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The ringing of the Lutheran church bell at ten o'clock a. m. Saturday, June 9, was a sign that the three large church organizations, Hauges Norwegian Lutheran synod, the United Lutheran Church of America and the Norwegian Lutheran synod, which had been separated for 27 years by minor theological differences, had been united in one great church organization to be known as the Norwegian Lutheran church of America. The union had been perfected with appropriate ceremonies in St. Paul where representatives of the three church bodies had gathered for the purpose. At the same moment when the church bell was ringing here, church bells in 3000 congregations thruout the United States were also ringing in recognition of the union.