer period, it was resolved to become affiliated with the national Guild. Officers are Mrs. Wm. Schramm, Jr., president, Mrs. Charles Mudge, vice-president, Mrs. Henry Merkle, secretary and Mrs. George Boyer, treasurer.

Mrs. William E. Bruecker, convention speaker, wife of Sec. of Army, Washington, D. C.

KENDALLVILLE, INDIANA

Mrs. Louis Jacobs hoped to establish a new chapter in this city. With the help of Miss Helen Foehl, a meeting was called in September when Mrs. Jacobs and Mrs. Ruprecht both spoke about the advantages of Guild membership. A fine attendance resulted in forming a new chapter with temporary officers, Miss Helen Foehl, president, and Mrs. Max Monk, secretary. The meeting was the first to be held in St. John's new parish hall.

LAKE SHORE, N. Y.

On a Monday evening in September, Mrs. William A. Drews, and Mrs. E. W. Schroeter, field secretary, met with women from Angola, Gowanda, Dunkirk and Silver Creek, for the purpose of organizing a new chapter. They were successful in their efforts and the name of "Lake Shore Chapter" was chosen. Officers selected were Mrs. Arnold Huth, president, Mrs. Harry Nicholson, secretary, and Mrs. Walter Haas, treasurer. It was agreed to keep the list of charter members open until the next meeting in November.
These words enter my mind as I write my annual report: "And I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year, 'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.' And he replied, 'Go out into the darkness and put thine hand into the hand of God. What shall be to thee better than light, and safer than a known way.'"

It has been a special privilege for me to serve as your National President during the observance of the Centennial Year of our University. The year when the dreams of Guild women everywhere are being realized with the dedication at this Convention of our Gloria Christi Chapel, and also the University Memorial Chapel. Our appreciation is expressed in the Convention theme that we have chosen from Psalms 126-3, "The Lord has done great things for us. Whereof we are glad."

At the 1958 Convention the members of the Guild accepted an Expansion Program — to increase membership in the existing chapters and to organize new chapters. The members also pledged themselves to gain new patrons for the University to help defray the current expenses of the University, for which there is a dire need. Our thanks to Mrs. C. R. Heidbrink who, in addition to her duties as Secretary to the President of the University, recorded and acknowledged all gifts sent to the University by the Patron Chairmen of the various Guild Chapters — with no additional expense to the University or to the Guild. I am sure you will be pleased with her report.

I wish to express my appreciation to my fellow officers for their co-operation during the year, Mrs. Frederick Schmalz, our First Vice-President, Mrs. Cyril Wismar, Second Vice-President, Miss Ethelyn Baade, Secretary, and the former Miss Charlotte Kirchen, Treasurer, who acquired a new title on November 1, 1958, that of Mrs. J. H. Doud, and who changed her address from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to Route 5, Valparaiso, Indiana; and finally to our capable Executive Secretary, Mrs. E. H. Ruprecht, to whom we all look for guidance.

The Administrative Committee met on the Campus in November, 1958, in February, 1959, in May, and again on the Thursday preceding the Convention. All members were present.

I would also like to acknowledge our appreciation of our Parliamentarian, Mrs. Walter Hoppe, who met with the Administrative Committee on two occasions, and who was honored at the Toronto Convention of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League by being elected International President of the L.W.M.L. I am sure that all Guild members join with me in extending congratulations and wishing her God's blessings in her new role.

During the past year, a past President, Mrs. Wm. A. Drews, was appointed National Historian. She will be called on for a report. Thank you, Mrs. Drews for serving.

On October 10, an invitation was extended to me to represent the National Guild at a meeting of the New Jersey Chapter, which invitation I accepted. A sincere thanks to the members of this Chapter for your kind hospitality.

Your President also attended, during October last, two State Unit meetings — the first in Lansing, Michigan, on the 16th, and the Illinois-Missouri State Unit meeting at Rockford, Illinois, on October 25th. Both meetings were well planned and well attended.

On October 30th and 31st as President of the Guild, I attended a meeting of the Valparaiso University Association and the Lutheran University Association at a joint meeting with the Board of Directors of Synod in St. Louis. It was at this meeting that the Directors of Synod agreed on a more favorable date for the Valparaiso Congregational collections — that of May 10 for the Centennial year.

During the past year, I was also invited to speak to a number of Women's Organizations in the Washington area for the purpose of interesting women in the Guild. I also attended a number of meetings on the Campus — L.U.A., V.U.A., and the Advisory Board. On May 1, I addressed a group of women in Northern New Jersey, and on May 26, a group of women in Wilmington, Delaware, both for the purpose of starting new chapters.

A vote of thanks is due our Activities Committee — Mrs. Paul Block, Chairman, Mrs. Elmer Eggers, and Mrs. Martin Scheib. The proceeds of last year's calendar project was divided evenly among the Sororities on the Campus, and was greatly welcomed by the girls. It meant a new stove or a new rug, fresh paint or a new chair, etc. The Administrative Committee would like to express its appreciation to the Revisions Committee — Mrs. Arnold Scherer, Chairman, Mrs. George Biggs, and Mrs. E. J. Koch, and to Miss Louise Nicolay who represented the Guild on the Centennial Committee during the past year.
Report of the Executive Secretary

Mrs. E. H. Ruprecht

As we begin our sessions today of this 28th annual convention of the Guild it is well for us to remember that being a delegate to a Guild convention is a great responsibility. It is hoped that all presidents will accept this responsibility since it helps each of them to grow as a leader in her respective chapter. Not only do you have the responsibility of attending the Executive board sessions, and of the convention business sessions, but you must come, together with the other Guild members who are in attendance, to become informed on the business matters which will come before the convention, and to learn everything possible concerning procedures and projects, and particularly of the growth and the needs of the University itself. You should, then, in your report to your chapter, impart some of the enthusiasm you cannot help but receive from attending this annual convention. We feel that convention time should be a time for fun and rejuvenation, but also a time to become better informed through an interchange of ideas about the chapter’s work for the coming year.

The Guild has grown this past year. Our numbers have increased both chapter wise and membership wise. We have gained 12 new chapters, but unfortunately we need to report the loss of four during the past year. Our last mailing totaled 7,320, a sizeable increase for the year. We are most grateful for these added members to our Guild roster, for one of our aims for the Centennial year had been our new chapters consist of 12 who have joined in the following order:

Mrs. Heinecke secured the Adrian, Michigan chapter with Mrs. Walter Bohn as president. Mrs. Martin Brauer secured the Western Michigan chapter with Mrs. A. A. Schmidt serving as president. Correspondence with Mrs. Malcer Johnson and Mrs. D. Hoyt Callow of Phoenix, Arizona, resulted in a chapter in Phoenix with Mrs. Johnson as president. Mrs. Walter Schmaltz secured the Fair-Meadow, Minn. chapter with Mrs. Julius Sorgatz as president. Mrs. Heidtmann, state unit president and your executive secretary secured the Elmore, Ohio chapter with Mrs. Karl Kontak as president. Mrs. Frank secured the Northern New Jersey chapter with Mrs. C. R. Harnerness as president. Mrs. Wachholz secured the Chicago North Shore chapter with Mrs. H. Nilles as president. Mrs. Wegner secured the chapter at Madison, Wisconsin with Mrs. A. Schroeder as president. Mrs. Frank secured the chapter in Wilmington, Delaware, with Mrs. R. F. Meyer as president. Your executive secretary secured a chapter in Danville, Illinois with Mrs. W. Schramm as presi-

continued support and interest to all of us — our membership in the Guild is an evidence of our loyalty to Valpo.

All members of the administrative committee have worked diligently during the past year to keep the machinery of the Guild in motion. I think we can be justly proud of the fine work done by officers and we wish to thank them for their loyal service during the year.

The privilege of attending our State Unit conventions was again afforded your Executive Secretary this past year. We have witnessed the fine work done by the State officers of the state chapters. Here, in a smaller measure, the work is carried to an increasingly larger number of women — particularly to those women who have been unable to attend the national convention. When you return home, please urge the members who are not here today to make a special effort to attend one of the State Unit conventions — they will be able to gather first hand information about the Guild program of the past year, and gain an insight into the work that is necessary for the future.

To the field secretaries we owe a great debt of gratitude. I feel the words spoken in the Ritual for Installation of Officers in the Guild Chapter Manual, where we read “... to tender our hearty thanks for the time and diligence, the travels, arduous meetings and deliberations which have made up that full measure of service which you have rendered the cause of youth,” applies particularly to these women who give so much of their time towards the Guild expansion program.

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dent. Mrs. Jacobs secured Kendallville, Miss Helen Foehl, president. Mrs. Schroeter reported Lakeshore, N. Y., Mrs. Rueben Hahn as president.

I think these field secretaries are to be congratulated for their fine work, and to those who have no new chapter to report at this time, we know that another convention will bring progress reports from them as they continue to devote their time to this service.

The work at the Guild office continues on a daily basis of answering correspondence, mailing supplies and literature, publishing the Guild Bulletin, and attempting to give the best possible service to you Guild women. Please do not hesitate to write this office at any time for suggestions, assistance, or information. We appreciate the work of the local secretaries who have sent in names of new members, changes or address, membership lists and new officers. I feel the files have been kept up to date and are in excellent condition at the present time — it is because of your help that this is so.

We attempt to work closely with other offices on campus, particularly those who have been so kind in assisting us by sending information to the Guild women. I am thinking particularly of the Student Services Office, who supply lists of prospective students, the Alumni Office, who sends lists of alumnae, the Information Services who have given us such excellent news publicity, and many other departments too numerous to mention.

When we repeat our Chapter Collect, perhaps we can think of what each word implies and say it sincerely, thoughtfully and conscientiously. May we remember that we ask "the love of our Savior to touch our hearts ... to do valiantly in the service of His Kingdom in the interest of the conservation and education of our Christian youth.

Dear Guild Member:

This year, in the interest of economy and efficiency, it was decided that we would not send the customary letter appealing for names of prospective students. It is our hope that you will have become accustomed to telling us not only the names and addresses of young people in your acquaintance to whom we should send literature, but also that you will realize the importance of including specialized information on the outstanding qualities and interests which these students possess. You will probably agree that on occasion a letter lends itself better to the inclusion of this type of information.

Will you, therefore, please be good enough to complete and return the enclosed coupon to the office of Student Services. You may be sure that each suggestion you give us will be considered carefully and that each prospect will receive appropriate literature.

Josephine Ferguson (Mrs. B.)
Director of Student Services

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November, 1950
Mrs Ann Zink and Mrs. Philip Gehring entertain at banquet — dressed as coeds of 1859 — with Mrs. Robert Springsteen banquet chairman.

The Treasurer's report will be given by Mrs. Doud. Her report will show that our Lord has again blessed our Guild during the year — including our one-year project of beautification of the campus by the landscaping of the grounds in the Chapel and Library areas. The filling of the planters on the Altar steps and in the Narthex was donated by the florists of Valparaiso.

The Executive Board passed a resolution that the Guild Special — the five dollar gift from each Chapter — be used for black-topping in the Dau-Kreinheder area for recreational purposes. A letter of thanks was sent by the men living in these two dormitories. The work was completed early, and the improvement appreciated.

We are grateful to the committee approving our minutes — Mrs. C. R. Heidbrink, Mrs. Richard Laube, and Mrs. E. H. Ruprecht — to the Field Secretaries, the State Unit Officers, to the Project Committee — Mrs. Henry Moeller, Chairman, and to the Resolutions Committee, Mrs. Malcer Johnson, Chairman, and to the Nominating Committee, to the Tellers, to the toastmistress and speakers.

A special tribute should be paid our host Chapter — the Valparaiso Chapter, who made it possible to have our Convention in September to coincide with the dedication of our Chapel. Much time and effort was spent by the Housing Committee to accommodate all of us. We know that you too are very grateful for their efforts.

My report would not be complete without mention of our beloved President, Dr. O. P. Kretzmann, for his ready support and counsel. May the good Lord bless him in his continued efforts.

Let us all strive for another successful year for the Guild. The German poet Johann Wolfgang Goethe once said, "I find the great thing in this world is, not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are moving."

In conclusion — "The Lord has done great things for us. Whereof we are glad."

**Parliamentarian's Corner**

**MRS. W. N. HOPPE**

**Question:** A committee submitted several resolutions to the convention and in each case the reporting member moved adoption of the resolution. Is it necessary for the presiding officer to repeat the resolution?

**Answer:** Yes, a resolution is always a main motion and is treated in the same manner. It is the duty of the chair, immediately, to state the question — that is, to state the exact question that is before the assembly for its consideration and action. R OR page 34

If the resolution contains a preamble which gives the reason for the resolution, the chair may, by general consent, omit the reading of the preamble. The chair may ask 'is it the wish of the assembly that the chair omit the reading of the preamble'. If no objection is raised she reads merely the resolution without the preamble. This is done for the sake of expediency.

**Question:** (a) When is it necessary to have a rising vote or a vote by the show of hands? (b) May the chair request a ballot vote on a main motion?

**Answer:** (a) When a voice vote is taken on a question and the chair is in doubt about the result of the vote, she should announce immediately that the vote will be taken again, this time by a rising-vote or a show of hands in order to assure the members of an accurate vote. In the event the chair does not respond in this manner any member, doubtful of the vote, may call for a 'division', which is a request for another vote.

Certain motions always require a two-thirds vote. A list of these motions is found in R O R page 205. In general, they are motions which deprive a member of some of her rights. For example: A motion to close nominations would deprive the member of the right to make a further nomination, thus requiring a rising vote or a show of hands.

A simple rule for determining two-thirds vote quickly is to double the negative vote cast and if equal to or less than the affirmative vote cast, a two-thirds vote has been obtained.

**Answer:** b) A presiding officer cannot take a ballot vote unless it is required by the rules or by a vote of the assembly. R OR page 189.

**Question:** Are "standing rules" included under the heading By-laws?

**Answer:** No. From time to time, as they
are needed, standing rules may be adopted at any regular meeting by a majority vote. Unlike bylaws, they may be suspended by a majority vote or amended or rescinded by a two-thirds vote. The following is an example of a standing rule: Resolved, that we have a banquet in connection with our annual meetings. You will note that this rule if adopted is of a continuing nature and not of such vital importance as to be included in the bylaws. The order of business is usually classified as a standing rule, so as to permit its suspension when necessary. If standing rules are printed in the bylaws booklet they should be set apart from the bylaws so as not to confuse the two. See R.O.R page 268 and Parliamentarian's Corner, Nov., 1956.

Constitution

Executive Board Meeting, Sept. 25, 1959

Dear Heavenly Father, we come before Thee, the beginning of our Centennial Convention, humble in the thought of Thy great goodness and love to us as individuals and as members of our Guild.

During this past week we have had special occasion to be reminded of our blessed freedom — a precious gift — giving to each of us the privilege of worship and of working for our University in the cause of Christian higher education. In gratitude we praise Thee.

We thank Thee, too, for Thy protection in bringing us safely to these meetings; our loved ones at home we commend to Thy care.

We come to the tasks before us now with this prayer of old (St. Augustine's):

"O God of Peace, we turn aside from an unquiet world, seeking rest for our spirits, and light for our thoughts. We bring our work to be sanctified, our wounds to be healed, our sins to be forgiven, our hopes to be renewed, our better selves to be quickened. O Thou, in whom there is harmony, draw us to thyself, and silence the discords of our wasteful lives. Thou who are one in all, and in whom all are one, take us out of the loneliness of self, and fill us with the fullness of Thy truth and love. Thou whose greatness is beyond our highest praise, lift us above our common littleness and our daily imperfections; send us visions of the love that is in Thee and of the good that may be in us."

We ask Thy blessing upon our deliberations to Thy glory and for the sake of Thy dear Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

BIBLE GIVEN

As a Centennial Remembrance a large Bible was given by the past national presidents of the Valparaiso University Guild to be used on the East altar of the Gloria Christi Chapel. Another donation was made by the past officers of the Guild, other than president, the selection to be determined at a future date.

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