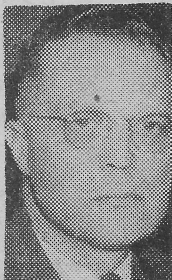


## 7 Octogenarians Active in 80-Year-Old Church

First Lutheran Church, Broadway at Wells Avenue, will be 80 years old tomorrow, the Rev. Roland Frerking, pastor, announced. There will be no special celebration, but members are asked "to breathe a prayer of thanksgiving for blessings received."

Though no charter member of the 80-year old church is living today, there are seven octogenarians, born about the time



Rev. Frerking

the church was

organized, who are active in its work. They are:

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roettger, Winfield Drive; Mrs. Mary Asquith, 1517 Branson Avenue; Mrs. Gus Engert, 409 Columbia Avenue; John Meyer, 2340 Ocoee Trail; Mrs. C. S. Tauscher, 3065 Washington Pike, and Mrs. J. F. Tauscher, 409 East Oklahoma Avenue. The latter two are sisters who married brothers.

First Lutheran was formally organized Oct. 12, 1869, by 23 men who gathered at Peter

Kern's Hall, 7 Market Square. The first church, called First German Evangelical Lutheran Church, was built on the site on Western Avenue now occupied by the L&N Station. In 1903 the church was moved to Broadway at Fifth Avenue and was called the First German-English Lutheran Church. That site was sold in 1945 and the present site purchased. A parochial school has been built and erection of a new church during 1950 is planned.

A new parsonage at 1607 North Hills Boulevard has just been

purchased by the congregation, and the pastor given a new car.

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REV. FRIEDRICH TO LEAVE.

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Pastor of First German Lutheran  
Church Will Go to St.  
Charles, Mo.

It will be learned with wide regret that Rev. Julius A. Friedrich, pastor of the First German Lutheran church, is soon to leave Knoxville to take charge of a large church at St. Charles, Mo. He has been in Knoxville about six years and warmly endeared himself to the hearts of many people in the city. His connection with his church here has been marked with success.

# HIS WORDS OF FAREWELL

Rev. Edwin Koehler Leaves  
Knoxville Tuesday.

Will Fill the Chair of Theology  
in Concordia Seminary at  
Addison, Ill.

Jan 4, 09,

Rev. Edwin Koehler, for five years pastor of the German English Lutheran church of this city, leaves Knoxville Tuesday morning at 11:45 o'clock from the L. & N. depot for Addison, Ill., where he goes to accept the chair of theology in Concordia seminary. He preached two farewell sermons Sunday, the one in the morning in German and at night one in English. In his preliminary remarks at the night sermon, the departing pastor spoke of the sadness of saying farewell after living for five years among a people whom he had learned to know and to love. He stated his belief that the very last man had implicit confidence in him and in his work. Mr. Koehler brought out the fact that his five years among the present congregation had not been idle ones, but that he could with good conscience point to five years of successful and faithful labor. Some marks evidencing this fact were offered, among them being the unity of the congregation on doctrinal practices, liberality as shown in the fact that a church debt of \$2,500 had been cleared, leaving the church without a debt, the last of the \$17,000 building cost of the church having been paid during his pastorate, and raised strictly within the pastorate. Very freely given, too, has been the offering of \$850 per annum for the support of mission work, besides the expenses of the pastor, salary and manse, and the cost of a teacher for the parochial school. On the whole, it was pointed out that members of the congregation have a healthy and lively interest in the work of the church. One special feature of the growth of the church is to be noted in the fact that the parochial school students, who five years ago numbered twenty-eight, are now seventy-four in number, and the school can accommodate no more.

Succeeding Mr. Koehler as temporary pastor is Mr. Walter Preusser, for pulpit work, and Mr. Julius Friedrich, son of a former pastor of that church for parochial schoolmaster.

From time to time the congregation has sent out calls for a permanent supply for the pulpit, but as yet none of them has been successful. The congregation now has a call in the hands of Rev. J. Fricke, of Aurora, Ill.

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At the morning hour, the usual custom was observed with a sermon in German, and at night the farewell in English was delivered. The morning text was: "May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost be with you all." Second Cor. 13:13. At night the text was: "Therefore watch and remember that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears; and now brethren, I command you to God, and the word of His grace which is able to build you up, and give you an inheritance among them which are sanctified." These words were taken from the farewell address of Paul to the elders of the congregation at Ephesus. Enlarging on this text special attention was called to the fact that during the five years of ministry he had preached only the pure gospel and unadulterated word of God; that as pastor and preacher he had nothing to retract or apologize of the doctrines he had taught. They were the truth, said Mr. Koehler, and on this score he asked the congregation to remember all that he had said and to abide by it.

The departing pastor pointed out that they had been warned of temptations of sin, and that these had been spoken from a sincere heart. He then commended them to the keeping and gracious protection of God and especially to the word of His grace, the gospel of Christ where they would at all times find forgiveness, exhorting them to continue steadfast in the truth of God's word, guarding against the deceivableness of error, and remaining loyal to their Saviour and to their church.

In closing, Rev. Mr. Koehler addressed himself to the various groups in particular. To the children of the school who were in a body, to the catechumens whom he himself had confirmed during the past five years and to the children and teachers of the Sunday school, members of the Ladies' Aid society and officers of the congregation who had been very devoted and zealous in the work for the church, also to the visitors and friends who had frequently attended services at his church, then to all in general, hoping that even though they might not all meet again in this life, they might meet at the throne of the Lord.

At a special request of the pastor, the congregation sang "God Be With You Till We Meet Again." The gathering was much moved by the occasion and the words of the sermon and all remained after church to bid the departing pastor farewell, and wish him God's blessings on his way and in his future work.

Services will be continued as usual, in charge of the temporary pastor.

In speaking of leaving the city last night, Dr. Koehler said to a Journal and Tribune reporter that it was with the most sincere regret that he was going away, not only in that he was leaving his congregation, but that he was leaving Knoxville, having lived here and watched the growth of the city and its recent progress till he had come to hold the town very dear.

# REV. C. L. MUELLER IS CALLED TO MISSOURI

Knoxville, Tenn. 11/26-25

The congregation of the German-English Lutheran church of this city will hold a meeting at the church Sunday morning, following the regular service, to consider a call which has been received by Rev. C. L. Mueller, pastor, from Blackjack, Mo. Rev. Mr. Mueller has been located in Knoxville three years. It is not known whether he will accept the Missouri call.

# CONGREGATION

## BADE GOOD BYE

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Rev. C. Mueller, of German  
Lutheran Church, Preached  
Farewell Sermon.

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Rev. C. Mueller, for three years and seven months pastor of the German-English Lutheran church, preached his farewell sermon Sunday morning 10:30 o'clock, employing both the German and English languages in his sermon. He selected his text from Acts 20:32.

Rev. Mr. Mueller will leave probably Wednesday night for St. Louis. He has accepted a call to the Lutheran church at Blackjack, Mo., near St. Louis. His new church has a membership of eight hundred. His many friends and members of the German-English Lutheran congregation regret that he has decided to go to another congregation. Mr. Mueller came to Knoxville to the local church from Iva, Mich., where he was in charge of the Lutheran church for sixteen successive years.

The German-English Lutheran congregation of this city has extended a call to Rev. E. J. Friedrich, Jr., of Charles, Mo., and it is expected some definite announcement will be made soon concerning a new pastor. Rev. C. Mueller will be installed in his new work the third Sunday in January.

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REV. MARTIN MUELLER  
HAS DECLINED CALL

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To Pastorate of German-  
English Lutheran Church Here.

Rev. Martin Mueller, of Montgomery City, Mo., who has been extended a call to the German-English Lutheran congregation of this city to fill the vacancy established by the retirement of Rev. Carl Mueller from that pastorate, has declined the call, and a meeting of the congregation will be held Sunday morning, following the English service to be held at 10:30 o'clock, for the purpose of taking steps to call another minister. No night service will be held at the church Sunday.

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1917.

## DEATHS-FUNERALS

GAUDENS HEINS, VETERAN,  
SUGGUMBS TO ILLNESSWellknown Citizen, Who Re-  
cently Observed Fiftieth  
Wedding Day, Passes.

Another brave Confederate veteran joined the ranks of the majority when Gaudens Heins, aged 73 years passed away at his home, 820 Hannah avenue, Monday night following an illness of two months. The end came peacefully with his wife and children by his bedside.

But four months ago, Mr. and Mrs. Heins celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage, when hundreds of friends called upon them to felicitate them and wish them many more observances of the happy event which occurred in Wartburg, Morgan county, Oct. 11, 1866. Mrs. Heins was Miss Dorothea Bardill.

Mr. Heins was born in Graubinden Switzerland. When but 9 years old, he came to America, the family settling in Wartburg.

For forty years, Mr. Heins lived in Knoxville, except for a few years when he resided upon a farm at Inskip.

He was a devout Christian, being a founder of the German-English Lutheran church and serving as president of the institution for twenty-five years. He took great interest in his church work. He always took an especial part in civic affairs. For a number of years, he was in the shoe business.

He was an active member of Fred Ault camp, U. C. V.

The nine children surviving are, John P. Heins, of Albany, Ga., Jacob A. Heines, Charles T. Heines, W. Alex Heins, Albert G. Heins, George H. Geins, Mrs. Harry W. Asquith, Mrs. Charles R. Schmid and Mrs. Herbert H. Cox.

Funeral services will be conducted from the residence Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. H. Kellermann officiating, after which the remains will be taken to the German-English Lutheran church corner Fifth avenue and Broadway before being interred in Old Gray cemetery.

The passing of Mr. Heins will be regretted by a very large circle of friends composed of many leading citizens of Knoxville.

The active pallbearers will be Edward Attix, Harry Gadd, John P. Kern, Herman Schenck, Fritz Staub and Albert Fanz.

Honorary pallbearers: John Lichtenwanger, C. J. Haemsch, Charles Mauelshagen, John Meyer, Gus Engert and C. F. Weigel.

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THURSDAY

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## Editor Loses Grandfather

The editor of The Jefferson County News, Mr. Fred G. Asquith, on Monday night suffered the loss of his grandfather, Mr. Gaudens Heins, at an advanced age.

The Knoxville Journal - Tribune of Wednesday contained the following notice of his death: "The funeral of Gaudens Heins, 73, veteran of the Confederate army and well known citizen, whose death occurred Monday night at his home, 820 Hannah avenue, were conducted from his home Wednesday at 2 o'clock, Rev. H. Kellerman officiating. The body was taken to the German-English Lutheran church at Fifth avenue and Broadway to await interment.

The deceased was one of the founders of the German-English Lutheran church in this city and was president of the institution for more than 25 years. He was a native of Switzerland and came to America at the age of nine years with the family and settled at Wartburg, Tenn. He came to Knoxville forty years ago, but resided for some time on a farm at Inskip. The deceased was a member of Fred Ault Camp No. 5 United Confederate Veterans.

## THE ALBANY HERALD

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Heins left today at noon for Knoxville, Tenn., where they were called this morning by telegram from Mr. A. G. Heins, stating that Mr. Heins's father, Mr. Gaudens Heins, was seriously ill and physicians gave no hope of his recovery. Mr. and Mrs. Heins were called to Knoxville a few weeks ago, but returned when the elder Mr. Heins's condition became improved.

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## Wonderland Park Has Fine Swimming Pool

The Wonderland Park club is working on its new swimming pool, located directly in front of the club house. When completed will be the finest on Little river. This pool is not in the main channel, therefore will be free from rocks and the bathers will not encounter swift currents. This will be a safe pool for ladies and children, as ropes will be stretched to keep them out of deep water. Misses Sarah and Lucile Covington, of Wadesboro, N. C.; Mrs. J. R. Fain and daughters, of Maryville; Mrs. A. B. Simpkins of Panama; Miss Eleanor Ernest, O. L. Humphrey, E. E. Burt, Mrs. W. J. McLenden, Jr. and daughters; Albert G. Heins, Miss Charlotte White, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Slagle, Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Acuff and J. H. Long all of Knoxville; Mrs. Floyd C. Dockery and children of Lawrence, Kas. and Miss Dorothy St. Clair, of Kansas City, are at the club.

A large number of Summer school students are expected Saturday on their annual trips to Wonderland Park.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1917.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for the kindness and sympathy shown us during the illness and death of our dear husband and father; also for the beautiful floral offerings.  
MRS. GAUDENS HEINS  
AND FAMILY.

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### Valentine Ball Postponed.

The Valentine ball to have been given Wednesday evening at the Lyceum building by the Aeolian club has been postponed until Wednesday, Feb. 21, when the original plans, which were on an elaborate scale, will be carried out.

The dance was postponed on account of the death of Mr. Gaudens Heins, father of Mr. Albert Heins, secretary and treasurer of the Aeolian club, and a former president.

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### Asquith—Smith.

Mrs. S. B. Sherrell has announced the marriage of her sister, Miss Velma Smith, to Mr. Charles H. Asquith, an employe of the Southern Railway Co. The marriage occurred Sunday, April 8, at three o'clock at the home of the bride. Rev. M. E. Miller, of the Third Baptist church, officiated. The only attendants were Miss Alma Asquith, sister of the groom, and Mr. Roy Kennedy. Mr. and Mrs. Asquith will take up residence in the Watauga.



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GOLDEN TEXT FOR TOMORROW'S SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON—I am not ashamed of the gospel; for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth. Rom. 1, 16.

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## Rev. Kretzschmar To Leave City

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Rev. Karl Kretzschmar, for nearly six years minister of First Lutheran church, has accepted a call to First Lutheran church of Ft. Smith, Ark.

Rev. Kretzschmar will remain in Knoxville until the latter part of January when it is expected that his successor will be chosen.

He, his wife and six children are living at 407 East Wells-av. Rev. Kretzschmar came to Knoxville from Hastings, Neb. His native home is Iowa.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1924 :-

# REV. KRUEGER ACCEPTS CALL

Expected to Arrive In Few  
Days to Take Up Work at  
First Lutheran.

Rev. Walter C. Krueger, of Gordonville, Mo., has accepted a call to become pastor of the First Lutheran church of this city and with his wife is expected to arrive in the next few days to assume his duties.

Rev. Mr. Krueger will occupy the pulpit vacated by Rev. K. Kretzschmer, who has accepted the pastorate of a church at Fort Smith, Ark. Rev. Mr. Kretzschmar has been pastor of the First Lutheran church for the past six years, during which time the church has had a successful career.

Rev. Mr. Krueger comes to Knoxville from a church that had a large congregation, but accepted the call to the Knoxville church on account of the field here and the work to be done.

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# LUTHERAN STORY TO BE RELATED

## Rev. Meyer, of Illinois, Speaks Here Tuesday.

The Rev. Herman W. Meyer, of Wilmette, Ill., will lecture on "The History of Early Lutheranism in America" at the First Lutheran church Tuesday at 7:30 p. m.

The Walther League of the Lutheran church is giving this as the first of a series to be given thruout the south.

The lecture will tell of the arrival of Lutherans in America on Hudson Bay in 1619, a year before the "Mayflower" came. Sixty-six Danish Lutherans landed. Hardships, however, almost destroyed this colony.

Twenty years later Swedish Lutherans settled on the Upper Delaware, at the site of Wilmington.

Other high lights include the activities of Rev. John Goetwater at New Amsterdam, Governor Stuyvesant's interference with Lutheran worship, leadership of the Rev. Henry Melchoir Muhlenberg, the Salzburgers in Georgia and South Carolina, the Henkels in Tennessee, etc.

The Rev. Meyer will trace the history of Lutherans to 1839. The second lecturer who will come in February or March will outline history of the Lutheran Missouri Synod, in which Knoxville is situated, from 1839 to the present day.

## TO LECTURE TO LUTHERANS

Herman W. Meyer, of Wilmette, Ill., will lecture on "The History of Early Lutheranism" at the First Lutheran church at 7:30 tonight. This is the first of a series of lectures on Lutheran history to be given here.

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## Lutherans Hear Address Tonight

"The Early History of the Lutheran Church in America," is the subject of a lecture to be delivered by the Rev. Herman W. Meyer, M. A., of Wilmette, Ill., at the First Lutheran Church, Fifth avenue and Broadway, tonight at 7:30 p. m. The lecture is the first of a new lyceum course arranged by the Dixie district of the Walther League. The second lecture will be given in February or March.

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## LECTURES TUESDAY ON LUTHERAN HISTORY

### Rev. Meyer Appears At First Church At 7:30 P. M.

The Rev. Herman W. Meyer, M. A., of Wilmette, Ill., will deliver a lecture on "The History of Early Lutheranism in America" at First Lutheran church, Fifth avenue and Broadway, Tuesday at 7:30 p. m.

This lecture is the first of the 1923 lyceum course arranged by the Dixie district of the Walther league and will be presented in Knoxville under the auspices of Walther League of the First Lutheran church.

According to historians, Lutheranism was transplanted from the Old World to the New as early as 1619, when a colony of sixty-six Danish Lutherans landed on the shore of Hudson Bay. This was a year before the "Mayflower" sailed from England.

The hardships of pioneer life proved too much for these settlers, and many died soon after their arrival, among them Rasmus Jensen, their pastor.

About twenty years later a colony of Swedish Lutherans settled on the Upper Delaware, on a site now occupied by Wilmington. Reorus Torkilus was their first minister.

The well known historical Gloria Dei church at Philadelphia was originally a Lutheran church.

Other high lights in the history of early Lutheranism include the Rev. John Goetwater and his flock at New Amsterdam (New York), Governor Stuyvesant's interference with Lutheran worship, the outstanding leadership of Rev. Henry Melchior Muhlenberg, the Salzburgers in Georgia and South Carolina and the Henkels in Tennessee.

The speaker will sketch the history and progress, the victories and defeats of the Lutheran Church in America up to 1839, when a new chapter of Lutheranism begins.

The second lecturer of the lyceum course, who is scheduled to speak in Knoxville in February or March, will outline the history of the Lutheran Missouri Synod from 1839 to the present day.

The Rev. Herman W. Meyer is a well known lecturer in Lutheran circles and is said to be a speaker who keeps the attention of his audience to the last minute.

## HISTORY OF LUTHERAN CHURCH LECTURE TOPIC

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# THE SUNDAY JOURNAL CHURCH PAGE

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## WALTHER LEAGUE GIVES SECOND LECTURE

### Historian Talks Tuesday At First Lutheran Church.

The Rev. Alfred C. Wilder, of Montgomery, Ala., will deliver a lecture on "The History of the Missouri Synod" at First Lutheran church Tuesday evening, 7:30 o'clock.

This lecture is the second of the 1923 Lyceum course arranged by the Dixie district of the Walther league and will be presented in Knoxville under the auspices of Senior Walther league of the First Lutheran church, the Rev. W. C. Krueger, pastor.

At the Reformation centenary of A. D. 1817 the king of Prussia proposed the so-called Evangelical union. This union was to be effected between the Lutherans and Calvinists of Germany, while the object of the union was declared to be the defense and progation of the Protestant church.

This union, according to the Lutheran point of view, brought about doctrinal indifferentism and the slighting of all church symbols, and quite naturally opened wide the door for error, corruption, and gross rationalism.

Lutherans who, by means of a devout and thorough study of the Bible, had learned that the confessions of the Lutheran church were a clear and correct presentation of the doctrines of Holy Scripture, emphatically opposed this merger.

But, as historians point out, the authority of the Prussian king was not to be trifled with, and all who opposed the Evangelical union or refused to surrender their Lutheran principles were subjected to persecution. Ministers were expelled from their pulpits. A theological professor (Prof. Scheibel of Breslau) was sent into exile in 1832 and died in exile in 1843. Many ministers and devout laymen had to serve prison sentences and were repeatedly fined.

There seemed no way in which to obtain relief from this oppression. Therefore, in the year 1838 a company of loyal Lutherans, under the leadership of Pastor Martin Stephan, bade friends, kith and kin, farewell and sought a land which offered religious freedom to all alike. Lawyers, doctors, merchants, mechanics, farmers, considering their souls' salvation of greater importance than worldly success, wealth, and comfort, sailed for the United States of America and settled in the state of Missouri.

Leaders among these devout pilgrims were Rev. Otto H. Walther, Dr. C. F. W. Walther, Pastors Theo. Brohm, Sr., O. Fuerbringer, J. F. Buenger, E. G. W. Keyl, G. H. Loeber. Their labors have left an indelible impression on the American Lutheran church and laid the foundation of the church body known as the "Missouri Lutheran Synod."

Organized in 1847 with 22 pastors and 12 congregations numbering about 3,000 souls, the Missouri Synod today has a membership of 3,297 pastors, 3,642 congregations.

# WILDER SPEAKS

## Story of Lutheranism to be Traced Tuesday Night.

The second lecture on the history of Lutheranism to be given here this spring will be delivered by the First Lutheran church Tuesday at 7:30 p. m.

The Rev. Alfred C. Wilder, of Montgomery, Ala., will be the speaker. His topic will be "The History of the Missouri Synod."

The lecture will trace the founding of the Synod by Pastor Martin Stephan who came to Missouri in 1838 as a political and religious exile from Germany. His exile resulted from his opposition to other German Lutherans to the fusion of Lutheran and Calvinism in Germany as decreed by King of Prussia in 1817.

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