**President's Message**

Dear Member of the Guild:

Tangible evidence of one of our recent Convention decisions (to spend our calendar monies for landscaping) already is apparent on Valpo's campus. Sod is being laid around Scheele Hall adding a background of green for a most attractive building. The women in Scheele Hall are finding themselves happy and delighted with their exciting, new living quarters and dining arrangements.

A lively discussion at the close of our anniversary Convention determined that your "30 extra pennies for Valpo" birthday gifts will be used to furnish the court room in the proposed new Law School building.

Our thirtieth birthday year draws to a close. It has provided opportunity for reviewing our blessings in the past and for inspiring us with challenges for the future. As we apply ourselves to the goals we have set for this coming year and to the tasks before us in this next decade, may we relate them all to our anniversary theme, "...serve Him with perfect heart and a willing mind." Let each Guild member rededicate herself to the cause of Christian higher education in support of the ideals our University has set for itself and in service to Valparaiso's students, faculty, and administration.

Your Administrative Committee will meet soon to plan for the Executive Board meeting on February 23 and 24, 1962. It is not too early to circle these dates since we emphasize that each of our 136 chapters should be represented at this meeting by its president or her representative.

May we extend to each of you sincere good wishes for a blessed Advent with its expectations joyfully fulfilled in the coming of the Christ Child!

Irma K. Schmalz

**THANK YOU**

Dear "Guilders",

This is a feeble attempt to express our deep gratitude to you for helping to make our European trip possible. I wish there were time enough to bore you with a travelogue. We came home refreshed but worn out.

Thank you, too, for the beautiful flowers which were waiting for us in our cabin. They were simply lovely—and survived the crossing much better than we did. Our stewardess asked if she could take them to a hospital in London.

For these and all your kindnesses through the years, we are grateful.

Sincerely,

Flora Kretzmann
The 30th Annual Convention of the Valparaiso University Guild opened with a devotional service in the Great Hall of the University Union at 9:00 a.m. on September 30, 1961.

The Service included the singing of the hymn, "Oh, For A Thousand Tongues To Sing" by the assembly, accompanied by Miss Karen Schmidt; a Scripture reading of 1 Cor. 3:1-9 by Professor Walter E. Keller; and a vocal selection "If Thou But Suffer God To Guide Thee" by members of the Sigma Alpha Iota Sorority and directed by Miss Sylvia Dukles.

Basing his meditation on the Convention theme, "Serve Him with a perfect heart and a willing mind," 1 Chron. 28:9, Prof. Keller said in part after we have served God in this manner and have done all we can, our Heavenly Father does the rest. David had done all he could for his church and country and Solomon had done all he could, still God had to do the rest. God does not want a proud church or proud Guild. Our best is not enough and not good enough in the sight of God; He is teaching a painful lesson—the lesson taught in the cross of Jesus Christ.

Mrs. Erwin Schmidt, Silver Spring, Maryland, was the narrator for the Flag Presentation ceremony. The Church flag was presented by Mrs. Raymond Gehl, Dearborn chapter; The United States flag by Mrs. Paul Krentz, Miami Valley chapter; and the Valparaiso University flag by Mrs. Harold Nilles, Chicago North Shore chapter. The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag was spoken in unison.

Mrs. Frederick Schmalz, president, called the meeting to order and extended greetings. Mrs. Richard Laube, president of the Valparaiso chapter, extended greetings on behalf of the local chapter.

It was moved and seconded to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 1960 convention since the appointed committee had read and approved these minutes, and the minutes had been published in the November 1960 issue of the Guild Bulletin. Motion carried.

The president appointed the following committee to read and approve the minutes of this convention: Mrs. Louis Jacobs, Mrs. Herman Krueckebel, and Mrs. Arnold Scherer.

The secretary gave a resume of the Executive Board meeting held September 29, 1961. It was announced the Guild Special for 1961-1962 was designated to purchase communion linen, clergy vestments and hymnals for use in the University Memorial Chapel.

Communications extending congratulations were read from Mrs. H. W. Bartels, past president of the Guild; Mr. Paul Brandt, chairman of the Board of Directors of Valparaiso University; and Mrs. L. David Miller, Executive Director of the Wittenberg Guild; as well as a cablegram from Bangkok from Miss Anne Brauer.

Mrs. Cyril Wismar, first vice-president, took the chair while the president gave her annual report. (Her entire report is printed elsewhere in the Bulletin.)

Mrs. Carl Heldt, treasurer, submitted the following report:

**Balance on hand July 1, 1960**: $1,126.94

**Receipts**:  
- Current Fund: $3,829.70  
- Project Fund: 47,340.71  
- Chapel Fund: 2,282.00  
- Guild Special:  
  - Chapter Coll.: $567.50  
  - Transfer from Reserve: 300.00  
  - 867.50

**Calendars**: 1,317.24

**Refund on**  
- Organizational Travel: 2.12  
- Refund on Chapter Travel: 7.00  
- Pins and Seals: 32.30  
- Reserve Account

**From Previous Treasurer**  
- for Prior Year: 1,626.87  
- for Current Year: 4.60  
  = 1,631.27

**State Dues**: 2.10

**30th Ann. Contributions**: 199.01  
 = 62,510.95

**Total Disbursements**: 63,747.89

**Disbursements**:
- LUA - Current Fund: $8,829.70  
- LUA - Project Fund: 38,802.42  
- LUA - Chapel Fund: 2,282.00  
- LUA - Guild Special: 867.50  
- LUA - Calendars: 1,317.24  
- Bulletins: 1,457.60  
- Printing and Supplies: 322.93  
- Organizational Travel: 2,432.17  
- Chapter Travel: 3,852.84  
- Miscellaneous (Treas. Bond, Gifts): 82.62  
- Postage: 25.20  
- Telephone and Telegraph: 17.62  
- Refunds on Pins and Seals: 5.00  
- Transf. from Reserve Acct.: 633.37  
- Transf from Prev. Treas.: 1,626.67  
 = 62,548.88

November, 1961
Balance on hand, Citizens
Nat'l Bank, Evansville, Ind.:
Reserve Account ...... 1,000.00
30th Anniversary Contr. 199.01 1,199.01
$63,747.89

A letter of audit from Janet L. Sievers, C.P.A., certified the treasurer’s books were in order.

It was moved and seconded to accept the auditor’s report. Motion carried.

The president introduced the Resolutions committee, the Project committee, and the Valparaiso Chapter Convention committee to the assembly.

Mrs. E. H. Ruprecht, Executive secretary, in her annual report stated there are now 136 Guild chapters, eight new chapters having been organized the past year, and the Del-Mar-Va chapter relocating - the members having joined other chapters in the area. Mrs. Ruprecht presented the members of the new chapters attending the convention. (The Executive secretary’s complete report is printed elsewhere in the Bulletin.)

Mrs. Erwin Roschke, 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
Quincy, Illinois
Loves Park, Illinois
Kalamazoo, Michigan
Omaha, Nebraska
Trenton Area, New Jersey
South Town Erie County, New York
Neenah-Menasha, Wisconsin
Watertown-Wisconsin
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. Roy Frank, chairman of the Nominating committee, announced the following slate of candidates for national offices and gave a short biography of each candidate:

President:
Mrs. Oscar A. Reinke, Neenah, Wis.
Mrs. Frederick D. Schmalz, Minneapolis, Minn.

First Vice-President:
Mrs. Richard Oster, New Orleans, La.
Mrs. Cyril M. Wismar, Maple Heights, Ohio

Second Vice-President:
Mrs. Louis A. Jacobs, Decatur, Ind.
Mrs. Wm. Sepke, Detroit, Mich.

Secretary:
Mrs. Leonard Heitmuller, Silver Spring, Md.
Mrs. Paul M. Kavasch, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Treasurer:
Mrs. Earl Boucher, Jacksonville, Ill.
Mrs. Carl Heldt, Evansville, Ind.

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. C. R. Hammerness, Teaneck, N. J.
Mrs. Robert Peters, Warren, Ohio
Mrs. Elton Bohning, Cleveland, Ohio
Mrs. Reta Welser, Rock Island, Ill.
Mrs. Louis Eckert, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. A. M. Goetzke, Battle Creek, Mich.
Mrs. Reuben Haack, Sheboygan, Wis.
Mrs. Raymond Kase, Cincinnati, Ohio
Mrs. Ross Prange, Brookfield, Wis.
Mrs. Ira Lecy, Appleton, Wis.
Mrs. John Trantham, Kansas City, Mo.
Mrs. O. G. Luehring, Phoenix, Arizona

Ballots were distributed for voting and collected by the tellers.

Dr. O. P. Kretzmann introduced Dr. A. G. Huegli, vice-president for Academic Affairs, who spoke on the topic, “The Quest for Quality.” Dr. Huegli prefaced his address by stating he was enjoying his office in renovated Heritage Hall which is mellow with tradition.

Education, he stated, has quality if it has excellence. We are teaching today for tomorrow’s needs, and we must search out paths to greater education.

In defining quality of higher education, he said it must be academically sound so that students acquire skill for a successful life; must encourage intellectual creativity; and must be spiritually oriented; and at Valpo the fourth dimension in education - that indefinable plus factor - “The peace that passeth understanding.”

Dr. Huegli stated further that progress is being made in the quest of higher education; reevaluation of college admissions to allow for the “C” student, and a new approach in curriculum. In closing, he said that building for the future takes determination and personal involvement.

The Guild’s 30th Birthday anniversary was observed by having a simulated birthday cake brought in by Mrs. Horace Gibson, St. Paul, Minn. The ladies then sang “Happy Birthday” and the chapter representatives deposited their birthday gift in the “cake,” following which all joined in singing the Doxology. “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow.”

Mrs. Luther Koepke, reporting for the Registration committee, stated there were 342 registrations representing 18 states.

The convention recessed for luncheon at 12:00 noon and reconvened at 1:45 p.m.

Mrs. E. H. Ruprecht, Executive secretary, presented the Field secretaries.
The president presented the State Unit presidents. Each president announced the date and place of the State Unit meeting.

- Wisconsin – October 21 – Antigo
- Ohio – October 26 – Cincinnati
- Michigan – October 24 – Mt. Clemens
- Indiana – April, 1962

The reporter for the Convention, Mrs. Elmer Doege of Pittsburgh, was introduced by Mrs. Cyril Wismar, first vice-president.

Mrs. Malcolm Johnson, chairman of the Activities committee, stated the committee plans to send each chapter a complete list of available material, and asked that each chapter president send her a detailed account of their undertakings. As a means of getting to know our youth and them getting to know us, Mrs. Johnson suggested having the Walther League present a program or foreign exchange students talk of their experiences here and abroad. She stated the Texaco Company, 205 E. 42nd St., New York 17, has a film library and welcomes requests from organizations. At least three weeks’ notice is required for specific films.

Mrs. Paul Block, chairman of the Calendar project, reported 82 chapters participated in this project the past year, and there is a quantity of 1962 calendars still available.

Mrs. Erwin Roschke, chairman of the Resolutions committee, presented the following resolution which was adopted:

WHEREAS, a profit of $1,317.24 was realized from the sale of calendars in the year 1960-1961, and

WHEREAS, additional landscaping is needed in the area of the three newest dormitories – Wehrenberg Hall, Scheele Hall and the new dormitory under construction, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that these monies be used for the improvement and beautification of this part of the campus.

Mrs. Arnold Scherer, chairman of the Revisions committee, read a proposed amendment to the national by-laws pertaining to Article XII, Section 1, as follows:

“Field secretaries shall be appointed by the Administrative committee following the convention. They shall promote the growth of the Guild by organizing new chapters in their areas. The procedure of organizing chapters shall be done uniformly under the direction of the Executive secretary. Field secretaries shall report regularly to the Executive Board. The term of field secretary shall be from the time of her appointment until the adjournment of the next convention. A field secretary may hold office for four consecutive terms, or until her successor has been appointed. They shall be members of the boards of their respective state units.”

It was moved and seconded this amendment be adopted. Motion carried.

Mrs. William Drews, historian, called attention to the new volume of Guild History, 1931-1961, included in the convention packet, and urged all members to read it. She stated “so that you may be aware of the Guild’s potential in the future, and may understand its devotion to a cause in the present, it is necessary that you be well acquainted with the past.” Copies of the Guild History may be secured by sending 50 cents to the office of the Executive secretary, Valparaiso University Guild, Valparaiso University.

Mrs. Walter Hoppe, parliamentarian, summarized her activities of the past year which included writing two articles for the Parliamentarian’s Corner for the regular issues of the Guild edition of the Valparaiso University Bulletin, and replied to requests on parliamentary procedure.

Based on the topic “The March of Science,” Dr. W. C. Gunther, biology professor, spoke on his work in research on mental retardation, giving the results of his observations of chicks subjected to abnormal temperatures.
Dr. Leslie Zoss spoke on "Student Research in Engineering" and mentioned several research projects which are now underway by students. Both Dr. Gunther and Dr. Zoss showed movies pertaining to their work.

The presentation of the 1960-1961 Guild Special was made by Mrs. Cyril Wismar, first vice-president. In responding to the presentation, Dr. Kretzmann expressed his and Mrs. Kretzmann's appreciation to the Guild for their generosity in helping to make their European trip enjoyable.

Dr. Kretzmann then spoke on the "State of the University." Among the statistics given was the enrollment figure of 2939 of which 169 are student nurses in various Lutheran hospitals. He stated "A Directed Study Group" had been inaugurated this year.

Mrs. Fred Firchau, reporting for the Project committee, explained the proposed project for 1961-62, and presented the following resolution which was adopted:

WHEREAS, there is a need for movable furniture in the men's new dormitory and dining hall now under construction, and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government does provide for construction funds but will not include monies for movable furnishings and dining area, and

WHEREAS, a member of the University Board has generously offered a matching gift of $35,000, and

WHEREAS, there are additional unmet needs for Dau and Kreinheder Halls due to the fact that these two dormitories have been assigned to women, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Valparaiso University Guild project for the year 1961-62 cover the $35,000 needed for the purchase of movable furniture in the men's new dormitory and dining hall, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any remaining monies flow into a Dau-Kreinheder Hall Improvement fund.

Mrs. C. R. Hammerness, chairman of the tellers, read their report. The Chair declared the following candidates elected:

President - Mrs. Frederick Schmalz
First Vice-President - Mrs. Cyril Wismar
Second Vice-President - Mrs. Louis Jacobs
Secretary - Mrs. Leonard Heitmuller
Treasurer - Mrs. Carl Heldt.

Mrs. Carl Heldt, treasurer, reported the 30th Birthday Offering amounted to $2,247.75. Several suggestions were made for the use of this fund.

It was moved and seconded that our 30th Birthday monies flow into the Law School building fund and that it be specifically used for furnishing the court room. Motion carried.

Mrs. Carl Heldt, treasurer, presented the 1961-62 budget as follows:

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$ 9,772.50

It was moved and seconded to adopt the budget as presented. Motion carried.

Mrs. Erwin Roschke presented the following resolution which was adopted:

WHEREAS, Miss Ethelyn Baade has most efficiently served the Guild as secretary for the past three years, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that a heartfelt vote of thanks be extended to her.

Mrs. Roschke presented the following resolution which was adopted:

WHEREAS, this 1961 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:

The Executive secretary, Mrs. E. Ruprecht;
The local chapter of the Guild;
The chairman of Standing committees;
Dr. O. P. Kretzmann
The Rev. R. J. Lillie
Prof. Walter K. Keller
Dr. A. G. Huegli
Dr. W. C. Gunther
Dr. Leslie Zoss
Mrs. Cecil M. Young
Mrs. Max Horn
Miss Karen Schmidt
Members of Sigma Alpha Iota
Oriental Night Group, Mrs. Horuko Gordon, Miss Norubo Sasaki;
And all others who by their prayers, talents and labors added so much to the success of this 1961 Convention.

Following announcements by Mrs. Ruprecht, the assembly joined in prayer and the reading of the hymn "Swell the Anthem, Raise the Song." The convention adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Ethelyn Baade, secretary
REPORT
of the
NATIONAL
PRESIDENT
Mrs. Frederick D. Schmalz

This is the thirtieth annual convention of our Valparaiso University Guild. To mark a thirteenth anniversary the pearl frequently is used symbolically. A genuine pearl in itself is a precious gem. May we visualize for a few moments, a strand of pearls called the National Valparaiso University Guild!

First, attached upon the thread, “the thread of purpose”—to foster the welfare of Valparaiso University in the four ways known to us from our By-laws—is the small circle of valued metal, called “beginnings.” On April 13 of 1931 “a number of women met at Valparaiso University and formally organized the National Women’s Committee of the Lutheran University Association.”1 We quote from our Guild History, “Thus, the foundation of the present Guild was laid. It is noteworthy to mention that this was the first national women’s organization to be formed within the confines of the Synodical Conference. Our thanks go to God, who inspired these women to see the light, to see the importance of Christian higher education for our youth, and to do all in their power to give impetus and promotion to the ideals for which the University stands.”2

The “pearls of history,” next strung on our strand, bespeak what has transpired in several areas these past thirty years:
- Twenty-five women were present at that first April meeting; we now have numbered in our Guild some 8,000 members.
- Detroit, Fort Wayne, and Appleton were our first three chapters; to those have been added one hundred thirty-three more.
- The first project of the Guild to assist the financing of the physical education and home economics departments was estimated at a need of five thousand dollars; we have moved to projects involving some seven times that amount in one year. Our project for this year, to complete the rehabilitation of Heritage Hall and to convert the old book store into a faculty lounge, involved $38,802.42. The final report received from Dr. Scribner on September 26, 1961 showed the total contributions from the Guild for the past two years to be $66,785.85, to which the Lilly Foundation added $25,000, for our projects. Indicative of the appreciation on Campus with which this undertaking was received is expressed in this letter addressed to Mrs. Ruprecht:

Dear Ber:

Having just moved into my new office in Heritage Hall, I am obeying my first impulse in writing this note of gratitude to the Guild for having made it possible for me and others to do our work in such pleasant surroundings.

Long before I had any idea that I would be a tenant of Heritage Hall I was watching the progress of its renovation with interest and delight. Underneath its coat of drab grey paint it had the best color and lines of all of the buildings on the old campus. And now, renovated inside, it is also one of the most useful buildings on campus.

Mrs. Frederick D. Schmalz, President

Irma Schmalz has served the Valparaiso Guild in Minneapolis as its treasurer, vice-president, program chairman and president. As a national officer she has served as Resolutions Committee chairman, first vice-president, and president. She is a member of St. Peter’s Lutheran Church, Edina where she has been engaged in many congregational and organizational activities. Irma’s husband, Frederick, is manager of the Products Control of Russell Miller King Midas Mills; they have two sons, Philip, a junior at Valparaiso University, and Peter, a freshman in high school. She is a graduate of the University of Minnesota with a B.S. in Library Science and her hobbies are flower gardening and arranging.
The Guild has done many services to the University but, so far as I am concerned, the renovation of Heritage Hall tops them all.

Cordially,

Jake

John Strietelmeier

The faculty lounge, too, has added to the comfort and enjoyment of the teaching staff, and expressions to that effect have been heard.

-- The first mention of a financial report is contained in the minutes of the fourth annual meeting of the Guild held December 3, 1935. It stated that $2,332.23 was remitted in dues and $1,660.63...for the special project, making a total of $3,992.86; we compare now this figure with $56,170.41 covering the same two sources this year, and we bow our heads in gratitude. A fuller financial report will be made by our national treasurer.

-- A statement in our Guild history reads, "A resolution which has been adhered to throughout the life of the organization was adopted to the effect that activities should be of a high standard and in accord with the policy of the University and existing conditions in cities where chapters are located"; we maintain this is a continuing good yardstick.

Thus we could go on enumerating many other measures of progress and blessings these past thirty years, but that would be unfair to our historian, Mrs. William Drews, to whom we are indebted for bringing our Guild History up to date in an attractive new 1961 edition. Our thanks go to her for this responsible piece of work.

Interspersed on our pearl necklace are strung also the gems of friendships made, and lasting; of joys and fun together; of experience and learning though it may have been through disappointments or mistakes.

Because we stand, however, where we do this day the "pearl of this past year" will bear further scrutiny.

Your administrative committee consisting of the five national officers and the executive secretary met four times. For the faithfulness, encouragement and support of this loyal group, your president is most grateful. We join in giving special commendation to our retiring secretary, Miss Ethelyn Baade, for the efficient manner with which she has dispatched her responsibilities.

Two meetings of the Executive Board were held. At the February meeting moral support to the Law School Building Campaign was pledged, and plans for noting our thirtieth anniversary were left in the hands of the Administrative committee. We hope you have all followed our suggestions to hold chapter birthday parties and to bring today your gifts of "thirty extra pennies for Valpo." Senior girls on Campus were special guests at our Friday evening social. Invited to tea in the late afternoon, members of the Executive Board spent several delightful moments at the Kretzmann's new home where warmth and hospitality belied the snow outdoors.

The pleasure of this occasion recalls another tea, at which your newly-elected president was guest of honor. My warm appreciation goes to the St. Paul chapter for its thoughtfulness and to my Twin City and Rochester friends who came bringing good wishes.

Representing your Guild, it was a privilege to attend by invitation four meetings of the Board of Directors of Valparaiso University. Impressions of the University but, so far as I am concerned, the renovation of Heritage Hall tops them all.

The National Advisory Board met in November; this meeting was attended following an Administrative committee meeting.

Four State Unit meetings were held at the usual time; another, experimentally and successfully in the spring. The Administrative committee was represented at each meeting by the Executive secretary and a National officer when possible. Your president attended the Wisconsin convention at Beloit. To the officers of these groups we sincerely say, "Thank you"; as we do also to our field secretaries who patiently strive to form new chapters. You will receive a detailed report from our Executive secretary.

Letters of welcome were sent to new chapters. To our sister organization, the L.W.M.L. in convention last July in Pittsburgh, congratulations were conveyed by telegram.

In April a brief message on Heritage Hall was given at a project of the Minneapolis chapter. The next day, sixty miles away, using the film "Campus With a Message" information was shared with those in attendance at the Spring project of the Fair-Med-Ow chapter. Opportunity, also briefly, to speak about the Guild and the University was given last November at a Synod circuit meeting.

Two issues of the Guild Bulletin were capably and attractively edited by our Executive secretary, Mrs. E. H. Ruprecht. Much conscientious work is involved in this assignment, and the interesting and informative articles should be read and preserved by each Guild member. For this task and for her direction of our field secretaries we are indeed grateful; also for the many unrecognized services she graciously performs in the "line of duty."

In each Bulletin one of the articles is au-
thored by our well-known and esteemed parliamentarian, also known to many of you as the president of the International Lutheran Women's Missionary League, Mrs. Walter Hoppe; it is she who answers all our questions on parliamentary procedure. We do appreciate this help in applying "just the right amount of oil to the machinery."

Our appreciation also goes to Mrs. Paul Block for her faithfulness in handling our calendar project on which she will give a complete report. Monies realized from the sale of calendars for the past two years were spent for 148 innerspring foam rubber mattresses at $17.50 each for Lembke Hall. As I paged through our Guild History, my eye caught this sentence referring to the 1934-35 project, "Any existing surplus from this endeavor was to be used for new mattresses in Lembke Hall, the dormitory for men." 14 The thought occurred to me, if those were the mattresses we replaced last year, small wonder they were lumpy! It makes the following letter more significant:

Dear Mrs. Ruprecht,

On behalf of all the men of Lembke Hall, I wish to express to the University Guild the appreciation felt by all of us for your kind gift.

Having now slept a week on our new mattresses, we appreciate even more your generosity.

I know I express the feelings of all the men when I say just simply, Thanks.

Sincerely yours,

Michael Chernock
President, Lembke Hall

Special regard and thanks always are due our University president, Dr. O. P. Kretzmann. His inspiration and guidance have had great meaning for our Guild. It was with fitting joy that the Guild Special for this past year became a part of the gift which sent Dr. and Mrs. Kretzmann to Europe in recognition of Dr. Kretzmann's twenty years of devoted service to the University. You will be happy to know that your good wishes were expressed with the placing of a beautiful bouquet of flowers in their stateroom upon their sailing. May the Lord continue to bless our President's contribution to Valparaiso and to the field of higher education.

Our appreciation goes to all our standing, appointed, and elected Committees for their unselfish service this past year. We are grateful, also, to our Convention committees and to all individuals who have served to make this anniversary noteworthy.

Let us return now and consider the other half of our strand with its "pearl of the immediate future."

Our convention theme "...serve Him with a perfect heart and a willing mind" is taken from I Chronicles, chapter 28. David had

MRS. LEONARD HEITMULLER, Secretary

Mary Louise Heitmuller was born in Indianapolis. After completing her education in Indiana, she entered government service in Washington, D.C. and served as legal secretary for 12 years. Membership at Christ Church meant active participation in the Walther League program, and later in the Ladies Guild, Concordia Club, L.L.L. She has served as president and treasurer of the Washington Guild chapter, and also as president of the Women's Auxiliary to the Association of Plumbing Contractors and national public relations chairman. She is the mother of two children, Susan, age 13, and Philip, age 9. Her husband Leonard, is a plumbing contractor. In her spare time she acts as Guardian of a Camp Fire Girls Group and does some part-time secretarial work.

November, 1961
As we come together at this convention celebrating the 30th anniversary of the Guild, we cannot help but remember those women whose determination, courage and constancy of purpose became the dominating force in organizing the Guild 30 years ago. Today we seem very far removed from the early beginnings of our organization, yet we know that the need for a V.U. Guild will exist as long as there are students at Valparaiso University who need our help, and as long as there are women who gather together at conventions such as this, and at home in the local chapters, who share the common concerns and interests of Valparaiso University.

Many of the really difficult problems facing the women 30 years ago are not our problems today. We know the importance of a strong organization, we know our responsibilities toward the school, and we are proud of our affiliation with the Guild. Our concern now is in maintaining the principles set before us by the far-sighted women who understood the need for an organization such as ours. As Valpo grows and develops, just so do we need to function effectively within our circles. We all are aware of the pressure of too many things to do, and too little time in which to do them. This brisk pace of time cannot help but affect each one of us personally, and some people just become frustrated. Women, however, can adjust to this race with the clock and the calendar by becoming fruitful and effective. People who do and think important things have no more time at their disposal than those who do things poorly—their secret is simple—they make effective use of the time they do have. You too have made a selection and are aware of where you wish to make your contribution. This contribution can be made in your dedicated service to the Guild. Here we hope you will work, work hard, and have the capacity also to enjoy the fellowship of kindred women who benefit greatly from their association with one another and have a common desire to serve the youth of the church, who seek to enrich their lives through attendance and participation in the program of Valparaiso University.

As in previous years we owe a great debt of thanks to the many women who have helped in the over-all program of the Guild, its officers, its committee women, and all the members who have given so unstintingly of their time and effort. Particularly do I want to mention at this time the services of Miss Ethelyn Baade whose term as National secretary comes to a close with this convention. Eth has been one of those rare women who give of themselves completely in service to others, so that in her quiet, efficient manner, all the many duties she has performed do not point to her, and her abilities, but to the Guild and to the University which she loves. Her work rarely needs correction, and her gentle reminders to all of us have helped to ease many an otherwise difficult situation. We thank you, Eth.

I should also like to pay tribute to the field secretaries who have worked so faithfully and under whose guidance eight new chapters have come into the organization. I should also like
to thank those women who arranged to have the meetings in their homes or churches. Through the efforts of Mrs. Roy Frank a new chapter was organized in Omaha, Nebraska shortly, after the last convention; Mrs. Herschel Madoerin is its president. Mrs. Lester Wegner assisted in organizing the Watertown, Wisconsin chapter with Mrs. John C. Mueller as president. A new chapter in the Buffalo South Suburban area, called South Town, Erie Co., was organized through the efforts of Mrs. E. W. Schroeter, with Mrs. Harold Lusmann as the new president. Mrs. Ray Krumsieg has been acting field secretary in the Illinois area, and was successful in organizing the Quincy, Illinois chapter, with Mrs. Andrew Schnack as president. Mrs. Roy Frank visited the Trenton Area where a new chapter organized under the presidency of Mrs. Glen Sorenson. At Neenah, Wisconsin, Mrs. Oscar Reinke, former state unit president, asked your Executive secretary to meet with a group of interested women who formed a new chapter there with Miss Lillian Roth as president. Mrs. Ralph Richman formed one of our latest chapters in Kalamazoo, Michigan with Mrs. Gilbert Reinakensmeyer as president. Our newest addition is the Loves Park Concordia chapter in Illinois announced today at the convention, with Mrs. Henry Hansing serving as president. We need to report that the Del-Mar-Va chapter has now relocated geographically and its members have joined surrounding chapters near them, making a total number of 136 chapters in the national Guild.

State Unit conventions continue to occupy an interesting spot in the Fall program. We have again witnessed the fine work of the women who serve on the State level, and who bring the message of Valpo particularly to the women who are unable to attend the national conventions. Indiana State Unit experimented with a meeting held in the Spring which resulted in an increased attendance and was very successful. Another step forward in Guild-history-making was the innovation of a very stimulating Spring Rally in the Western New York area with eight chapters participating, sparked by Mrs. Minnie Schroeter and Mrs. Louise Drews. These two departures from the regular State Unit schedule proved to be most rewarding and welcomed by all in attendance.

Preparing for the convention and for the Executive Board meeting in February brings to mind the thought of inviting all you women to share ideas for the development of our program at each of these events. Do you have a need for some special type of program, lecture, or activity that would benefit your local group? Do you feel you can obtain the most satisfaction in the total program of your chapter? We would appreciate any comments or suggestions you may wish to send us so that we may con-

MRS. CARL HELDT, Treasurer

Ethel Heldt is serving her second term as treasurer of the national Guild. Her husband, Carl, is a former president of the International Walther League, and her daughter, Anne, is currently a student at Valparaiso University. A son, Carl III, is a potential Valpo candidate for next year. Ethel has served as her local congregational Guild chairman, and as president of the Evansville chapter of the Valpo Guild, and treasurer of the Indiana State Unit. She is currently serving as president of the Welborn Hospital Auxiliary and on the Board of Directors of the Sinawik Club of Evansville.

I should like to emphasize and repeat our great need to continue our vigorous work for the Guild. We sometimes need to look beyond the periphery of our home congregations and our local activities in order to broaden our horizons. We hope to do this by influencing many more women of the church to join hands with us; we need to do this on the local chapter level by increased membership, better programs, and a closer relationship with one another; and we need to help the University as we come better to realize our area of service to the school which has the greatest horizon of all to offer—that Hope in bringing Eternal Life to the young people who come here to seek that knowledge from its portals.
CONVENTION SERMON

By The Rev. Reynold J. Lillie, Pastor
Ashburn Lutheran Church, Chicago, Illinois

Sermon:
Valparaiso University Guild Convention
30th Anniversary

Topic:
"THE MEANING AND PURPOSE OF LIFE"

Text: John 13, 3-5 (RSV) — “Jesus, knowing . . .
that he had come from God and was going to
God, . . . girded himself with a towel . . . and
began to wash the disciples’ feet.”

This is another great day in the history of
Valparaiso University. Few organizations within
the church have more compelling reasons to
give thanks to Almighty God for His manifold
blessings upon their work than your Valparaiso
Guild. Today you are observing the 30th anni-
versary of your labors on behalf of our beloved
Valpo. Your rapid growth as an organization,
the success of the projects you have undertaken
—Guild Hall, Gloria Christi Chapel, and a host
of others—all bear striking testimony that Al-
mighty God has indeed blessed your activities,
and, in turn, has made you a blessing to the
University. Wherever you look on this Campus,
you behold shining memorials to the hundreds
of women who worked and prayed and sacri-
ficed throughout these past 30 years. In the
words of your Convention motto, you have in-
deed been ready to “serve the Lord with a per-
fect heart and a willing mind,” and, I might
add, with an open pocketbook. Certainly, a
warm word of commendation is very much in
order for all that you have done.

But why have you done it? What has been
the purpose of all your labors? For the fellow-
ship? For the honor? To flatter your ego? Of
course not. I am sure you will be the first to
say: “Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but un-
to thy name give glory.” During these days
that you have been meeting in Convention, you
have not met to parade your achievements be-
fore the world, but only to glorify our God who
has made them possible. The work that you
have done, the time, effort and money that you
have expended, have been for one purpose only
—that the youth of the church might be guided
and directed on the way everlasting, that im-
mortal souls might be saved and served. Never
lose sight of that aim, my dear friends! Never
forget that the objective of your organization is
identical with that of this University—to give
our youth an education which builds Christ into
their life, and which gives them a worthy goal
in life, an education which gives them a clear
understanding of the meaning and purpose of
life.

This is a goal which no other kind of educa-
tion can achieve. We have in America a great
system of secular schools, whose modern edu-
cational techniques, spacious facilities, and ef-ficient equipment are worthy of the highest
praise. And yet, with all due respect, it must
be said that never has there existed an educa-
tional system which is more harmful to human
welfare and happiness. The harm is not in
what the system does, but in what it leaves un-
done. The wrong is not so much in what it
 teaches, as in what it must refrain from teach-
ing. Secular education trains our youth to think
and work in terms of almost everything—except
that which matters most, the meaning and pur-
pose of life.

Friends, I needn’t tell you that the world into
which we are sending our youth is hopelessly
out of joint. The grim business of living in
these last times is no Sunday School picnic. The
young men and women of our generation de-
mand and deserve an answer to the greatest
questions of life. Why am I here? Where did
I come from? Where am I going? These are
the questions that are troubling hearts of our
youth today as they search for the meaning and
purpose of life. Any education which fails to
answer these basic questions is totally inade-
quate. We cannot expect anyone to be clear as
to why he is on the road of life if he has no
convictions about the point of his departure and
no certainty as to his ultimate destination. And
that is why we have our Valparaiso University.
That is why you women of the Valpo Guild are
working with such earnestness and determina-
tion. You are working to settle once and for
all in the minds of our youth the great funda-
mental questions of life which are so completely
ignored by secular education.

What, then, is the answer which Christian
education gives to these great questions of life?
I ask you to enter with me into the Upper
Room, where the scene of our text was enacted.
Thirteen young men were gathered about a
table. There was One among them who knew
the answers. There was nothing uncertain
about His concept of life and its meaning and
purpose. In His eyes, life is something un-
peakably great and precious and noble. He
took this thing called life into His hands, gave
it to men, and said, “This is your life; have an
eternity of it.” He said: “I came that they
may have life, and have it abundantly.” He
said that the angels in heaven would stop what-
ever they were doing in order to celebrate the
return of one penitent sinner who had come to
his senses and realized the true purpose of life.
He can tell us the truth about life and its pur-

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pose as no one has ever done before or since. Yes, friends, for light on life's greatest problems, we must go to the Upper Room.

Where do we come from? Our text says: "Jesus, knowing that He had come from God." Here is the place to begin. We come from God. God has created us in His own image and likeness, to live in closest communion with Him forever. Tragically, the tie uniting us with the holy God was severed by sin, and we were parted from God for a time. But then God became man and reconciled the creature to His Creator. In Christ, God and man are reunited. Through Christ we know that we "come from God," that we belong to God, both by creation and by redemption. And, therefore, we are responsible to God. He has not put us into this world out of mere caprice. He has created and redeemed us for a definite purpose. There is a lofty and noble meaning to life—because we have come from God.

The Son of God was fully aware of the meaning of life. He said: "My food is to do the will of him that sent me, and to accomplish his work." From the Upper Room He went out to do that will and to finish that work. He knew that He had come from God. If He had considered Himself a mere biological accident, a large-brained animal, a highly developed beast, He would never have done it. But knowing that He had come from God, He proceeded to do what He was sent to do.

The text reads on: "Jesus, knowing that He had come from God and was going to God...." Here we have the answer to the second question: Where are we going? We are going to God. God is the great goal of our journey. This is not the answer the world gives. Hemingway in "The Hills of Kilimanjaro" has his hero say: "The door opens suddenly into nothing." The results of a secular education were once summed up by a man called Darwin, when he said: "There is no goal in living. If we knew where we are going, we could pick the road. But as far as science, philosophy, or history can throw any light on the subject, we are not going anywhere." We are not going anywhere? Friends, we who know we have come from God dare never entertain such a thought! We are going home to God. We are going to "Mount Zion, the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels, and to the assembly of the first-born who are enrolled in heaven, and to a judge who is God of all, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant." Of course, we shall never fully understand what it means to go to God, until we have gone to Him. But this much we know and confidently believe, that to go to God is an infinitely more beautiful and glorious experience than you or I with our earth-bound imagination could ever conceive of! And we are traveling toward that goal! Every step we take, every breath we draw, leads us on the way home—to God.

Christian education develops the habit of thinking of life in terms like that. We know that we shall go to God only because our Lord Jesus Christ has gone on before and cleared the way. We live between two eternities, two reaches of endless time—joined together by our Savior's precious blood.

One more question remains to be answered: "Why are we here?" Again we find the answer in our text, which is unsurpassed for simple directness and sheer loveliness. "Jesus, knowing that He had come from God and was going to God, girded Himself with a towel, and began to wash the disciples' feet." The knowledge of our origin and our destiny inevitably leads to that kind of a ministry. We who come from God and go to God are here, in the midst of a world that is crying for love, a world where everything is distorted for lack of love, for the purpose of showing Christian love to weary and travel-stained lives, to a world that is sick and hurt and wounded and dying.

Can you imagine any undertaking more glorious than to provide an education which offers that as life's purpose? which teaches that our reason for being is to render humble and loving service to feet that are tired and dusty from the road of life? And that is exactly what Valparaiso University is doing. That is what you the members of this Guild have been doing for the past 30 years, and which, pray God, you may continue doing until the great Lord of the Church comes and takes you home. What greater reason could you have for your work, what greater reason could you have for celebrating this anniversary than this, that you are helping to give our young men and women an education which trains them to think of life as Christ did in the Upper Room?

During the 30 years in which you have been carrying on your blessed ministry to the youth of our church, the world has changed in many ways. The world has been in a state of tumult and upheaval. Depressions, world wars, the New Deal, the rise and fall of Adolf Hitler, the spread of atheistic communism, social revolution, scientific discovery, and the development of the atom bomb, the virtual conquest of space, the Berlin crisis, the death of Dag Hammarskjold,—yes, these 30 years have been a period of convulsive change in the history of man. But through all these years, there is one thing that has not changed, and that is the purpose of life, and the purpose for which you are carrying on your blessed work. Our University is still giving the same answers, the only answers to the fundamental questions in the heart of our youth. It is still telling them that God

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Mrs. Elmer Doege

"Serve Him with a perfect heart and a willing mind." No finer theme could have been chosen for the 30th Annual Convention of the Valparaiso University Guild. As I went to the different meetings of my first Guild Convention, willingness to serve God and the university by Guild members was in evidence constantly. By the grace of God, our Guild has grown from twenty-five willing workers thirty years ago, to over eight thousand members and 136 chapters. In the last eleven years alone, the Guild has provided the university with services and facilities valued at more than $500,000.

I particularly enjoyed seeing the Guild members from far and near joyously greet one another during the morning registration hour. Soon the outsiders were insiders, and all were chatting happily, delighted to be together again.

The first meeting Friday morning brought together the state unit presidents and the field secretaries. These women put all into the work of the Guild. Various problems and activities of the state units were discussed and also mention made of the forthcoming state unit conventions. Of particular interest was a workshop conducted in Indiana in the spring of the year. This workshop was presented by Mrs. Louis Jacobs who said they were most happy with the results, and any Guild could obtain this information from the Indiana State Unit if they were interested. The field secretaries gave reports of their endeavors, and it was learned that seven new chapters have been formed.

It was a wonderful experience to attend the student Chapel services before noon. The beautiful center stained glass window is now in place. If all the Guild members could see the young people streaming toward the campus Chapel, they would all renew their efforts to further the work of the university. These young men and women are our hope for a future of service to our Lord.

The Executive Board meeting Friday afternoon was opened with the singing of "May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill," with Mrs. Wm. Drews as accompanist. After the opening prayer by Mrs. Louis Jacobs, Mrs. Schmalz, president, welcomed the women to the 30th convention and said it was significant that the convention be held at this time, since it was Christian Education Week.

After the various field secretaries reported, Mrs. Ruprecht asked that all women help in this very important work by giving names of prospects for the development of new chapters. The Guild is growing and the following chapters were received into national membership — with wishes for growth and success:

- Omaha, Nebraska
- South Town, Erie County Chapter
- Quincy, Illinois
- Watertown, Wisconsin
- Trenton Area, New Jersey
- Neenah-Menasha
- Kalamazoo, Michigan
- Loves Park, Illinois

The Guild project for '61-'62 will be the purchase of movable furniture for the new men's dormitory and dining hall now under construction. It was also learned that a member of the university board will give a matching gift of $35,000. Any money in excess of that needed for this project is to go to the improvement fund for Dau and Kreinheder Halls.

So many ideas were exchanged and discussed, all in an effort to help the work of all the Guilds.

The Guild special project for 61-62 will be to furnish additional clergy vestments for the use of visiting clergy, and for much needed additional hymnals.

So many women were interested in the recent attack made on our synod, and particularly on Valparaiso by a small group, that Dr. Kretzmann gave some of the facts of the case. He was firm in stating that what we are doing is worth doing and we must not be afraid of the future. He said there has been no basic change in the policy of the school and it is being built and strengthened in the Lutheran tradition, which is unique in that it is dominated, controlled and unified in Lutheran theology. Dr. Kretzmann went on to say that the department of religion is the most expensive one in the school, since in the past eight years it has grown from two men to seventeen. All these men are members of the clergy, and are without exception some of the most de-
vout and religious people in their approach to Christian gospels.

Dr. Kretzmann told us of many amusing incidents on his recent European trip, but he also spoke of some of the more serious things he witnessed. On May Day of 1961, while in Berlin, he watched TV for five hours, showing various Communist demonstrations.

While the executive board meeting was in progress, a varied program was offered all Guild members on the campus.

Friday evening Mrs. W. N. Hoppe, our parliamentarian, presented a skit with the aid of thirteen women from twelve different sections of the country. The first act of the parliamentary skit showed a group assembled at a meeting showing no respect for courtesy or fairness, and no knowledge of proper procedures. From this comedy in errors we learned that a constitution “couldn’t be suspended” so that a friend could join a closed meeting. Oh, what a difference in the women in the Second Act after a study of parliamentary law! The meeting was run in a smooth and easy manner and showed the proper way of conducting a meeting.

Two beautifully dressed and doll-like Japanese dancers were presented by Mrs. Lois Reiner of the local chapter. Mrs. Gordon, who has been in the U.S. for seven years did a dance she learned in Kyoto, and a folk dance. Miss Nobuko Sasaki, a deaconess student, did charming and graceful classical dances. After the “Oriental Night” program, punch and Japanese delicacies were served. The tables were a delight to behold, with pagodas, flowers and tiny umbrellas.

Saturday morning’s business session was opened by 350 women singing “Oh, For A Thousand Tongues to Sing.” Members of the Sigma Alpha Iota sang, accompanied by Miss Karen Schmidt. The presentation of the flags by Mrs. Erwin Schmidt, assisted by Mrs. Raymond Gehl, Mrs. Paul Krentz and Miss Karen Schmidt made us mindful of all the blessings we have under the flag of the United States, the Christian Church flag and the University flag.

Professor Walter E. Keller had the opening devotions and used the theme of the convention. We were reminded that God does not want a lazy church or guild, but that He does not want a proud people, church or guild. We must continue to do our best always, but finally after all our efforts, acknowledge that God must do the rest.

Greetings were extended to all by our president, Mrs. F. D. Schmalz, and by Mrs. Richard Laube of the local chapter of 140 members. These women have the heartfelt thanks of all Guild members for making the convention such a wonderful one.

Mrs. E. H. Ruprecht our executive secretary gave her report. What would we do without her many and varied talents? And without that melodious voice and ever-ready smile?

Greetings were read from Mr. Paul Brandt, president of the Board of Directors and Miss Anne Brauer from Bangkok.

In his talk on “The Quest for Quality” Dr. A. G. Huegli, V.P. for Academic Affairs, told us that education must be of the highest quality and that nothing less would do. He said the school must have a quest for search for quality so that its teaching can be touched with greatness instead of being satisfied with the average.

Mrs. Schmalz likened the thirty years of Guild service to a strand of pearls, the thread of which is the thread of purpose, the small clasp our beginnings, clapsed to the large one of eternity.

Mrs. Malcer Johnson gave an activities report for the benefit of all chapters. There are many interesting programs and suggestions for programs to be had for the asking.

Mrs. Paul Block has again ordered 5000 calendars and the money realized from the sale will be used for landscaping needed for the improvement and beautification of the ground around Wehrenberg and Scheele (pronounced Scheel) Halls.

Mrs. Wm. A. Drews, our historian, opened her remarks with a quote from a philosopher who said “to know nothing of the past is to understand little of the present and to have no conception whatever of the future.” To keep the work of the Guild alive the second volume of the Guild history was published since the supply of the first volume was exhausted. Mrs. Drews took credit for only one-tenth of the present history, and said the other nine-tenths went to Miss Louise F. Nicolay.

In the Saturday afternoon session the Guild members were introduced to Dr. W. C. Gunther who believes that mental retardation may be caused by abnormal pre-natal temperatures. We were the first audience to see his film strip on tonic immobility, or animal hypnosis, in which chicks were used for this experiment. Interest in his work was evidenced by the many questions after his talk.

Then Dr. Leslie Zoss told us about the student research program that has been instituted in the Engineering department. This is an elective and projects range in many areas, and interest is generated by students themselves. There are also long range projects on which they can work. He said the overall results of such a program are excellent and of the eleven students taking the program during the past three years, five have gone on to graduate school. Slides were shown of the work done in this department.
In her charming fashion, Mrs. Cyril Wismar asked Dr. Kretzmann to remove his glasses and then she proceeded to polish them for him. She then told him he would have to “reflect” on the Guild Special of last year, since the money was already spent, namely the contribution of the Guild to the 20th anniversary trip for Dr. and Mrs. Kretzmann.

The final speaker of the afternoon was Dr. Kretzmann on the “State of the University.” There are 2770 students on campus. Of the 929 new students, 161 were transfers. With the student nurses in Cleveland, Ft. Wayne and St. Louis, the University has 2939 students. The school would like more Engineering and Law school students. He concluded his talk by saying that in 1961 we are all living on the lid of a volcano. God has taken one single nation and let it go on with relatively little punishment. This should be a sobering thought and should make the work for our Church and our Lord more significant and imperative, and that we should pray that the judgment on us will not be as great as we have deserved by our sins of omission.

The birthday pennies were put into a birthday cake complete with candles, and the singing of “Happy Birthday” to the Guild. These contributions amounted to $2247.75 and after much discussion it was decided to designate this money to furnish a court room in the proposed new Law school building.

The affairs of the Guild will be in capable hands for the coming year by Mrs. Frederick D. Schmalz, president; Mrs. Cyril Wismar, vice-president; Mrs. Louis Jacobs, 2nd vice-president; Mrs. Leonard Heitmuller, secretary, and Mrs. Carl Heldt, treasurer.

A torrential rain and thunderstorm kept the Guild members from visiting Scheele Hall.

The frosting on the birthday cake was the banquet Saturday evening. How lovely all the women looked and how festive they felt. As we sat down to the beautifully decorated tables, one woman was heard to remark, “I don’t know how they do it,” (meaning the Valparaiso chapter). “They manage to come up with an original idea every year, no matter what the theme.” At each place setting was a lovely shell on which rested a pearl. The programs were delightfully decorated with a tiny seahorse and pearls. The food was befitting such a gala celebration and the entertainment was top-drawer. At the table of presidents was the first president of the Guild, Mrs. E. W. Schultz. During the dinner hour the newest recording of the Chapel Choir was played.

Our mistress of ceremonies for the evening was the talented and beautiful Mrs. Cecil Young from California, complete with oversize sunglasses and a can of instant smog. She reminded us when the Guild was started Empress Eugenie hats were in vogue, skirts 6 to 8 inches from the floor, and the baby sitter of that era was none other than mother.

“Seaside Gems” was presented by Mrs. Herman Hesse. Oh, those daring bathing suits worn at the turn of the century!! Miss Pam Boyer and Jerry Lecy sang several folk songs, and the lovely models were from our own VU.

The banquet speaker, Mrs. Ann Horn of Indianapolis, gave an original essay entitled, “First Ladies of the White House.”

At the close of the birthday part, all the Guild members went to the Gloria Christi Chapel for vespers service, with the meditation and installation of officers by Dr. Kretzmann. I’m sure all hearts were touched as the long day ended with the singing of “Abide With Me.”

Sunday morning was cold but beautiful, and the ever thoughtful members of the Valparaiso chapter served breakfast in the Union cafeteria. The convention service was held at the Chapel, the Rev. R. J. Lillie of Ashburn Lutheran Church, Chicago was the speaker.

I wish all 8000 members of the Guild could have attended the convention. They would be more than proud of the fine, intelligent, charming and God-fearing women who guide the affairs of the Guild. Do try to get to the convention in ’62, it will prove to be a never forgotten experience and one which will be treasured.

Marie T. Doege
(Mrs. E. A.)

A complete report of the 30 years of Guild activity during the past 30 years is contained in a new issue of the Guild History. These may be obtained for 50¢ from the office of the Executive Secretary.
Welcome
New Chapters

NEENAH-MENASHA
This chapter was established in the month of June when a group of fifteen women met at the home of Mrs. O. A. Reinke. Mrs. Reinke, past-president of the Wisconsin State Unit, and a former member of the Appleton chapter, had long hoped for the realization of this dream. Mrs. Ruprecht, Executive secretary, spoke to the group and the women expressed a desire to organize that evening. Miss Lillian Roth is serving as president and Mrs. Ernest Munsche as secretary-treasurer of the chapter.

TRENTON AREA, N. J.
Again an alumna of the University assisted the Guild by inviting a group of interested women to her home in Trenton, N. J. Mrs. Glen Sorensen, the former Ellen Bruening of Washington, D.C., invited Mrs. Roy C. Frank to come to speak to the women who agreed to organize a chapter that very evening. Mrs. Sorensen is acting as temporary president and election of officers will take place in the Fall.

KALAMAZOO, MICH.
Mrs. Ralph Richman had met with a group of key men in the Kalamazoo area early in September. She reported a most enthusiastic response to her suggestion to organize a chapter. A few weeks later a meeting was called at Zion Church and was opened by the Reverend Grotheer of Zion congregation. After a report from Mrs. Ruprecht the women unanimously decided to join the national Guild. This fine group of women have already decided to sponsor an appearance of the University Band in the Fall, together with the Battle Creek chapter. Officers are Mrs. G. E. Reinkensmeier, president; Mrs. Charles Buchtrup, vice-president, and Mrs. Gene Bahls, secretary-treasurer.

LOVES PARK CONCORDIA, ILL.
This very newest chapter was presented to the convention as a “surprise” when the announcement was made of the forming of a new group in Loves Park. Under the direction of the Rev. R. H. Lawrenz, eighteen women were in favor of affiliating with the national Guild, and were joyfully accepted into membership. Present officers are: president, Mrs. Henry Hansing; vice-president, Mrs. Norman Hitzeman; secretary, Mrs. G. E. Lichtfuss, and treasurer, Mrs. John Nau.

QUINCY, ILL.
In a preliminary visit to Quincy, Mrs. Ray Krumsieg, field secretary in Illinois, had explored the possibilities of organizing a chapter in this area. On April 30 a tea was held in the lovely home of Mrs. Harry Hauter which was attended by twenty-five women. Mrs. Ruprecht spoke on the organization and functions of the Guild and Mrs. Krumsieg gave a brief report on the progress of her work. High interest was shown by the women in attendance, several of whom were alumnae of the University, and several of whom were mothers of students on campus. A motion was made to affiliate with the national Guild. Officers are Mrs. Andrew Schnack, Jr., president; Mrs. Stuart Bell, vice-president; Mrs. Donald Pohlig, secretary, and Mrs. Richard Wetstaed, treasurer.

SOUTH TOWN, ERIE COUNTY, N. Y.
A notice prepared by Mrs. E. W. Schroeter and inserted in the bulletin of three congregations read, “A VALPO EVENING with Mrs. Bernice Ruprecht, Executive secretary of the national Valpo Guild, will be held at the home of Mrs. H. Earl Miller, Elma, on Friday, April 14th at 8:00 p.m. Any interested woman is invited to attend.” Mrs. E. W. Schroeter, Mrs. William A. Drews and Mrs. Ruprecht were present at the meeting to answer questions and to speak to the women about organizing a chapter. This was accomplished that evening and at a later meeting the above chapter name was selected and the following officers elected: Mrs. Harold Lusmann, president; Mrs. Arthur Moll, vice-president; Mrs. Charles Newton, secretary, and Mrs. Ted Krischan, treasurer.

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In a world which at this moment stands dark with tension and unrest only the Lord in His wisdom knows how many more “future pearls” we shall be privileged to add to our strand before God catches the golden clasp of eternity into the small circlet of our “beginnings.” Nevertheless, confidently we can keep to our purpose and plans, for at the center of our strand hangs the largest pearl of all - more lustrous, more beautiful than the rest, giving direction and design to the whole. It is the “pearl of great price” without which our necklace of accomplishment would be worthless. That precious gem which has given meaning to our Guild and to our University for in Its light do we see light.

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BUFFALO, NEW YORK

An organ-violin recital provided artistic and musical value for an attentive audience when the Buffalo Chapter sponsored the recital featuring Philip Gehring, Valparaiso Chapel organist, and his wife, violinist Betty Alice Gehring. The organ selection included a Pachelbel partita, a Frescobaldi toccata, Bach's Prelude and Fugue in E minor and works of Liszt and Lenel. Mrs. Gehring performed the unaccompanied Partita in E of Bach and was joined by her husband for "The Crucifixion" from Biber's "Fifteen Mysteries." Newspaper reviewers stated "Both artists quickly evinced the scholarship and sincerity born of their excellent background in study and conservatory. The interpretive outlines were those expected only from sensitive and thorough artists."

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Mrs. Edwin Schmidt gave a talk on Accessories for the spring meeting of the chapter. Everyone present enjoyed the presentation and felt better qualified for good grooming.

DETROIT

The June meeting of the chapter was held at Resurrection Church at which an 11:30 a.m. luncheon was served. Miss Marie E. Sprengel, teacher of the blind in the Detroit Public Schools for 35 years presented a program of piano and vocal selections and a Braille reading.

WARREN, OHIO

At the chapter meeting held at the home of Mrs. Hilton Farley, Mrs. Edgar Husemann was elected president, Mrs. Warren Bartholomew, secretary, and Mrs. Farley, treasurer. Plans were made for a games party to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Guild.

DEARBORN, MICHIGAN

A potluck supper at the home of Mrs. Pat Heinitz in Taylor, climaxed the year’s activities for the chapter. Officers were elected and formal initiation took place in the September meeting at the home of Mrs. Anita Clark.

BATTLE CREEK

At a recent meeting of the chapter a panel discussion was held titled "What I Believe About Life After Death." Participating were church leaders in the city with Pastor G. Kenneth Kausch of Redemption Lutheran church serving as moderator. The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. William Wahl and received excellent publicity with a lengthy article and picture on the Woman's Page of the Battle Creek Enquirer and News.

ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

A Paper Punch type of party was given by Mrs. E. W. Schmalz and Mrs. Horace Gibson in the Schmalz home for members of the Guild, friends and interested persons. The party is one of a series which were given to have a donor-appeal several notches above "silver tea," to go for the renovation of Heritage Hall.

SHAWANO, WISCONSIN

A message of congratulations from the chapter was sent to Kathleen Doran a new student at Valparaiso University for her excellent scholastic achievements. In her reply Kathleen stated "You cannot know how much it means to me know that your prayers are behind me. Needless to say, the added inspiration of your confidence will greatly aid me in the next weeks. Since I came to Valpo I have realized just how much the university depends upon aid from such organizations as the Valpo Guild. For my university thank you for your activities on our behalf." (Pretty fine testimonial, don't you agree? — and what a good idea for chapters to follow.)

BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Mrs. Walter Streffing, president of the Berrien County chapter, and Mrs. Lena Jung, past president, were invited to appear on station WHFB in St. Joe, Michigan, to talk about Valparaiso Guild, and also to promote their forthcoming installation and spring banquet. Rev. Edward W. Wessling, the banquet speaker, used the topic "Education at Valparaiso University." Musical selections were given by Miss Crysella Setterberg, harpist, and David Froehlich, soloist, accompanied by Mrs. Ralph Gersonde.

FAIR-MEDOW

After her return from the February Executive Board meeting, Mrs. Ballenthin's picture, together with a lengthy article, appeared in the local paper.

CHICAGO SOUTH SUBURBAN

A spring meeting featured the presentation of a Book Review by Mrs. Raymond Young of Chicago Heights who reviewed The Listener by Talor Caldwell. At this meeting a "Bakeless Bake Sale" was also held. A summer garden party in the lovely garden of Mr. Martin Hupe in Homewood proved to be successful despite morning showers.

NASSAU-SUFFOLK, NEW YORK

A tea held at Our Savior Lutheran Church celebrating the 30th anniversary, was followed
by a flower arranging demonstration by Mrs. Holzweiss. The annual card party at Grace Lutheran Church, in charge of Mrs. Mary Volk, combined a home-baked, or home-made sale.

EVANSTVILLE, INDIANA

A Velvet Tea was held at the lovely home of Mrs. Darwin Heston in McCutchanville. Telephone Committees called all members of the Guild and hostesses for the party were Mrs. Heston, Mrs. Buente, Jr., Mesdames C. Schroeder, C. Gaiser, B. Vanell, L. Grinke, and Miss Lillian Boehne. The chapter is again offering nut meats for sale for the holidays.

FORT WAYNE, INDIANA

An anniversary tea was held at the spacious home of Mrs. Paul Congdon in October. Beautiful fall weather enhanced the lovely setting for the tea.

CLEVELAND

56 students and 12 adults attended a picnic for current prospective students of VU on the beautiful grounds of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sindelar, Moreland Hills, with Mrs. Andrew Jencik, chapter president greeting the students.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

The summer meeting of the chapter was held at Faith Church in Pasadena. A birthday theme observing the 30th anniversary was carried out with decorations, and a short history of the Guild was given. 32 members were present—to date there are 66 charter members. Serving on the committee were: Mrs. John Topits, Mrs. Robert Lillie, Mrs. Don Misch and Mrs. David Goetsch.

OSHKOSH, WISCONSIN

Two successful spring projects consisted of a Style Show with the local stores cooperating and offering door prizes, plus the annual Bridge Tournament playoff.

BROADLANDS, ILLINOIS

The program for the coming year for the Broadlands Chapter consists of a strong Bible centered series, some of the topics range as follows: November: “What Luther Says: Unthankfulness”; January, “Church Year and Church Symbols”; May, “The Twelve Apostles, Part I.”

CHICAGO NORTHWEST SUBURBAN

At the September meeting at St. Paul’s Church, Mount Prospect, plans were discussed for the Christmas Musical, and also for the showing of a spring hat show in March. A Silent Auction was the concluding feature of the evening.

LA PORTE CHAPTER

Fall meetings are scheduling a Taste Fair, a Salad Luncheon, and a Travelogue by Mr. Howard B. Sullivan.

MILWAUKEE AFTERNOON

The September meeting of the chapter featured a Book Review by Mrs. Warren Mellblom “To Kill a Mocking Bird.” In November the Rev. Walter Maier, Jr., will give the topic “Bible Study Guideline on Prayer.”

DECATUR CIRCUIT, INDIANA

At the opening meeting held at the Decatur Community Center, a dinner was held and “The Songsters” presented a musical variety program. The November meeting will be held at St. John, Flat Rock, at which the annual Christmas party will be held.

OMAHA, NEBRASKA

Mrs. W. A. Richardson recently appeared on the television program over KM-TV called “Conversations.” The program is directed mostly to women viewers and she had the opportunity to give information pertaining to the University and the Guild, particularly calling attention to enrollment figures, history of the school, and projects that the Guild has sponsored through the past 30 years. Since the viewing audience comprises several mid-western states she also exhibited pictures of the University campus.

Convention Sermon

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is the source of this strange pilgrimage called life, and God is its white, shining goal, with only enough space in between for some towel-girded ministry to feet that are weary and worn with travel.

Do you remember Dr. Tom Dooley? that lion-hearted young doctor who battled disease in the Laos jungle even when he himself became ravaged by crippling cancer. One day after his 34th birthday he himself succumbed to disease and death. Dr. Dooley had been brought to a New York hospital wearing a brace from shoulder to hips, but insisted that he would continue his work if his “iron maiden” would enable him to get around. And then he added characteristically: “I am not going to quit! I will continue to guide and lead my hospitals until my back, my brain, my blood and my bones collapse!” There was a man who knew the meaning and purpose of life! There was a towel-girded ministry!

May God give you a spirit like that as you turn your gaze from the past and look to the future with the tasks that lie before you! May you continue to work with willingness and dedication, with faithfulness and devotion, determined that, because you have come from God and are going to God, you will take up a towel in imitation of the holy Christ. AMEN.

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HERE and THERE
AROUND CAMPUS

Walter E. Bauer, Ph.D., former Dean of the Faculty is on sabbatical leave. He plans to study and travel in Mexico and Europe, together with Mrs. Bauer. Dean Bauer has completed 35 years at VU, 15 as Dean of the Faculty.

Twenty-three new faculty members joined the staff and twenty new courses are now being offered for the first time this fall.

Forty of the top freshmen at VU were invited to participate in a special Program of Directed Studies which began this fall. Selection was made chiefly on the basis of all-round high school performance by the freshmen.

One of VU's most distinguished alumni, the late Senator George W. Norris of Nebraska, has been honored with a commemorative stamp issued by the U.S. Post Office Department on the 100th anniversary of his birth.

Delores Ruosch has assumed the new position of Director of Sorority Affairs at VU. She serves as advisor to the Inter-Sorority Council and acts as coordinator of sorority activities. Miss Ruosch holds the B.A. degree from VU and an M.S. from the University of Southern California, in which state she has been teaching and doing guidance work since 1954.

VU's College of Engineering has been re-accredited for the maximum period of five years by the Engineers' Council for Professional Development.

Fall enrollment at VU reached a new high of 2770 students.

Fred A. Reddel, St. Joseph, Mich., a member of VU's Board of Directors, was officially made an honorary alumnus of the university at the annual Alumni Service at the University Memorial Chapel on Sunday, Oct. 15.

University Alumni Association officers for 1962 are Louis A. Jacobs, Decatur, Ind., president; Richard E. Pell, Bloomington, Ind., president-elect; Fred Wehrenberg, Jr., Ft. Wayne, first vice-president; Atty. John Bolgert, Sheboygan, Wis., second vice-president; Mrs. James McGill, Valpo, secretary; and Donald Findling, Valpo, treasurer.

Courses for a 6 week session at VU at Pocono Crest (Lutherland), Pa., next summer (1962) were announced by Dr. A. G. Huegli, VU vice-president. July 1 through August 10 will feature a program for high school graduates preparing for college entrance in the fall.

Valparaiso's newest dormitory, Scheele Hall, was dedicated at a special service on Sunday, October 29. Dr. Kretzmann performed the rite of dedication and the Rev. Ewald Mueller, pastor of Bethlehem Lutheran church, Ridge-wood, N.J., gave a brief address. Mrs. Mueller is the daughter of the late Mrs. Mina Scheele in whose memory the residence, housing 321 women students, is named. An oil portrait of Mrs. Scheele, given to the university by her family, was placed in the residence hall lounge. A reception was given Mrs. Mueller by the women of Scheele Hall who entertained her at a Tea.

Prof. Richard Caemmerer, VU art instructor, will spend 13 months of research and painting in Europe, making his headquarters in Munich, Germany.

Anthony Kuharich, part-time assistant professor of criminology and juvenile delinquency at VU, has been awarded an honorary doctor of laws degree by the Atlanta, Georgia, Law School. Kuharich serves as chief probation officer for the Northern Indiana District Court and the award was made in recognition of his efforts to improve federal court probation and parole facilities.

Dr. Waldemar C. Gunther, biology professor, has received a supplemental grant of $13,500 to continue research on mental retardation and other diseases of the mind. The grant makes a total of $44,500 awarded to Dr. Gunther in the past 18 months, the largest research award ever received by a VU faculty member, and granted by the Neurological Diseases and Blindness Council of the National Institute of Health, the U.S. Public Health Service.

Dr. Leslie M. Zoss, mechanical engineering professor and industrial research program director, received a $5,400 grant from the National Science Foundation to develop a control system analog for demonstration and laboratory use as a set-up for a junior and senior college course in automatic control.

Palmer Czmanske, Associate Professor of English, again served on a National Council of Teachers of English committee on the third edition of "Reading Ladders for Human Relations," a monograph for elementary and secondary students.

Dr. Hans W. Wendt, member of the psychology department, gave a scientific paper at the annual American Psychological meeting in New York City, with a report on an experiment in "The Value of Cockpit Motion in Flight Simulation."

An article by Dr. William W. Bloom of the biology department appeared in a recent issue of the American Fern Journal. Dr. Bloom has one of the nation's largest collections of living water ferns from all parts of the world and he is studying their origins and relationships.

A student's scholarship was given by Crabbe-Stebbins through the New Jersey section of the Instrument Society of America and awards were made to Paul H. Sorensen, Meriden,
Conn., and Charles A. Wagner, Amarillo, Texas.

Dr. Kermint H. Carlson, head of the mathematics department, is currently writing a textbook for undergraduate college instruction in the mathematics of computation . . .

Dr. L. O. Smith, chemistry department chairman, has announced a publishing contract for an organic chemistry textbook of which he is co-author . . .

A VU alumnus has returned to join the university admissions staff this fall. William W. Andersen, Jr., formerly of St. Paul, Minn., has taken the position of admissions counselor . . .

Fred Morgner, VU alumnus of Newark, N.J., was accepted for participation in the Chilean Peace Corps project . . .

Formation of the VU Crusaderettes, a woman’s precision marching drill team, was made this fall. The 27 member unit works with the Marching Crusaders band . . .

Mrs. Betty Gehring, of the music faculty presented a violin recital in Gloria Christi chapel, accompanied by her husband, Prof. Philip Gehring, whose organ recital was given in University Memorial chapel the week previously . . .

Andre Marchal one of the outstanding musicians of the century, gave an organ recital in VU Memorial chapel on Sunday, Oct. 22. The noted French organist has made numerous American tours in addition to playing throughout Europe and Australia . . .

The Valparaiso University Theatre has scheduled three more major productions for the year plus a series of several one-act plays. On December 7-10 King Lear is to be featured, followed by T. S. Elliot’s Murder in the Cathedral on February 22-25. Peter Shaffer’s Five Finger Exercise is listed for April 5-8 and the climax of the season will come during the university’s annual Spring Festival weekend with presentation of Rodgers and Hammerstein’s South Pacific . . .

A small liturgical choir of 20 voices singing at daily matins and Sunday services in University Memorial Chapel was formed this fall under the direction of Prof. William Eifrig . . .

Prof. McCall was presented in recital at University Memorial Chapel with a two-part program, accompanied by organist William Eifrig in the first section and pianist William Kroeger in the second . . .

Four Valparaiso University student publication officials participated in the annual Associated Collegiate Press conference at Hotel Fontainebleau, Miami, Florida; William Sefeldt (Princeton, Minn.), editor of the Beacon, VU yearbook; James D. Meyer (Paola, Kan.), co-editor of the Lighter, campus humor magazine; Michael Quam (Madison, Minn.), editor of the Torch, student newspaper; and Donald Schlegel (Eau Claire, Mich.), Student Senate publications business manager . . .

Valpo Guild Rally Held at Buffalo, N.Y.

A 30th Anniversary Rally sponsored by the Buffalo chapter was held at St. Luke’s Lutheran Church, Cheektowaga, on Saturday, April 15, 1961. Registration desk was operated by Mrs. Herbert Reitz and Mrs. Fred Kelker, and at 12:15 a delicious luncheon was served by the ladies of the congregation. Mrs. Frank Schwarz conducted the opening devotions, basing her exhortation on Romans 12:1 . . . “present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service,” and Luke 2:49, “Wist ye not that I must be about my Father’s business?” She placed a white rose in a vase as a symbol of the support pledged by founders of the Lutheran University and the Guild, a yellow rose representing our treasures and our talents, and a deep red rose emphasized the faith which we have in God and His eternal love.

Mrs. Leon Barley, chapter president, welcomed the guests and asked Mrs. Herman Schlicker to speak concerning the forthcoming recital sponsored by the Buffalo chapter, featuring Prof. Philip Gehring and his wife Betty. Mrs. E. W. Schroeter served as “M.C.” of the day. She gave the background of the formation of the Rally and urged the women to consider another similar event the following year. This was later adopted and the Rally will be sponsored by the Colden-Springville chapter.

Mrs. William A. Drews, historian for the national Guild told about the Guild’s record of yesteryear, after which chapter roll call revealed eight chapters were represented.

A panel of Valpo graduates — Mrs. Arthur Dallman, Jr., Miss Audrey Golnick, Mrs. Ted Henning, Mrs. Dan Schultz, and Mrs. Donald Stockman, reviewed memories of their college days in a clever skit they had written. Miss Audrey Golnick presented a humorous reading entitled “Alma Martyr,” and the film “The Campus with a Message” was shown to the audience.

Prospective students and their mothers were introduced along with a charming exchange student from Norway, Miss Gard Wahstrom, who expressed her interest in the active part taken by women in church affairs in this country.

The program was concluded by a report from Mrs. Ruprecht.

A beautifully appointed teatable under the chairmanship of Mrs. John Pohlman, offered the opportunity for another brief period of fellowship and relaxation before departing for home. Past presidents Mrs. Alex Stark, Mrs. Ruth Dallman, and Mrs. Lorenzo Bugenhagen poured.
Progress Continues for Graduate School at Valpo

VALPARAISO, Ind. (Special)—Plans for development of a School of Business Administration and continued progress toward inauguration of graduate work at Valparaiso University were among the 10-year development proposals passed by the Board of Directors in their annual November meeting.

The new program is designed to accommodate an enrollment of 4,000 students by 1971; the proposed School of Business Administration would be VU's fourth college.

The University hopes to offer some graduate courses by summer, 1963, and eventual goal is a graduate school offering a master's degree in liberal arts with emphasis on education.

Other proposals in the study inaugurated by Dr. O. P. Kretzmann, VU president, and passed by the board included approval for development of architectural and industrial engineering departments, College of Engineering, during the next decade.

Also, establishment of an Office of University Research to offer VU research services to Calumet-area industries, to coordinate and encourage faculty research, and to conduct and coordinate research for the University.

And, creation of a committee to cooperate with the athletic department on long-range development of Alumni Athletic Park where a football stadium and a fieldhouse will be erected.

Dr. Kretzmann noted that $12 million in additional buildings will be needed at VU to accommodate the expected 4,000 students—1,200 more than are now enrolled.

Scheele Hall, a women's dormitory housing 320, gives the University seven major living units on East Campus. A men's residence hall is currently under construction and financing of still another unit is being considered.

Construction of a $650,000 gymnasium expansion project will begin soon and Law school and Science buildings are planned. Dr. Kretzmann said partial funds are available for the latter projects.

Plans are also being studied for adding dining facilities and meeting rooms to the Union.

Dr. Kretzmann explained that a school of 4,000 students will call for an annual budget of $7 million, compared to the current $4.5 million, and that the present faculty of 190 will have to be increased to 325 full and part-time teachers.

The Board of Directors endorsed plans to improve faculty competence and offered more extensive support for faculty members engaging in graduate work.

Plans were also made to increase funds available for scholarships and student aid should a tuition increase occur.

And, academic action called for strengthening of pre-professional church service—deaconess, youth leadership, and ministerial training—programs.

INDIANA STATE UNIT CONVENTION

The Indiana State Unit met in Indianapolis at the Atherton Center on the campus of Butler University, April 29, 1961, for the 15th Annual meeting. This was its first experiment with holding a Unit convention in the Spring—permission was granted by the National Advisory Board.

Mrs. E. J. Koch, Convention chairman, welcomed the members and Mrs. W. R. Siefker extended greetings from the local chapter. In the absence of Mrs. M. E. Reinke, Mrs. Melenthin read the opening devotions prepared by Mrs. Reinke.

Mrs. Frank, State Unit president, announced that a workshop would be held as one of the feature's of the day's program. She introduced Mrs. Ruprecht who reported on Guild activities and University progress and reports.

Mrs. Jacobs, retiring Field secretary, gave her final report and read a letter from Mrs. Heine, present Field secretary.

Following the luncheon Mrs. Frank introduced Mrs. Byron Ferguson as toastmistress, who then presented Professor John Strietelmeier, University editor, who gave an inspiring portrayal of the problems, accomplishments and hopes of the University, using the topic "Valparaiso Today and Tomorrow."

After reports from each Chapter president on their chapter activities, the assembly dispersed into four workshops. These were divided into the following discussion groups: Membership — Mrs. E. D. Frank; Program — Mrs. Carl Heldt; Projects — Mrs. Louis Jacobs, and Student Recruitment — Miss Louise Nicolay.

A lively interest was displayed in each category and the members then returned to share their ideas with the entire convention.

Officers were installed by Mrs. Louise Jacobs. Mrs. Emil Frank, president; Mrs. Byron Ferguson, vice-president; Mrs. Ray Thieman, secretary, and Mrs. Carl Heldt, treasurer.

Why not keep your By-laws up-to-date by clipping Article 12, the revised by-law, from the minutes of the convention which you will find printed in this issue of the Bulletin?
Question:
Business was transacted as usual at a regular meeting, although no quorum was present. No one questioned the absence of a quorum. Was the action taken legal?

Answer:
Any business transacted by an assembly where less than a quorum is present is illegal.

Question:
Is it in order to transact regular business when no quorum is present in the hope that it will be ratified at the next meeting?

Answer:
Yes, if it seems expedient that certain business be transacted. At the next meeting the members may confirm or make the action valid by a majority vote. If the members are not willing to ratify what was done, the minutes should be amended by striking out all the proceedings when there was no quorum. The only business that can be transacted in the absence of a quorum is to take measures to obtain a quorum, to fix the time to which to adjourn, and to adjourn, or to take a recess.

Question:
a) Is it logical and in order to vote by mail as in the case where board members are from widely scattered areas? b) How is such action recorded.

Answer:
a) Yes, it is often advisable when the matter is urgent because it hastens a decision. However, board or committee members do not possess the right to vote by mail when it is practicable for them to meet, unless every member is consulted and no one objects, or unless the organization has authorized the board or committee to vote by mail. When it is desired to authorize voting by mail it should be included in the bylaws. b) At the next meeting of the board, the result of the vote by mail should be reported and ratified, thus the record is in the minutes.

Question:
May the chairman state a question and put it to vote without waiting for a motion and a second from the floor?

Answer:
Yes, in certain instances. For example, after the annual report of the treasurer has been submitted and the auditor's report read, the chair may assume the motion. He need not wait for a routine motion to adopt the auditor's report but immediately may say: "the question is on the adoption of the auditor's report." A majority vote on its adoption also certifies that the treasurer's report is correct. Another example is when a letter of resignation is before the assembly. Here, too, the chair may assume the motion to accept the resignation. However, should a motion with a second be offered in such instances it would be honored in the usual manner.
Japanese girls serving at Friday night social hour.

Students and mothers attending the Sunday morning breakfast.

Three former Milwaukee Chapter presidents chatting at tea time: Mrs. E. W. Schultz, Mrs. Lester Wegner, Mrs. E. H. Schultz.

Pam Boyer and Jerry Lecy in banquet skit - Seaside Gems.

Dr. A. G. Huegli, addressing convention sessions on topic "Quest for Quality."

(L. to r.): Mary Louise Heitmuller, Ethel Heldt, Irma Schmaiz, Ann Horn, banquet speaker, Virginia Young, toastmistress, Flora Kretzmann.