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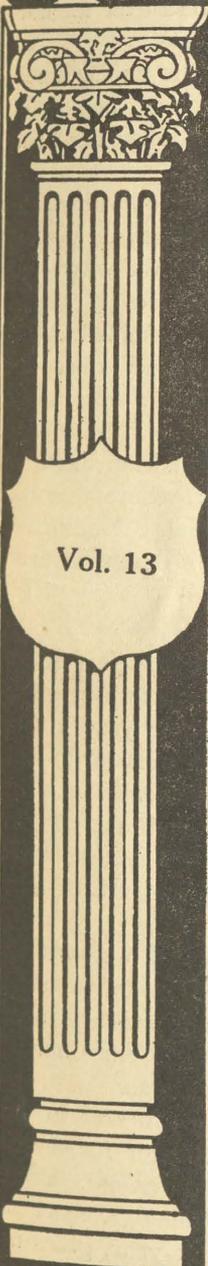
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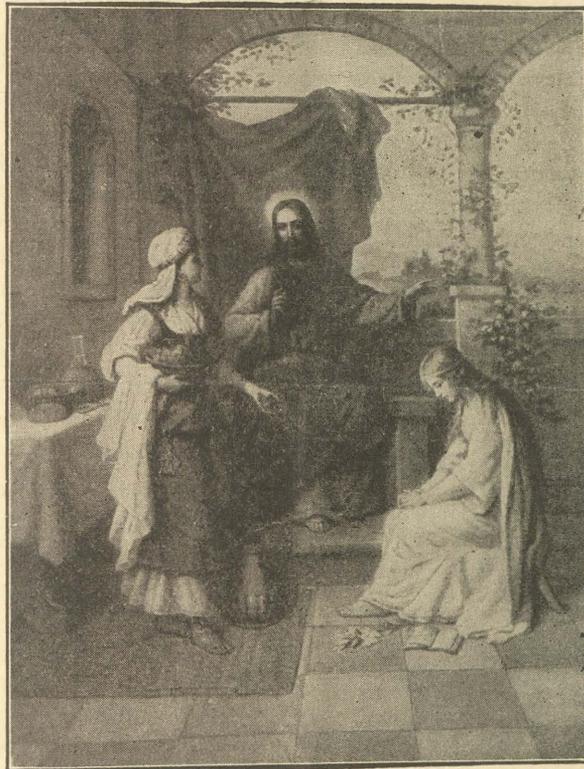
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"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." MATTHEW 25:40.

ECHOES FROM THE ANNUAL MEETING

The meeting was held at the parish hall of Zion Lutheran church on October 27.

The superintendent's annual report is published in this issue.

The report of the treasurer, Mr. E. F. Niemeyer, showed that we could close the year with a balance of a few hundred dollars and that also the Deaconess Permanent Maintenance Fund had been increased somewhat during the year.

The Rev. F. Heidbrink, pastor of Emanuel congregation, Ft. Wayne, was elected a member of the Board of Directors in the place of the Rev. Arno Scholz. We wish to thank the Rev. Scholz for his valuable service rendered during the years he was on the Board and we regret that his many duties as pastor of a growing congregation moved him to express the wish to be relieved of this office. Mr. August C. Becker and Mr. E. O. Kucher were re-elected. In a subsequent meeting of the Board the Rev. Heidbrink was chosen as secretary. All other officers of the Board were reelected.

It was decided that the Deaconess Training School be located permanently at Fort Wayne.

It was reported that the resolution concerning the hospital property at Beaver Dam, as passed in the annual meeting of 1934 had been carried out and that the property had been transferred to the Lutheran Deaconess Hospital Association of Beaver Dam.

Minor necessary changes in the Constitution are to be made by a committee appointed for that purpose. The committee is to report to the Board and the Board is authorized to make the changes in question.

The Ladies' Auxiliary again furnished a lunch for all present, as in former years. The deaconesses present and the deaconess students sang an anthem and the Kohlmeier Girls' Trio entertained with instrumental music while lunch was being served.

NEWS ITEMS

The following deaconesses have been placed in the respective positions in the last months:

Mathilda Pfund has taken a position in the home of Dr. George Hoyer, Beaver Dam, Wisconsin.

Helen Kluck, R. N., has been transferred from the Lutheran hospital in Alamosa, Colorado, to the Lutheran Deaconess Hospital, Beaver Dam, Wis.

Margaret Spencer, R. N., who for a number of years served as supervisor in the surgical department of the Beaver Dam hospital has been placed in the Lutheran Orphanage, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Clara Schaller, R. N., has been placed in the hos-

pital at Alamosa, and Esther Fuchs, R. N., is at the time of this writing preparing to also leave for Alamosa in a few days. The latter had been employed temporarily in the Lutheran hospital in Ft. Wayne.

Katherine Laesch has followed a call to the Old Folks Home at Omaha, Nebraska.

Esther Haeger, who has been assisting in the Home, motored to Sumner, Iowa, with friends from Ft. Wayne to visit with the home-folks over the holidays.

Gladys Connolly came to the Home on December 30, after finishing her nurse's training at the hospital in Beaver Dam and spending a vacation at her home in Detroit.

Miss Henrietta Thorsness, one of our deaconess students, was quite ill during the holidays. We are thankful to report that she is well on the way to recovery and is able to again attend classes.

A new heating system has been installed in the Home. For years we have been unable to heat the Home properly. Connection has now been made with the steam heating plant of the hospital and judging by the experience since the steam has been turned on we have good cause to believe that our troubles as to heating are at an end. Deaconesses and students are very happy at this improvement.

NEW YEAR'S REVERIE

By God's grace we have entered a new year of our life, we have passed another milestone on our earthly pilgrimage, we have begun a new year in our work and service. We pause for a moment to look back upon the year that has come to an end. We ask ourselves: "What has the past year meant for our Lutheran Deaconess Association? Have we made progress, have we remained at a standstill, or have we lost ground?"

It is somewhat difficult to answer the question. The answer depends upon what we would consider progress. To me the question would mean: Are we nearer to our goal of being a help to our Church? And that again implies several questions.

The question may mean: Are we nearer to our goal of preparing our deaconesses better for church work? To this I would answer: Yes, we are. There is no doubt that the Deaconess Training School, as we have established it in the past year, gives us a better opportunity for training deaconesses than we ever could hope for under the old system of giving the deaconess course concurrently with the course in nursing. In that respect we have made progress.

Or the question may mean: Has our Deaconess Association grown numerically? To this we must

answer in the negative. We have gained some new members, but some of those who have formerly supported us have not sent in their dues during the last year, and so we cannot report a growth in membership. If you have failed to remit your dues last year, we would kindly ask you to send us your contribution in the near future. Our expenses have been unusually heavy lately and we shall be very thankful for your help.

Has the interest of our people in our deaconess work increased? We cannot very well determine that. We are inclined to believe that more people have learned to know of our work and that it has gained more friends. Yet we realize that the great majority of our people know little or nothing of our work and purpose. Will you not help us to make the deaconess cause known? The superintendent will gladly give an address before your congregation or before an organization in your congregation. Our slide lecture will prove interesting and instructive. All we ask is a free-will offering and the opportunity to solicit memberships.

Have we made progress in widening our field of service, in occupying more positions? Is there more interest in desiring the services of deaconesses? I am inclined to believe that there is more prospect of open doors for our deaconesses in parishes, mission-fields, and charitable institutions. I believe that the value of trained deaconesses is gradually being recognized more and more. But progress is very slow and active support in giving our deaconesses the opportunity to serve is still far from what we wish and what we need for a vigorous growth. If you know of a vacancy in a charitable institution that could be filled by a trained deaconess, will you not get in touch with the superintendent and inquire whether a suitable deaconess is available? Or if you realize of what great help a deaconess could be to the city missionary, will you not give it a thought whether a deaconess could not be engaged? It is so evident that a deaconess would be of great help in any mission field, especially in city and institutional missions, yet none of our deaconesses is at present employed in that field. The missionaries in the foreign mission fields prize the assistance of our deaconesses highly; undoubtedly, our missionaries in our large cities would also, if they could have a full-time, trained, consecrated assistant. If you have an opportunity to speak a word for us and to help us get into this field, will you please do so?

After reading the article in this issue on the qualifications for a parish deaconess, do you not think that many a congregation would benefit greatly, that many more could be reached, and much necessary

work could be done better, if the pastor had a deaconess to assist him? Will you not keep this in mind and help us to open up this vast field for trained women assistants in our congregations?

What will the new year bring to us? It will bring problems, happy as well as sad experiences, some success and progress, some disappointments, no doubt, but whatever it may bring, we know, will come by God's direction or permission. So we will confidently continue in our work, looking daily to God for guidance, wisdom, and strength, and for His continued blessing.

ADVANCE NOTICE OF DEACONESS CONFERENCE

God willing, our Deaconess Conference will be held this year on July 21 to 23 at Concordia Teachers' College, River Forest, Ill. We publish this notice at this time so as to give our deaconesses ample time to arrange for attendance.

A FEW EXCERPTS FROM "THE MISSIONARY" BY REV. H. SCHEPERLE, INSTITUTIONAL MISSIONARY OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

Carry the Message and Loiter Not!

"And he said unto them, Let us go into the next town that I may preach there also, for therefore came I forth." Jesus did not wait for people to come to Him, but carried the news to their doors.

There is something intensely inspiring in the picture which this verse gives us. He seems in eager haste. He has the look and the movement of a man who knows He has not long to stay, that He has a great deal to do before He goes away. In His mission He wants to leave no man unvisited. There, surely, is much in this stirring picture which we ought to imitate. We are on an errand of blessing to unfortunate men and women. We have something to give them, a message from the Father to deliver, benedictions to scatter upon needy lives. We must daily move on from one to another with the gifts of grace and mercy which the Master has given us to give to others.

We carry good news to perishing souls and it is the very essence of good tidings that they be proclaimed. The first impulse in a healthy mind on having a good thing is to pass it on. The messenger who loitered with the king's pardon till the prisoner was executed did not bring good tidings. The pardon was not worth the parchment upon which it was written. Tersely stated, Carry the message and loiter not!

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DEACONESS MOTTO

What is my wish? I wish to serve.
Whom do I wish to serve? The Lord in His wretched ones, and in His poor.
And what is my reward? That I may serve.
And if I perish in this service? He will not let me perish.
And if I grow old in this service? So shall my heart be renewed.
I go my way in peace, casting all my care upon Him.

"Many despair of the human race, because they know nothing of it save what they see in the mirror."

Stooping to Lowly Service

"He took a towel, and girded himself. Then he poured water into the basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel." John 13:4, 5. There are many pictures of Jesus—the Holy Child in the Manger, the Redeemer on the Cross, the Victorious Lord Ascending on High, but none surpasses that of Jesus as the servant with the towel and basin. Here is where we get a real lesson of service. Jesus did not think His holy hands too fine for the washing of the feet of the twelve.

Our work in winning others for Christ is in a special sense one of service. Do we never think ourselves too fine in the texture of our being or too high in our rank among men, to stoop to a lowly service unto Jesus and others?

A Matter of Duty

"I am debtor to the Greeks and to the Barbarians, both to the wise and to the unwise." Rom. 1:14. St. Paul recognized the fact that the Gospel had been given him in trust for the unsaved. He urged, as we well know, the believers not to defraud, not to purloin, but to show all fidelity; to provide things honest in the sight of men, to owe no man anything. This honesty which he inculcated, he exemplified in his own life. He was in debt to the Greeks and to the Barbarians, to the wise and to the foolish. As an honest man he sought to pay that debt. It was not a matter of sentiment or of sympathy, but a *matter of duty*. It was a just claim, and as an honest man there was just one course for him to pursue. He traveled far and wide and preached the Gospel in the principal cities of the Empire. If the churches contributed to defray his expenses, he was thankful. If they did not, he worked with his own hands and supplied his own needs. His duty was to help Christ win sinners and he did that in season and out of season till he sealed his testimony with his blood, and in gratitude he put forth his best effort, paid a debt, whether he dealt with the vile or the righteous.

If we have this spirit of Paul we are glad for the opportunities offered us to bring the saving Gospel to souls stained by sin, suffering, and dying.

"I speak not by commandment, but by occasion of the forwardness of others, and to prove the sincerity of your love. For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might be rich." II Cor. 8:8, 9.

THE SUPERINTENDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT — GIVEN AT THE ANNUAL MEETING, OCTOBER 27, 1935.

Looking back upon the year that has passed, we find much cause for thankful praise to God. God has permitted us to serve another year in the work into which He has called us, and He has blessed our efforts. We have had our difficulties, but we have always experienced the helping hand of God.

Great changes have been made in our work. The hospital at Beaver Dam has been given to a Lutheran Deaconess Hospital Association of Beaver Dam and vicinity. The agreement is, that the hospital Board will also in the future engage our deaconess nurses whenever they need such and suitable deaconess nurses are available. Our former three schools have been discontinued and in place of them we now have our Training School, at present located in the Deaconess Home here in Fort Wayne. After this all our deaconess students must take their deaconess training here after completing their preparatory work. This school was opened October 1. Particulars concerning the course, entrance requirements, etc. have been published in the last issue of our "Lutheran Deaconess," and I need not therefore state them here. The opening of the School made it necessary that the superintendent take up his residence in Ft. Wayne. We have admitted three students into our first class. They are here with us today. Next year our class will be larger, very likely.

Since the last annual meeting four deaconesses have left our organization by resignation. One of these was married to a missionary in South America, another one is engaged to be married to a Lutheran teacher, and two have resigned for other reasons. A class of five deaconesses was consecrated in Fort Wayne on June 30, and a class of the same number at Beaver Dam on August 25. At present we have 50 deaconesses in active service, 4 finishing nurses' training, 5 waiting for a call, and 4 on leave of absence. According to fields of labor where they serve, they divide into the following groups:

In Hospitals	14
In Children's Homes	17
In the School for Deaf-Mutes	2
In the Bethesda Home for Feeble-Minded	8
In an Old Folks' Home	1
In the Foreign Mission in India	3
In the Apache Indian Mission, Arizona	1
In Parishes	2
In Office and Home	2
Waiting for a Call	5
Finishing Nurses' Training	4
On Leave of Absence	5
Total	63

Our deaconesses at the Home and our students form a happy family, living together in true Christian sisterly love. They are proving their faith also by their active service in works of love and charity and in assisting in parish and mission work, wherever the opportunity is given them. Classes in Bible History and Catechism are regularly conducted by them at the Irene Byron Sanitarium, Sunday School classes are taught in the churches, physically handicapped children are taught in homes, and shut-ins are visited—of course, always with the consent or at the request of the respective pastor. Neither do they ever refuse to follow the example of the Good Samaritan when their assistance is needed in case of poverty or illness. We are thankful, if the pastors of the city will avail themselves of the services of our deaconesses and students, especially in the case of instructing crippled children and visiting the aged and infirm.

The Deaconess Conference convened at Ft. Wayne July 1 to 3. Although the attendance was not as large as we had hoped it to be, it was enjoyed by those present and declared a success in every respect.

The Board of Directors has conscientiously and faithfully performed its duty also in the past year, and the Association has reason to be thankful to these men for the sacrifice of time made and the service rendered to our cause.

The Ladies' Auxiliary is continuing to serve us joyfully and with a sincere interest in our needs, especially the needs of our Home. We have reason to appreciate this highly and to be truly grateful. The superintendent looks forward with pleasure to the meetings of the Auxiliary, which he hopes to attend regularly after this.

Our most difficult task is still finding positions for our graduates. But the prospects for the future are by no means discouraging. Our cause is becoming more known and is finding more favor in our Church from year to year.

The fear that the change in our School system might have the result that we would find it difficult to get deaconess students, is, I believe, unfounded. Inquiries from interested girls, graduate nurses, and former teachers are coming in from all parts of the country, and lately one came from far-off Australia. The prospects are that we shall have more applicants to enter our School than we can consider for lack of room and for other reasons.

The treasurer has submitted his report, so I need not dwell at length upon the financial condition of the Association. Suffice it to say, that we need the financial support of our friends probably more at this time than ever before. The

earnings of our deaconesses have decreased. It is true, we are not in this work for the sake of making money, but we must be able to carry on financially and be in condition to fulfill at all times our promises made to our deaconesses. We ask all our friends to continue to support us and to help us increase our membership. In this connection permit me to express our sincere thanks to our representatives and solicitors in the congregations, who have also in these difficult times worked so faithfully to collect our membership dues.

And, last but not least, we ask all our friends to remember us and our work in their prayers, for we realize, how much we need God's guidance and help in our work, and know, that except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it. Therefore, beloved brethren, pray for us!

REQUIREMENTS FOR A PARISH DEACONESS

A Brief Essay Delivered before the Deaconess Group at the Convention of the Associated Lutheran Charities

A parish deaconess is the assistant to the pastor. That states briefly the character and field of her work. That determines also the requirements for a parish deaconess.

One difficulty that presents itself to me, however, is this, that I find a difference of opinion among pastors as to the work they would wish a deaconess to do. It is something so new to most of our pastors, that it is natural, that this difference of opinion should exist. We shall get a more uniform answer to the question as to what our pastors would deem necessary qualifications, after our pastors have had experience with a parish deaconess. Some seem to have in mind especially an office secretary, others think of other tasks in which a deaconess could give best assistance. Personally I think the greatest service a parish deaconess could render would be in relieving the pastor of much work in looking after the needy, the aged, the shut-ins, etc., in the congregation, in follow-up work in the case of mission-prospects, in private instruction in homes in the case of those who cannot be gathered into classes, in making mission contacts, preparing prospects for adult classes, in Sunday School work, Young People's Societies, and the like. If the pastor would also use the deaconess as his office secretary, she must, of course, be able to take dictation, to type, to keep records, and to do similar office work.

In any case, no matter which work would be

assigned to her, she must be a consecrated Christian, be well grounded in Christian doctrine, and be discreet and tactful. To be of real assistance to the pastor, it is absolutely necessary that she be well informed in matters of Christian doctrine and Christian ethics. Her work will bring her into contact just with such people who need to be guided and advised in spiritual matters. That requires a thorough knowledge of Christian doctrine. And her work is of the nature of pastoral work. That demands that she be discreet and tactful. She must be able to gain and to hold the confidence of people with whom she deals. In addition to this, she should be of a pleasing personality, have refined manners, and know how to approach people. And, of course, she must have the disposition and ability to co-operate fully with the pastor and to work under his direction.

She is not primarily a social worker, but a church-worker. Yet she should have some knowledge of sociology, so as to understand the social angle involved in the problems with which she meets in her work, and to be able to co-operate intelligently with social workers who may be dealing with the same people that are in her charge as parish deaconess.

These, I think, are the main requirements for a parish deaconess.

EXPRESSION OF THANKS

The members of our Deaconess Home family in Fort Wayne wish to express their hearty thanks to the many friends who so kindly remembered them with cheery Christmas greetings and good wishes and even with gifts. How thankfully were especially the three pretty woolen blankets from the good ladies of our Ft. Wayne Deaconess Auxiliary received, and the fine quilt from the busy hands of the ladies in Pastor Zagel's congregation in Ft. Dodge, Iowa, for our Deaconess Home family has increased considerably of late, and cold were some of the nights over Christmas!

And thank you, dear mothers and sisters and all you dear home folks in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois, Missouri, Indiana and Ohio for all the goodies—the Stollen, the cookies, the candies. We tasted them all, for in each State they make them a bit different, you know! And oh, did we have a "Schmaus" when sister Margaret shared with us the "real" home-made Mettwurst and Entenbrust from her Mama and pastor Papa in Iowa. But even from the far West there came loving and tasteful greetings: The "Roman Beauties," bedded artistically in cotton and Christmas paper, from Colorado, and even a stately Christmas tree, holly, cedar, and other cheery

greens with bright red berries from states of the Pacific Coast. We could not begin to mention all the good things and the kind folks who have thus made us so happy. To you all we again bid you a hearty thank you; and may rich blessings be showered upon you in the New Year!

We were happy to welcome the following friends and sister deaconesses from out of town to the Home in the past three months: The Rev. E. C. Zimmerman, missionary to China, who inspired us to greater love toward our sisters and brothers in the Orient. Miss Alma Bondurant from Columbia City, Indiana. Deaconesses Henrietta Nanke, Clara Strehlow, and Lydia Lutz who had come to attend with us the annual meeting of our Association. Deaconess Margaret Spencer, formerly surgical supervisor at our Deaconess Hospital in Beaver Dam, Wisconsin. Deaconess Alice Dey from the Orphans' Home in Indianapolis, Indiana. Mr. Louis Fuchs, candidate for the ministry, and Miss Eleanore Mosel from Nebraska who visited with the sisters Esther and Alverna Fuchs. And Mr. August Scheer from Detroit who had so kindly conveyed Deaconess Gladys Connolly in his car to the Deaconess Home.

Your visits, dear friends, are always much enjoyed and appreciated, so do come again, won't you?

Deaconess Martha Schmidt

MEMORIAL WREATHS

We gratefully acknowledge the following Memorial Wreath contributions:

In memory of Mrs. August Noess, from Deaconess Clara M. Dienst, Norfolk, Neb. \$1.00.

In memory of Mr. L. Marx, from Mrs. Leonard Marx, Albany, N. Y. \$1.00.

In memory of Mrs. August Noess, from Doctors and Nurses, Lutheran Hospital, Alamosa, Colo. \$11.50.

In memory of Rev. Philip Wambsgans, from Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Rosentrader, Logansport, Ind. \$2.00.

In memory of Miss Erma Lenz, from Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Homeyer, Ft. Wayne, Ind. \$1.50.

When our earthly day is closing
And the night grows still and deep,
Let us, in Thine arms reposing,
Feel Thy power to save and keep.

Blessed Jesus,
Give Thine own beloved sleep.

"To disregard and disobey most books may not be serious; but to treat the Bible in this way is disastrous."

Where Jesus is the center of man's hopes and dreams, we may be assured that there we will find happiness and peace of heart.

What Christ should be to the Christian, whatever his calling in life may be, has been described in the following:

To the artist, He is the One Altogether Lovely.
To the architect, He is the Chief Corner-stone.
To the astronomer, He is the Sun of Righteousness.

To the baker, He is the Living Bread.
To the banker, He is the Hidden Treasure.
To the builder, He is the Sure Foundation.
To the carpenter, He is the Door.
To the doctor, He is the Great Physician.
To the educator, He is the Great Teacher.
To the engineer, He is the New and Living Way.
To the farmer, He is the Sower and the Lord of the Harvest.

To the florist, He is the Rose of Sharon, and the Lily of the Valley.

To the geologist, He is the Rock of Ages
(and it is more important to know the Rock of Ages than the age of rocks).

To the horticulturist, He is the True Vine.
To the judge, He is the Righteous Judge, the Judge of all men.

To the juror, He is the Faithful and True Witness.

To the jeweler, He is the Pearl of Great Price.
From "Famous Hymns and Their Story,"
by Prof. W. G. Polack.

"I may be illiterate and men respect me. I may fly into a blast of rage and men forgive me. But if I am double-faced they will despise me."

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"Thanks to our faith in God, we know what we are, where we came from, where we are going and what our life is for. This knowledge is religious peace."

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"Christianity is the first thing and the last thing. Until a man has found God and been found by God (all by the grace of God), he begins at no beginning and he works at no end."

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Yes, 'tis true!—"If we give our religion and church 'the leavings' of our time and strength, then they will indeed become things 'left.' If we give our religion our best, it will be the most exalted and blessed presence in our life."

DEACONESSES ACCORDING TO THEIR STATIONS

Lutheran General Hospital, Alamosa, Colorado:

Noess, Lulu M., R. N., Supt.
Fuchs, Esther, R. N.
Schaller, Clara, R. N.
Schillinger, Ida, R. N.
Schillinger, Margaret, R. N.

Lutheran Deaconess Hospital, Beaver Dam, Wis.:

Hecht, Minnie
Kluck, Helen, R. N.
Neuendorf, Irene
Poetter, Frieda
Pohlmann, Bertha
Redmer, Dorthea
Schumann, Alma
Wolsky, Emma

Lutheran Orphans' Home, $\frac{1}{2}$ German Protestant Home, 8240 St. Charles Rock Road, St. Louis, Mo.:

Bahr, Johann
Gieschen, Margaret
Haag, Viola
Rixe, Leone
Vierck, Frieda A.

Bethesda Lutheran Home, Watertown, Wisconsin:

Heck, Erna, Matron
Bliefnick, Marie
Harms, Adeline
Moehlenbrock, Louise
Nichols, Ruth
Seckel, Christine
Stolte, Ida

Lutheran Industrial School, Addison, Illinois:

Nanke, Henrietta
Strehlow, Clara

Lutheran Orphans' Home, Addison, Ill.:

Klitzing, Alice, R. N.
Bliefnick, Margaret
Renken, Talke

Lutheran Children's Friend Society, 302 Tuscola Road, Bay City, Mich.:

Schmidt, Johanna

Lutheran Orphans' Home, 3310 E. Washington St., Indianapolis, Ind.:

Dey, Aliee
Leader, Cora
Spencer, Margaret, R. N.

Ev. Lutheran Institute for the Deaf, 6861 Nevada Ave. E., Detroit, Mich.:

Theilmann, Martha, Matron
Bekemeier, Clara

Lutheran Old Folks' Home, Belle Plaine, Minnesota:
Herzberg, Martha, Matron.

Lutheran Old People's Home, 1240 So. 10th St. Omaha, Neb.:

Laesch, Katherine

Lutheran Apache Indian Mission, East Fork, White river, Ariz.:

Gallmeyer, Irma
Stuebs, Edna

St. Matthew's Parish, 421 W. 145 St., New York New York:

Buegel, Hulda, R. N.

Immanuel Parish, 122 E. 88th St., New York, N. Y.
Eber, Martha, R. N.

Lutheran Deaconess Hospital, Yuma, Colo.:

Hogan, Gertrude, R. N.

Lutheran Hospital, Norfolk, Neb.:

Dienst, Clara M., R. N., Supt.

Foreign Mission:

Doctor, Amelia, R. N., M. E. L. I. Mission Ambur, N. Arcot Dist., S. India.

Lutz, Margarete, R. N.

Rathke, Louise, Bethesda Lutheran Hospital Ambur, N. Arcot Dist. South India.

On Leave of Absence:

Bender, Nelle, 410 Railroad St., Dundee, Ill.

Gieschen, Louise, 3120 N. 14th St., Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Johnson, Alverda, 410 Railroad St., Dundee, Ill.

Lutz, Lydia, 517 Belmont St., Chicago, Ill.

Richter, Helen, R. N., 305 E. Jefferson Ave. La Porte, Ind.

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Schrader, Anna

Connolly, Gladys

Hilken, Clara

Martin, Freda

Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my love, my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure-store;
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee.