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THE LUTHERAN REUNION.

Upon the invitation of the Central Luther League of Lancaster County, many Lutherans gathered at Rocky Springs Park on Thursday, July 11, and held a grand reunion.

At 1 o'clock the Children's Hour was conducted by Rev. Dr. Haupt. He addressed the children on the theme of "The Junior Luther," reviewing the childhood and youth of Luther. An interesting part of the programme was the exercise in which the leader formed the Luther Ensign, explaining the parts and giving their significance.

Shortly after 2 o'clock the League meeting began by singing the League hymn, "Oh, Christians Leagued Together."

Those in attendance listened to two strong and inspiring addresses. The first by Rev. T. B. Roth, of Greenville, Pa., upon "Plymouth Rock and Other Rocks," reviewed brief bits of history of the founding of the Lutheran Church in America. The address was well received and awakened an interest in Lutheran history.

Just as forcibly as Dr. Roth pictured the glorious past of our church,

Dr. C. L. Fry, representing the Church Extension Work, pictured the bright future. He explained plans of work and made a stirring appeal for the activity of the church in establishing and assisting missions.

The audience left the meeting inspired with greater love and zeal for their Mother Church.

THE CHURCH PAYMENT.

The penalty of every good thing is the price of it. A substantial church building is no exception. Grace has been able to provide thus far the means required for the renewal of the building until lately, when the Council and Building Committee were obliged to make a loan of \$3,000, and will soon have to increase it to \$5,000 more. Shall we allow them to suffer the embarrassment without coming to their relief?

Surely not! For the benefit and edification of the handsome new building will be for the welfare of us all. The money is already borrowed! Who will help to repay it? No doubt each of us will give something. Please bring what you can to the pastor at the end of each month. Save all you can for this purpose, (and I will receipt to you for it) on the last Sunday of each month.

Sincerely and affectionately,

Your Pastor, C. ELVIN HAUPT.

PARSONAGE.

The parsonage is being improved by the addition of a handsome double porch. It is being erected through the liberality of Mr. Walter R. Smith, of Philadelphia, a friend of the pastor's. The work is being done by Contractor John W. Reith.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES.

The new chairs for the Sunday School, the teachers' chairs and the lincleum for the floor are all here ready to be put in place as soon as the building is ready to receive them.

All the new books for the Library have been labeled and are ready to be placed on the book shelves.

Amount raised toward our

\$5,000 fund\$2,621.97 Amount paid out thus far....\$1,002.80

Balance on hand\$1,619.17

Treasurer's Report.

Collections, April to July\$50.47
Bills paid 43.69
Balance on hand 57.78
Raised by the class banks 93.59
Average attendance 323
Largest attendance374, Apr. 14
Smallest attendance263, May 26
Average class collection\$2.46
Largest class collection 6.37
Smallest class collection77

The strawberry festival given June 27, by the combined Luther League and Bible Class, raised about \$30.

SOCIALISM.

We hear much in these days of "Socialism." It is the effort of men to do what Jesus would have us do, in obeying the "Golden Rule." Socialism without Christ is permeated with selfishness, and cannot be true. Socialism with Christ is only another name for the kingdom of heaven, the house of God, and the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

PAYMENTS MADE TOWARD "NEW GRACE."

As the work progressed the following amounts were paid toward erecting the new church: \$2,000, \$3,000, \$4,000, \$12,000 and \$3,000, making a total of \$24,000.

Through a very kind invitation of the church council of Emmanuel church, Grace congregation will be permitted to worship with them, until the new church is ready for occupancy.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Adam Mischlich, of Kansas City, Kansas, is revisiting his old home-city after an absence fo many years.

Miss Amy B. Rohrer, M. D., a recent graduate of the Woman's Medical College of Philadelphia, is spending the summer at her home prior to starting during the autumn for her chosen work of medical missions among the poor degraded women of India. She will join several other missionaries who are going to Rajahmundry, our central mission-station among the Telugus.

We were glad to have with us on June 23d Rev. George Drach, of Philadelphia, the General Council's Secretary of Foreign Missions. His address on the needs of India was most instructive and inspiring.

MARRIED.

Since our last report, the following persons have been married: Ralph F. Trewetz and Rebecca A. Fares; Jeremiah J. Springer and Mary A. Keller; Merrit M. Hauf and Elizabeth S. Fasnacht: J. William Foehl and Lillian J. Bressler; Andrew J. Wienand and Margaret Dietrich; Amos F. Troop and Ella F. Dommel; Harry E. Bear and Elsie B. Patterson; F. William Ziegler and Grace Herneisey: Charles E. Messner and Katie I. Gardner; Christian J. Maier and Edith M. Shelley; Thomas Edwards and Emma A. Schlaugh; M. Luther Heisey and Bertha M. McMillan; John Burie and M. Maude Sawyer: William R. Mc-Kain and Clara M. Dunwoody.

BAPTISMS.

Richard Blaney Hanley, Gertrude Henrietta Paes, Henry Shafter Paes, Charles Frank Paes, Marguerite Edna Paes, Laura Elizabeth Snyder, Katharine M. Alvina Hall, Alice Effic Horner, Eugene Vernon Klenck, Elenora Schmid.

DIED.

Charles M. Strine, Abraham Wolf, Emma Manahan, Cora C. Painter, Martha Horner, Ex-Mayor Henry E. Muhlenberg, M. D., Zacharias Weaver, John A. Borger.

Christ first-others next-self last.

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SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The following question and answer appeared in a recent number of the "Christian Herald," and we reprint it for its pertinent bearing on the local discussion:

Question: As we are not under the law, why should we refrain from work on Sunday, and why should we regard the day as sacred?

Answer: In other words, should we do anything to please God if we are not compelled by law to do it? You remind us of an answer that, Disraeli gave to a man who asked him why he showed so much devotion to a wife so much older than himself. Disraeli answered, "I am afraid I could not make you understand why. You are incapable of understanding what gratitude means." There are people similarly incapable of understanding what a service of love to God means. Do you suppose we were set free from the law that we might do as we please? We are under the higher law of love which, properly understood, is more rigorous than any other law. Christ pointed that out (Matt. v, 20). The Lord's day should be ten times more sacred to the Christian than the Sabbath was to the Jews. On that day he commemorates Christ's resurrection, an event infinitely more important to him than God's resting after his labor of making the world, which was the reason assigned (Ex., xx, 11) for the Jewish Sabbath.

There are very many who take small part in the actual life of the church of the living God. What kind of member are you, of the church of the living God?

A great error of many is that of thinking of their pastor merely as a professional man to be called in when there is sickness or a baptism or a death, as one would call in a physician, or undertaker. But your pastor is more than this; as your living teacher, your constant helper and spiritual advisor, serving to you the word of life sent from God to be given to you. One cannot too highly respect such an office.

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