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tiful. He was a member of Emmanuel Evangelical Church in San Francisco, California, when death came to him in his home, November 9, 1938.

Reverend Otto A. Brose was born April 18, 1858, and died October 28, 1938. He came to America with his parents in 1866. His father and mother died when he was a young boy. Soon after the death of his parents, he entered the orphan home at Flat Rock, Ohio, where he received the kindest of care and Christian training, which led him to accept Christ as his Saviour. He worked his way through school at Naperville, Illinois, graduating from Evangelical Theological Seminary in 1883, after which he served in the Iowa Conference for several years and later joining the Minnesota Conference.

He was married to Miss Mary A. Freeman, April 19, 1884. Five sons and five daughters were born into this home.

Brother Brose was a hard worker, a good student, and instructive preacher. He was successful in the upbuilding of God's Kingdom.

Sister Lena Siebold, nee Stark, was born in Kasson, Minnesota, June 9, 1860, and died in St. Paul, Minnesota, on August 18, 1938.

She was married to Reverend G. H. Siebold in 1876. Five children were born to this union.

In 1921 Reverend Siebold retired and settled in Farmington, where he passed to his eternal reward in 1926.

Sister Siebold was converted in youth and joined the Evangelical Church. She loved her Lord and served him faithfully with her companion, sharing the blessings of the ministry.

Sister Margaret Britzius was born February 15, 1850, in Dover, Ohio, and died May 1, 1939, having attained the unusual age of eighty-nine years, two months, and sixteen days.

Sister Britzius came from Ohio to Minnesota as a girl, and there met George Britzius. Shortly after their marriage, Brother Britzius answered the call to the Christian ministry and joined the Minnesota Conference of the Evangelical Church. For forty years she shared the privations and hardships of a pioneer minister. She was a kind and good mother to the ten children born into this home. Sister Britzius had a keen interest in her church and showed a deep devotion to the same.

M. SCHOENLEBEN, *Chairman*;
E. G. PODOLL, *Secretary*.

The Report of the Committee on Public Morals, Temperance and Sabbath

WHEREAS, The standards of morality as sanctioned by the public are utterly out of accord with those set forth in the Scriptures and in our Church Discipline, and

WHEREAS, There is grave danger that all of our people and especially our youth, shall accept this lower standard simply because "everyone is doing it"; therefore be it

Resolved, That we not only strive to hold ourselves entirely above reproach as true followers of Jesus Christ and by our example set forth a more acceptable way of life, but that we use every means at our disposal to instruct those under our care in the high and noble standards of Christ and his Church, and to make constant positive battle against every form of moral evil.

Public Morals

WHEREAS, There is current a demoralization of the Christian standard of conduct which is in some measure due to the perverted view of life which is portrayed on the public screen, over the air, and in malicious advertising; therefore be it

Resolved, That we urge our people to refuse to support all pictures which do not measure up to the church's moral standard;

That we instruct our people in regard to the degrading influence, upon character of all forms of gambling, specifically, bank nights, betting, lotteries, sweepstakes, and mechanical gambling devices;

That through the local congregation or through local ministerial groups an appeal be made to the mayor or city council that mechanical gambling devices be removed by enforcement of the law;