

PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
DULUTH, MINNESOTA

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND ORGANIZATIONS
PRESENTED AT

THE ANNUAL MEETING
January 21, 1953

Annual Reports January 21, 1953

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Your Nominating Committee wishes to submit the following nominations for officers of Pilgrim Church to be voted upon at the Annual Meeting, January 21, 1953:

Trustees for three years: D. M. Bellows, H. E. Farnam.

Deacons for three years: F. L. Mahler, J. E. Montague, R. H. Bonnell,
H. P. Clarke, E. F. Wahl, V. R. Plumb.

For two years: Dr. Charles M. Bagley (To fill unexpired term.)

Treasurer: C. D. Stillman.

Assistant Treasurer: J. W. Brickson

Clerk: W. M. Fox

Historian: R. S. Knowlton

Religious Education Committee: Mrs. P. V. Troup, W. F. Arndt, Robert M. Smith

Lookout Committee: Mr. and Mrs. ~~R. C. Palmer~~, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Voss,
Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Skaret, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Silliman,
Mr. and Mrs. ~~N. H. Nordal~~

Standing Committee: Mrs. E. L. Joppa, Mrs. C. L. Kohlhaas, Mrs. P. F. Heimick,
Mrs. A. D. Chisholm, Mrs. Lucile Galvin-Whyte,
Mrs. John vanZandt

Music Committee: { Mrs. F. W. Spicer, Chairman; Mrs. E. C. Congdon,
Mrs. A. N. Collins, Mrs. H. A. Garver, Dr. K. R. Fawcett,
Mrs. Kenneth Duncan, Mrs. T. W. Doan, George Finch.

Representatives to the Union Gospel Mission:

Mrs. W. D. Avery, A. L. Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Baldwin

Ushers: Chief Usher, John Dalton. Captains: H. W. Griggs, F. W. Hansen,
R. W. Pennie

Mr. Grigg's Team

W. M. Fox

~~M. A. Moberg~~

G. H. Spencer, Jr.

R. M. Smith

R. S. Knowlton

~~P. V. Troup~~

Bob Matteson

L. W. Moore's
Mr. Hansen's Team

J. B. Crowe

~~J. H. Healy~~

L. W. Moore

R. L. Heller

E. N. Livingston

~~James Halfaker~~

R. J. Moe, Jr.

R. Yates
Mr. Pennie's Team

A. J. Olson

~~Mark Tibbette~~

J. M. Morrison ?

Bruce Buchanan

R. B. Heimbach

~~N. H. Nordal~~

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. Bradley, Chairman

Mrs. E. L. Burg

Mrs. G. H. Spencer

Mrs. T. F. Phillips

Mrs. N. A. Moberg

Mrs. W. B. Matter

Mrs. W. F. Arndt, Sr.

Arthur Roberts

Douglas Walker

D. M. Bellows

N. H. Nordal

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CLERK'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1952

To the Officers and Members of
Pilgrim Congregational Church of Duluth:

During 1952 there were:

17 Deaths	19 Baptisms
15 Births	41 Dismissals
17 Marriages	28 New Members

Dismissals were:

- > Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Northup to First Methodist, Church,
Duluth, Minnesota.
- x Mrs. Rachel Yost Athens, Evangelical Church, Duluth.
Mrs. Donald Lee Cyr, to Pasadena Presbyterian Church,
Pasadena, California.
Miss Ann Starkey, to Northminister Presbyterian Church,
Tucson, Arizona.
Mr. Charles Frost, to St. John's Lutheran Church,
Sacramento, California.
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hendrickson, to Pine Hill Community Church,
Nopeming, Minnesota.
Mrs. Bernard Ostendorf, to 1st Congregational Church,
Stamford, Connecticut.
Mr. Alfred E. Lounsbury, to Congregational Church,
Excelsior, Minnesota.
Mrs. Sara Stecle Applequest, to Plymouth Congregational
Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- x Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Fox, to Glen Avon Presbyterian
Church, Duluth, Minnesota.
Mrs. Howard Iverson, to Chester Park Evangelical United
Brethern Church, Duluth, Minnesota.
- x Mrs. Charles Cone, to Lakeside Presbyterian Church,
Duluth, Minnesota.
- x Miss Marjory Humphreys, to Glen Avon Presbyterian Church,
Duluth, Minnesota.
- x Mr. Donald J. Currier, to Chester Park Evangelical U. B.
Church, Duluth, Minnesota.
Mrs. Newton DeForest, to Moose Lake M. E. Church,
Moose Lake, Minnesota.
- x Miss Barbara Vivian, to Any Evangelical Church, Duluth, Minn.

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- Mrs. C. R. Berghult, to St. Davids-By-The-Sea (Episcopal) Church, Cocoa Beach, Florida.
- Mrs. Philip Bash, to Barrington Methodist Church, Barrington, Illinois.
- Mr. William R. Matteson, to 1st Congregational Church, Long Beach, California.
- x Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Reed, to United Baptist-Christian Church, Duluth, Minnesota.
- Mr. and Mrs. Robert Diefendorf and Robert 3rd, to The Congregational Church, Manhasset, New York.
- Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Berkheiser, and Miss Marian Berkeiser, to 1st Congregational Church, Kenosha, Wisconsin.
- Mr. Frank E. Buck, to Oneonta Congregational Church, So., Pasadena, California.
- Mrs. Clark H. Dohm, to Westminster Presbyterian Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- Mrs. Kenneth M. Garland, to First Congregational Church, Wyandotte, Michigan.
- Miss Mary Storberg, to Boston Avenue Methodist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma.
- Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Page, to First Congregational Church, Tucson, Arizona.
- Mr. David Shefchik, to First Presbyterian Church, Hibbing, Minnesota.
- Mrs. Wallace Johnston and Gail Johnston, to Glen Avon Presbyterian Church, Duluth, Minnesota.
- Mr. John Ingersoll, to First Methodist Church, Schenectady, New York.
- Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Merrill, to Lynnhurst Congregational Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Church Meetings During 1952.

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| March 2 | Re: Sale of Parsonage, reading of Legal Notice. |
| March 23 | Voted to approve sale of Parsonage. |
| May 4 | Selected delegates to State Congregational Conference on May 13-15. |
| Sept. 14 | Mr. Kenneth Duncan read report of Pulpit Committee. Congregation, by unanimous vote, authorized that a letter of call be sent to Rev. William Halfaker. |
| Sept. 21 | Delegates elected to Association Meeting in Cloquet, Sept. 29-30. |

Respectfully submitted,
CLARK A. ILSE.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
- 1952 -

Mr. Moderator and Members of Pilgrim Church:

The financial report of the Treasurer has been filed. The Treasurer and your Chairman will be glad to answer any questions you may have. All current expenses have been paid. The benevolences for the year have been paid. The church is in a very sound financial position. You have before you a copy of the tentative budget of \$41,657.20 which was adopted by the Trustees. The Men's Club by the Every Member Canvass raised \$42,061.30. The Trustees recommend the tentative budget and move its adoption.

The Trustees sold the old parsonage and bought a new one. The financial details of these transactions are set forth in the Treasurer's Report.

The Trustees have also studied a request for a pledge to the Christian World Mission of \$6,000, the apportionment of which would be as follows:

1. State Conferences	56%	\$3,360
2. American Board of Commissioners For Foreign Missions	18%	1,080
3. Board of Home Missions	18%	1,080
4. Relief and Reconstruction	8%	480
	100%	\$6,000

This exceeds the amount paid last year by \$1,000.00. Your Trustees recommend that such amount be pledged and paid, and we move the approval of such payment.

THOMAS M. McCABE
Chairman.

PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Report of Treasurer, 1952

RECEIPTS:

Current Plate Collections	\$ 2,726.45	
Current Pledges	35,308.29	
Back Pledges	1,585.55	
Church School Collections	343.37	
Women's Assembly	900.00	
Women's Assembly, Group 3	125.00	
Easter Collection	684.93	
Men's Club, a/c D/P	720.50	
Sale of Parsonage	2,066.18	
Rentals	340.00	
Loan Northern Minnesota Nat'l Bank	7,000.00	
Special	19.04	
Total Receipts		<u>\$51,819.31</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:

PULPIT & OFFICE:

Salary, Minister	\$ 2,925.00	
Salary, Ass't Minister	795.00	
Travel Expense, Ass't Minister	480.00	
Minister's Annuity	73.09	
Minister's Moving Expense	409.91	
Salary Church Office	2,700.00	
Office Supplies	146.69	
Postage & Printing	1,122.93	
Pilgrim Pilot	79.00	
Pulpit Supply	1,621.00	
Expense Pulpit Committee	1,669.77	\$12,022.39

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Salary, Director	\$ 3,800.00	
Church School Budget	853.81	\$ 4,653.81

MUSIC:

Salary, Director	\$ 1,200.00	
Choir, Music & Care of Organ	2,387.32	\$ 3,587.32

BENEVOLENCES:

Finnish Missions	\$ 1,200.00	
Other Benevolences	6,392.38	\$ 7,592.38

UPKEEP OF PLANT

Salary, Janitor	\$ 2,765.26	
Supplies, Janitor	78.17	
Power, Light, Water, Gas	812.35	
Telephones	235.23	
Fuel	2,817.12	
Maintenance, Parsonage	344.01	
Repairs, Church	3,605.65	
Insurance	1,095.87	
Ashes & Garbage	135.00	\$11,888.66

Report of Treasurer, 1952 (Continued)

DISBURSEMENTS: (Continued)

UNCLASSIFIED:

Every Member Canvas	\$	105.75	
Advertising		46.75	
Assessments		137.67	
Social Security Taxes		122.51	
Conference Expense		274.78	
Payment on Parsonage		9,102.44	
Payment on Bank Loan		81.83	
Interest		106.82	
Miscellaneous		72.05	\$10,050.60
Total Disbursements			<u>\$49,795.16</u>

SUMMARY:

Balances, Jan. 1, 1952:			
Church School Missions	\$	48.20	
Church (O/D)		(19.03)	\$ 29.17
Receipts			<u>\$51,819.31</u>
			\$51,848.48
Disbursements			<u>49,795.16</u>
Balances, December 31, 1952			2,053.32
Church School Missions		35.19	
Easter Collection a/c			
University Work		137.00	
Displaced Person Fund		621.23	
Church		1,259.90	\$ 2,053.32
From the Church Balance of			<u>\$ 1,259.90</u>
Must be paid:			
Estimate for Church Study		375.00	
Estimate for Parsonage Garage		350.00	725.00
			<u>\$ 534.90</u>
Balance Memorial Fund, December 31, 1952			<u>\$ 1,703.47</u>

SALE OF PARSONAGE:

Sales Price			<u>\$14,500.00</u>
Cash Payment			2,200.00
Less: Commission		725.00	
Abstract		8.45	
Certificate		9.95	743.40
			<u>\$ 1,456.60</u>
Paid 8 payments of \$70.00 each			560.00
Interest Paid			49.58
Total Cash at Dec. 31, 1952			<u>\$ 2,066.18</u>
Sales Price			\$14,500.00
Less Cash Payment			<u>2,200.00</u>
Balance Contract for Deed payable at			\$12,300.00
\$70.00 per month			
Paid 5/1/52 to 12/31/52		609.58	
Less Interest		476.66	132.92
Balance of Contract 12/31/52			<u>\$12,167.08</u>

Report of Treasurer, 1952 (continued)

PURCHASE OF PARSONAGE:

Paid to A. C. Ott	\$	500.00	
Mark Nolan		8,145.17	
Co. Treas. Taxes		198.32	
City Treas. Assessment		121.81	\$ 8,965.30
Mortgage assumed: Interest 5%			
Payments of \$106.07 monthly			9,034.70
			<u>\$18,000.00</u>
Cash paid by: Loan from Bank	\$	7,000.00	
Parsonage Fund		1,965.30	\$ 8,965.30
Mortgage Assumed:			
Paid: 11/10		106.07	9,034.70
12/10		106.07	
		212.14	
Interest		75.00	
On Principal			137.17
Balance 12/31/52			<u>\$ 8,897.56</u>

DISTRIBUTION OF BENEVOLENCES:

CHRISTIAN WORLD MISSION

Finnish Missions	\$	1,200.00	
Minnesota State Conference		1,600.00	
Treas. American Board		860.68	
Treas. Home Board		875.00	
Treas. Relief & Reconstruction		400.00	
Treas. Home Board a/c Group 3		50.00	
Church School Missions:			
Indians, North Dakota		25.00	
Cong. Mission Mexico		20.00	
Micronesia		19.32	\$ 5,050.00
Union Gospel Mission			254.00
Church School Missions a/c			
Migrants, Minnesota			20.00
Parsonage, Baudette			200.00
Heating Plant, Church at Cook,			250.00
Lee Bergsman, a/c Work South Africa			250.00
American Sunday School Union			50.00
a/c Displaced Person			99.98
Group 3, a/c Salvation Army			25.00
Easter Collection:			
Northland College			219.88
Congregational Center, Mpls.			146.59
Work with UMD			137.00
Thankoffering			471.29
Fund, Retired Ministers			544.14
Deficit Good Friday Services			11.50
			<u>\$ 7,729.38</u>
Less Fund on hand, UMD Work			137.00
Disbursed per statement			<u>\$ 7,572.38</u>

Respectfully submitted,

C. D. STILIMAN, Treasurer.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DEACONS
PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH FOR THE YEAR 1952

The Board of Deacons held ten meetings during the year with an average attendance of thirteen members.

Many matters of interest and importance to the church were discussed and given necessary attention.

1. Mr. C. L. Edson was named again to represent the Board of Deacons on the Religious Education Committee.
2. Due to the absence of a regular minister during a greater part of 1952, only three communion services were held. Mr. J. W. Walker again acted as Communion Service Supervisor.
3. Together with five neighboring churches, Pilgrim again joined in Union Lenten Services.
4. To permit necessary decorating of the sanctuary, regular services were discontinued during the months of July and August.
5. Members of the Confirmation Class, taught this year by Miss Belt, were examined as to their fitness for church membership by a committee of deacons appointed for that purpose.

The committee responsible for supply ministers were fortunate in being able to bring to the pulpit of Pilgrim Church a variety of talented and inspired preachers, not the least among them being Dr. Elderkin and Dr. Vernon, each of whom served us on several occasions, to the benefit and delight of our membership. We were pleased also to have the opportunity of hearing our own student minister, George Macaulay III, on June 22.

The pastoral work of the parish, so splendidly carried on by Rev. Charles W. Ramshaw in the absence of a regular minister, contributed in no small measure to preserving the equilibrium of our beloved church.

To our faithful church Staff, Mrs. Manley, Miss Belt, Miss Rogers and Mr. Laurin, we are deeply grateful for their untiring and efficient work in maintaining Pilgrim Church as a going institution of which all may well be proud.

Grateful acknowledgement is given to the Women's Assembly and to one of its members in particular, for the beautiful new carpeting in the sanctuary and narthex of the church, a joy to all worshippers.

Sincere thanks, also, to the leaders and workers in all departments of our church life for their consecration and enthusiasm displayed throughout the entire year.

The generosity of our congregation in replenishing the Deacons' Fund is appreciated. A balance of \$98.59 remains in the fund at this time.

Annual Report of the Board of Deacons (continued)

On December 6th Pilgrim Church sustained an irreparable loss in the death of Albert Baldwin, 87, who had served with marked loyalty and distinction in the capacities of deacon, senior deacon and life deacon for a total of 56 consecutive years. We cannot hope to equal but only to emulate his shining example, as the ideal churchman. To his daughters we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

The Pulpit Committee, chairmaned by Mr. Kenneth Duncan, found their long and careful search crowned with success when Rev. William L. Halfaker of Minneapolis, accepted a call to become the minister of Pilgrim Church. Mr. Halfaker's ministry among us began on Sunday, November 16, and on December 14 Mr. and Mrs. Halfaker and son, James, were received publicly into our church fellowship. Already, they have won a place in our hearts and we bespeak for them the friendship, understanding and loyal co-operation of all who love Pilgrim Church.

Respectfully submitted,

HUBERT U. MOORE
Senior Deacon.

REPORT OF WOMEN'S ASSEMBLY FOR 1952

The Women's Assembly has had an interesting year of fellowship and accomplishment.

The most obvious result has been the laying of carpet throughout the church. New carpet has been placed in the Sanctuary and narthex, and the old has been cleaned and laid on stairways and in halls. We hope you all enjoy it! Our gratitude goes to our past president, Mrs. Spencer, for her generous gift toward this project. We also thank the housekeeping committee, under Mrs. David and Mrs. Croze, who have given it so much time and thought.

We have held our regular monthly meetings, planned for by our program chairman, Mrs. E. G. Peterson and her committee. While Pilgrim Church had no minister we appreciated, especially, the kindness of Rev. A. G. Fjellman, pastor of the Church of the Good Shepherd, and of Rev. O. Wendell McGinnes of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, in coming to speak to us. For our Lenten meeting our own Rev. C. W. Ramshaw conducted an Assembly Communion Service.

We arranged the usual quota of dinners. Some were all-Assembly projects and some were in the hands of one of the Groups.

Flowers were furnished for Sunday Services, with special arrangements for Easter. These flowers are taken after the morning service to those who are ill or shut-in.

Under the supervision of Mrs. B. S. Savin and Mrs. W. D. Avery, the Community Interests and Friendly Service Committees have served many causes. Boxes of clothing were packed and shipped to destinations at home and abroad, layettes were prepared and given in cases of need.

Our widening contact with friends in the Duluth Association has been a pleasure in this year's work. In April our state officers for Women's work held a workshop in Pilgrim Church to which our friends from neighboring Congregational Churches were invited. In May we had as our guests the women from the church at Cook, accompanied by their minister, Rev. W. D. Flemming, who gave the devotions of the day. In October 50 Pilgrim women were guests of the Morgan Park Assembly.

It would be impossible to name all the women whose constant and generous support makes the work of the Assembly possible. To them, however, and especially to the church staff, go the thanks of those responsible for that work.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARICE HUNT

REPORT OF THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

The enrollment in the Church School as of January 1, 1953 is 202. A gain of 22 since September.

The attendance average around 65% - highest among the 6th grade boys and the 8th grade.

There are 24 regular teachers plus a number of substitutes. This includes 8 men teachers.

Pilgrim Fellowship has a younger and smaller group this year, but should increase next year.

In October the committee sponsored a family-night dinner. After dinner the children were shown a movie while the parents discussed Church School problems. At Christmas we all enjoyed an evening in the church, hearing the Christmas story, singing Christmas Carols and seeing some excellent slides on Christmas in other lands.

I wish to thank Miss Belt and the members of the Religious Education Committee for their cooperation and help. I wish also to give our most sincere thanks to each person helping Miss Belt in her work. Surely we must all focus our attention on the Religious Education program presented by our church and do what we can to be sure that each child who attends our classes receives his share of loving care and guidance. This takes many people with willing hearts, but it is the surest way to supplement home training in building Christian character, and a strong church.

Respectfully submitted,

GERTRUDE JACOBSON.

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN - 1952

To the Members of Pilgrim Congregational Church:

The year 1952 was a year of dynamic character in the history of Pilgrim Church. It was the 81st year of our fellowship, a year of change and accomplishment.

Thanks to our able Pulpit Supply Committee under the chairmanship of Mr. Hubert Moore, the Church pulpit was staffed by no less than eighteen guest ministers throughout the periods, January 6 to June 30 and September 14 to November 9. Meanwhile, and throughout the summer months of July and August while Church services were suspended to permit effecting repair and redecoration of the Sanctuary, our Pulpit Committee, of which Mr. Kenneth Duncan was Chairman, went about its task of securing the services of a new minister to our congregation. Mr. Duncan and his assistants devoted to this task many hours of untiring effort, this at no little sacrifice to their personal affairs and convenience. Their selection of Rev. William Leroy Halfaker as our new minister met with the unanimous and enthusiastic acceptance of the Church membership. Rev. Halfaker commenced his pastorate on November 16th.

Rev. Chas. W. Ramshaw generously attended to the pastoral work of the Church during the period we were without a regular minister.

The Board of Trustees, of which Mr. T. M. McCabe was chairman, negotiated to decided advantage the sale of the old parsonage on East 4th St. and the purchase of the new manse at 2125 East 3rd St.

Pilgrim's Men's Club with ever increasing membership, interest, and vigor, concluded another successful "Every Member Canvass". During the year Mr. W. A. Newman handed over the gavel to Mr. Douglas Walker.

Our Women's Assembly continued their many worthy activities. Mrs. Rollo Hunt was President, assisted by an able and energetic staff. The several women's groups maintained an enthusiasm and capacity for good works that received the admiration of our entire membership.

Pilgrim's Church School gained in size and attendance as the result of the leadership of our Director of Religious Education, Miss Dorothy Belt, and a willing and faithful staff of volunteer teachers. The strength of our Church and achievement of its purpose was furthered to an incalculable degree through the work of these teachers.

Report of the Historian - 1952 (continued)

It is with sorrow and regret that we record the passing of these our friends and fellow members of Pilgrim Church.

Andor Sylte	Perley S. Knowlton
John A. Johnson	Mrs. Signe Holst
George W. Watts	Gordon D. Whiteside
Mrs. Alex Anderson	Henry C. Hornby
Brewer Mattocks, Jr.	Walter N. Trenerry
Jarl W. Hanson	Mrs. W. S. Huber
Mrs. Ethel Anna Colman	Albert Baldwin
Mrs. Clara Louise Cutler	Wellington J. Brown
Earl E. Johnson	

Memory of these departed friends shall continue their fellowship among us. May we pause a moment in silent prayer for their keeping into the hands of our Father.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN VAN ZANDT.

A JOINT RECOMMENDATION OF THE BOARD OF DEACONS AND THE TRUSTEES

In view of our desire to give careful pastoral attention to all members of our parish and in consideration of the Pastor's need of assistance to make this possible we make the following recommendation after careful thought and study:

That Rev. Charles W. Ramshaw be added to our Church Staff on a part time basis, to serve as Pastoral Assistant.

That his responsibility be to call on the ill in the hospital and those who are recuperating at home and the shut-in members of the congregation.

That he be engaged to give three afternoons each week to this work and that the aim be to call on each shut-in at least once a month.

That this work be done in close cooperation with the Minister who will also be available where needed.

~~THAT THE BOARD OF DEACONS AND TRUSTEES SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE SALARY OF MR. RAMSHAW, \$100 PER MONTH, AND THE EXPENSE OF HIS TRAVEL.~~

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That \$100 per month be set aside in the budget for this purpose to be allocated to salary and car expense as shall be arranged between the Trustees and Mr. Ramshaw.

January 21, 1953.

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~~Report of the University~~
Committee

Year 1952-

Report of Friendly Service Committee
Year of 1952.

This committee, operating during the year on a budget of 210.00 reports the following amounts sent to our Congregational projects -

To Olivet College, Olivet, Michigan at the request of our State Friendly Service Chairman - 40.00.

To our treasurer of Congregational Women of Minnesota, Mrs. H. R. Alden for use in our state migrant centers - 15.00.

Ten dollars of this amount was to be used for the expenses of the centers and five dollars toward the purchase of a station wagon to be known as the "Harvester," carrying a workshop center, library, first aid supplies and other aids to our state migrant communities. This work is inter denominational.

To Mrs. Richard Bachelder, acting treasurer for our Japanese student, Mr. Mahoto Sumoto, who is working for his MA degree in child welfare on the U. of Minn. campus - 5.00.

To Mrs. Merrill Steward, Co Supervisor of Delmo Communities, Delbourn, Missouri - 50.00. This amount is to be used to cover the cost for one year of further education for one pupil who would find such education impossible without the aid of Christian friends. This is in answer to a plea made by Mrs. Steward at our Duluth Association meeting at Chequamegon last September.

The remainder of our budget allotment was spent to defray the expense of shipping our boxes of clothing and layettes and buying material used in our layette sewing. With reference to the clothing drive of last fall, we report that five boxes of warm clothing were sent to the World Service center for shipment to Korea, and seven boxes of clothing and other articles useful in a home such as curtains, draperies to Mrs. Steward.

at Dulmo.

Last to be reported upon, and purposely so in order to stress its importance is our Women's assembly sewing project. This year again we chose layette sewing, feeling that its simplicity, opportunity for handwork, and home work such as knitting might afford opportunity for a large group of workers - also knowing that even a new, inexpensive blanket might bring a glow to the eyes of a mother whose new little babe might have none. Sewing meetings were sponsored on the third Monday of each month whenever possible and preceding the Assembly meetings when the demand arose. Handwork was furnished to those circles requesting such during their meeting programs. The average attendance at our sewing meetings has been seven or eight. Even complete, indeed generous, layettes were sent to Dulmo together with a few extra articles not quite sufficient to complete an eighth.

The members of this committee are most appreciative of the cooperation received from ⁽²⁾ the circles who have helped financially and who have accomplished much during their meetings with this sewing ⁽¹⁾ the loyal members who searched their homes and brought to the church all the articles which enabled us to help others with our clothing collection ⁽³⁾ those individual members who have been sewing and knitting diligently in their homes and those who have donated articles and materials that this Women's assembly project, ^{for 1952} might show an increase over the year of 1951 - which it has done -

Respectfully submitted -

Mrs Clifford Hawthorth

Mrs. E. L. Joppe

Mrs. E. W. Minty

Mrs. P. J. Laird

Mrs. R. R. Asplund

Mrs. W. D. Berry ch.

MRS. E. G. PETERSON
3401 GREYSOLON PLACE
DULUTH 5, MINNESOTA

Jan. 7-1952

As chairman of the Program Committee for 1952, we tried to bring a variety of programs and all proved helpful and interesting.

During the winter, we had talks by Mrs. Jonk and Mr. Mc Ginnis.

Mrs. Jonk's talk on the Sandstone Mental Hospital inspired us to give

much aid in money, clothing, magazines etc.

In March, Mr. Ramshaw gave us a communion service and Miss Rogers furnished the music. For Easter, Mr. Mc Ginnis gave us an

inspiring Lenten talk.

In May, we entertained the Cook Ladies at our usual birthday party followed by tea.

June, our time was spent in

planning the Christmas sale.

In Oct. the ladies of the Morgan Park Church entertained us in their newly furnished dining room. There we heard an excellent talk by a returned missionary and his wife.

Our Christmas program was beautiful with music from the Danfield High.

Respectfully Submitted
Elizabeth Peterson

Women's Assembly 1952.

The annual meeting of the Women's Assembly, Pilgrim Congregational Church, was held on Jan 9, 1952. The following officers were introduced and took over their duties:

Pres. Mrs Rollo Hunt
1st V. Pres. " E. G. Peterson
2nd V. Pres. " Harry Klein
Secretary : " R. W. Hatchkins
Corresponding Secretary Mrs. Robert Smith
Treasurer: Mrs Anna Meinhardt
as Treas.: Mrs Norman Johnson

The annual Church dinner was held on January 16.

At the February meeting the budget for the year, as submitted, was approved and accepted.

Memorial was ~~given~~^{read} to Mrs G. E. Walker. A chair was purchased for St Luke's Chapel and ~~engraved~~^{plaque to be} with Mrs Walker's name.

At the March meeting Mrs. David, housekeeping chairman, reported that Mrs Spencer had made a gift of carpeting for the rostrum of the Church and that the Assembly's projects for the year would be new carpeting for the auditorium. Rev. Ramsdell held a Communion service in the Chapel.

Men's Club dinner was put on
by Group 6 on March 11th.

Mrs David reported that
her committee was to pick up
the Minister's study.

The Congregational Women's
Work Shop was held at Pilgrim
Church on April 22nd.

During the month of May
different groups did sewing and
mending at the Children's Home.
Articles were collected and sent
to Hopeming. At the May

meeting we entertained guests
from the Cook Church.

Mrs Bergsman told of her
work in Johannesburg,
South Africa.

At the September meeting
Mrs David, house keeping Chairman,
reported on purchase of new
carpeting and relaying of old
carpeting. Mrs Kent reported
that Mrs Hatley had made a
gift of 2 chairs and 2 tables
to be placed in the Vestibule.
Harvest dinner was put on by
The Women's Assembly on
September 24th.

The Ladies of the Women's
Assembly were guests of the
Morgan Park Church in
October.

At the November meeting
it was decided that Groups
would be reshuffled for 1953.

Christmas Bazaar and
luncheon was held on
November 19th.

Friendly Service reported
completing eleven Lanyard sets.
Thank offering envelopes were
sent out by Women's Assembly
for Thanksgiving Service.

At December meeting it
was decided to reduce
number of Assembly Groups to
Six, including Evening.

Names were drawn for the
new Groups. Officers of
the Assembly to stay the
same for 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Hotchkiss, Sec'y.

9 meetings

January 7, 1953

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Annual Report Group I 1952

Officers serving Group I have been

Treasurer Mrs. W. S. Horr

Secretary Mrs. C. L. Thomas

Co chairmen Mrs. T. J. Ketter
Mrs. T. F. Phillips

In planning programs we have tried
to emphasize the devotional ^{programs} atmosphere
Mrs. Philip Bray has acted as
our program chairmen for three years
We are deeply grateful to her.
Mrs. J. W. Harold has been our
hostess chairwoman Mrs. E. A. Vivian
and Mrs. J. Arthur Johnson have
been co-chairmen of the very important

Need of our flower Committee
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telephone Committee. Mrs. Goodman
and Mrs. Thomas have acted as
Meal-planning Chairmen.

Mrs. R. R. Ardustrom, Mrs. E. D.
Beltman and Mrs. R. W. Johnson
served as our Bazaar Committee
with Mrs. John H. Moore as work
Chairman. Mrs. R. B. McDonald
has been Chairman of dining room work.

Financially ^{health} ~~solvency~~ ^{largely} depended on
over \$5 per member dues. We
have given the Assembly \$250.
From Bazaar Sales " 205.

In December the Group voted a gift
to our own Religious Ed. Department
\$55 to be used where they think it will
help the most, perhaps for Camp ships

#10 left in bank acct for new groups ✓

Total \$520. through

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efforts of group ✓

We feel grateful to all of our members
for their cheerful generous help.
would like to ~~name~~ ^{cite} them all for
their various contributions

Mrs. T. J. Kites.

Mrs. T. F. Phillips

} Supervisors

The group greatly appreciates the
leadership of Mrs. Hunt

The Religious Education Committee is pleased to make the following report:

Our Sunday School, under the able direction of Miss Belt, is growing. Now we have an enrollment of 202, a gain of 22 since September. 65% attendance is average, and the highest % of attendance is among the 6th and 8th grades, which were the lowest groups before this year.

Among the active Assembly members who are on the teaching staff are: Mrs. Livingston, Mrs. Clarke Isle, Mrs. Frank Hanson, Mrs. Howard Clark, Mrs. Honigman, Mrs. Robert Smith, Mrs. Jacobson, Mrs. Harlow, Mrs. Nutting, Mrs. Laird and Mrs. Nordal. The committee wishes to extend their most grateful appreciation for the hours of service and thought that go into these teaching jobs.

The kindergarten has grown so that we have had to divide the groups according to age; the Jr. department has outgrown its furnishings--it is impossible to find enough chairs for all these young people to sit on! Surely an encouraging development in our attendance record. As for the older groups--the Pilgrim Fellowship is an active body this year--smaller and younger than before, but with a lot of possibilities too. They have already raised \$50 for the Minnesota Pilgrim Fellowship mission goal, and plan to have a rummage sale in the spring. Cambridge Club tried 3 meetings in the fall but without much success. Perhaps with Mrs. Halfaker's help, this group can become active.

Now benevolences: In addition to the money--20% of which is designated to missions, the children brought food and money enough to serve 30 people at Thanksgiving time. Gifts

for the Holdiay Bureau filled four large boxes.

The Religious Education Committee itself sponsered a family night dinner in Oct., and is now assigned the task of v
visiting other Church Schools and comparing problems and answe
to problems in various Churches.

The carpeting on the stairs, which reduces the thunder of footsteps to a whisper, has been of immense valu, and we of the Religious Education Committee/ thank the Assembly for answering our plea so generously.

Our plea this year is not quite so overwhelming, although just as earnest--shades for the Primary room; shades for the balcony class rooms and as I mentioned before, chairs for the growing Jr. deparment.

I speak for the committee when I say that it is a privelege and a pleasure to serve the young people of Pilgrim Church.

1952 Annual Report - Group 2 - Pilgrim Church Womens' Assembly

Group 2 meetings were held the first Monday evening of each month at 8P.M.

The officers for the year were:

Supervisor: Mrs. Glen Weld
Work Supervisor: Mrs. Vanita Priest
Secretary: Mrs. Roderick Syck
Treasurer: Mrs. Ellis Livingston

There were nine meetings, all at the members homes except one work meeting at the church in October. At seven of the meetings, the members sewed, knitted, and worked on articles for the bazaar and other sales during the year. In May we had a social meeting, and in December our Christmas party. Dorothy Belt entertained with some very lovely piano selections and Christmas gifts were exchanged.

The group served as hostesses in January, in the dining room in September, provided waitresses for the Carpet dinner, and the required help for the bazaar luncheon.

At the May Assembly luncheon, we held a bake and merchandise sale, and at the October and December luncheons, merchandise sales.

In 1952 Group 2 paid in pledge to the Assembly the amount of \$160.00
The amount raised at the Bazaar was \$110.65

Total \$270.65

Group 2 was perhaps the smallest in membership, but all the active members were willing, cooperative workers throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Isabella M. Weld

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December 24, 1952

Miss Anna W. Meinhardt, Treasurer
Women's Assembly, Pilgrim Congregational Church
1531 East Fourth Street
Duluth 5, Minnesota

Dear Miss Meinhardt:

Enclosed you will find an associate group membership card for the Women's Assembly of Pilgrim Congregational Church. We are very grateful to you for your continuing active support of and interest in the work of the International Institute.

Best wishes for the coming year!

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth M. Ott
Elizabeth M. Ott

 Member of the Duluth Community Fund

Annual Report of Group - 1 - for 1952.

Group # 1 held ~~nine~~ meetings during the year - ~~four~~ at the Church. the rest in houses of members. we brought our sandwiches & the hostesses served coffee & desert. Our annual dues were \$5.00 each. The average attendance ran about twenty - ~~five~~ members.

During the meetings, we sewed our layettes, for which the Circle purchased the materials. Under the capable management of Mrs Haworth, we completed four layettes which were sent to the Cotton Valley School at Tuskegee Alabama.

We paid the customary \$2.50 to the assembly treasurer.

✓ later 213.04, raised mostly at
the bazaar, with some funds
coming also from the sale of
Vigil, ✓ shirt envelopes.

The circle voted to leave
\$25.00 in the treasury, which
we are now turning over
to the treasurer of the new
Group 1.

Respectfully submitted.

Katharine W. Haselton.

I wish to thank Mrs D. E. Harris,
Co-Chairman ✓ all the officers
of the Circle for their efficient
✓ cheerful work at all times
during the year -

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THE WOMEN'S ASSEMBLY
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It has been my pleasure during the year 1952 to serve as Corresponding Secretary under the capable guidance of Mrs Hunt, our President.

One of my duties was to send cards each month notifying the board members of the meeting, of these I send 184. During the course of the year I took care of the following correspondence, sent one invitations, four get well cards, four thank you notes and eight letters of sympathy.

Respectfully submitted

Charlotte R. Smith
Corresponding Secretary

In January we organized for the year 1952 with a membership of 38, but only 28 active participants.

In February we planned and cooked the Women's Assembly luncheon and realized a profit of about \$12.25.

March was our month to work in the dining room, and in April some of us took charge of the guest book on Sunday.

May found the group starting their Bazaar projects. We decorated two tables for the birthday luncheon.

In Sept., Group 7 planned and cooked the Women's Assembly luncheon again. We had a profit of \$13.50. We also furnished table-setters and waitresses for the church dinner on the 24th.

In November we helped in the dining room again for the Bazaar luncheon. We made \$183.80 at our booth and turned it over to the Assembly treasurer as our Bazaar contribution.

Our financial basis is an assessment of \$5. per member which is payable anytime during the year. Our \$250. pledge to the Assembly was paid in May.

Our expenditures were \$15.25 which included remembrances to members who were ill, Children's Home, cards and postage and checking charges.

By vote of Group 7, the balance in our treasury of about \$170, with the approval of the trustees, will be used toward renovating the powder room.

In behalf of our group, I'd like to thank Mrs. Hunt for her wise direction this year. It has been a pleasure to work with her.

Respectfully submitted by Lucille Whyte, supervisor, Group 7.