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California Deaf Observe Dr. Gaertner's Anniversary

Oakland, Calif. — On Sunday, October 7, the members of Memorial Chapel for the Deaf joined with the Deaf of San Francisco and San Jose. They celebrated the twentieth year of Dr. G. W. Gaertner's service here in the Bay area and his thirty-fifth year on the Pacific Coast.

In January of 1917 he was transferred to Seattle after having assisted in Chicago since June of 1916. In the course of these years he



Dr. G. W. Gaertner

served every principal city from Vancouver, British Columbia, to Los Angeles. Twenty years ago the Rev. M. Engel prevailed upon the Board of Missions to the Deaf to place a resident pastor here. Rev. George Mieger installed our pastor in October, 1931. His appointment here with us was the divine guidance of the Lord of the harvest. Our Deaf population at that time was mostly unchurched; several churches with un-Biblical views bothered us.

It is indeed surprising when we look over the trail of these twenty years. Our pastor has

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Associate Pastor Ordained

New Part-Time Worker Added

October 14, 1951, was a day of rejoicing for the members of Holy Cross and St. Philip's. On that evening Candidate Paul J. Schulze was ordained and installed as associate pastor of Holy Cross Lutheran Church for the Deaf, St. Louis. The ceremony took place at St. Philip's Lutheran Church, where Rev. Schulze was confirmed by his father as a boy. Pastor Andrew Schulze of Chicago (formerly of St. Louis) ordained and installed the candidate and preached the sermon, using as his text Acts 8:26-38. Pastors Heyne and Gyle of the two Deaf groups assisted, as did several other local ministers. After the ordination the new pastor celebrated the service of Holy Communion. Hymns were interpreted by Student Luther Russert, the sermon by Student William Reinking, and the ordination by Pastor Gyle. A reception was held after the service in St. Philip's Church basement. The new pastor was given a red stole, made by Miss Irene Allmandinger.

Pastor Schulze will serve our St. Louis Deaf on a part-time basis. He is employed during the week as director of our Synod's St. Louis office of Publicity and Public Relations and Information. He studied signs at the St. Louis Seminary and has assisted with Deaf work in St. Louis and in Paducah, Ky. We pray the Lord's blessing on all his work.

Florida Flash

St. Louis, Mo. — Deaf Lutherans here have given Pastor F. G. Gyle a peaceable release, so that he can work in the new Florida field.

PLEASE send names of Florida Deaf to him, at 1724 S. W. 22d Ave., Miami, Fla.

1952 Can Be a Happy Year

As we enter the month of February, the world is still terribly confused. There is much unrest. Peace among nations still seems to be far off. The hearts and souls of people are not satisfied; they are afraid.

The cry of people still is: "Where can we find rest for our souls in this sin-filled and trouble-filled world?" So many people make the sad mistake of trying to find peace and rest in the things of this world: riches, pleasures, mighty armies, worldly wisdom, etc. But all these things have failed. Yet the soul of man hungers for rest.

St. Augustine, the great Christian Church leader of the fourth century said, "The heart of man will not rest until it rests in God." How very true! Let us turn to Jesus as we begin the season of Lent.

He still invites us saying: "Come unto Me, all you that are worn out from suffering trouble and are heavy burdened, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). Here is a promise from Him whose words cannot fail. Surely Jesus can give us rest, because He has fully taken away our biggest and worst trouble and burden, our sin. Through Him we can say: "I know that when my years on earth are finished, I shall enter heaven." That knowledge brings real rest and peace to the soul.

Then we can go forward into the dark future without fear, knowing and trusting that He who loved us unto death will surely go with us every step of the way, for He has promised, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."

Our happiness in Christ will become even greater if we share it with others who have not yet found their rest in Him. You will have a wonderful chance to share it in 1952. Our Lutheran Church is busily preparing to spread out its work this year as it has never done before. Your pastor probably has already spoken to you about the *Conquest for Christ* program that our Church is starting in March.

The Deaf who have come to Jesus in faith and found their rest in Him are joining their hands to pray, to work, and to give. May we soon begin to bring the Gospel of the rest-giving Savior to the Deaf in foreign lands, too. The Lutheran Deaf Mission Society, which was organized last year by the Lutheran Deaf in the

Northeast, is an example of the growing mission zeal among our Deaf. Your pastor will tell you more about this society and how you can become a member of it.

May God give us all a growing zeal for the blessed work of bringing Christ to this troubled world. May we find our happiness in 1952 by gladly giving ourselves to this work.

Women of the Bible

Herodias — Did Bad Works

Mark 6:19: "And she wanted to kill him, but she could not"

Herodias was angry at the prophet John the Baptist. John said that Herodias sinned by living with her brother-in-law, instead of living with her own husband. Herodias hated to be called a sinner. She was a queen; and she thought that all people, especially John, should respect the queen.

Her present husband, King Herod, feared John. Herodias tried to make Herod kill John, but the King was afraid of the people. But to make Herodias happy, he ordered the soldiers to arrest John. She was glad John was in prison; but she wanted him dead. She was an evil woman.

Herodias made careful plans to kill the Lord's prophet. She sent her daughter to dance before the King at his wild birthday party. Herodias depended on her daughter to please Herod. Then he would promise her anything.

The daughter returned. "What shall I ask

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Bible Readings for February, 1952

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God,
That takest away the sin of the world,
Have mercy upon us;
Grant us Thy peace. Amen.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10 — Read Luke 8:22-25

In Every Storm of Life Trust in Mighty Jesus

Jesus and His disciples were in a great storm. In it we first see Jesus as a man; He fell asleep as other men. Then we see Him as the Lord over wind and wave. Jesus had no sin and therefore knew no fear. He slept while His disciples were afraid. And they came to Him and awoke Him, saying: "Master, we perish! Our ship is going down!" So we often go through a storm in this world. Perhaps we are sick for a long time, or death comes and takes a dear friend from us, or we have some other trouble and sorrow. Today the whole world is passing through a great storm. It is in a terrible mess. There are fightings and wars, hunger and earthquakes. And people know not what to do. Let us hurry to our Lord Jesus as His disciples did. He knows what it means to be in a storm. He had to suffer and die the shameful death on the Cross.

Yes, in every trouble go to Him. He is a mighty Helper. He rebuked (commanded) the wind and waves, and the storm stopped and there was a great calm (quiet). And He asked the disciples: "Where is your faith?" So Jesus helps us in every trouble. Above all, He saved us from all sin, from death, and from the power of the devil. So often we forget this mighty Jesus and therefore fear and tremble. And He must also ask us: "Where is your faith?" Oh, fear not! Trust in this wonderful Jesus, Lord over wind and wave, Lord of heaven and earth. He can help and will help.

PRAYER: Dear Lord Jesus, let me never forget that Thou art a mighty Helper, the Lord of heaven and earth. Let me not fear, but trust in Thy help in every trouble. Help me, O Lord. Amen.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17 — Read Luke 8:26-30

Jesus Is Mightier than the Devil

Is there a devil? Jesus and our Bible say "Yes." We read of the devil and his work in our lesson for today.

The devil always wants to kill and destroy. He tempted Adam and Eve, and they fell into sin. He led David into sin and pride. He put it into the heart of Judas to betray his Master. And often, as in our lesson, men and women were possessed of the devil, that is, the devil had them in his power. This man in our lesson had a devil a long time, wore no clothes, and did not live in a house, but in tombs (graves). Often the devil took him and pulled him around. People bound him with chains and handcuffs, and he broke them. And the devil drove him out into the wilderness. And there are many devils. Jesus asked him: "What is your name?" and he answered: "Legion." A legion is about 6,000. Many devils had gone into that man.

And now Jesus came. He had come to destroy the works of the devil. Therefore this man was afraid of Jesus. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before Him, and with a loud voice asked Him not to hurt him. The devil spoke through this man. He knows that Jesus is the Son of God and therefore is afraid of Him. He and his many angels know that the Son of God is come to destroy their evil works. So by sin we all were in the devil's kingdom, but Jesus has come and saved us from sin and the devil by His suffering and death on the Cross. Trust in this Jesus, and be saved. Watch and pray that the devil may not lead you away from Jesus.

PRAYER: Mighty Savior Jesus Christ, thanks for saving us from sin and the devil. Help that we now give ourselves to Thee and serve Thee always. Amen.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24 — Read Luke 8:31-37

Give Yourself and All You Have to Jesus

Jesus had commanded the devil to come out of that man. And the devil asked Him not to command them to go into the deep, that is, down into hell. And now see how weak the devil is. There was a herd of swine (pigs) feeding upon the mountain. And the devils asked Him to let them go into those many pigs. They first must ask Jesus. And He suffered (let) them. And what happened? They went into those pigs, and these all ran down a steep place into the lake and were choked (drowned). And the men that had fed the pigs went into the city and told it there. And the

people came and saw that man sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed, and in his right mind. Jesus had done a wonderful work.

But what did the people do? They asked our good Lord to go away. And He did. If people do not want Him, He will not stay. These people were filled with great fear. They had lost their many pigs. They would rather see that man still in the devil's power and their pigs alive. Jesus died to save us, and now we should give up sin and the wicked joys and pleasures of this bad world. But so many do not want to do this. They ask Him to go away. Oh, come, let us gladly give up all sin and wickedness and cling to Him. Then we shall be clothed in Jesus' blood and righteousness and have a right mind filled with pure joy. And remember, Jesus died for all people, and He wants us to bring this good news to them. But so many do not want to give up their time and money for this work and ask Him to go away. They would rather keep their time and money for themselves and let people go to hell. Oh, come, give yourself, your time, your money, and all you have for this blessed work of saving souls!

PRAYER: Praise to Thee, dear Lord and Savior, because Thou hast died for us, but not only for us, but also for the whole world. Help that I stay with Thee and gladly do all I can to bring other sinners to Thee. Amen.

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Read Luke 8:38-40

Tell the Lenten Story to All the World

Today we begin the holy season of Lent. During these six weeks before Good Friday and Easter we Christians love to hear the story of Christ's suffering and death, because He did it all for us. Wonderful love! For us He laid down His life, and not only for us, but for all people. Now tell it. For this you and I still are in this world. Tell it!

This we learn from the man whom Jesus saved from the devil's power. When Jesus went into the ship to go away from the people, this man asked Him that he might be with Him. Jesus had done so much for him, and now he wanted to go with Jesus and serve Him. But Jesus sent him away, saying: "Return to your house, and show how great things God has done for you." And he went his way and published

throughout the whole city the great things Jesus had done for him. So when we have found Jesus and are happy in Him and His salvation, then we perhaps would like to go and be with our dear Savior in glory. But He does not take us to Himself into heaven; not yet. We have work to do for Him. He wants us to go and tell all the world this wonderful Lenten story of His blood and Cross. He says to us: "Preach the Gospel." That is our work here on earth. And gladly we ought to do it. May this Lenten season urge us to do it as gladly and diligently as this man in our lesson.

And God blessed the word of this man. When Jesus came back to this city and country, the people were all waiting for Him and gladly received Him. So when we tell people of Jesus and His love, many will gladly receive Him and be saved. Thankfully tell it.

PRAYER: Lord Jesus, who didst suffer for our sins, thanks for Thy great love to us and all the world. Thankfully I trust in Thee, and gladly I will tell all the world of Thee and Thy Cross. Bless this my work. Amen.

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT, MARCH 2

Read Luke 8:41-48

By His Suffering Jesus Saved us from Sin

With sin came into this world sorrow and suffering, sickness and pain, and also death. Sin made this world a place of tears, of fightings and wars, of jealousy, hatred, and anger. Man must die and be lost forever. But now comes Jesus, the Son of God. God lays upon Him the sins of the whole world and lets Him die for your sin and for my sin. This is the Lenten story. Thank God for it!

He truly *can* save. He is the mighty Son of God. Our lesson tells us about a woman who had been sick for twelve years and spent all that she had upon doctors. But not one could help her. Now a man had come to Jesus and asked Him to come to his home and heal his only daughter, who was sick and near death. And Jesus went. And on the way many people were with Him. And this sick woman came behind Him and touched the border (hem) of His dress. She believed that by doing this she would be well. And as soon as she touched His dress, she became well. And He quickly said: "Who touched Me?" Peter said: "People are crowding you, and you say: 'Who touched

Me?" But Jesus said that someone had touched Him, because virtue (power) had gone out of Him. Then the woman came and told Him of all that she had done. And He said unto her: "Thy faith hath made thee whole (well). Go in peace."

Jesus is the mighty Son of God, a wonderful Helper. We are sick with sin. Let us, as did this woman, go to this Jesus and trust in His blood, and we all shall be clean from sin. We must die for sin. Let us go to Him who died in our place, and we shall live. Thank God for this Lenten story!

PRAYER: Dear Savior, we thank Thee because Thou hast saved us from sin by Thy blood, which can wash us clean from all sin. In Thee alone we trust. Amen. J. L. S.

To Our Deaf Christians Everywhere:

"Grace be with all that love our Lord Jesus in sincerity. Amen." Ephesians 6:24.

The kingdoms of this world are filled with hatred and jealousy, with war and bloodshed. How different the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ! It is a kingdom of love. John writes: "God is love," 1 John 4:8. And Jesus describes this love with these words: "God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life," John 3:16. Therefore God's people say: "We love Him because He first loved us," 1 John 4:19. And how should we show our love to Him? Jesus says: "If ye love Me, keep My commandments," John 14:15. And here are some of His commandments:

1. "Search the Scriptures," John 5:39. Do you love Jesus? Then say with David: "Oh, how love I Thy Law! It is my meditation all the day." Psalm 119:97. Daily read your Bible, study the Bible Readings in the DEAF LUTHERAN, and also the daily lessons in "Life and Light."

2. "Hear the Word of God," Luke 11:28. Do you love Jesus? Then say with David: "I was glad when they said unto me, 'Let us go into the house of the Lord,'" Psalm 122:1. Love Him, and you will not miss a service. Jesus says: "Blessed are they that hear the Word of God and keep it," Luke 11:28.

3. "Walk in newness of life," Romans 6:4.

Do you love Jesus? Remember you have been baptized and have been buried with Christ by Baptism unto death. Now, "as Christ was raised up from the dead, even so we also should walk in newness of life," a life pleasing unto God.

4. "This do in remembrance of Me," 1 Corinthians 11:24. Do you love Jesus? Then often go to the Holy Supper. Let Jesus seal His forgiveness to you with His body and blood and give you strength for a good and holy life unto the glory of His name.

5. "Pray without ceasing," 1 Thessalonians 5:17. Do you love Jesus? Then pray much, as Jesus did. Trusting in His promises, pray for your family and friends, for your pastor and your church, yes, for all people. Jesus says: "Ask, and it shall be given you," Matthew 7:7.

6. "Give," Luke 6:38. Do you love Jesus? Then give yourself and all you have to Him who died for you. Give for the poor, give for your church, give for all church work, give for all missions. "Give, and it shall be given you."

7. "Love one another," John 15:12. Do you love Jesus? Then remember His words: "This is My commandment, that ye love one another as I have loved you."

When we look back upon the past year, we may see little love toward God. We have not kept His commandments. Let us turn to our loving God, and ask Him for forgiveness. May this love urge everyone of us to love Him more during the new year and to show our love by doing His commandments. May 1952 be a year filled with love to God and to one another in our homes, our workshops, our church, and wherever we are. God grant it!

Loving you all in our loving Savior,

Your dear brethren in Christ Jesus,

BOARD OF MISSIONS TO THE DEAF

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH — MISSOURI SYNOD

P. S. Discuss this letter in your Voters' Meeting, Men's Club, Ladies' Aid, Young People's Society, Bible Class, and other meetings.

DEAR READER:

We want to put news about *your* Deaf church and its members in this paper. But if you do not send it, we cannot dream it up! *Please write more often* so we can know what is happening out your way.

"Co-Eds"

The First Letter of Timothy

(Translated by Rev. T. DeLaney, edited by Prof. M. Franzmann)

VI (Continued)

But you, O man of God, flee these things and pursue (*follow after*) righteousness, piety, faith, love, endurance, meekness. Fight the good fight of faith; lay hold on eternal life to which you were called and did confess the good confession of faith before many witnesses. I command you before God, who gives life to all things, and Christ Jesus, who testified a good confession before Pontius Pilate, that you keep the commandment spotless, blameless, until the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, which He will clearly show, in His own time. He is the blessed and only Ruler, King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, who alone has immortality (*alive, can't die*), dwelling in unapproachable (*can't come near*) light, whom no man has seen or is able to see; to whom be honor and everlasting dominion (*king control*). Amen. (Verses 11-16.)

Command the rich of this age (*time on earth*) not to be proud, nor to have hope in the uncertainty (*weak-support*) of riches, but in the living God, who gives us richly all things for our enjoyment; to do good, to be rich in good works, ready to give liberally, sharing with others, providing themselves a good foundation for the future in order that they may lay hold on life eternal. (Verses 17-19.)

O Timothy, guard the trust, avoid profane (*unholy*) empty babblings (*worthless talk*), and oppositions of so-called knowledge, which some professed (*said they had*) and have missed the mark regarding (*about*) faith. Grace (*mercy*) be with you. (Verses 20-21.)

Field Gleanings

Holy Cross, St. Louis, Mo., 1951. — *Baptized:* Infants: Stanley Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Goodwin (Fayetteville, Ill.), Brenda Faye, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Lowe (Springfield, Ill.), and Isabel Josephine, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. F. G. Gyle, all on February 25, at Holy Cross. Fred Ettien, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jean Ettien, on January 18, at St. John's Hospital, St. Louis. May the Lord keep them in His care through His Word, so that they grow into Christian manhood and womanhood. — *Adult:* Miss Thelma Hollings-

worth, baptized into 'communicant membership, December 16.

Confirmed: Mrs. Mary Aldrich, Mrs. Marie DeReimer, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wilson, July 8. May the Holy Spirit keep them and Miss Hollingsworth in the faith with their Lord and Savior for everlasting life.

Laid to rest: Mrs. George Brueckmann, Jr. (Edna Brueckner), January 9. After an illness of several months she fell asleep in Jesus on January 6. "Blessed" (happy) "are they that die in the Lord."

Married: Russell Lloyd Healey and Betty Jo Farris, both of East St. Louis, Ill., April 3; and Allen Mann, Jr., and Julia Anne Morris, both of St. Louis, April 20. May the Lord bless these couples and keep them with Him through faith in Christ Jesus.

St. Philip's, St. Louis. — *New members:* Mr. Archie Marshall was confirmed on February 4 (see March, 1951, DEAF LUTHERAN). Mr. Norman Ingram was baptized and Miss Naomi Williams confirmed on December 30.

St. Louis, 1951, in brief: Holy Cross ends the year with a gain of five new members and four old ones regained — total, 54 (December 31). One member, Mrs. Harold Miller, moved to Ohio; another, Mr. Norman Hollrah, to Illinois. The budget goal of \$1,510 was reached and passed. Average attendance (to December 31) was 22, with 67 services held. Weekly Bible class attendance grew from ten in the first three months to 15 in the last three months, with no summer "vacation." Ladies' Aid met monthly, and lipreading services were held monthly for the Oral Deaf. The Men's Club, meeting every other month, did its share of charitable work with the other groups. One sad note must be added: We have fifteen "Lutherans" in town who joined our congregation but never come to church. However, the percentage or proportion of inactive members has become smaller every year, and we pray that the Holy Spirit will finally lead these fifteen souls back to Christ.

1952 aims: At the voters' meeting of Holy Cross the following officers were elected for 1952: Bertrand Keim, president; Walter Viets, secretary; William Lambur, treasurer; Walter Maack, B. Keim, and Leo Muir, trustees; Theo. Wrausmann and Otto Krumm, ushers. The

Choir will be given over to the Ladies' Aid and Bible Class. They will practice on Wednesday nights at the Bible Class meeting. A budget of \$1,705 was approved for 1952 needs and expenses. Cash to buy a new furnace for the parsonage was borrowed from the congregation's Lot Fund savings; members will be asked to make special contributions to refill the Lot Fund. This was suggested by the voters, who felt that it would not be wise to pay interest on an F. H. A. loan; we can borrow the money from our own savings without any charge. The trustees in 1952 will become especially busy, as we will be working on the project of buying land and also planning our building campaign. The Lord has blessed our members with a new willingness to give for the work of His kingdom and a new interest in taking on more responsibilities to manage their own church business. Gifts from outsiders (now used for the Lot Fund) remain small (less than \$150 a year); profit from sales grows smaller each year; but the gifts from the hearts of our own Deaf Lutherans grow larger every year. May the Lord continue to bless our members and make them grow more and more in love for Him and service for one another, until we someday become a self-supporting Deaf church! Four more people began to study for membership on January 2, 1952.

St. Philip's: Three new members in 1951 brings us up to ten communicants. Sunday services are now conducted at 11 A. M. by Mr. Reinking. Bible Class is held every Tuesday, with the pastor teaching. Attendance from January to October averaged about ten persons in 40 services. When the time was changed to Sunday mornings, the average jumped to 15. Attendance at Bible Class averages about ten. The hearing members of St. Philip's Lutheran Church contribute \$150 a year toward this work, for necessary expenses. We have only one inactive member on our Negro list in St. Louis. There are still several people who plan to take instructions for membership in the 1952 spring class; and there are many other unchurched Negro Deaf in the St. Louis area still to be won for membership.

A Bible (social) Club is active in the warm-weather months of the year when our members have basket picnics in Forest Park on legal and national holidays. Some charitable work is

done by this little group also. Joint socials are sometimes held between Holy Cross and St. Philip's Deaf. The two St. Louis groups also attended Holy Communion together at the Dixie Conference and at the ordination of Rev. Paul Schulze, our associate pastor.

We are thankful to God for the growth of this Deaf group, which had no members and only monthly services until six years ago. The work at St. Philip's was begun by Pastor Hirschke and continued by Pastor Uhlig. In 1947 six members were confirmed by Pastor Andrew Schulze; one of these moved south; another is now inactive. Pastor Walter Heyne confirmed three more members in 1950 and three in 1951. Pastor Gyle, with the help of Pastor Derwig (1948) and Students Strege, Kraus, Simon, and Reinking, has conducted weekly services and instructions for the Deaf at St. Philip's since 1945. Bible Class was begun by Student Kraus in 1948.

May the Word of God continue to give its increase in both St. Louis groups. We are now competing (racing) with three Protestant and two Roman Catholic ministers; but the Holy Spirit has blessed us with bigger increases in 1951 than in other years, adding to the Lutheran Church eight new adult members. God's Word still gets results, even when there is competition by an organized gambling group which attracts many unchurched Deaf souls to its church body.

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!"

F. G. G.

DR. GAERTNER'S ANNIVERSARY

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buried 195 members; yet today our membership in Oakland is 127; at San Francisco 55 at San Jose 14, and we have 52 Sunday school children at the State School for the Deaf.

Dr. Gaertner actually pioneered along this coast in Lutheran Deaf church work and also in many other fields for the benefit of the Deaf. Under his direction the children at the State School have been served with religious classes. For eighteen years the Deaf-Blind were served by him and also for a time the hearing Blind at the Industrial Home. For twenty years he has never conducted less than three services every Sunday. His assistance has been called for at the Juvenile Courts and the Legal Aid

Societies. As a venture of faith, at a time when other organizations with many members sought how to maintain a home for the aged, he undertook the project without solicitation for funds. Eight pastors took their sign-language training from him. Many adult Deaf-Blind were taught by him to read either Braille or Moon type.

The Rev. M. Engel appropriately opened the anniversary celebration for us. He was followed by the congregation's president, E. Brodrick, who introduced a number of speakers, including Dr. E. Stevenson, superintendent of the California School for the Deaf; Mr. W. S. Runde, an instructor of the same institution; Mr. C. Wright, representing the Deaf of San Francisco; and Mrs. B. Hinkle, representing the San Jose group.

Then followed the presentation to Dr. Gaertner of a bronze mounted plaque on which are inscribed these words: *In recognition and gratitude of the selfless devotion to the temporal and spiritual welfare of the Deaf.* A card with congratulations by the Deaf and one hundred dollars constituted the final presentation. The meeting was closed by the jubilarian's signing a hymn copied by the members.

NORMAN L. DAVIS

Secretary of the Oakland Congregation

WOMEN OF THE BIBLE

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from the King, Mother?" Herodias smiled cruelly and said: "Ask for the head of John the Baptist on a meat platter." Herod thought he must do this terrible murder because he swore to keep his promise. Herod feared his friends more than he feared John. Herodias received the head of John.

Like Herodias, many people hate God's Word and His ministers, who preach sin and forgiveness through Christ. These people love their sinful pleasure. They lead others, even their children, to sin. God says, "THE WAGES OF SIN IS DEATH." When death comes, it is too late to change your life and believe in Jesus.

PRAYER: O God, I am truly sorry for my sins. I deserve punishment in hell. But Thy Son Jesus suffered my punishment on the Cross. I hope to live with Thee in heaven. Help me to thank Thee by doing good all my life because of Jesus Christ. Amen. C. R. G.

More Life Stories Coming

Preachers to be "Exhibited"

Our biographer (big name for storyteller), Rev. E. Mappes of Omaha, is still working hard trying to find out all about the private lives of us preachers. In future issues of the DEAF LUTHERAN you will read all about Pastors Kosche and DeLaney. After that you will meet our part-time workers, men who preach and work mostly with the hearing people and who also preach to the Deaf: Pastors Bruns (Great Bend, Kans.), Krug (Wabash, Ind.), Schleicher (Sioux Falls, S. Dak.), and Schulze (St. Louis, Mo.).

Members Too?

When we finish with these six stories, we think it is about time to write the life stories of some of our Deaf members, showing how God has blessed their work too. Pastors Borchardt, Gaertner, and Kraus have already sent us some news about leading members.

How about it? Deaf members can get together, choose some leading member in their church, and have the pastor or another member write a good story for our paper. Let's get to know one another better! This is the DEAF LUTHERAN. Let's hear more from the Deaf!

F. G. G.

San Antonio, Tex. — Pastor Theo. DeLaney of Austin, Tex., conducted a 15-minute telecast over the TV station at San Antonio on October 29. Since this was the Sunday before Reformation Day, Pastor DeLaney preached on the theme: "20th-Century Reformation Witnessing."

M. G. K.

How does your church look? Time to paint?

TOO SINFUL FOR JESUS? He said, "I came not to call the good people but the sinners to turn to God." Matthew 9:13.