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“THE SCRIPTURE  
CANNOT  
BE BROKEN.”

John 10, 35

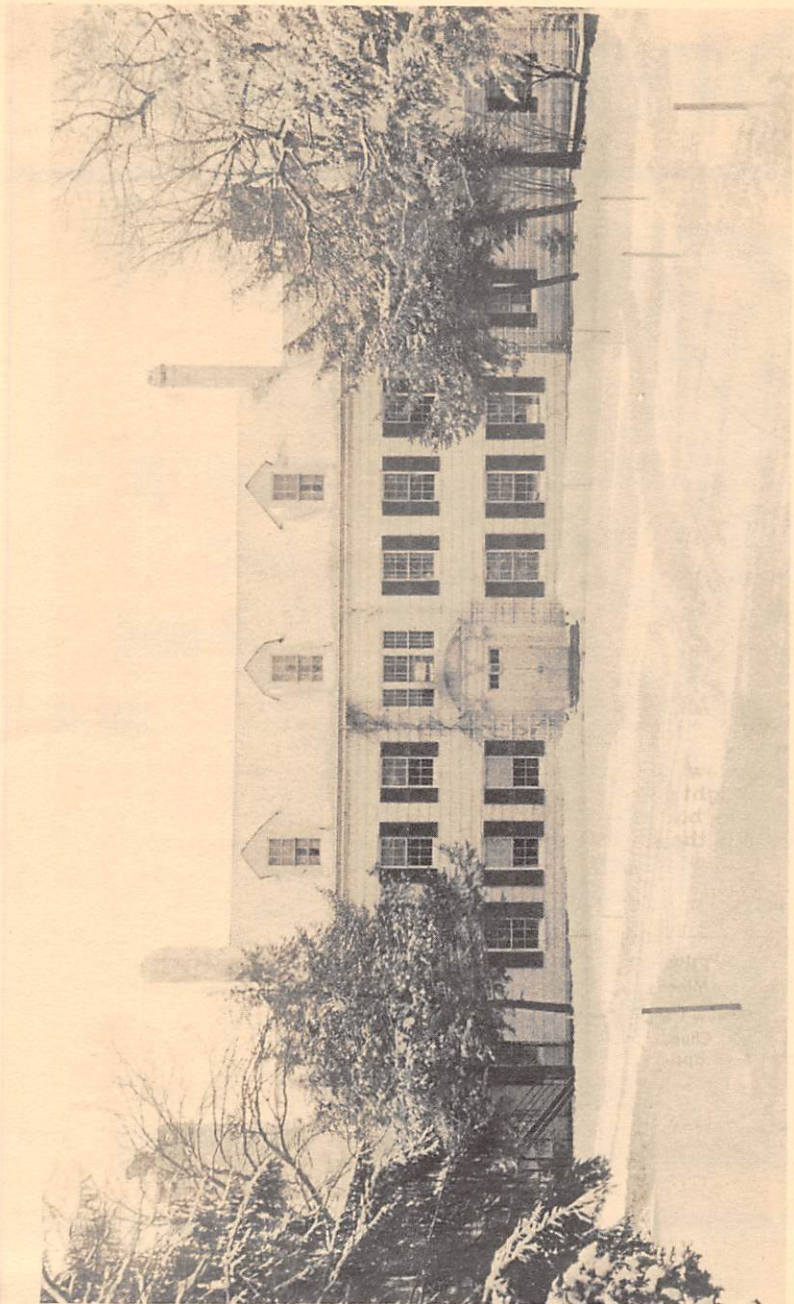
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The main building of our new Immanuel Lutheran College is 133 feet long and 36 feet wide. One approaches this building on a hard-top road through a beautifully wooded area. The exterior of this building is finished in redwood shingles, dipped in Virginia White stain.



This rear view of the main building shows a rotunda enclosed in glass with wrought iron railing. This rotunda will provide extra dining room space. The back of the building overlooks a valley with a creek running through the property.

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## Another Step Forward

It is with great joy and deepest gratitude that we announce to our constituency the recent purchase of the Ingram Estate near Eau Claire, Wisconsin, as the permanent home of Immanuel Lutheran College.

This estate comprises between seventy-five and eighty acres of beautifully wooded land and a complex of buildings in a setting of exquisite natural beauty. The buildings, all in excellent repair and approved by the State Industrial Commission for the purpose to which we will put them, will comfortably house our entire present student

body in two separate dormitories connected by an enclosed ambulatory. Kitchen and dining room are fully equipped for nearly all present needs. One private residence, which will serve as a professorage, is included. While some classroom space is available in the main building, four new classrooms will need to be erected during the course of the summer.

### An Answer To Our Prayers

Since the day the Lord gave us Immanuel Lutheran College, housed in temporary quarters in Mankato,



This is the reception area as you enter the main building. There is an office to the left of the entrance, equipped with desk and chairs. To the left of this picture one enters the rotunda.



One of the rooms on the main floor. All the furniture, pictures, and drapes and carpeting are included in the \$85,000 price. This room may become a seminary classroom.

we prayed for a modest site on which to construct permanent classrooms, dormitories, and other necessary facilities. Our gracious God has now given us far more than we had ever asked: A truly beautiful site, large enough for all conceivable future needs, and on it a delightful home in which faculty and students will be able to pursue their important work in peace and quiet.

### **Be Ye Thankful**

To meet the financial outlay connected with the purchase of the estate, certain minor alterations, and the construction of additional classrooms, the convention resolved to

gather a special thank-offering in all our congregations, setting the goal at \$100,000.

Our love for the Savior who has redeemed us with His own blood, and our gratitude for the precious treasure of our nursery of Christian knowledge, and for the delightful home for it which He has given us, will make us happy and eager to bring the small financial sacrifice which He now asks of us.

This is our first major effort in behalf of our joint work. Let us apply ourselves to it with vigor. God will be with us and will bless us.

Paul Albrecht, *President*



One of the finest rooms is pictured here and on the opposite page. It is the library with a huge fireplace. This room is all paneled in butternut and is furnished with four tables and chairs to match.

## The Joyous Return . . .

The great joy of the Christmas Season was still ringing in our ears . . . the great gift of our God, His only begotten Son, was in our hearts . . . the great praise of our lips was still echoing from intensive practice, when the Church of the Lutheran Confession gathered at Eau Claire, Wisconsin. The voices of little children speaking and singing of that precious Gift of God, the Child of Bethlehem; the training of children and heartfelt singing of congregations, has filled us all with the great joy of those early shepherds, we like to hear so much about. We feel we are much like them. Our rough sinfulness has not merited even the

slightest blessing. But we received the greatest, the Savior from sin. Thus with our hearts 'returning, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen' we came to consider a Gift the Lord was offering to us.

We were overjoyed some years ago when members of Immanuel Congregation at Mankato offered us the buildings and property as a stop-gap, so that our most precious possessions, our future workers in the Lord's kingdom, our children, could be trained without delay. It was the answer that stopped many mouths, which thought we would never again



The library also has four davenports, almost new, a number of easy chairs, and a few end tables and lamps. The glass doors lead to another glass-enclosed porch, similar in finish to the rotunda.

sing His praise with a loud voice. Now after struggling with temporary facilities, the Lord offered us a permanent site with buildings. It was the joy of those receiving a gift from the Lord, that they might carry the Greatest Gift, the Child of Bethlehem to ever greater numbers. With that spirit the Ingram Estate at Eau Claire, Wisconsin, was purchased.

But as always is the case with these wonderful 'working gifts' of our God—we must go out and claim them. Just as the Children of Israel coming into the Land of Promise, which flowed with milk and honey, and yet each tribe, each family and each person had to go out and claim the gift received, so we decided that

day to show our joy by claiming with a great song of praise . . . *an offering of praise . . . a joyous return . . .* Now with little or no thought we could say, a minimum is needed. But our *joy* does not want our spreading of that message to be held up by His gift to us. For then our claiming would fail. Thus an offering of \$100,000 has been set as our goal of great joy. It amounts to a real expression of our faith, which is not beyond our reach. Slides of our property—collection envelopes and bulletin inserts will be sent to each of you. But the really important thing is that *each of us* rises up to claim that gift in the *joy* of the *Savior*.

R. E. Schaller

## Our ILC and Mission Commitment

After much careful and prayerful deliberation our Church of the Lutheran Confession through its delegates made a momentous decision at the Eau Claire Convention as reported in this issue.

*We have committed ourselves* to fulfill a need for our Immanuel Lutheran College in the form of permanent facilities. We shall now get busy to carry out our commitment, that is, to inform all the members of the CLC, to arouse their

interest and enthusiasm, and to move them to give cheerfully and liberally for our educational program. Let us do it in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ.

At the same time let us remember our previous commitment. At the regular convention (August 1962) *we committed ourselves* to fulfill a need in our mission program in the form of granting full subsidy to all stations under the supervision of the Mission Board as the money be-



The dining room is to the right of the main entrance. It is filled with 4x4 tables and chairs in perfect condition.

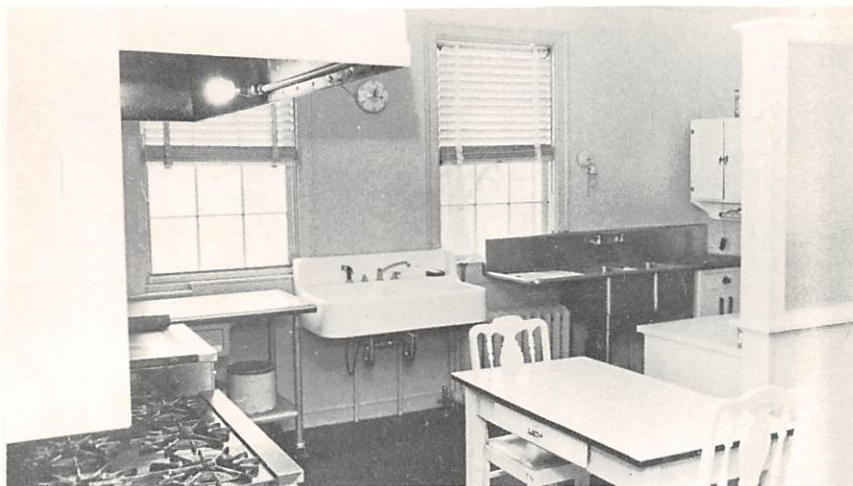


comes available. What have we done so far? None of the former stations has been granted full support. One more congregation has come under the supervision of the Mission Board. The request to begin a mission in the Los Angeles area was recognized and a missionary is being called. But we are not reaching the goal of our commitment. Therefore let us also get busy to do this. Let us now determine to give like attention to our mission

commitment as to our ILC commitment. Let us determine to inform all the members of the CLC what our mission commitment is, to arouse their interest and enthusiasm to bring the Gospel of eternal salvation to others, and to move them with the love of Christ to give as cheerfully and liberally for our mission program as for our ILC program. Let us do it with the Lord's help and blessing.

H. E. Rutz

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Beyond the dining room is the kitchen which has a large gas stove, warming ovens, huge grill, two mixers, and two sinks. There is also a restaurant size dish-washer, a large refrigerator and a walk-in refrigerator. There are enough dishes of all kinds to serve about 50 at a time.

## In Retrospect

The birth of ILC was a miracle and an act of God's grace to fill a pressing need. I call it a miracle because it was the accomplishment of a thing that, humanly speaking, seemed impossible and out of the question for a small and disinherited group. I call it an act of God's grace because we had not deserved it. As we look back to its small beginnings and its consequent growth; as we look back to its little white school house out on the prairie and then to the dedication of two additional classrooms, it is only proper to say that the Lord opened His hand and satisfied the desire of His

children. Those who had been orphaned had found a home. There was joy in the family life of a school that had little to offer by way of physical equipment but much by way of spiritual gifts, for the Scripture principle with its Gospel sunshine brightened each school day. There was need for edification, for an uplifting of the heart, for encouragement, and strength, and the fulfilment of this need was not denied us. Though the cruse of oil was at a very low level and though there was only a handful of meal in the barrel, the Lord arranged it so that there was enough. One school



This enclosed ambulatory leads from the end of the main building to a dormitory annex. It is about 50 feet long.



**This annex is quite new and has four bedrooms on each floor. One side of the basement is level with the ground and is used at present as a garage.**

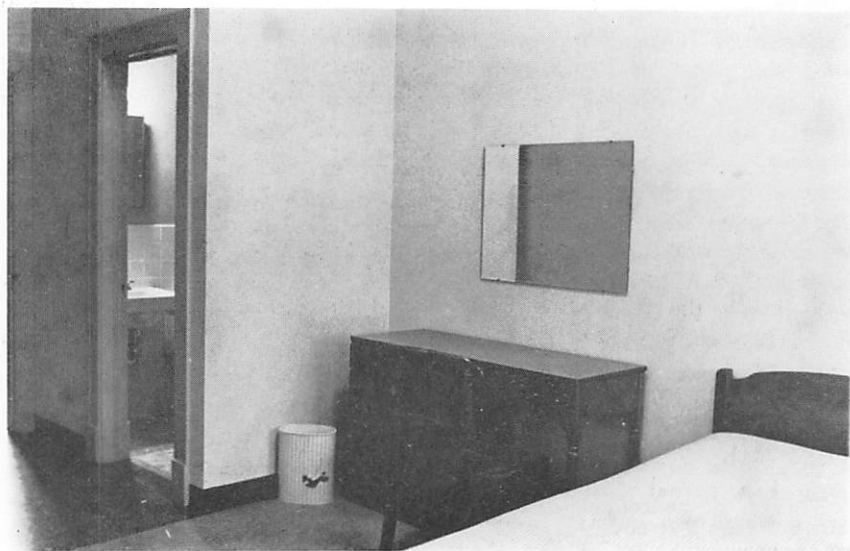
year closed and another began. More students came and the Lord gave gifts of more teachers. By all human standards of judging, this was beyond the realm of expectation. It was another proof that the Lord's hand is not shortened and that the treasury of His mercy is not exhausted. The very lowliness of our circumstances and the scarcity of our means served as a therapeutic agent and as a reminder that "God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; and base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are: that no flesh

should glory in his presence. But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption; that according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord." 1 Corinthians 1:27-31.

It has not been a disgraceful thing that our work has been carried on in a little white schoolhouse out on the prairie and in a little room in Immanuel Church's basement, rather it has been a proof that a school does not consist of buildings nor is the quality of its instruction to be measured by its physical equipment. A Christian school consists of Christian students being instructed by Christian teachers.

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Each room has  
a lavatory, a  
maple bed, and  
a desk. Each  
floor has a bath  
and a shower.



As we look at ILC in retrospect it would ill-become us to pass over the instruments which God used in bringing our institution into being. The consideration that is now to be given dare not be motivated by the thought that people are looking for praise nor by a desire simply to alleviate the disappointment that our present move might now cause some to feel who had hoped to retain the institution in the city where it was founded. The proper reason for this commendation must be a sincere gratitude and a wholehearted appreciation of what has been accomplished. Without the consecration and willingness to give of resources, time, and effort on the part of a

handful of laymen, we do not see how our need would have been fulfilled when the need arose. Into the annals of ILC must be written a record of these acts of love lest we forget what we owe to them. This shall be done not to erect a gallery of special saints in the Church, but in the spirit of a Paul who wrote to the Philippians: "Now ye Philippians know also, that in the beginning of the Gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church communicated with me as concerning giving and receiving, but ye only. For even in Thessalonica ye sent once and again until my necessity. Not because I desire a gift: but I desire

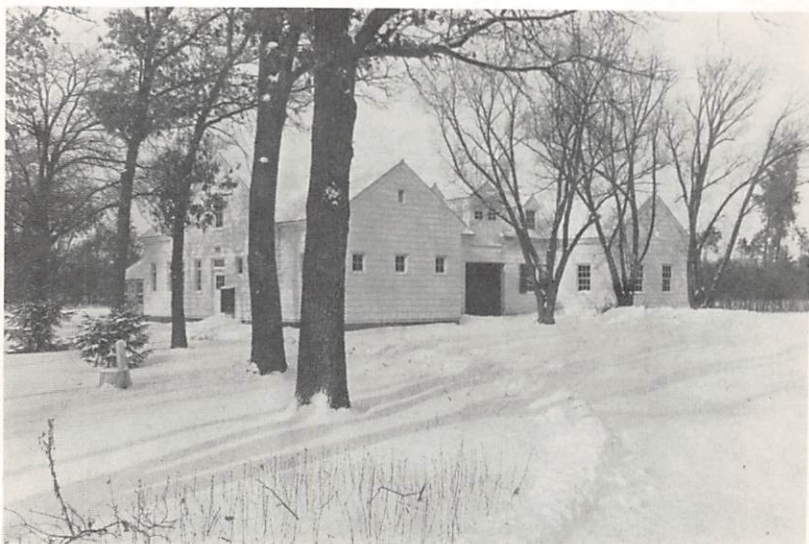
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This three-bedroom residence is about  $\frac{1}{4}$  block northeast of the main building. It could be used for a professorage or additional dormitory space.



The "little" barn. It has been suggested that this be converted into a professorage for about \$5000.



This attractive building is the large barn and suggests many uses. It will likely be used for assembly and gymnasium.



**Messiah Lutheran Church in Eau Claire where our students will worship. The Reverend Arvid Gullerud is the pastor.**

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fruit that may abound to your account. But I have all, and abound; I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you, an odor of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, well pleasing to God. But my God shall supply all your needs according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus. Now unto God and our Father be glory forever and ever. Amen." Philippians 4:15-20.

C. M. Gullerud

### **An Appointment**

Pastor Arvid Gullerud has been appointed as a member to the Board of Regents of Immanuel Lutheran College to serve the unexpired term of Pastor Gordon Radtke, who requested to be relieved for practical reasons.

Paul Albrecht, *President*

Pastor Ralph Schaller, Coloma, Michigan, and Pastor Maynard Witt, Spokane, Washington, were appointed by the moderator to serve as co-chairmen of the Ways and Means Committee. This committee is to implement the \$100,000 capital investment drive.

# The Bread of Life

Date	Reading	Hymn
Feb. 17—	Isaiah 40:1-11	500,1
Feb. 18—	Isaiah 40:12-18	500,2
Feb. 19—	Isaiah 40:19-25	500,3
Feb. 20—	Isaiah 40:26-31	446,1-2
Feb. 21—	Isaiah 41:1-7	446,3-4
Feb. 22—	Isaiah 41:8-20	446,5
Feb. 23—	Isaiah 41:21-29	446,6
Feb. 24—	Isaiah 42:1-9	409,1
Feb. 25—	Isaiah 42:10-17	409,2
Feb. 26—	Isaiah 42:18-25	409,3
Feb. 27—	Isaiah 43:1-7	409,4
Feb. 28—	Isaiah 43:8-13	140,1-2
Mar. 1—	Isaiah 43:14-21	140,3-4
Mar. 2—	Isaiah 43:22-28	140,5-6
Mar. 3—	Isaiah 44:1-8	247
Mar. 4—	Isaiah 44:9-20	261,1-3
Mar. 5—	Isaiah 44:21-28	437,1
Mar. 6—	Isaiah 45:1-13	437,2
Mar. 7—	Isaiah 45:14-25	437,3
Mar. 8—	Isaiah 46:1-13	524,1-4
Mar. 9—	Isaiah 47:1-7	524,5-7
Mar. 10—	Isaiah 47:8-15	522,1-3
Mar. 11—	Isaiah 48:1-11	522,4-7
Mar. 12—	Isaiah 48:12-22	393,1-2
Mar. 13—	Isaiah 49:1-13	393,3-4
Mar. 14—	Isaiah 49:14-26	393,5-6
Mar. 15—	Isaiah 50:1-11	526,1-3
Mar. 16—	Isaiah 51:1-11	526,4-5

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