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**O TIMOTHY!**

St. Paul at the end of his first epistle to Timothy bursts forth in this impetuous appeal, "O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust!" The old apostle "now ready to be offered" looks to the Christian young man, whom he calls "my dearly beloved son," to step into his place and to preserve and spread the pure and glorious gospel of salvation. Similar appeals are coming to our young Lutheran men and women at this time of our Missouri Synod's jubilee.

Timothy was God's trustee of the third generation. "I thank God," says the apostle, "when I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also."

Not one of the readers of FLASHES was among the fathers and founders of our Synod; not many of them are belonging to the second generation; most of them are Missourians of the third generation. Thank God that the same faith which was in Walther and the other faithful charter-members, and that was in their children, is now also found in many of their grandchildren. Had Walther been present at the great Walther League convention at Milwaukee, he would have said, "Thank God, the same faith is found here as it was in the meeting at Chicago in 1847, when the Synod of Missouri was organized."

O young Lutheran Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust!

RICH. KRETZSCHMAR.



### OUR FIRST BIRTHDAY

FLASHES is celebrating its first birthday, for it has now been just a year since our first issue made its bid for your approval.

Its early history reads like a romance.—From a ten-page leaflet it has grown to the magazine you now see. Although FLASHES has already cost us more than one and one-half thousand dollars, we are still sending it to the homes of all our members free of charge. Our advertisements and such donations as are voluntarily presented to us cover our costs; and we are proud to inform our readers at the end of this first year that we have no deficit in our treasury. All the work accomplished for FLASHES by its officers, reporters, and advertisement solicitors is being cheerfully done without remuneration. Some four hundred names have been added to our mailing list since the first issue made its appearance. So every number of FLASHES is being read by more than two thousand people. Besides reaching our own members, it also travels to friends in most every state of the Union; it crosses the Canadian border, and even sails to far-away India. Our ideas are being copied all over the country. Modesty forbids us to publish some of the kind words that have been said about FLASHES. Suffice it to say here that Rev. Walter A. Maier has encouraged us to "keep it up," and we feel assured that we are serving our purpose, the fulfillment of which was prophesied in an editorial published in the initial number, which stated that through FLASHES we would arouse a keener interest in our League, since by being brought into much closer touch with each other, our bond of friendship through FLASHES

would grow stronger, our efforts more united, and we would also grow in numbers.

"What has been the secret of your success?" we hear someone say.

Our formula has been, and we hope always will be, very simple. Primarily we depend on God blessing our efforts in this work. "He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord." Secondly we depend on co-operation among ourselves; and what—

"A charming, appealing, and beautiful thing,  
When men in true fondness united,  
Removed from envy and bickering,  
Their friendship with malice unblighted."

The co-operation, the willingness to help, and the harmony among the officers on our staff, the associate editors, the stenographers, the chairmen who report for their committees, the reporters, and the advertisement solicitors—has on the whole been excellent. With love toward our God and Christian love toward each other to prompt our actions, we have been able to accomplish much. "Souls truly united, firm in His Word, will work with His grace in rich measure."

'Tis true the past year has been a year of toil and effort as well as of fun and satisfaction; but the success we have been able to attain, the good will we have created, the many dear friends we've made, and the hearty enjoyment and gratification that has been ours, the sometimes undeserved kindnesses that have been shown us—all these so far outshine our hardships that "after all is said and done" we feel that our labor has been worth while and that FLASHES has really become "the tie that binds," as was predicted in our first issue.

### OUR JUNIORS

Our junior brothers and sisters are overflowing with life and energy. They are bubbling over with the desire to do something. Somewhere this energy is going to find its outlet. It is the aim of the junior workers to harness this energy for work in the church. Unless our juniors can take some active part in our church activities their interest is inclined to diminish. A good way to insure this interest, however, is through organization which tends to safely tide them over the critical period between the ages of fourteen and seventeen. Fortunately though, experience has shown that it is also just at this period when they are most easily led. Boys and girls can be more easily interested in church work than older people. The field open to them for such work is immense. Moreover, under the proper leadership, the juniors enjoy following an objective in their young lives vastly more than being "left to themselves."

On the whole the senior young people's societies and the pastors of St. Louis have made good use of their opportunities to organize junior societies. They realized that it was a sacred duty to train these young saplings, also after confirmation, the way they should grow; that thus many a precious soul could be kept from going astray; and that in this manner our young people's societies and our church could be assured of an army of interested and active members in the future. Twenty-two junior societies have already been organized among our young Lutherans here in St. Louis. Unfortunately all of these societies are not yet affiliated with the Walther League, but it is the worthy intention of our Junior Committee Chairman, Ernest W. Koenig, to bring them all under the Walther League banner by 1923. You may be assured, dear reader, that anything you do to help give these younger boys and girls the privileges of junior Walther Leaguers will be appreciated beyond measure.

During the early part of April, Miss Hulda A. Eickhoff, Junior Secretary of the International Walther League, awakened a good deal of interest in our juniors through her talks delivered here to our young people. Miss Eickhoff is an energetic young woman, ideally equipped for her responsible

position. At one time she was the highest salaried public school teacher in Indianapolis, and it was only her warm love toward the Savior and His work among the young that induced her to so put her heart and soul into this junior Walther League work. We are grateful for Miss Eickhoff and all who are taking such a sincere interest in this phase of our league. Would that all of us could pay more attention toward helping this great cause. But we can, for although we may not have time to always or even sometimes participate or help in their activities, we can at least perform the most essential step in demonstrating our Christian concern in our younger brothers and sisters, by setting them a good example. The powerful importance of our setting a good example, especially to our younger brothers and sisters, can be seen in the following selected lines:

CARELESS, I climbed that path, and just behind

My weaker brother came with halting tread,  
And yet with confidence that where I led  
He would be safe to follow; but I, blind,  
Leading the blind, strayed from the way and fell,

And bore him with me in my swift descent.

"O Justice! Some times kind, thou knowest well

The fault was mine,—mine be the punishment."

"Nay," spake her awful voice. "Alone, alone,  
Without thine aid, he shall be called to stand  
Before my bar; but thou, who dragged'st  
him down,

Upon thy brow, shalt wear a double brand,  
And thy weak soul, trembling beneath my frown,

Shall answer for his sins, and for thine own!"

### Think-O-Grams

"It is well never to go anywhere or take part in anything where you would not want to meet your God."

"Those who bring sunshine into the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves."

"Wealth may add gorgeousness to the home, but it cannot supply taste, or happiness alone. It is the mind and the heart that make or unmake the home."

W. R.

## Who's Who -- In Our Local League

The month of June brings with it the birthday of our president, Alvin A. Welp. It is therefore especially befitting and appropriate, at this time, for the readers to learn more about their worthy leader. Alvin A. Welp was born on the 22nd day of June, 1900, St. Louis being his birthplace. His early training was received in Bethlehem School, which he entered at the age of six. He was confirmed in 1913. For about a year and a half after his graduation from grammar school he attended the St. Louis Commercial College, where he applied himself industriously to the study of commercial subjects. Having successfully completed the course at this school he was employed as typist and office assistant by the Hilmer Commission Co., where in five years he advanced himself commendably. For some time past he has been employed in the office of Thomas & Proetz Lumber Co., where he holds a responsible position. Being employed in the daytime did not cause Alvin to discontinue his schooling, for he entered the Benton College of Law, attending at night, and is now finishing his third year.

Alvin has always been an ardent and energetic church worker. For quite a number of years he has been teaching in Sunday School, is a voting member of the congregation, an usher, and until lately sang in the choir. Of course, he is also one of the most active and enthusiastic members of the young people's society and has, at various times, been secretary on the executive board and on the entertainment committee. In the society's recent membership drive he was captain of a team which secured thirty-five new members. He always takes an active part in the discussions at the meetings, his convincing arguments and many valuable ideas and suggestions, together with his pleasing personality, having placed him high in the esteem of others.

Activity in church work seems to be a characteristic of Alvin's family. His father is a member of the church council and of the school board; his mother belongs to the ladies' society and to the sewing circle; and his sister, Vera, teaches in Sunday

School, and is also interested in society and Walther League work.

Alvin became interested in the Walther League about four years ago, and became actively engaged in the work when he was elected treasurer of the Missouri District at the 1920 convention. He has served two terms in this office, and during that time has rendered valuable service to the league. His systematic and businesslike methods were especially noticeable. He conducted the "Messenger" drive and the sales of Wheat Ridge Sanitarium Christmas seals, doing creditable work in both. We find him at most conventions, where by his friendly and sociable nature he readily makes many friends.

Possessing a goodly amount of humor, and able to tell a good story, he is usually the chief entertainer at a social gathering, and is probably known by many St. Louis Leaguers as "the little feller, but a big story teller." After-dinner speaking is one of his "dishes" and he never fails to make a hit with his witty remarks.

Baseball is, perhaps, Alvin's favorite sport. He enjoys nothing better than to see a good ball game, and his usual Sunday diversion is "seeing the game" (provided his Walther League work has been disposed of, for he always believes in "business before pleasure"). Canoeing also holds a certain fascination for Alvin perhaps it is the exercise connected with it or, perhaps, the water attracts him?

But these are minor diversions, for Alvin has greater things at heart, and we therefore wish him a recompense equal to his unselfish ideal of service, and success in his aspirations equal to his confidence and determination.



ALVIN J. WELP

*Welp*

## Walther League Activities

### RESOLUTIONS (IN BRIEF) ADOPTED AT CONCORDIA CONVENTION MAY 22, 1922.

#### It Was Resolved:

1. That the Missouri District of the Walther League support one foreign missionary during the coming year and that the money to subsidize said missionary be raised by asking each member of the various societies to contribute five cents (5c) per month.
2. That we, the delegates of the Missouri District of the Walther League, in annual convention assembled, request the National Walther League at its convention in Omaha to seriously consider the appointment of a national hospice secretary, who is to devote his full time to the promotion of hospice work, due to the large proportions this work assumed commensurate with the growth of the League.
3. That we recommend to the national league to adopt the plan of leaving the collection of the national dues in the hands of the district treasurer, upon the suggestion that we find better means of collecting the national dues.
4. That we place the district treasurer under a \$2000.00 bond, due to the large sums of money which must pass through his hands annually.
5. That the collection raised at the convention be distributed as follows: One-half to be given to the building fund of the Wheat Ridge Sanitarium and one-half to the St. Louis Lutheran Hospice Home for girls.
6. That we urge all societies in the district to give their best efforts towards introducing educational work in their societies.
7. That the district have the group picture of the convention put into the "Messenger."
8. That the matter of the 1923 Missouri district convention be left in the hands of the executive board, and that any society desiring to extend an invitation communicate with the board.
9. That we extend to Rev. F. Brust, the Concordia senior and junior societies, the local congregation, the choir, the organist, the mayor, the band, the Rev. Paul Propkopy, to our many friends and hosts, and all who co-operated in making this district convention of the Walther League a most successful one, a rising vote of thanks.
10. That we thank all the officers and committees for their untiring efforts and zeal by a rising vote of thanks.
11. That the minutes of this convention be printed and be sent to each secretary and delegate of all societies of our district.

### NATIONAL CONVENTION ITEMS

Omaha greets you and once more invites you all to be there July 16-20 at the convention. They write in substance: We are fairly spinning in busyness and business to make this a convention of which every Walther leaguer will be proud. The Rome Hotel, which will serve as our headquarters, our homes, the convention hall, which is our city's mammoth auditorium, and the city in general are at your service. Omaha is the place "where the West really begins," and in its broad expanse of prairie we hope this convention will be a firm, healthy root for the growth of our beloved League in the West, and we know you will help us, because we still remember how you boosted for us in Milwaukee and thank you with all our hearts. Come and let us show our appreciation!

### RAILROAD FACTS

A special train on the Wabash R. R. will leave St. Louis on Saturday, July 15, at 8 p. m. and will arrive at Omaha on Sunday at 8:30 a. m. The regular round trip fare will be \$22.65. Berths will be extra. (Lower: \$2.25; upper, \$1.85.) In returning we shall leave Omaha on Thursday, July 20, and arrive at St. Louis July 21.

A special tour is arranged for those who visit the convention and wish to go west. This trip will be to Denver, Ogden, Yellowstone Park, Salt Lake City, the Royal Gorge via the Denver and Rio Grande R. R., Colorado Springs, Pike's Peak, and then back to Omaha. The trip through Yellowstone Park will comprise four and a half days. The entire trip to Denver, Ogden, etc., and finally back to Omaha will take eleven days. Thus we leave Omaha July 20 for Denver and return July 31. Should anyone wish to return sooner, he may do so at any time. The time limit on the tickets is October 31.

The regular round trip fare from St. Louis to Yellowstone Park will amount to \$59.00. Berths will be extra. (Lower: \$20.00; upper: \$17.00. Doubling on a lower will cut it down to \$14.00 each.)

The trip through Yellowstone Park will cost \$45.00. This includes transportation, meals, and lodging.

To estimate roughly the entire expenses for those who intend to make the tour west, we would say that the minimum will be \$160.00.

Do not forget to make your reservations with Mr. Weiermann as soon as possible. Get your berths before all are taken.

ALL ABOARD!

### Walther League Hospice Notes

When these lines are read in FLASHES, the Walther League Home for Girls in St. Louis will have been formally dedicated to the service for which it was intended, and another milestone will have been reached in Walther League efforts here in Missouri. A description of the home is unnecessary since every leaguer will have had an opportunity to see the home before this description reaches him.

One word of advice may be in place, however, now that the home is completely furnished and opened. As the Walther Leaguers of St. Louis will inspect the building, they will find things not exactly to their liking. It cannot be otherwise. Says the Roman, "Tot capites, tot sensus," i. e., "So many heads, so many opinions." If you had been on the committee, you would have selected a different color for this piece.

Another would have displayed more taste in the selection of the rugs; still another would have chosen different draperies, etc. To the one, too much extravagance may have been displayed, while to another some essential things seem to be missing. Be that as it may, let us remember that it entailed an enormous amount of work and study and planning, and going over figures, on the part of the committees before the home was ready for the opening. And these young people on the committees used their best judgment in making their selections and were conscientious in their work. No one can expect more of them. So let us boost the home instead of "knocking" it, and if criticism is to be offered, offer it in a helpful spirit.

Right here a word of appreciation is due the men and women who so faithfully and loyally supported this project from the very beginning and pushed it to a successful completion. This includes all Walther Leaguers who have given a sum towards the purchase and equipment of the home, all the committee members in the societies, and above all the members of the committees that purchased and furnished the hospice. On the first committee the following served: Pastor Louis Buchheimer, Jr., Edwin Erbe,

Edwin Sieving, Theo. Koch, R. T. Gaebler, Miss Magdalene Spilker, the undersigned, and, for a while, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Schieferdecker. This committee succeeded in raising \$6,500, a fine nest-egg which enabled the succeeding committees to purchase a home. The committee to make the purchase was composed of the following: Oliver Selle, R. T. Gaebler, Paul Weeke, Clarence Schuettenberg, Clarence Rubin, O. L. Schneider, W. F. Weihermann, and the undersigned. An advisory committee of business men: Mr. L. H. Waltke, Mr. E. Seuel, Mr. J. H. Hohengarten, and Prof. J. H. C. Fritz, gave the committee valuable counsel. Final action with regard to the equipment of the home was left in the hands of the Finance Executive Committee, of which Ed.

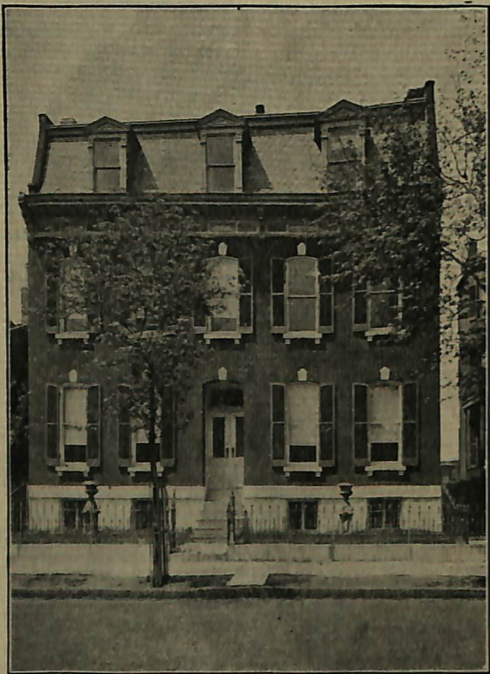
Gornet was chairman and R. T. Gaebler, treasurer, the other members being: Mr. Schubert, Mr. Lottmann and Mr. Selle. These were assisted by a number of committees.

Special thanks are due one man who has been working in the interest of the home from the very beginning, and who has been working harder perhaps than any other man, viz, R. T. Gaebler, our efficient treasurer. Especially in the last months and weeks did he spend very much of his own time and that of his faithful Ford in the interest of the home, and he was never too tired to assume another responsibility. In the transfer of the property, in

the financing of the purchase, and alteration, and equipment, he was ready to give advice unselfishly and to the best interest of the league. There are others that worked hard, notably Mr. Selle, Mr. Gornet, and Clarence Schuettenberg, but it would lead us too far were we to mention them all.

However, let us not forget that we owe our success to the grace of our Lord, from whom all blessings flow, and who also guided us in this work. He caused us to be in such excellent condition financially, He gave us the proper matron in Miss Emma Sallmann, and He must continue with us in this undertaking if it is to be a success. That this may be the case should be the hope and prayer of every Walther Leaguer.

P. K.



### ORCHESTRA NOTES



We still need many more members and the old members are urged to attend rehearsals more regularly. Rehearsals are again being held on Tuesday evenings at Holy Cross Hall.

Elsie Bandelow, Secretary.

Note.—Our orchestra is to be complimented on the splendid work it has been doing of late, and there is no doubt but that every St. Louis Leaguer is beginning to feel very proud of "Our Orchestra."

### BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF THE FIELD

In the first place, FLASHES takes pleasure to announce that our goal was to make St. Louis 100 per cent Walther League. Continual plugging, as best as was possible, resulted in the Y. P. S. of "Old Trinity" making application in the addition of the Ebenezer Y. P. S. two weeks later and, to justify our claim, the Y. P. S. of the Slovak Lutheran Church of our city joined hands with us. To this healthy growth we are happy to accept into our St. Louis Walther League the society from Pine Lawn which has long been a member of the district.

Other societies accepted into our district at the convention are: The Walther League of Perryville, the Y. P. S. of West Ely, of Higginsville, of Springfield, and of Lockwood. At the convention Miss Della Longkop of Boonville—a mission congregation—was welcomed and accepted as an associate member.

All in all, Missouri gained twenty societies during the past Walther League year and now numbers sixty-one—thirty-seven of the St. Louis Walther League and twenty in the greater part of the state, totaling 3350 members.

It gives us pleasure to inform our readers that St. Louis is better represented in the Walther League than any other city in the U. S. A. We now have two societies in Perry County (others will follow); and Kansas City (a place where much hospice work can also be done) is represented and working hard.

That your Field Secretary for the coming year receive as much joy and co-operation as was experienced and shown during the past year is the wish of

Rev. F. Rupprecht, Jr.

### NOTICE

Kindly now address our Circulation Manager, Miss Louise Medler, at her new address, 4370a Papin St., instead of 4394 Gibson Ave.

### BASKET BALL

The fact that the playing season has come to a conclusion does not necessarily mean that the administrative work has been completed. At a meeting of the board of directors at Zion May 16 it was decided to distribute the funds in the treasury of the Walther League Basket Ball Association in the following manner:

\$400.00 to the Walther League Hospice Home.

\$200.00 to Holy Cross Church with which to recondition their hall and to compensate them, in part, for their benevolence in allowing us to use their hall two nights each week during the playing season.

The balance on hand to be held in the treasury to enable us to continue the league next year if possible.

This is a fitting opportunity to extend to Holy Cross congregation the sincere gratitude of the Walther League basket ball organization and the heartfelt thanks of the league as a whole for their great kindness and generosity shown us.

On Tuesday, May 16, Holy Cross young people's societies united their efforts to honor their "championship" team at a banquet tendered them at Cross Hall. Among those present were Mr. Chas. Wolff, "Paddy" Fitzgerald, well-known trainer and sport enthusiast and incidentally coach of the "Sem." baseball and basket ball teams; Mr. Tiernanstein, "champion roofer of the league"; Mr. Paul Roschke (with his unending line of jokes); the "Major," for twenty-five years a member of their men's society and still in his prime, and "Ted" was of course present.

The combined societies of "Cross" also saw fit to honor their team by presenting to them appropriate emblems in the form of miniature basket balls of gold and with the name of the player engraved upon them.

Although it may seem a bit early at this time to speak of basket ball for next year, we would thank the representatives of all societies interested in basket ball to get in touch with the writer as soon as convenient.

C. T. Moehlman.

### EXTRA! EXTRA! EXTRA!

Meet me on the "Steamer St. Paul," Friday evening, July 7, at 8 p. m., "cause we're gona have one grand and glorious time."

It's a Walther League affair. So be sure and don't forget the date.—Get your tickets! Lots of music and fun! Oodles of souvenirs! The Committee.

P. S.—Hope you had a good time at the Moonlight Picnic at Handlan's Park, given in honor of the graduating class of Concordia Seminary. Did you?

### FINAL BOWLING REPORT

The Bowling League of 1921-22 has successfully completed its season. The Holy Cross team carried away the honors of first place by winning the greatest number of games. It also held the highest team average, but since the rules of the league provide that no team is to receive more than one prize, the Emmaus team was awarded second prize for high team average of 462.62 pins.

Miss Minnie Heidelberg of the Holy Cross team was the winner of the high individual average of 121 pins. She also had high individual game of 188 pins. Miss Josephine Heidelberg with the second highest individual game of 154 pins received the high individual prize.

The standing of the various teams at the end of the season is as follows:

	Won	Lost
Holy Cross.....	28	12
St. John's.....	25	15
Emmaus.....	23	17
Miscellaneous.....	6	34

The season was formally closed with a banquet at St. John's Hall, May 27. We wish to state in closing that the pioneer bowling league of 1921-22 is ready to assure both satisfaction and pleasure to all those who are in doubt about joining next season.

Norma Gotsch, Secretary.

### TENNIS

The balmy breezes of spring invariably cause us to think of love, green leaves, babbling brooks and of having our old tennis racquet restrung.

Some few weeks ago the writer called a meeting to again organize a tennis tournament for this season in the Walther League. The chairmanship of the tennis organization was once more tendered, but it was necessary to refuse, because of other activities which will occupy my time during this summer. The organization of tennis for the year will be the limit of my connection with this activity for the ensuing season.

Gus Wangerin, 5063 Spaulding Avenue, chairman, and Miss Esther Lehman, 5035 Terry Avenue, secretary, have been elected to carry on the work of the organization for this year. Individuals or society members of the Walther League desiring to play in the tennis tournaments can secure any information they may need by communicating with either of the two persons mentioned.

We trust the season will be a successful one and that there will be at least 250 contestants.

Ted. M.

### ST. LOUIS WALTHER LEAGUE EMPLOYMENT BUREAU

During the past month the Bureau has placed five young ladies and two young men. No applications are on file at present. All inquiries for positions should be mailed to the undersigned at 5200 Alabama Avenue, or phone Riverside 1823-M.

All those who have secured a position through the league's Employment Bureau will kindly notify the manager so that the records can be kept straight.

It will be considered a favor if anyone hearing of an opening will kindly report the same.

Frank E. Rother, Manager,  
Employment Bureau.

### WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS



Dan Cupid has provided himself with a special book and an extra roguish smile. He expects to be very busy during the next six weeks as the entries for June promise a rushing spring business. He has already captured the hearts of a goodly number of our friends and tells us that we may extend our congratulations and good wishes to the following prospective brides and grooms for June:

Miss Clara Ulrich, member of St. John's, will be married to Christ Buesking, member of Salem, some time in June.

Miss Emma Kleekamp of St. Paul's and Frank Kottemann, also of St. Paul's, will be married June 13.

Miss Josephine Stohlmann and William Voertman of Redeemer are planning a June wedding.

Miss Lillie Laux and Wm. Brinkoetter, both of Emmaus, will be married the afternoon of June 21 at the minister's house.

Miss Olinda Wrausman of Bethany Young Ladies' Society will leave the first part of June for El Paso, Tex., to become the bride of Harry Steinman of Bethany. Mr. Steinman is located in El Paso, and the couple will make their home at that point.

#### Already Married

Miss Emily Herklotz of Bethany Young Ladies' Society and Frank J. Albers were married April 19.



- June 10—(Saturday evening). Emmaus Young Ladies' Society invites you to their Summer Garden, 2323 South Jefferson Ave.
- June 14—Bethany Church Picnic at Linn's Grove, 6100 N. Broadway. (Broadway cars.)
- June 15—Holy Cross School Picnic at Carondelet Park. Everybody welcome.
- June 17—St. Paul's Sunday School Picnic at Linn's Grove, 6100 N. Broadway.
- June 17—Immanuel's Sunday School Picnic at O'Fallon Park.
- June 17—St. Louis Walther League Executive Board meeting at Emmaus Hall.
- June 24—St. Luke's School and Sunday School Picnic at Triangle Park. Broadway cars, south.
- June 27—Walther League Social Meeting at Gethsemane Church. Broadway car to Manion's Park; after crossing bridge, take Grandview "Toonerville Trolley" car to church.
- June 29—Ice Cream Lawn Social at Grace Church, St. Louis and Garrison Aves.
- July 6—Ice Cream Social given by Messiah Young People's Society on church lawn, Grand Ave. and Pestalozzi St.
- July 8—Ice Cream Social given by St. Paul's Young Ladies' Society on church grounds, Prairie and Von Phul Sts.
- July 8—Ice Cream Social at St. Luke's Church, Alaska and Neosho, for the benefit of the Hospice Home. Walther League Band will furnish music. Everybody welcome.
- July 16-20—National Walther League Convention at Omaha, Neb.

### NEWSY BITS

Miss Marguerite Vellner and Louis Fink, both of Redeemer, are home for a summer vacation after another term at Missouri U.

Miss Martha Wilder of Redeemer is spending a few weeks at her home in Cape Girardeau, but we are looking for her to return in June; which reminds us that the class at the "Sem" also graduates in June.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Roever sailed May 24 on the steamer "Leipzig" for a three months' tour of Europe. Mr. and Mrs. Roever are the parents of Miss Etta J. Roever, secretary of the Bethany Y. L. S.

Mrs. Herbert Picklemann, formerly Miss Frieda Lochmueller of Bethany, visited her parents during the month of April. Mrs. Picklemann now resides in Saginaw, Michigan.

Miss Vera Michael of Grace has changed positions. She is now Pastor Peters' secretary.

Miss Marie Lindner of Grace Esmond has returned to work after spending a two weeks' vacation at home.

Pastor Schaefer of St. Paul's has left for a few months' trip to Europe. The congregation wishes him a very enjoyable vacation.

Just a word to Grace of Wellston from St. Matthew's. If the evening jubilee collection was good we beg to inform you St. Matthew's was well represented, and we had free truck service home (thanks to Mr. Young). Rev. Wisler thinks a truck ride after a good cantata is a fine fertilizer for the ambition of a choir, considering our resolutions adopted on the truck. P. S.—If your collection was poor, Grace, just forget about us.

Miss Clara Woestendiek of Emmaus left May 24 on the steamer "Seydlitz" for Europe. She expects to visit her father's relatives and then tour Germany, visiting the larger cities. She will also have an opportunity to see the Passion Play at Oberammergau and will visit Luther's birthplace at Eisenach. Incidentally Switzerland and Holland are included in her most interesting trip. She expects to return to the States the end of August.

FLASHES herewith wishes to express its thanks to Arthur Thiemer of Cross for furnishing the drawing for "Musical Notes," and to Elmer Siekmann of Redeemer for the weddings and engagements column cut.