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since his return, but has no appointment for to-morrow. I hope

that he will soon get a call from some parish and be ordained

Otherwise he will undoubtedly be conscripted as soon as con-

scription is imposed in Canada. His German, I fear, will not be

of much service to him as far as preaching goes, as the churches

are cutting out the German very rapidly now. St. John's

will hold its last German service to-morrow morning, and all

the other churches in the Twin-City have already cut out

theirs, deeming prudence the best policy under the present

situation. It may be, however, that German services will be

continued in the west, where the German is far more necessary,

and he may get a call from there, although I haven't heard

from Rev. Weidenhammer as yet. Our Seminary will open a week

from Monday and the College on the following day, but I doubt

whether we will get enough students to remedy the financial

situation materially, and I am looking for still harder

times ahead, though I hope and pray that I may be disappointed.

I wrote quite a few articles for our church paper during

the vacation that is now nearly over, and a couple of

them are still to come out yet. Bonnie received Mabel's

nice letter early in the week and intends to reply as soon

as her hands are free enough from housework and canning

and innumerable other things to hold a pen in her hand.

We send you all our greetings and best wishes for health

and happiness. I am still taking my daily swim as usual,

and at this date have only one competitor, a Scotchman

who takes care of the Post Office; and being a Scotchman