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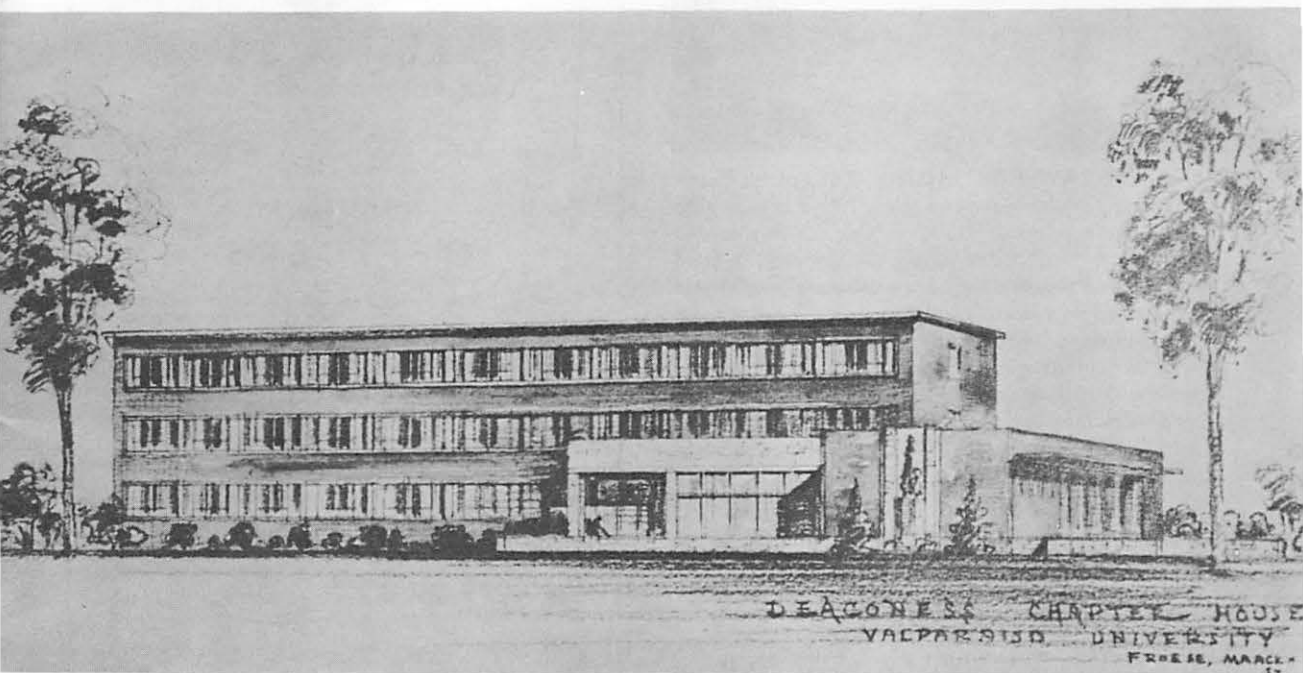
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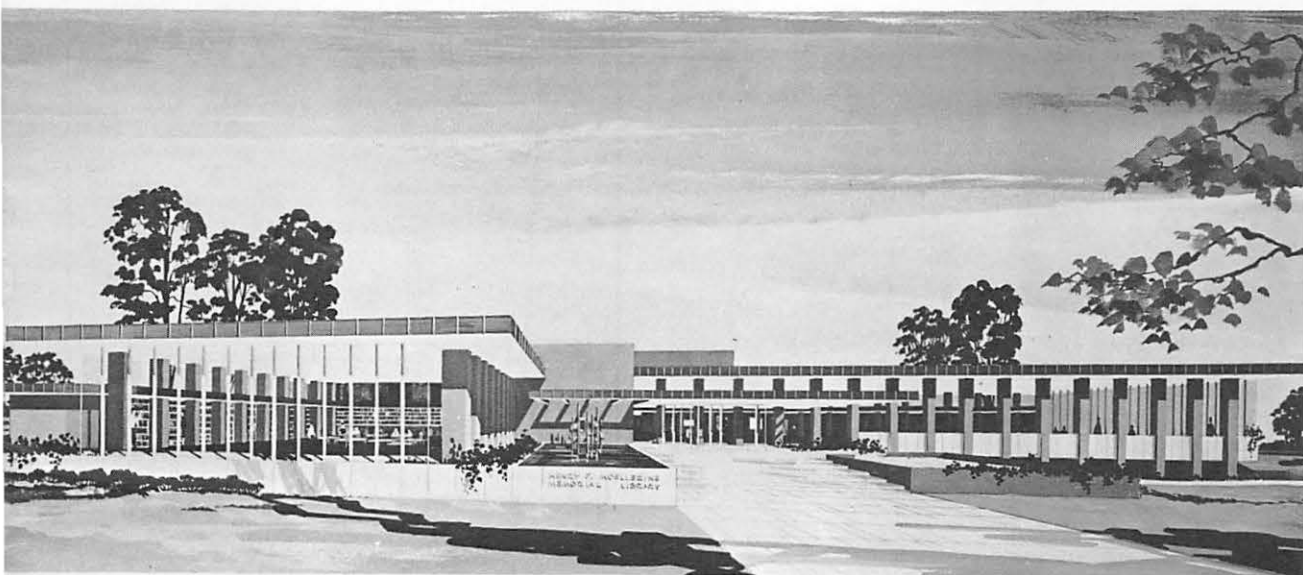


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THE GUILD'S NEW FIRST LADY is Mrs. Roy C. Frank of Chevy Chase, Maryland. Mrs. Frank brings with her a knowledge of Guild affairs, having served as president of the Washington Chapter, second and first vice-president of the National Guild and has served as Eastern field secretary. She has been active in the affairs of Christ Lutheran Church and also in community agencies, presently serving on the Board of managers of the Florence Crittenden Home. She is the mother of two children, Shirley (Mrs. Raymond Gehl of Detroit, Michigan, a Valpo alumnae) and Richard, a senior at Valpo. Mr. Frank is engaged in private law practice in Washington and currently serves as a member of the Board for Public Relations of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod.

Dear Members of the Guild:

As the Thanksgiving season draws near, I feel that it would be appropriate that all the members of the Guild add a prayer of thanks for the blessings our Lord and Saviour has conferred upon the Guild during the past year. We should all be grateful for the growth and progress experienced by our organization, and for the unselfish and devoted labors of our past President, Mrs. William A. Drews.

Due to the limited housing facilities on the Campus during the school year, the 1957 Annual Convention was held in July. The change in date came too late for many of the members to change their vacation plans. It will again be necessary to hold the 1958 Convention during the summer - July 11, 12 and 13.

The Administrative Committee extends an early and a cordial invitation to all Guild members to attend the 1958 Annual Convention. Will you please plan your summer vacation to enable you to attend?

If you were among those who attended last summer's Convention, you appreciated the pleasure and enjoyment of living in a dormitory for a few days, and are looking forward to re-living this experience. If you did not attend, you have something to look forward to.

Unless unforeseen complications arise, the Chapel-

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Auditorium will be completed by the time of the Convention. You will enjoy this beautiful and inspiring edifice.

Mabel C. Frank  
National Guild President

# It is a GOOD THING

By Ellen Bruening Sorenson  
Convention Reporter

I am tying together my thoughts, memories and notes on the Valparaiso Guild Convention as I sit on the beach of the far north-eastern shores of Lake Michigan. Here at Camp Arcadia the sky is cloudless, the waves are gently breaking, and there's a cool fresh breeze; and I am very much inspired to write about another spot dear to my heart a few miles from the southern shore of this same blue, spacious lake. For just a short time ago I was there, at Valparaiso University, attending my first Guild Convention. As I observe the beauty of nature, I am filled with a feeling of gratitude for all of God's blessings, and I say with the psalmist, "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord."

That is the very same feeling that prevailed at the Valparaiso Guild Convention. Mrs. Drews began her President's Report at the convention session with these very words. "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord!" She pointed out that the Guild and the University have been so richly blessed, and even the catastrophe of a fire has brought its blessings. We have so much to be thankful for — and *it is a good thing to give thanks.*

There were many other "good things" realized by the women in attendance at the convention. Let us begin with the convention itself. A Guild Convention always sends us home with renewed energies, and enthusiasm; and rightly so. For nowhere else do we assemble in one spot a greater number of women who are bound by a common interest in our University, who share ideas for chapter activities, who desire to learn more of the University, and who feel and express the Guild spirit to its fullest. This convention will be remembered as the "convention of the rain." But Friday's rains, which flooded nearby Chicago, failed to dampen the spirits of our Guild members, who even filed into buses and rode to the Dunes in one of the worst thunderstorms some of us had ever witnessed. The beautiful display of lightning over Lake Michigan and the final parting of the clouds as the sun went down (just for us!) will long be remembered — and as well the wet feet, the soggy raincoats and the broken-down bus! *It is a good thing to attend a Valparaiso Guild Convention.*

For some attending this convention it was a first trip to Valparaiso; for those who are alumnae it was a returning to what was "home" for a number of years; for others it was a trip that had been made



MRS. ELLEN BRUENING SORENSON, Dearborn, convention reporter.

many times before. However, this visit had something special in store for all; for from a mound on East Campus, which but a few months ago yielded only small blades of grass, was rising a mighty structure of steel and stone. The University Chapel was becoming a reality, and each Guild member who stood and looked toward the chancel was filled with awe and wonder at its immensity and beauty. Even more thrilling, because it has been so close to our hearts, was the sight of our Prayer Chapel taking form. Mrs. Drews reminded us that ten years ago our convention was also held in the summer, and at that time Guild and Memorial Halls were dedicated. With the completion of Guild Hall, the 1947 Convention adopted the project of a Prayer Chapel; and now, after ten years, it is a reality. The beautiful Chapel, along with the Deaconess House also under construction, gave us a good idea of how Valparaiso is moving ahead. *It is a good thing to visit our University, and to go back again and again.*

The Executive Board meeting on Friday was attended by representatives of 75 chapters as well as field secretaries and state unit presidents. It was a chance for many to swap ideas and discuss problems. Shall we revive the custom of planting a tree for each chapter? Should the sororities on campus "go national?" How much of the cost of an education can be put on the student without causing financial hardship? These and other things were discussed among ourselves and with Dr. Kretzmann. The Guild Special for the coming year was presented—a prayer chapel in Dodge Hall, the only dormitory which does not have one — and we were all urged to visit Altruria Hall to see the work being done on the prayer chapel there, as a result of the Guild's efforts of the past year. The workshops on Friday evening gave us all another chance to concentrate on new ideas and ask questions,

and to come away enlightened. *It is a good thing* to meet . . . and review . . . and discuss.

Friday's activities closed with Vespers — and Saturday began with devotions. Was it just coincidental that we heard about death — and then life? How happy we are that as Christians the order is thus! Professor Bertram reminded us on Friday night that night is like the end, and that Friday was the day that Christ died; and so ought we to prepare ourselves. Then the first thing we heard from Rev. Weber on Saturday morning was "Christ is risen — He is risen indeed!" What wonderful words with which to start a day! It is our faith in this living Christ which makes us concerned about the Christian training of our youth. *It is a good thing* to think about death — then life!

We elected new officers at Saturday's business session — women from Maryland, Minnesota, Ohio, and Wisconsin. These women, along with our hard-working and enthusiastic Executive Secretary, Mrs. Ruprecht, will guide the affairs of our Guild in the coming year. We are proud of our leaders, and we pledge to them our loyalty and support as well as our prayers. *It is a good thing* that we have women to lead.

New officers — new chapters. We were very happy to welcome five new chapters into the Guild; Northeast Pennsylvania, Racine, Milwaukee Suburban, Detroit West, and Chicago South Suburban. Special mention was made of number 101, Detroit West. The president of this 101st chapter, Mrs. Eberline, was also president of the first chapter — and was present at the convention. We heard a report from Mrs. Otte, president of the Michigan State Unit, on how successfully the Detroit West chapter was formed by and from the large Detroit chapter. *It is a good thing* to grow — and to form new chapters — and to gain new members.

Speaking of chapters, there is one which deserves special recognition. For the fifteenth year, the Valparaiso Chapter hosted the convention, and they did it well! They even saved their July 4th fireworks for us — and weren't satisfied with anything artificial! Mrs. Gahl, the chapter president, said in her greetings that there seemed to be more Guild spirit in evidence than ever this year, in spite of or maybe because of — the fact that the students, with their Valpo spirit, were not around. We have the Valparaiso Chapter to thank for most of our spirit, which was the result of a well-planned program (they couldn't help it that it rained on Friday night!) and a superb banquet. *It is a good thing* that we have such a ready, willing and able Valparaiso Chapter.

The convention speaker, Mr. Clarence Rivers, gave us a lot to think about. Under the sponsorship of the International Walther League, he spent two years as a Kingdom Builder in New Guinea, along with six other young men. His story was one which alone could fill a report. He told how, before mission work began, the people were still living in the stone age; how they have since acquired a written language and are building roads and improving their way of life; how these seven men built a modern hospital and a hydro-electric plant to furnish its electricity; how 350-500 people

daily visit the out-patient clinic; and how in seeking bodily healing they also receive spiritual healing. In January of this year 79 people were baptized, and ten thousand came to witness it. Out of this large number, 900 came afterwards seeking instruction, resulting in 200 more baptisms in June. These people are taught in a type of "Pigeon English," which Mr. Rivers spoke fluently in quoting a few Bible passages. One phrase stuck with us — "You me belong Papa God." How simple, yet how wonderfully true! *It is a good thing* that we have young men willing to volunteer their time and talents to the work of Kingdom Building.

Each year at convention time the Guild members are introduced to one of the major fields of study available at Valparaiso University. This year the ever-growing Engineering Department was presented. Dean Hesse gave us a humorous but all too true answer to the question, "What is an Engineer?" We were told that the Department will be offering three specialized branches of Engineering in the coming year, Civil Electrical, and Mechanical; and we heard a bit about each field. It was pointed out that at Valparaiso there is the added objective of the concern for the student's spiritual life. That is a *good thing*. And it is a *good thing* for us to acquaint ourselves more and more with our University and its curriculum.

The final speaker for the afternoon was Dr. Kretzmann. How good it is to hear from him about the "State of the University" — a bit on the humorous side, but a bit on the serious! We heard about the bells again, and the organ for the chapel; about the near-future plans for the new campus and the resulting plans for the old campus; about the study being made in the Department of Religion; about students finding the balance between freedom and responsibility. *It is a good thing* to know what our University is doing, and even better when we hear it from the President.

The climax of any convention is the banquet, and once again the Valparaiso Chapter came through with flying colors — and butterflies! We each found at our place a lovely pastel program painted with flowers and decorated with a butterfly pin. There were butterflies among the flowers on the tables, and the head table featured beautiful arrangements of brown and gold flowers. We had our fill of good food and were entertained royally — and by royalty! The newly-crowned Miss Indiana, entering with her crown and trophy, gave us her winning rendition of "My Hero," as sung by a nervous young landy making her debut. Miss Gloria Ruprecht, from St. Petersburg, Florida, is a student at Valparaiso University and will represent Indiana in the Miss America contest. We are proud of her! The Valparaiso Guild chorus, under the direction of Mrs. Hannewald, presented "This is your life" in song . . . going from Rock-a-Bye-Baby, through school and the first job, to marriage. As their closing wish to us, they sang the "Benediction." This was more evidence of some good hard work by the Valparaiso Chapter, and we enjoyed it so much. We also heard a flute solo by Miss Leonore Nickel and saw two scenes from Shakespeare superbly acted by members of the University Players. Mrs. Ruprecht

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# Minutes . . .

## TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION, VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY GUILD, JULY 13, 1957

The Twenty-sixth annual convention of the Valparaiso University Guild was opened with a devotional service in the Great Hall of the Valparaiso Union, Saturday, July 13, 1957, at 9 o'clock a.m.; with the assembly singing the hymn "All Ye Who On This Earth Do Dwell."

Rev. Edwin Weber of the University faculty based his meditation upon the words from 1 Corinthians, Chapter 15, verse 12, "Now if Christ be preached that He rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead? . . . But now is Christ risen from the dead, and became the firstfruits of them that slept".

Rev. Weber invited the assembly once again to remember that Christ is alive and present with us in our convention meetings to give us guidance and help. "Since the day of Christ's resurrection," he stated, "it has been the men and women of faith in the living Christ who have given lives of service to Him and to His Church. God's blessing, in and through these consecrated lives is plainly visible on the campus at Valpo in the Church's program of Christcentered education."

In conclusion, Rev. Weber spoke of the various signs which the followers of Christ had to show that they were believers in the living Christ. These outward signs indicated a common allegiance which drew them closer together. "During these convention days we should realize" concluded Dr. Weber, "that our deepest friendships do not come as we look at each other, but rather as some common ideal and purpose causes us to look upward and outward together to the living Christ".

Miss Carol Maas, accompanied by Miss Judy Huchthausen, sang the ever-beautiful Bach Chorale, "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring". Rev. Weber then led the assembly in prayer, closing with the benediction.

The Convention session was called to order at 9:30 a.m., by the President, Mrs. Wm. A. Drews who extended cordial greetings and a sincere welcome to all. Mrs. Drews read a very clever announcement which stated that Mrs. Edward Busse, the National Secretary, was absent from the meeting having recently welcomed a baby daughter (future Guild member), and asked the approval of the convention to have Mrs. Charles St. Clair, Second Vice-President, serve as Secretary protem.

Mrs. Daniel Gahl, chairman of the Valparaiso chapter, greeted the convention and stated that while a summer-time convention had created some problems,

her committee had given wonderful support and had even planned to show the women a sunset at the Indiana Dunes.

Motions were passed to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 1956 Convention and to approve the same as they were printed in the November 1956 Guild Bulletin. The Secretary gave an informal report of the proceedings of the Executive Board session on Friday, July 12, 1957.

Mrs. Roy C. Frank, First Vice-President, took the chair while the President, Mrs. Drews, gave her annual report. Mrs. Drews prefaced her report with the convention motto from Psalm 92, V. 1 — "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord". She spoke of the many blessings which had come to the University during the years past and stated that even the Auditorium fire, which at first seemed such a shock, had proven, in many ways, to be a blessing. She reported that the Guild had had a most productive year financial-wise, and also by the way of increased membership. She recalled the 1947 summer-time convention at which the Guild had adopted the building of the Prayer Chapel as its project, and stated that this year, as we look across the campus, we can see this project at last becoming a reality, for which "it is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord". She concluded her fine report with the beautiful selected poem, "The Bridge Builder", which serves to remind us that we, as Guild members, are building bridges at Valpo for the youth who yet must pass this way.

Mrs. Walter Kraus, National Treasurer, submitted the financial report, as follows:

Balance on hand July 1, 1956 —		\$637.66
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>		
Current Fund	\$ 8,191.90	
Project Fund	41,125.74	
Chapel Fund Memorials	2,017.10	
Guild Special	465.00	
Silver Anniversary Offering	970.00	
Disaster Fund	798.20	
Pins and seals	14.70	
Records	17.00	53,599.72
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Total		\$54,237.38
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>		
Current Fund	8,191.90	
Project Fund	35,357.62	
Records	177.30	
Chapel Fund Memorials	2,017.10	
Silver Anniversary Offering	970.08	
Disaster Fund	798.20	
Expenses	5,768.12	53,280.32
Balance on hand July 1, 1957 —		957.06
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		\$54,237.38

A letter of audit from Janet L. Sievers, Assistant Professor in the Department of Business and Economics at Valparaiso University certified that the books were in excellent order. A motion was carried to approve the auditor's report.

A motion was adopted to send a letter of thanks to the Monroe State Savings Bank at Monroe, Mich-



igan, for having carried our account without any service charge whatsoever during the past three years.

During her report to the Convention, Mrs. E. H. Ruprecht, Executive Secretary, presented five new chapters to the Guild. They are: DETROIT WEST, organized with the assistance of Mrs. Louis Heinecke in the home of Mrs. H. A. Eberline, the first President of the National Guild, in whose home the first chapter of the Guild was organized in 1931.

MILWAUKEE SUBURBAN CHAPTER and RACINE, WISCONSIN CHAPTER, both organized by Mrs. Lester Wegner, Wisconsin Field Secretary.

NORTHEAST PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER, organized by Mrs. E. W. Schroeter, New York Field Secretary.

CHICAGO SOUTH SUBURBAN CHAPTER, organized by Mrs. Otto Wachholz, Northern Illinois Field Secretary.

Mrs. Ruprecht stated that unfortunately two Chapters had found it necessary to ask for a release from the National Guild, namely the Catawba County, North Carolina group and the Appleton Brown & Gold Group, and thus the total number of chapters now stands at 103.

The Resolutions Committee presented the following Resolution:

"WHEREAS, the following new chapters have been organized in the Guild since our last convention: DETROIT WEST, MILWAUKEE SUBURBAN, RACINE, NORTHEAST PENNSYLVANIA and CHICAGO SOUTH SUBURBAN, 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. Ruprecht, in her splendid report, told of her activities during the year, not only within her office on Campus, but also in trips made to visit and speak before organized Chapters, new groups, state meetings et cetera.

In concluding her report, Mrs. Ruprecht urged Guild members to give the full share of their talents and time to Guild work, supporting the projects of the chapters, and in reaffirming their faith in the glorious privilege God has given all of us to build His Kingdom on earth.

Mrs. Horace Gibson, a member of the Nominating Committee, acting for Mrs. Walter Burger, chairman, made a very fine presentation of the slate of candidates, giving a sketch of the capabilities of each woman and asking the candidates to step forward. Following is the slate of candidates for national offices.

**PRESIDENT:**

Mrs. Roy C. Frank, Chevy Chase, Maryland  
Mrs. Ralph Wangerin, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

**FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT:**

Mrs. F. D. Schmalz, Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Mrs. W. W. Walker, Elyria, Ohio

**SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT:**

Mrs. Fred Tratzik, Decatur, Illinois  
Mrs. C. M. Wismar, Cleveland, Ohio



A FUTURE VALPO STUDENT and daughter of Bloomington-Normal's Chapter president, Mrs. Arthur Engler, was featured in the Bloomington paper with an article describing her activities as a Walther League caravaner this past summer. Judi trained for the program on the campus of Valparaiso University for five days during June, attending sessions from 9 a.m. till 11 p.m. Most of her visitations were in Louisiana and Texas. Judi plans to enter Valpo to prepare for a career as a youth worker.

**SECRETARY:**

Mrs. Carl Blomstrand, St. Paul, Minnesota  
Mrs. Henry Heck, Greenwich, Connecticut

**TREASURER:**

Mrs. Carl Heldt, Evansville, Indiana  
Miss Charlotte Kirchen, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

The President asked for further nominations for each office, and there being none, a motion was carried for acceptance of the slate as presented:

The President appointed the following tellers:

Miss Katherin Liebelt, South Bend, Indiana,  
Chairman

Mrs. William Mackensen, Columbus, Ohio  
Miss Ellen Havecotte, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mrs. B. Hoffmeister, North Tonawanda, New York  
Mrs. Milton Neuman, Oshkosh, Wisconsin  
Mrs. Ray Krumsieg, Chicabo, Ill.

Ballots were distributed for voting, after which the election of officers to serve for the coming year took place.

Mrs. Ruprecht then presented the Field Secretaries. In attendance were:

Mrs. Roy C. Frank, Eastern Area  
Mrs. Otto Wachholz, Northern Illinois  
Mrs. Louis A. Jacobs, Northern Indiana

Mrs. Louis Heinecke, Michigan

Mrs. W. E. Schmalz, Minnesota

Mrs. Lester Wegner, Wisconsin

Not present were Mrs. E. W. Schroeter of New York and Mrs. L. G. Leonard, Southern Indiana, both of whom sent letters of regret, and Mrs. Fred Homann, Sr., Central Illinois Field Secretary.

State Unit Presidents were then presented to the Convention. Present were:

Mrs. Gilbert Otte, Michigan

Mrs. Alfred Heidtman, Ohio

Mrs. Wm. Steinfeldt, Indiana

Absent were Mrs. Wm. Schmeling, Illinois State President, and Mrs. O. A. Reinke, Wisconsin State President, each of whom sent a note of regret.

Mrs. Gilbert Otte, the Michigan State President came to the rostrum to present to the Convention, in a very enlightening and informative manner, the successful expansion of the Detroit Chapter by the organization of a new chapter now designated as "Detroit West". She explained the processes by which this had been accomplished and the advantages to be gained by chapters in larger cities undertaking such an extension program.

Mrs. Drews presented the Convention Reporter, a Guild member celebrating her birthday on Campus, —Mrs. Glen Sorenson

Mrs. Paul Block, reporting for the Activities Committee said that finding a new activity is "like finding a needle in a haystack". She stressed the importance also of having cultural programs for meetings and suggested a history of the University might prove interesting. Her committee is considering a particular type of calendar as a possible national project.

Mrs. Herbert B. Fehner of the Revisions Committee read the proposed changes and amendments to the National by-laws, which are as follows:

ARTICLE XIV — CHAPTER — Section 4 — delete the words "at least" in the second line, so that the Section will read: "each chapter shall be expected to send one representative to the Guild convention, etc."

ARTICLE XVI — EMERGENCY ACTION — insert after the word "held" in line four, "and to determine the date of the Convention".

ARTICLE XVIII — AMENDMENTS — STANDING RULES — in the Guild Special paragraph, at the end thereof, add the following sentence, "The money for this gift should be sent to the National Treasurer on or before January 1st".

In the State By-Laws, under Article IX — MEETINGS the following addition is proposed in line three after the words "Guild Convention": "unless otherwise approved by the National Administrative Committee".

In the Addendum, on page (19) that there be added to the list of those whose expenses are to be carried by the National Guild for Attendance at National Convention and Executive Board Meetings:

Project Committee — Coach fare, lodging, meals.

A motion was carried to adopt these amendments to the national and state by-laws.

The Resolutions Committee was presented — Mrs. Raymond Kase, Chairman, and Mrs. C. Young and

## WILL YOU JOIN US?

Plans are being made for a post-convention tour of Europe. This will be a Guild-sponsored tour beginning July 15th and ending August 30th. An exciting six weeks will be in store for those Guild members, families and friends who make arrangements to participate in this new venture. England, France, Belgium, Germany, Switzerland, and Italy will be visited — all first class accommodations will be offered and a day by day itinerary is now being prepared. Should you be interested, or know of anyone who would enjoy a trip of this nature, will you please write the Guild Office, c/o Valparaiso University, for further details.

Mrs. Richard Oster. Mrs. Young offered the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Lutheran Women's Missionary League will meet in Convention at Minneapolis, Minnesota, on July 31 and August 1, and WHEREAS, we the members of the Valparaiso University Guild hold in high regard the unselfish work of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League, and

WHEREAS, we recognize with gratitude to Almighty God the evident blessings which have been bestowed upon this organization, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that we extend to them our warm and sincere greetings for a successful convention and pledge our continued loyalty and devotion to their program, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the President of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League."

Miss Louise Nicolay, Historian, gave a brief report and stated that Volume 2 of the Guild's History had been presented a year ago at the 25th Anniversary Convention. She stated that the history of the Guild is a testimony of the women of our church banded together to accomplish great things under the guidance and blessings of God.

Roll call by Chapters revealed that 196 members and guests were present, representing 82 Chapters.

Announcements were made by Mrs. Ruprecht and the Convention recessed for luncheon at 12 noon.

The afternoon session of the Convention was called to order at 1:15 p.m.

Miss Katherin Liebelt, Chairman of the Tellers, read their report. The Chair declared the following candidates elected:

President — Mrs. Roy C. Frank

First Vice-President — Mrs. Frederick Schmalz

Second Vice-President — Mrs. C. M. Wismar

Secretary — Mrs. Carl Blomstrand

Treasurer — Miss Charlotte Kirchen

The assembly was then privileged to hear Mr. Clarence Rivers, a young man enrolled this summer at Valpo in the new Youth Leadership Training Program. Mr. Rivers surprised the audience by prefacing his talk "My Two Years as a Kingdom Builder in New Guinea", with a quotation in "pid-



gin" English used in Western New Guinea where he had been stationed for two years as one of the seven Foreign Mission Builders sent to the Church's Mission Stations in the Highlands of New Guinea. Mr. Rivers' time was completely donated in order to witness for Christ. He was sent there to help in the construction of a hospital, hydro-electric plant, houses, et cetera. However, his lecture soon revealed that much of his time there was spent in teaching the natives about "Papa God". His vivid description of the living conditions of the people and the many handicaps which must be overcome before they can be taught Christianity was most effectively presented. He spoke of the wonderful work which the young people of the Church are undertaking in the building of Christ's Kingdom and cited the summer Caravan Program of the Walther League as an example. Mr. Rivers is indeed a consecrated worker in the Foreign Mission program and a very enthusiastic supporter of the Church's work in foreign fields.

Mrs. Drews then introduced Dean Herman C. Hesse, head of the School of Engineering at Valpo, who, together with his two assistants, Prof. Charles Peller and Prof. Wm. Schewan, proved to be very effective "salesmen" for the Engineering Program at Valparaiso. During a question and answer period, the good professors were barraged with a number of questions, posed, no doubt, by the mothers of "would-be" engineering students. Dean Hesse can, indeed, be very proud of his department.

Our Parliamentarian, Mrs. Walter Hoppe, who had been closeted with the tellers during the morning report session, was called to the rostrum. Mrs. Hoppe, who seems to have an unlimited knowledge of parliamentary procedure.

She urged the members to write her about any matter of parliamentary procedure which needed clarification. She stated that perhaps it is not felt too important to follow correct parliamentary procedure on the local or home level, but that actually this was the training ground where we could prepare ourselves for wider fields, and thus make a more vital contribution to our organization.

Mrs. Roy C. Frank, First Vice-President, in presenting the Guild Special to Dr. Kretzmann, stated that we had not been able to carry out the plans for the 1956-57 Guild Special in their entirety, since the Communion ware to which we were to have made additions for use in the Chapel-Auditorium, had been destroyed in the fire, and would not, of course, be replaced until the new Chapel is completed. The Prayer Chapel in Altruria was being redecorated and renovated. The Administrative and Executive Boards had agreed upon the furnishing of a small Prayer Chapel for Dodge Hall, the girls' dormitory, for next year's Guild Special. Dr. Kretzmann accepted the Guild Special with customary graciousness, always interspersed with a bit of humor, all of which so endears him to his listeners.

He then proceeded to give his address as to the "State of the University". There are always many vital problems concerning the University. He spoke of



PARTICIPATING in Sunday's worship service were: Pastor William A. Drews, speaker; Dr. Robert C. Schultz, liturgist; Dr. O. P. Kretzmann, officiant.

the progress of the Chapel construction and of the purchase of Schulmeuch carillons. He stated one of the greatest problems on campus is the housing situation, particularly for women.

We learned from his address that the plans for the new library are in the blueprint stage; that the matter of the mens' dormitory should get through the government offices by the end of the summer.

During the question and answer period, Dr. Kretzmann obligingly answered inquiries from many Conventioneers, never failing to have at his finger-tips the information and statistics necessary for a reply. One such response revealed that the University now owns a total of 147 acres of land, and that there is a need for still more land for the new campus buildings. Also, it was learned that the peak enrollment at Valpo is expected in 1970 when it is anticipated there will be some 4,000 students at the University.

Another surprising note was the fact that only 50% of the Synodical congregations have an annual collection for Valpo. This is something for Guild women to think about and to work for in their local churches if such a collection is not now being taken.

The secretary read a letter from Professor Margareta Tangerman expressing her gratitude for the renovation of the Chapel at Altruria.

During new business, Mrs. Walter Kraus, National Treasurer, presented the following budget for 1957-58:

Bulletin .....	\$1,300.00
Printing & Supplies .....	200.00
Travel (Organizational) .....	2,000.00
Travel (Chapter) .....	3,500.00
Telephone .....	25.00
Treasurer's Bond .....	12.50
Postage .....	25.00
Gifts .....	100.00
Miscellaneous .....	100.00
<b>Total Budget .....</b>	<b>\$7,262.50</b>

The Resolutions Committee presented the following Resolution:

"WHEREAS, a budget, based on past expenditures

## INSTALLATION SERVICE

Used by Detroit West Suburban Chapter for their first Installation Service — Courtesy of Pastor H. C. Kaas.

**Leader:** The Lord is my light and my Salvation;  
whom shall I fear?

**Response:** The Lord is the strength of my life; of  
whom shall I be afraid?

**All:** Oh Lord, Send out Thy light, and Thy truth,  
let them lead us to Thy holy hill.

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 hands and let them move at the  
impulse of Thy love;

Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful  
for Thee.

Take my love, my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its  
treasure-store;

Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for  
Thee.

**Pastor's Remarks.**

**Induction of Officers.**

**Leader:** Ye are the Light of the World. A city that  
is set on a hill cannot be hid. Neither do men  
light a candle and put it under a bushel, but  
on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all  
that are in the house. Let your light so shine  
before men, that they may see your good  
works, and glorify your Father which is in  
Heaven.

**Candlelighting:**

The *Pastor* or *Leader* lights his candle from  
the center candle on the table, then lights  
candle of *President*. *President* lights candles of  
*Officers* to her right and to her left, who in  
turn light candles of other *Officers*. *Officers*  
start lighting candles of circle of *Members* who  
light the candles of their *Neighbor*.

**Prayer by the Pastor:**

Oh Thou, who art the Light of the minds that  
know Thee, the Life of souls that love Thee,  
and the strength of the hearts that serve Thee;  
help us so to know Thee that we may truly  
love Thee; so to love Thee that we may truly  
serve Thee; whom to serve is perfect freedom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

May we Thy precepts, Lord, fulfill  
And do on earth our Father's will

Thy gracious help supply.

One is our calling one our aim,  
To each of us Thy blessing give  
In Christian Love to live. Amen.

and allowing for additional expenditures, has been  
submitted, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the proposed budget for  
1957-58 in the amount of \$7,262.50 be accepted.

The Resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mrs. Drews in relinquishing the gavel to her suc-  
cessor, Mrs. Roy C. Frank, newly-elected President,  
commended the Administrative Committee whose  
members have worked with her during her term as  
President, and wished her successor God's choicest  
blessings in her new office.

The Resolutions Committee offered the following  
Resolution:

"WHEREAS, the following have most faithfully  
and efficiently served the National Guild for the  
past three years,

Mrs. Wm. A. Drews, as President

Mrs. Roy C. Frank, as First Vice-President

Mrs. Charles St. Clair, as Second Vice-President

Mrs. Walter Kraus, as Treasurer and

Mrs. Edward Busse as Secretary for one year,  
therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that we extend to them our  
sincere appreciation for their faithful service by a  
rising vote of thanks."

There being no further business to come before  
the meeting, the Resolutions Committee presented the  
following Resolution:

"WHEREAS, this 1957 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 Convention committee of Valparaiso Chapter  
The Chairmen of Standing Committees

The Speakers:

Dr. O. P. Kretzmann

Mr. Clarence Rivers

Rev. Edwin Weber

Rev. Wm. A. Drews

Prof. Robert Bertram

Dean Herman Hesse

Prof. Charles Peller

Prof. William Shewan

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hannewald

Mr. John Graebner

Miss Carol Maas

Miss Judy Huchthausen

Miss Leonore Nickel

Miss Betty Flesner

Mrs. W. A. Kuschel

Dr. Vera Hahn and University Players

The Banquet Committee

Mrs. Lois Hannewald and Chorus

and all others who by their prayers, talents and  
labors added so much to the success of this  
Convention.

After announcements by Mrs. Ruprecht, the meeting  
adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Bernice E. St. Clair

Secretary Pro Tem

# Report

## OF THE GUILD PRESIDENT

Madam President, Dear Friends:

"It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord." Psalm 92,1 has been chosen as the theme of this convention. Psalm 92 was a song for the Sabbath Day, the day on which the children of Israel rested from their labors, and took time out to remember all of the blessings they had received during the past week, and to give thanks unto the Lord for them.

As we take time out to look back over the past year, we must acknowledge many blessings that have come to the Guild and to the University. Even the Auditorium fire, which was such a shock to all of us at the time, has proved to carry with it many blessings. The national publicity the University received because of it, the immediate and generous response to the Student Disaster Fund, the unparalleled success of the annual congregational collection on Valpo Sunday, the Synod-wide awareness of the *immediate* need for the new Chapel-Auditorium and a new library at the *earliest possible* date, can all be attributed to the Auditorium disaster.

Troubles such as the fire are often tools by which God fashions us for better things. We are told that the best carpet wools come from sheep that have grazed on the most barren mountains. The wool of such sheep is rough and barbed. It takes hold and sticks together. It makes carpets that are as tough as iron. Sheep raised on lush pasturage, on the other hand, have a smooth slippery kind of wool. It doesn't hold well in carpets. In other words, the harder the conditions under which the sheep graze, the better the wool. Almost everything in this life that is most precious has to come to us out of struggle and sacrifice.

Your Executive Board met twice during the course of the year. The Administrative Committee had four meetings, the most memorable one on November 28. We had parted in September with the campus byword: "See you at chapel" on November 28. We did meet at chapel, but under strangely different circumstances than we had anticipated, to stand with students and faculty staring at the smoking ruins, dazed and unbelieving. Later we followed the crowds to the gym for a short but soul-stirring convocation led by Dr. Kretzmann. It was an experience none of us shall ever forget.

Through the State Unit meetings regularly held in the fall we reach some of the thousands of members who cannot attend a national convention, but who provide the greater number of hands at our chapter activities without which the hundreds who attend the convention could do very little. We are grateful for the help and co-operation we have received from the officers of the State Units and all who make these

meetings so enjoyable. The State Units will be included in the Executive Secretary's report.

Financially speaking, the Guild has had a most productive year. Over and above the usual chapter activities, many chapters had special projects to raise additional monies for the Student Disaster Fund. Some of these were sent directly to the Student Disaster Fund, while others flowed through the Guild treasury.

As your president it was a pleasure to attend three meetings of the Board of Directors of the Lutheran University Association as well as the Annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod and the National Advisory Board of the University. It has been an inspiration to be present at these meetings, and to get an insight into the development and planning of the new University campus. This is one of the many official privileges your retiring president will sorely miss.

In March your president accompanied the New York Field Secretary, Mrs. E. W. Schroeter, to Northeast, Pa., where the story of the Guild was presented to the women of St. Paul congregation. We are happy to report that this journey resulted in the formation of a new chapter in that area.

Last year, in May 1956, by invitation of the Niagara Chapter, your president brought news of new developments on campus to the four members and three visitors attending the regular meeting of the chapter. These women came from widely scattered areas. They had organized two years before with seven members, had twice elected a president, and twice the newly-elected president had moved out of town. But they were not discouraged. They loved their University, and they were determined to continue as a chapter. This year, in May 1957, the invitation was repeated, and we suspect for two reasons: 1. To hear a brief history of the Guild, and 2. To show their increase in membership. In attendance at the May 1957 meeting were *twenty members*. Certainly this should be an inspiration to all small chapters. Growth and achievement are often rendered possible by obstacles alone.

It is just ten years since we have had a summer convention. This month marks the tenth anniversary of the dedication of Guild and Memorial Halls, and the completion of the Guild Hall project, the first major project to be undertaken by the Guild. With humble hearts we acknowledge God's goodness to us in permitting us to help in the building of Guild Hall. Architects and builders agree that Guild and Memorial Halls could not be duplicated today for twice the amount it cost to erect these dormitories in 1947. As we go back to our rooms this afternoon, and enter the doors of these beautiful halls, let us offer a silent prayer of thanksgiving to Almighty God, remembering our convention theme: "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord."

At the July 1947 convention, realizing the great need for a sanctuary on this campus in which the spiritual needs of the student body could be cared for, and encouraged by the success of the Guild Hall project, the Guild unanimously adopted as our next project the erection of a small prayer chapel that would be part of the large University Chapel which one day will be the heart and center of the new

Valparaiso University campus. This small chapel would be a quiet retreat in which troubled souls could find solace and grateful hearts could offer prayers of thanksgiving.

Today, just ten years later, we can look across the fields and see our dream of the University Chapel becoming a reality, and the Guild Chapel, for which we have waited these ten years, beginning to take shape. Truly, "it is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord."

We are grateful to our Field Secretaries, who continue to be diligent in their efforts to promote the expansion of the Guild. Under the leadership of the Executive Secretary they have been encouraged to blaze new trails, and have been successful in organizing 5 new chapters this year. These chapter through their representatives will be presented to you later today. We heartily welcome them, and it is our wish that the Lord may bestow His richest blessings upon all they undertake in the interest of Valparaiso University.

From Dr. Kretzmann's column in the April Bulletin we have this quotation: "As we look to the future, the continued growth and expansion of the Guild should be uppermost in our minds. I am certain that in 1957 there are many more devoted intelligent women in the Church who will be proud to have a part in the building of a great University for their children and their children's children."

The growth and expansion of the Guild must not be considered the responsibility of the Field Secretaries alone. On the contrary, it is the responsibility of each chapter and each individual member of the Guild.

It should be stated here that several chapters have seen the need for expansion in their areas, and have voluntarily divided their memberships, or released some of their members so that new chapters could be formed. These chapters are to be commended for their vision and foresight in thus expanding the work of the Guild.

Let each of us consistently and earnestly endeavor to gain new members for the Guild.

To the Activities Committee, Mrs. Paul Block, chairman, Mrs. Elmer Eggers and Mrs. Martin Scheib, we are sincerely grateful for the interest they have taken in their new assignment and the energetic way in which they have gathered materials and suggestions for chapter projects.

We acknowledge our indebtedness to the Revisions Committee: Mrs. W. W. Walker, chairman, Mrs. Norman Bishop and Mrs. Herbert Fehner, for the outstanding work they have done on the suggested revisions of the By-Laws as printed in the April Bulletin. We hope that you have studied them carefully. They will be considered later today. A special Thank you is due Mrs. Walker, whose well-worn copy of Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, bears testimony of the many hours she has spent studying it.

To the historian, Miss Louise Nicolay, we express our sincere appreciation of the excellent work she has done in keeping the annals of our organization up to date. We are particularly grateful for the second



RELAXING at the Union before sessions.

volume of our history presented to us at the last convention.

Mrs. Walter N. Hoppe has again rendered a valuable service to the Guild as our parliamentarian. Her interesting workshop conducted at the convention and her presentation of parliamentary procedure at the Mid-winter meeting of the Executive Board were much appreciated by all. Her Corner in the Bulletin continues to bring us pertinent facts about parliamentary law. We would urge you to avail yourself of this service whenever you have a problem.

Since the last convention, the Executive Secretary has issued two very interesting and informative Guild Bulletins. We can show our appreciation to her by sending her newsy items of chapter activity for the Chapter Chatter and pictures of any unusual projects or events that would be of interest to other chapters.

According to the history of the Guild, this year marks the fifteenth year that the Valparaiso Chapter has been in charge of the convention social activities. Each year we strive to find words that adequately express our gratitude to the local chapter and to the special convention committees for the gracious hospitality extended to us. Seemingly they never grow weary in giving unstintingly of their time, talents, and energies to make each convention a memorable event in the lives of all who attend. They obviously agree with the poet who said:

'God might have used His sunset gold  
So sparingly,  
He might have doled His blossoms out  
Quite grudgingly;  
He might have put just one wee star  
In all the sky —  
But since He gave so lavishly —  
Why should not I?'

Guild administration would be a much more difficult task were it not for Dr. Kretzmann, who gives so generously of his valuable time whenever we seek his guidance. It is our prayer that God may give him the health and strength necessary to continue as the president of this university for many more years, and

that our heavenly Father will keep him in His protection always.

One cannot work intimately for many years in a small group dedicated to a common cause without developing a bond of lasting friendship and love. Such has been our experiences in working with the other officers and the Executive Secretary in the Administrative Committee. This is another facet of your retiring president's administration that will always be a cherished memory.

It has been a signal honor and a distinct privilege to serve as your president for three years, and to have a part in the leadership of this fine and noble organization. The opportunity to become better acquainted with a greater number of Guild members and to observe the loyalty and devotion to our cause these women demonstrate would be a high point in any woman's life. It has been in mine. This expression of heartfelt gratitude for the opportunity of serving you is most sincere.

As we begin a new year of activity let us encourage one another to "Build with the Guild" with ever-increasing zeal; to build a greater University for the generations that are still to travel the way we have come so that our Youth of today may be kept with the Church of tomorrow.

To all who share with us this high and noble purpose we dedicate this poem:

#### THE BRIDGE BUILDER

An old man going a lone highway  
Came at the evening, cold and gray,  
To a chasm vast and deep and wide  
Through which was flowing a sullen tide;  
The old man crossed in the twilight dim,  
The sullen stream had no fears for him;  
But he turned when safe on the other side  
And built a bridge to span the tide.

"Old man," said a fellow pilgrim near,  
"You are wasting strength with building here,  
Your journey will end with the ending day;  
You never again will pass this way,  
You have crossed the chasm deep and wide,  
Why build you this bridge at the eventide?"

The builder lifted his old gray head,  
"Good friend, in the path I have come," he said  
"There followeth after me today  
A youth whose feet must pass this way.  
This chasm that has been naught to me,  
To that fair youth may a pitfall be;  
He too must cross in the twilight dim,  
Good friend, I am building the bridge for him."

— Selected

Louise Ilse Drews

### The Cover

**FINISHED** — Top photo is architect's drawing of new Deaconess Chapter House.

**PROPOSED** — Bottom is a drawing of the proposed new library building.

## Hopes Bright for First 1957-57 Chapter

Thirteen women in Aurora, Indiana, met to hear Mrs. L. G. Leonard, our Southern Indiana Field Secretary, explain the initial steps in organizing a new Guild chapter. Pastor Schwan attended the meeting and offered many helpful and encouraging words. A future meeting is being planned at St. John's Church on the night of November 13th. At this meeting women from five surrounding churches will be invited to participate. Mrs. Thieman, Mrs. Rullman and Mrs. Schwan will act as a coordinating committee, and Mrs. Ruprecht from Valpo will speak to the women on the aims and purposes of the Guild. It is hoped that a fine chapter will develop in Aurora.

## WELCOME NEW CHAPTER!

Our Northern Illinois Field Secretary, Mrs. Otto Wachholz, believed in the theory that home territory should be explored for expansion. Therefore, she visited the pastors and many leading women in the communities surrounding Homewood, invited a number of key women to an initial luncheon at her home where she explained the Guild program; and then in June called a general meeting of all interested women who again met at her home. Thirty-five women attended the afternoon tea, at which time Mrs. Ruprecht was invited to speak of Guild activities, and this enthusiastic group then agreed to organize, with Mrs. August Elefson as temporary chairman. This newest chapter was welcomed into membership at the national convention in July.

### PRESIDENTS:

Please mark the dates of February 21 and 22 on your 1958 calendar for the Semi-Annual meeting of the National Executive Board.

## IT IS A GOOD THING

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closed the evening with Vesper Prayers, and we went away feeling like we had the wings of the butterflies which by this time were pinned to our dresses. *It is a good thing* to break bread together, to laugh together, to pray together.

On Sunday morning we awoke to sunshine, and the busy Valparaiso Chapter served us breakfast in the Union Cafeteria. The convention service was held at Immanuel Church. The new officers were installed, and the Rev. William Drews delivered the sermon. He spoke of Mary and Martha and told how we need both types of women in our Guild. The Martha in us built Guild Hall, the Mary in us is building the Prayer Chapel. *It is a good thing* to end a convention in God's House.

We then set our steps homeward — North, East, South, West — to take back to those at home a little bit of Valparaiso, a great deal of new enthusiasm, and above all, hearts thankful to God for all that we had seen and heard. "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord!"



# Report OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

By Mrs. E. H. Ruprecht

Madame President, Fellow Guild Members:

It has indeed been a distinct privilege to serve as your Executive Secretary this past year, especially embarking on a new quarter century in Guild activity. The fine cooperation shown each department of our national Guild is an expression of the true spirit of the organization. This spirit reaches deep into the hearts of thousands of our members who are thankful for the continued growth and progress of the Guild. The past year again has been one of growth and accomplishment. We have increased our overall membership and our chapters also. Five new chapters have come into our family; we are proud of these new groups and welcome them heartily into our fold.

However, we find that the true strength of the Guild is in the individual member. We feel we have succeeded in attracting many of the finest women in our churches and in our communities. Going from state to state one cannot help but notice that outstanding Guild women are taking offices and committee work, in the Guild, in church activities and in community affairs.

There is a tremendous power in the Guild, however, that can still be utilized — a power which may lie smoldering and dormant in many chapters. We continue to need leaders — women of vision who understand the ideals, traditions and purposes of the Guild and the University. If we as women can broaden our sphere of influence as leaders and as Guild members we shall become a greater force in the development of the hopes and ideals of Valpo.

We realize that the Guild is an organization of powerful influence because it embraces such a diversity of talents, personalities and age groups. New members should be given an understanding of their responsibilities and be reminded that whenever a Guild woman is asked to perform some task she does not refuse. We are to willingly and cheerfully take part in the work of the chapter; we are to use our talents and try to develop new ones. We are to realize the satisfaction that comes from service. Women who believe in the ideals set before us in the By-laws of the Guild know there can be no pettiness — small things are crowded out by the great goal we have set before us: to foster the welfare of Valparaiso University and thus to perpetuate those ideals which have been handed down to us through almost a century of progress.

The work in the office of the Executive Secretary becomes increasingly heavy as the Guild grows larger. There is more correspondence, more individual cards to be kept on file, more chapter lists to be checked and corrected, larger mailings to be sent out. However, this increase in activity becomes a pleasure when one realizes it can be attributed to the continued growth and expansion of the national Guild.

The Bulletin was published twice the past year. May I again emphasize the fact that we request stories from you for our Chapter Chatter section. When your hometown newspaper runs a story on Valparaiso, when a student has gained special recognition, when you have conducted a coke party for prospective students, when you have had any special event sponsored by your chapter; please ask your publicity chairman to send us a clipping of the story, together with names and dates attached. I might add it is necessary to send glossy prints since newspaper pictures are not satisfactory for reproduction.

The State Unit Presidents are to be congratulated on the fine conventions held during the Fall. These conventions are another means of publicizing the University. Each city which becomes host to a group of Guild women for a convention is made aware of the Guild and the University through the announcements and articles appearing in local papers. The enthusiasm in the local chapter helps to build up the chapter and often we discover an increase in membership following convention time. A total of approximately 800 women were reached during the 1956 fall state convention season—this means it is possible to serve many more women throughout our constituency than are to attend a national convention on campus.

As stated before we are happy to report the addition of five new chapters which makes a total of 103. The chapter in Catawba, North Carolina, found it advisable to become inactive for a period, and the Appleton Brown and Gold chapter has decided to merge with the other Appleton Chapter. Though we happily and proudly announced one hundred chapters at the 25th anniversary convention and have now added five new chapters this year, our total number of chapters remains 103. We must remember that having the convention in July means that we did not have a full year in which to enlist new chapters. I should like to stress at this point the need for each member to become an agent for promoting Guild expansion. It is often through your suggestions that we discover a new and receptive group. Our field secretaries have done and continue to do an excellent job in this important field of expansion. We extend grateful appreciation to them for the service they have given us. However, one individual cannot work as effectively as many hundreds; therefore we appeal to you to use every means to assist us in gaining new chapters.

DETROIT WEST, the 101st chapter to join our ranks was organized in the home of Mrs. H. A. Eberline, who became the first president, having served as the first president of the Detroit chapter — our first national chapter, and also served as past national president. Mrs. Heinecke, the Michigan field secretary, with the assistance of many Detroit members, was successful in gaining this new chapter.

Mrs. Lester Wegner, the Wisconsin field secretary,

has two new chapters to her credit — MILWAUKEE SUBURBAN, with Mrs. Walter Buescher as president; and RACINE with Mr. A. J. Krenzke, president.

The New York field secretary, Mrs. E. W. Schroeter had the privilege of organizing the NORTHEAST, PENNSYLVANIA group with Mrs. Puscheck as president.

Our newest field secretary, Mrs. Otto Wachholz, entertained at a tea in her home in Homewood, Illinois, at which time 30 enthusiastic members agreed to form the CHICAGO SOUTH SUBURBAN CHAPTER.

We wish to welcome these fine chapters into our national Guild and assure them we are proud to add them to our membership.

A pleasurable experience at all times comes through meeting with the local chapters in their own surroundings. It has been a privilege to address many such groups the past year, at dinners, luncheons, and evening gatherings. Through the local chapter one learns to know the individuals and many fine friendships have been made.

My very deep and personal thanks are due our retiring national officers. Each one has given freely of her devotion and her loyalty demonstrating a spirit of consecrated Christian womanhood in all her actions.

Now convention time is here. This new experiment on campus in living, working and playing together

in the summertime will be observed by many. It's outcome depends upon you. As you pack your bags for your homeward journey, will you ask yourself these questions? Has your horizon been widened by this experience of attending a national convention? What have you gained in these three days? Are you taking home a renewed and deeper interest in the University, the Guild and its projects? Are you more enthused about the needs of our school — it's growth and expansion? Are you going home to acquaint more and more students with the opportunities offered at Valpo? Are you taking back to your chapter some concrete suggestions to make for your projects, activities and programs? You have listened to talks, reports and meditations — have these meant something to you personally?

We hope that the program we have offered you has broadened your outlook, impelling you to work harder. We are all busy women — we have obligations to our homes, our churches and our communities. But let us give our full share of our talents to Guild work, supporting the projects of the chapter. Let us reaffirm our faith in the glorious privilege God has given us to build His Kingdom on earth and to use our efforts in the further development of Valparaiso University.

"and what doth the Lord require of thee  
But to do justly  
And to love mercy,  
And to walk humbly with thy God?"



MEET YOUR NEWLY-ELECTED OFFICERS of the national University Guild. Mrs. Frederick Schmalz, Minneapolis, 1st vice-president; Miss Charlotte Kirchen, Milwaukee, treasurer; Mrs. Roy C. Frank, Chevy Chase, president; Mrs. Carl Blomstran, St. Paul, secretary; Mrs. Cyril Wismar, Cleveland, second vice-president.

# Letter

## LAUDS CONVENTION

Dear Mrs. Ruprecht:

After attending my first Valpo Guild Convention, I was filled with so much enthusiasm and so impressed, that I thought you might like to know my reactions and the remarks I have put down to supplement my report to our local chapter meeting in September.

"If you have the doldrums, feel down in the dumps about why things aren't going just the way you think they should—YOU—should attend a Guild convention—and you will get a lift. It's the best medicine in the world, and the best stimulant for a healthy, active woman's group in the church. Yes, even tired groups.

"I had the pleasure, and more, the privilege of attending the National Convention of the Valparaiso University Guild at Valparaiso, July 13th. Although we attended only one day a spark of enthusiasm caught on. The next day I awakened with a high fever. My head was spinning, the wheels were going around. I recognized the symptoms. It was 'Valpo Fever.'

"We left shortly after 6 a.m. — stopped on the road for breakfast and arrived at Valpo about 8:15 a.m. After registering we entered the Great Hall of the Student Union, where the convention was held. Devotions began at 9 a.m. with the Reverend Edwin Weber giving an inspirational address. 'Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring' was sung by Miss Carol Mass."

Then we have the various reports on the agenda, information about the speakers' interesting work, the engineers, Dr. Kretzmann's witticism, business, budget, etc. Then follows a trip to the bookstore, an account of the lovely banquet and wonderful talent displayed.

"If you love your children, if you love your church, then you will love Valpo. When you love these things, then you will give all to them. One cannot be without the other. Youth needs the Church and Valpo. The Church needs the youth and Valpo. Valpo needs the Church and our youth. And the best way of bringing and keeping all three together is by giving of our time, money and our prayers. Not just one of these, but all. All of you should become members of the Valpo Guild, should attend meetings and conventions, pray without ceasing, and Build with the Guild.

"I have nine good reasons for being interested in Valpo. They range from a 13½ year old freshman down to a 2½ year old busybody. The Lord has blessed me with a wonderful family and it is my duty to give them the best — and that is Valpo. Perhaps some of you don't have children in your home with their future education ahead of them. Remember, you have nieces, nephews, and neighbors. Make a pilgrim-

mage to Valpo with your family. Bring your sons and daughters, nieces and nephews, your neighbors and their children. They are the future Crusaders of Valpo." — "Be High Minded — Be Valpo Minded."

Thank you for giving of your time, and hearing me out.

It was a very wonderful Convention, and I've already made plans for our State Convention, and am giving serious thought to the next National Convention.

Sincerely and Valpo-Mindedly your,

Lillian C. Gerni  
Logansport, Indiana

## Have You . . . ?

Have you ever attended a meeting of the Voters' Assembly of your church? You haven't? Well, that is really not too surprising. Very few ladies have had that experience.

Actually, of course, the influence of the women is frequently a weighty factor in the decisions of the voters. The wife in the home and the husband who attends the meetings of the Voters' Assembly or of the Church Council, discuss a proposed plan or program of the church that will be considered at the next meeting of the voters. As a result, "John" speaks and votes for a project pretty much as he has been influenced to speak and vote by "Mary" at home. At least we like to think it works like that. Oftimes it does.

Now just what has this to do with Valparaiso University? Well, — an important source of support for our school is the annual gift to Valpo from each congregation of our Church. It is only as the congregation arranges for a Valpo collection through the use of Valpo envelopes or otherwise provides for a congregational gift to the school that EVERY member has an opportunity to participate. Sometimes this is referred to as "Valpo Sunday" support. Support of Valpo by the congregation, of course, requires the approval of the Voters' Assembly. It may be that some congregation actually fails to take this action only because nobody present at the meeting has the needs of Valpo for this current year in mind.

Don't let this happen in your church! Talk it over with your husband! Suggest to him — and this you do with consummate tact — that he represent the cause of Valpo at the Fall meeting of the congregation when budgets are usually adopted. Ask him to speak for and vote for a liberal gift. In the total picture, just this influence of Guild members may well be the deciding factor in the success of our Synod-wide congregational support effort this year.

You don't attend; but you do influence. You will influence, if you try; and we are sure that you will try.

Pastor Edmund W. Weber  
Valparaiso University Department  
of Development

# Chapter Chatter



THE TONAWANDA NEWS featured an article and the above picture entitled "Mother is going to college". Mrs. Fred Kellner, secretary of the Buffalo Chapter is packing her bags preparing to live at the dorm for the national convention, while her two daughters, prospective Valpo students, watch her.

talented artists, the former having studied violin in Chicago and St. Louis and at present is instructor at Concordia Seminary and director of the Chapel Choir and Cantata Chorus. Mrs. Bergt attended Valparaiso University and studied under Mr. Newman Powell and Dr. Heinrich Fleischer. She is presently serving as organist at Trinity Lutheran Church, Alton.

## WASHINGTON, D.C.:

When Mrs. Roy C. Frank became the first lady of the national Guild at the convention in July, she was given much favorable publicity in the Washington papers. It is interesting to note that the article describing her election appeared just opposite a large picture of Britain's first lady, Queen Elizabeth.

## CLINTONVILLE:

The 15th anniversary of this chapter was observed with a special program and birthday party held in the church parlors. Mrs. Frank Manser, charter member, pinned corsages on all members present. A skit presented by Mrs. B. Knapp and Mrs. H. Hedtke opened the program. Mrs. Gust Jesse told the history of the chapter by relating an account of the first meeting held on May 4, 1942, and continued with interesting events leading up to the present day. Members were seated at tables decorated in brown and gold. Miss Louise and Miss Meta Schroeder were in charge of program arrangements.

## CHICAGO SOUTH SUBURBAN:

This newest chapter held a meeting in September and reported a membership of 37. Colored slides of the University and campus were shown and arrangements for future meetings, programs and projects were discussed.

## OAKLAND COUNTY:

The opening meeting for the year will include a

## BALTIMORE:

The women of the Baltimore Chapter extended invitations to all who attended the Reformation Service at Baltimore Sunday, October 27, to attend a Plate Supper at Immanuel Lutheran Church for the Benefit of Valparaiso University. These words were found below the University seal "The understanding cooperation of a strong, intelligent lay people whose lives are dedicated to Christ can be a bulwark of strength to a pastor in his work. Your prayers and active support can help Valparaiso University provide such strong, intelligent lay people, whose lives are dedicated to Christ."

## LORAIN COUNTY, OHIO:

A former student of Valparaiso University, Robert Schuneman, presented a most inspiring organ recital at St. John's Lutheran Church, Elyria, sponsored by the Lorain County Chapter. Bob was a particularly outstanding student in the department of music, having spent a year in Germany studying organ. He chose numbers particularly adaptable to the traditional vesper service, arranging the music to glorify God and edify man. He was assisted by students at the Oberlin College Conservatory of Music, where he is graduate assistant in organ.

## MILWAUKEE SUBURBAN:

This very new group met for a candlelight installation service at Our Redeemer church, Wauwatosa, conducted by the Rev. Victor Bartelt of Elm Grove. Officers installed were Mrs. Walter Buescher of Elm Grove, president; Mrs. Robert Ilten, New Berlin, 1st vice-president; Mrs. Otto G. Schultz, Wauwatosa, 2nd vice-president; Mrs. John Pluto, Butler, recording secretary; Mrs. Roy Wilson, West Allis, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. Ewald Timm, Brookfield, treasurer. A "Christmas Caravan", featuring gifts to be sold at the twelve churches involving members in this chapter is to be featured starting November 1st.

## DETROIT:

The Detroit East Chapter will plan an evening card party to be held at Our Savior Church during the month of November. Mrs. Calvin Gauss is Ways and Means Chairman and Mrs. Andrew Daniels and Mrs. Carl Thrun are serving as co-chairmen of this affair.

## ROCKFORD:

St. Paul's chapter sponsored a Violin-Organ Recital during the summer months. The two performers, the Rev. Robert Bergt and his wife, Joan Bergt are

guest speaker, Mrs. Harry Eberline, who will speak on the History of the Guild and its accomplishments. A potluck supper for members and guests will open the meeting.

#### PITTSBURGH:

May was a busy and enjoyable month for the members and friends of the Pittsburgh Afternoon Chapter of the Guild. Sponsored for their spring project was Hal Harrison in his travelogue "Beyond the Shining Mountains," following the course of Lewis and Clark 200 years later over a route that is still little known today. A luncheon at the Ruskin Dining Room on May 25 opened with an illustrated talk on "Spiritual Cosmetics" by Mrs. Eric Malte. This was followed by an address from Prof. Margaretta Tangerman of Valparaiso University.

#### MAUMEE:

Dr. Dorothy S. Lyle, a 1932 graduate of Valparaiso, and a daughter of Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Siegert of

Holgate, Ohio, the latter a member of the Maumee Chapter, has recently been elected a national officer of American Home Economics Association. Dorothy is one of the few members in business ever to be elected to national office in this national association.

#### MINNEAPOLIS:

The Minneapolis Chapter of Valpo Guild is very proud of its National Guild 1st Vice President, Mrs. F. Schmalz. Her election was an excellent climax to a busy year which saw the chapter putting on individual fellowship gatherings throughout the year with the proceeds in each case turned over to the chapter treasurer. On one occasion Mr. Paul Manz, nationally known organist, gave an illustrated colored slide lecture interwoven with original sound recordings on "Pipe Organs and Cathedrals of Europe". A "Variety Show" was another of the highlights of the year which was rounded off when the chapter served refreshments to guests at Christ Church when the Lutheran Women's Missionary League National Convention delegates were on a city tour in July.



THE ST. LOUIS CHAPTER of the Valparaiso University Guild request the honor of your present at the BRIDES' REVIEW on Friday, March twenty-second at one-thirty o'clock, St. Peter's Church Parlors. Reception immediately following.

The above invitations resulted in a large attendance at this affair arranged and directed by Mrs. Karl Kurth. Gowns were modeled from the year 1886 up to the present day. Stage decorations were under the direction of Mrs. Carl Zschoche and Mrs. James McCloskey. Mrs. Walter Hansen and Miss Joyce Flemmer portrayed the roles of mother and daughter; special musical numbers were sung by a trio, with Mrs. Raymond Noll, soloist and Lucille Schmidt accompanist.



## HERE AND THERE AROUND CAMPUS

"Christianity, Democracy, and Technology", a 185 page book by Dr. Zoltan Sztankay, professor in the Department of Government, has recently been published by the Philosophical Library of New York City. The book presents Christianity as the only lasting solution and points out that the American way of life, democracy, would be impossible and cease to exist without Christianity. The dedicatory page commemorates the Hungarian patriots who took part in the uprising last fall. . . .

A summer visitor to campus was Frau Brigette Gerstenmaier, "First Lady of Germany", and her traveling companion, Mrs. Marianne Hamm, who spent three days becoming acquainted with the University. The two women were particularly interested in the role of religion as indicative of the church-related higher education institution in America. Visiting other colleges throughout the country they attempted to become acquainted with a broader view of the American way of life. . . .

Performances announced for the 1957-58 theater season of the Valparaiso University Players' include the following productions: *Light up the Sky*, October 10-13; *Anastasia*, November 21-24; *Dido and Aeneas*, February 14-16; *The Wingless Victory*, March 13-16; *South Pacific*, May 8-10. . . .

General theme of the 1957 conference of the Association of Lutheran College Faculties, held on campus, October 4 and 5, was "The Christian Liberal Arts College in a Scientific Culture." Representatives attended from 70 different Lutheran colleges and universities of various synods throughout the United States. Cooperation in Lutheran academic research and achievements and teaching methods is the main objective of the organization. Valparaiso was the youngest institution represented, but yet the largest of the Lutheran colleges and the only Lutheran university in the country. . . .

An increase in enrollment of over 100 per cent in the Youth Leadership Training Program was announced recently with 35 students now enrolled in the program, which is designed to provide full-time youth workers for large congregations, metropolitan areas and District activities. . . .

Miss Helen Mae Olson, Director of Social Activities, has been appointed State Publicity Chairman of the Indiana Division of the American Association of University Women. . . .

Miss Beverly Manzelmann, of Grosse Pointe, Michigan, a sophomore, was crowned queen of the 1957 Homecoming. Girls chosen as members of the queen's

court were Kathy Brudvig, Santa Cruz, California; Ruth Gronbach, Glendale, New York; Moni Drees, Garden City, Kansas; and Pam Wiedenhoef, Chatfield, Minnesota. . . .

Several staff changes have been announced by Dr. Kretzmann, who stated that all changes were in keeping with the continued growth and expansion of the school. Dr. Allen E. Tuttle, former associate professor of English, was named Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Shirley K. Flynn, former associate professor of Physical Education, was appointed Acting Dean of Women. Dr. Walter E. Bauer will continue as Dean of the Faculty and head of the department of History. Prof. Margaretta Tangerman, who formerly served as both Dean of Women and head of the Department of Sociology and Social Work will serve full-time as the head of the latter department. Prof. Robert Bertram has been named acting head of the Department of Philosophy and head-elect of the Department of Religion. Richard P. Koenig has been appointed to the post of Acting Director of Athletics, replacing the Rev. Karl Henrichs who now because of his experience in public relations assumes duties in the Department of Development. . . .

Senior students and faculty members of Lutheran High Schools from the surrounding area met on campus November 2, for the purpose of familiarizing them with the university and its operations. A noon luncheon, football game, social hour and faculty-conducted sessions, were followed by a dinner and a program at the Union. . . .

An exhibit of the work of Reinhold P. Marxhausen, professor of art at Concordia Teachers College, Seward, Nebraska, and a former graduate of Valparaiso University was displayed recently at the Union. Sculpture, water-colors, oils, photography and ceramics were included in the exhibit. . . .

Recent guest speakers at university convocations were Countess Alexandra Tolstoy, youngest daughter of the famous Russian philosopher and writer Leo Tolstoy — Dr. Joseph Simonson, former ambassador to the Empire of Ethiopia — Rear Admiral Emmet P. Forrestel, Commandant of the Ninth Naval District, who presented the university with a Department of Defense award on behalf of Secretary of Defense, Charles E. Wilson; and Prof. David S. Schuller of Concordia seminary, St. Louis, who conducted the Miller Memorial lectures to a capacity filled gym for an entire week. . . .

The first Lyceum Program of the year starred William Warfield, one of America's most distinguished baritones. . . .

The Department of Music presented its first concert of the year with the program featuring organ selections by William Mudde, organist from Utrecht, Holland, who is visiting professor this fall, and several numbers which were sung by the university Chapel Choir under the direction of Dr. M. Alfred Bichsel. The Chapel Choir is celebrating its tenth anniversary of organization this year. Assisting the choir in the Buxtehude Cantata "Every Work and Thought" was the university orchestra conducted by Prof. Theodore Hoelty-Nickel.

## PARLIAMENTARIAN'S CORNER

MRS. W. N. HOPPE

**Question:** There seems to be a similarity between the motion to table a question and the motion to postpone a question until the next meeting. Is there a difference, if so, what is it?

**Answer:** Both of these motions are classified as subsidiary motions and are applied to other motions when it is desired to defer action upon a motion that is pending. In that respect they are similar.

If you wish to lay aside a motion temporarily the motion is "laid on the table" to be "taken from the table" at a more suitable time. The motion to table cannot be debated or amended. It must not be qualified in any way. Should the member add a qualification and say, "I move to table the question until the next regular meeting", the chair should state the motion, correctly, saying, "It is moved to postpone the question until the next regular meeting". If a question is tabled it may be taken from the table any time later in the session or during the next regular meeting providing it is not later than three months. If the question is not taken from the table in either of these sessions the situation is the same as if the original motion had never been made.

A tabled motion does not come before the assembly automatically, nor does the chairman have the privilege to introduce it. If the assembly wishes to consider the question further it may be done by vote, by having a member say, "I move to take from the table the question pertaining to . . .". A majority vote adopts this motion and immediately brings the original question before the assembly.

If it is wished to set a definite time in the future for the consideration of a question, the proper motion to make is to postpone the question to that day,

or meeting, or hour. The time specified must be within the present or next business session which must be within a three month period.

Unlike the motion to table, the motion to postpone is debatable and amendable as to its propriety and suitability of time. When the time to which a question has been postponed arrives, the consideration of the original motion is resumed.

Subsidiary motions have an order of precedence as explained in R.O.R., page 55. For instance, if the motion to postpone has been made and is being considered, the motion to lay on the table, being of higher rank, may be made, and if adopted, the original motion is laid on the table and the motion to postpone is ignored.

**Question:** We plan to amend our by-laws by eliminating the office of second vice-president. If we adopt the amendment to strike out the words, "second vice-president", is it in order to amend separately all other places where the office is mentioned?

**Answer:** No. All other sections relating to the office are automatically null and void.

**Question:** At a recent convention the executive committee made a recommendation to the assembly. No second was offered, nor did the president ask for one. Was she in error?

**Answer:** The president was not in error. As the name implies, a second endorsement, saying in effect, "I am in favor of having the assembly consider this question". A recommendation originating in a committee, board or other group actually has as many seconds as there are members in the committee who favor it. Therefore, it needs no further second.

**Question:** When the chair puts to vote a question made by a member without it being seconded, is the legality of the action taken effected?

**Answer:** No, if no objection was made by the members when action was taken, it indicated that the members approved of the consideration of the question.



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