

nature who went out on a "Bird Hike," while the inhabitants of the town were still enjoying their morning slumbers. They learned all about bird life and listened to their sweet songs of the early morning. They returned hungry and had breakfast. At the usual hour, 10.00 o'clock, Divine worship was held. Rev. G. C. Rees gave a lecture on the New Liturgy with its beautiful settings and trained the congregation in the proper use of it. One of the most interesting lectures of the day was that given by Missionary Rev. John Legum, of Pittsburg, Pa., once a Rabbi, but now a consecrated minister in our Church; his subject was, "What the Jewish World has done for the Gentile World." A series of these topics followed which concluded his interesting lectures on the problem of how to deal with the Jew. Many other studies were followed during the day under the direction of the different teachers present.

Junior work is not one of the smallest of the Church's problems and beginning on Thursday morning Mrs. E. C. Cronk gave practical demonstrations on "Methods of Junior Work." Revs. Trabert Legum, Tegby, Cronk, Bieber and Miller continued throughout the day with the subjects assigned to them. Rev. T. B. Birch, Ph.D., of Springfield, Ohio, gave an exceptional helpful lecture on the "Psychology of Early Adolescence." Each day lectures were also given by Mrs. G. G. Ruff on "Missionary Milestones"; by Miss Annette Kaehler, on "Talks to Young Women", and by Dr. Cronk on "The Lure of Africa." The last series was concluded with a stereoptican.

Again on Friday Dr. Birch lectured on "The Psychology of Late Adolescence," while Rev. Trabert concluded his helpful series on Sunday school work with a lecture on the proper management of a Men's Bible Class. This was followed by another of Dr. Birch's lectures on "The Psychological Basis of Luther's Greatest Doctrines." Until then, we listened to teachers and instructors from over all the country, but now we heard the President of Thiel College, Rev. Elson M.A., Litt.D., who spoke on "Christianity and the Great War," one of the best lectures of the entire programme was given by Dr. M. J. Bieber on "The Pastor as a Saved Soul and as a Soul Saver." The last item was a pleasant half hour "Round Table" talk led by Dr. Bieber.

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most immediate disaster. This more than anything else makes men concerned lest God may be really withholding present help because of our self-confidence and national neglect of Him. . . . What is needed is that the Allied nations should humble themselves before God, confess their sins, recognize the Divine rights in national, commercial, political and individual life, and then look to God for His help."

**Stricken Halifax.**—The catastrophe at Halifax is the greatest single disaster that has ever befallen a Canadian community. The mind cannot conceive the terribleness of the devastation which involved the death of thousands, the blinding and crippling of hundreds and untold destruction of property. Multitudes of people were made homeless and placed at the mercy of a world's charity. Our beautiful Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, Rev. Wm. Weaver, pastor, was badly wrecked, eight members were killed and many injured. The blow to the little congregation is staggering. However, we believe that God has chastized only that He may prove His love. The suffering of Halifax has touched responsive chords in a bigger world than she had ever influenced before. Gifts of millions have come from Canada, the United States, Great Britain and other parts. A genuine sympathy of true Christian character has been shown her people and many have been the prayers to God that have risen on her behalf. Pastor Weaver and his dear people will find themselves linked to other parts of the Lutheran Church of this continent as they never were before. May all our congregations speedily forward the relief they have been prompted to offer and may God comfort His people. See, O Halifax! From the Hills cometh thy help.

## THE RECENT STATEMENT OF THE MOLSONS BANK.

**Shows Earnings of Over 15% for the Past Year.**

The Annual Report of the Molsons Bank, just published, shows net earnings higher than they have been since the war started. The percentage earned on the capital this year is 15.39%, a fraction higher than 1914, when 15.2% was shown, and above the