

LOOKING BACK

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Last rites are held for Rev. A. H. Schultz

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Pastor Arthur H. Schultz, aged 63, died at his home unexpectedly of a heart attack Monday, November 6, 1961. He had been pastor of Christ English Lutheran Church at Oliver Ave. No. and Lowry St., in north Minneapolis since leaving State Center in 1937.

Arthur H. Schultz was born October 25, 1898 at Marine City, Michigan. He graduated from Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa in 1922 and from Wartburg Theological Seminary in 1916.

He served the parish of St. Paul Lutheran Church at Kellogg, Iowa and the Lutheran Church at Elk Creek, Iowa as a student from the spring of 1924 to the fall of 1925, returning to Kellogg following ordination to serve there until 1928 when he was called to State Center.

In State Center he was active in church and civic affairs, was a charter member of the State Center Lions Club. During his pastorate St. Paul's acquired a building which was moved onto the church property to serve as a parish house.

In 1937 he accepted the call to Christ English Lutheran Church in Minneapolis. During his 24 year pastorate the congregation liquidated its debt on the old church, increased in membership greatly, and built a new church just recently in which Pastor Schultz had the privilege of serving about 2 years before being called by death.

Rev. Schultz is survived by his widow, Mrs. Edith nee Nesmith Schultz, by his daughters Mrs. Mary Ann Doss of Hopkins, Minnesota, Judith and Connie of Minneapolis, and a son, the Rev. Thomas A. Schultz of Spencer, New York, by three grandchildren and a brother Otto, of Marine City, Michigan.

Funeral services were held Wednesday night, November 8, 7:00 p.m. at Christ Lutheran Church filled to capacity. Chaplain Carl Oberleiter and Rev. Wm. Gentz were in charge of the funeral service.

Interment was made at Kellogg, Iowa Cemetery Thursday, November 9, with his seminary classmate, Elmer J. Braun, in charge of graveside rites. A large number of State Center friends were present.

(Shirley's note: Pastor Schultz was a very popular minister in State Center. A large number of the senior citizens who were confirmed at St. Paul Lutheran Church well remember Pastor Schultz. He was civic-minded and loved his game of golf. Pastor Braun, his seminary classmate, was the minister at St. Paul Lutheran at the time of Pastor's Schultz's death. The building that was moved to St. Paul's was the house that had been on the Gutekunst Library property. At one time it was used as the Seventh Day Adventists meeting place.)