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"For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified." I Cor. 2:2.

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YOUR CHRISTIAN  
FAMILY WEEKLY

## Japanese Teacher Arrives

"I think I'm dreaming," were some of Takashi Niwa's first words after he stepped off the train in Winnipeg on Sept. 10 to complete the last leg of his 10,000 mile journey. Shivering in the 35 degree morning air, he didn't look fatigued, even though he left Yokohama, Japan, 32 days ago. He declared that he had come to Canada to study Christian education, and for three years he will attend the Mennonite Brethren Bible College.

Takashi Niwa, 25, comes from Kanazawa, Japan, and is one of the two Christians in his family. He is a graduate of the local University, where he majored in English. Since then he has taught English for two years in the Hokuriku Mission School, a Presbyterian high school in Kanazawa.

Strange as it may seem to us, yet Takashi Niwa did not hear the Gospel until he was in high school. Because missionaries were giving classes in English, and he was tremendously interested in English, Takashi Niwa attended these classes. The Bible was used as textbook, and soon he was reading the Bible for the message it contained and not only because he wanted to learn the English language. The emphasis on practical Christian living convinced him that the Gospel was far superior to Buddhism with its philosophic idealism.

Later while teaching in a Christian high school he naturally developed a major interest in Christian education. His own experience helped him to see the tremendous need among the children

all around him. Through missionaries he heard about the Bible Institutes and Bible Colleges in the U.S.A. and Canada. Contact with a Mennonite missionary led him to write to Dr. H. H. Janzen at the M.B. Bible College in Winnipeg, Man.

Because his salary as a teacher in the high school was about one-quarter of that received by the average labourer here, study in Canada seemed chimeric. But God, through missionary-minded brethren and sisters in Canada and the U.S.A., made it financially possible for him to come to Winnipeg to study Christian education at the Mennonite Brethren Bible College.

Takashi Niwa arrived at San Francisco on August 20 and remained there for ten days with a missionary friend. Arriving in the Fraser Valley on September 3, he gave a personal testimony at three programs given by the B.C. branch of the M.B.B.C. alumni. From there he proceeded to Winnipeg via the C.N.R.



## Horches Leave for California

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Horch, well-known across Canada for their work in the field of music, left Winnipeg, Man., on Friday, Sept. 16, for Reedley, California. There Mr. Horch will assume duties as music director in the Immanuel Academy.

The Horches have been feted at various occasions during the last weeks. On Tuesday, Oct. 6, they were honoured at a banquet in the Albany room of the Assiniboine Hotel. Various men, representing branches of music in which Mr. Horch has been active, expressed their appreciation of the work of Mr. Horch. A string section of the Mennonite Symphony Orchestra and a small part of the Ben Horch Chorale served with musical numbers. Reynold Siemens, one of Mr. Horch's first

proteges, played two pieces on the cello.

Sunday morning, Sept. 11, the Elmwood M.B. church bid farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Horch. Jacob Wedel, speaking in behalf of the music committee in the church, expressed their gratitude and appreciation for the work of Mr. Horch, and presented him with a leather-bound copy of the "Gesangbuch." Mrs. Neufeld, speaking on behalf of the "Williger Helfer Verein", of which Mrs. Horch was a member, presented Mrs. Horch with a small gift as remembrance.

The Mennonite Brethren Bible College faculty, staff, and Board of Education, honoured Mr. and Mrs. Horch at a farewell at the College the evening of Sept. 12.



Canadian greeting is given Takashi Niwa by Junko Matsuno, an M.B.B.C. student from Osaka, Japan, for 2½ years. Rev. J. A. Toews, dean at M.B.B.C., is looking on.

## Dedication at Ailsa Craig

C. J. Rempel

The Ailsa Craig Boys' Farm for "delinquents" was officially dedicated on Saturday, Sept. 10. Situated south of the village of Ailsa Craig, Ont., the home will eventually take care of twenty boys between the ages of 10 and 15 years.

The church's duty is not only to preach the Gospel, but also to speak out against and do something about the evils of society, Bishop E. J. Swalm of Duntroon, Ontario, said in the dedicatory address. Mr. C. J. Rempel, chairman of the dedication service, referred to the project as a step of faith — faith in God, faith in the youth whom it will serve,

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## MISSIONARIES INJURED IN ACCIDENT

Members of the Dav. H. Toews family, missionaries to Mexico, were injured in Texas when their carry-all was struck in the rear by another vehicle. Most seriously hurt was Mrs. Toews, who is confined to a Uvalde, Texas, hospital with severe back injuries.

# Editorial

## Mennonite Observer

This new weekly publication of the Christian Press, Ltd. greets you with its first issue, and begs for permission to enter your homes and hearts, your schools, churches and community life, and find favour in your eyes.

The 78-year old German language Mennonitische Rundschau has as of this date received a younger companion, the Mennonite Observer, which intends to serve you in the same spirit, but in the English language.

When in the 1870's the German-speaking Mennonite immigrants from Russia came to the midwestern United States, the wise and charitable Bishop John J. Funk, Mennonite publisher and bookseller of Elkhart, Indiana, founded the Mennonitische Rundschau in 1877 to meet the needs of the new Mennonite settlers in Nebraska and Kansas. Because the English language gradually replaced the German language in our Mennonite communities in the United States, the publication of the Mennonitische Rundschau, after 46 years of valuable service to the international Mennonite community, was transferred from the Mennonite Publishing House at Scottsdale, Pennsylvania, to Winnipeg, Canada. In Canada, the large scale immigration after 1923 and again after 1945 augmented the German-speaking Mennonite population considerably. Consequently, our German Mennonite newspapers in Canada still serve a large and important part of our Mennonite people.

### Why, then, start a new paper, — and an English one at that?

Because the purpose and ministry of the Christian Press, Ltd. is to supply our homes with Christian family papers, we must accomplish this in whatever language the respective generation preferably uses. The need for an English weekly paper in the spirit of the Mennonitische Rundschau has become greater and the demand for it more urgent during these last few years. With God's help we wish to serve all age groups of our brotherhood in both languages.

A newspaper is more than a mere product of the printing press. Its contents must reflect our present day spiritual, social and economic life, it must have close ties to our past, and lead creatively into the future.

Very much will depend on the readers' favourable reaction to this new venture — the Mennonite Observer. The publishers will be anxious to hear encouragement, objective criticism, good advice and guidance from you, the reader — the all-important person, on whom the existence of this publication depends. Certainly there are many weaknesses in this first issue but they will soon be overcome.

We shall be grateful for your help, which you can render by: —

1. Subscribing to the Mennonite Observer.
2. Reporting every news item of interest to Mennonites.
3. Supplying articles, photographs, names and addresses of prospective subscribers and reporters.

May God bless whatever is pleasing to Him in our work! May He grant the editor of the Mennonite Observer, Mr. Leslie Stobbe, grace and wisdom for his important task. And may He guide your hearts to extend your goodwill toward this new Mennonite publication.

Yours in Christian service,  
H. F. Klassen,  
Managing Director,  
THE CHRISTIAN PRESS, LTD.

## No Ostrich Policy

None of us are particularly fond of those who point out our faults to us. Nor do we usually accept with unbounded enthusiasm the well-meant suggestions for improvements in our personal and public life. We are by nature like the ostrich, hiding our head in the sand when danger approaches.

It is however one of the responsibilities of a free press to point out the weaknesses and suggest improvements in society and

in policy. Therefore we want to dedicate this column to an inward look, to an appraisal of the dangers threatening us, and to constructive proposals for meeting these dangers. We intend to call it "Through the Looking-glass".

As Christians, called Mennonites because of our distinctive heritage, we face many dangers in this modern world. Modernism, secularism, materialism, assimilation, and urbanization, threaten to decimate

## Devotional

### "My Ways are Higher Than Your Ways"

Randy Klassen \*

Almost any king about whom we may read has opened his baby eyes in palatial surroundings. A royal court filled with renowned tutors and scholars would provide the kind of environment which would carefully foster the intellectual and cultural development of the youth as he grew into manhood. The well-educated and well-mannered would form his circle of friends and servants. Then the coronation day would arrive . . .

But for His childhood environment He chose a manger in a Bethlehem stable. His court was the dusty interior of a carpenter's shop in Nazareth. For His circle of friends He chose rough and uneducated men: stubborn and impetuous Peter, Matthew the publican. Yet the day came when the people wanted to crown Him their king. But He, the King of kings, chose a cross instead.

How mysterious are His ways! How different from ours! Isaiah phrases this divine truth beautifully in chapter 55:9, "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts".

But, is a stable higher than a palace, a carpenter's shop higher than a cultured court? Was His choosing a company of unlearned sinners a higher choice than choosing the companionship of men of learning and culture? Was taking the cross a higher way than accepting the crown?

Such questions arise because we are prone to see only the externals. But God looks deeper, into the heart. When the poor widow cast in her offering, all we could see were the puny two mites, but Jesus

our numbers and destroy our witness. Therefore we cannot hide our head in the sand and remind ourselves of the great traditions and truths that we have. We have to meet the enemy on every hand with the sword of the Lord.

With great relief most of us relegate the responsibility of watching for the enemy to the minister. He is called of God to watch over the flock and we let him do the worrying. But this responsibility is not solely the minister's, for it is every Christian's duty to warn (admonish) the others of impending danger.

Since we don't presume to be all-wise "popes", we would like those who have been watching the Mennonite scene and have suggestions or constructive criticism to make, to send us their contributions. If these prove to be written in the spirit of Christ, and of value to the Mennonite community we will use them.

rejoiced in her offering, because He saw that she had given all—she had given herself.

Could we look at all things from a divine point of view, we would see in clearer perspective the "high ways" of God. For example, because the Holy Spirit has illumined us to the way of salvation, we begin to see the "height" of Jesus' "lowly" ways. His humble entry into this world permitted the shepherd's adoration. His lowly walk permitted even the publicans and harlots to enjoy the purifying influence of His fellowship. His meek, yet victorious, death permitted even the penitent thief to enter the Paradise of God. Yes, and it was by this mysterious and lowly way, by conquering death by death, that Jesus became our exalted Way to the Father.

Let us pray that He might transform us by the "renewing of our minds", that we might think as He thinks, and love what He loves. Let us not become blinded by brilliant externals, but always realize that the small, "everyday" deeds, which spring spontaneously from a heart filled with love for God and man, are well-pleasing in His all-knowing eyes. Such deeds may be giving . . .

- a glass of cold water to one who is thirsty;
- a morsel of bread to someone who is hungry;
- a comforting word to the sad;
- and a cheery smile for the down-hearted.

These insignificant and lowly deeds are part of the "high ways" of God. By His grace may we follow in that Way.

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## Report from Japan

Greetings with the precious Word of God, "There is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him" Rom. 10:12.

Would you like to come for a short visit to Japan? I will be happy to show you around. I would especially like to show you the work of the Lord here.

Even though the total area of Japan is only half that of Ontario, the population is seven times as large as in the whole of Canada. So you will realize that it is rather crowded in our country. Yes, there are many people in Japan, but the sad part is that very many of them are still walking in spiritual darkness, not knowing where they are going.

Life in Japan is little different outwardly than in America. In cities, towns, and even on the farms, you will see television sets, refrigerators, electric mixers, etc. The department stores have anything you want, just as in America. You get so confused that you begin to wonder whether you are in Japan or in America.

### Spiritual Darkness

And now let's take a look at the spiritual life of the people. And here, as I mentioned above, there are many without an eternal hope. They have so much time to work and plan for a comfortable and enjoyable life while they are here on earth that they forget the spiritual life. The more civilized we get, if we think of civilization in terms of scientific and technological advance, the busier people get. They hardly have time to sit down and think about their soul. Not that we shouldn't have scientific advance, but it is a pity to see it being used only to further selfish purposes.

Communism, Shintoism, Buddhism, and other religions are strong in Japan, but these groups have only a limited following. I think the largest number of people in Japan are indifferent toward the spiritual. However, I am grateful to see that even though most of the people are indifferent, there are still some very earnest Christians among both young and old.

### Adult Bible Camp

Among other efforts to spread the Gospel our mission station again had a summer camp this year. I cannot relate much about the adult camp, for I was there only two of the five days. More than a 100 attended, with three devoted spiritual teachers giving the messages. Mr. Hatori, who is director of the Gospel program "The Light of the World", Mr. Goto, a teacher at the Japan Bible

Seminary in Tokyo, and Mr. Kitano, a minister, served us. The theme of the camp was "Walk in the Spirit" Gal. 5:16.

That Sunday we also had our baptismal service, and it was wonderful to see 24 stepping out for the Lord. Pray for them, that they may stand firmly for the Lord even in the many trials they may have to face from now on.

I also had the joy of showing the greatness of God, which is beyond our human comprehension,



to one of the girls. Pray for this girl, for she is really interested in not only knowing about Him, but in knowing Him.

### Children's Camp

And now let me tell you about the children's camp. A lot of boys and girls came from the three M.B. churches in Japan. There was a full program for them, keeping them going from morning to evening. This included two periods of Bible study in the morning, handwork, hymn-singing, Bible quizzes, swimming, sports, and an evening service.

The children thought the camp was wonderful. Personally, I was surprised to see them so happy at the camp.

I was able to talk to a group of junior high school girls every evening besides giving the Bible story to the children during the day. These girls had almost without exception not yet heard of the Gospel of Christ. For them everything was new and strange, so I tried to make it clear and simple so they would all understand the plan of salvation. So far I have not yet heard of any taking a definite stand for Christ. Please pray for them, for I know God will work in their heart.

At the end of this camp we had a fireside meeting on the campus. There were a number of boys and girls who gave their personal testimonies. My, I wish I could have had a tape recorder to let you hear the wonderful work that God did at that camp!

### God Answers Prayer

May I remind you that we have a prayer-answering God, who an-

## B.C. Teachers' Witness Expands

Abe Konrad

During the last few years the Mennonite young people of B.C. have caught a new vision. Seeing the great possibilities for witnessing to the lost as public school teachers in the northland, an increasing number of the over 100 Mennonite public school teachers in B.C. are going east and north. Trained largely in the Mennonite high schools and Bible schools, they are becoming more and more in demand for the places where no one else will go.

These teachers are going to the isolated fishing villages and logging communities along the rugged coastline of the Pacific from Vancouver to Port Simpson. They go to the farming areas and the mining camps in the Kootenay and Okanagan Valleys and among the Cascade Mts., even teaching among the notorious Doukhobors. They go north to the ranchlands and grain-growing areas of the Caribou and the Peace River Valley. And they go to the fur-trapping areas along the northern rivers and up to the rim of the Arctic Circle.

What is calling these teachers from the modern conveniences and the unsurpassed facilities of the educational plants in the city? Is it adventure? Is it the isolation bonus? Is it the urge to get away from it all?

To get the answer to these questions an interview was arranged with Mr. Abe Klassen of Matsqui, B.C. He received his high school education at the Prairie Bible Institute at Three Hills,

answered the prayers of Moses, Gideon, Samuel, Elijah, Ezra, and today still answers prayer. The promises that we will receive an answer to our prayer are given in Psalm 91:15; Is. 58:9; Luke 11:9; John 15:7, and many other places in the Bible. Let me quote one of these, "Ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." Have you ever experienced this promise? I have, and I am sure you have too. How happy I was to see my youngest brother, 13, coming out for the Lord! My heart was just filled with joy. Praise His name for saving this one soul (Miss Tsuda was the only Christian in her family—Ed.). Thank you for your faithful prayers for my family.

I am sorry that space does not allow me to say all that I would like to say. So now, good-by, dear friends so far away. May the Lord lead you to pray for these children and their teachers, as well as the dear missionaries who are making these blessed camps possible. We are so happy to know that there are those in Canada and America who are backing us up in prayer. Please continue to remember us in your prayer.

Sincerely yours, in His service,  
Kikuko (Terry) Tsuda.

Alta., and graduated from the Mennonite Brethren Bible School in Abbotsford, B.C. in 1950. After attending Normal School in Vancouver he taught in Port Coquitlam, in the lower Fraser Valley, for two years. Meanwhile, he was continuing his studies at the University of B.C., graduating in the fall of 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Klassen will be returning to the north with their two children for their second year. At Vanderhoof Mr. Klassen, a trained singer and choir leader, will be teaching in the high school while taking an active part in the mission work carried on by the Calvin Buhlers under the auspices of the West Coast Childrens Mission. From Vanderhoof, a town of 1500 in a logging and farming area near Prince George, the mission reaches out into the surrounding communities to bring the Gospel to those who have never heard of salvation in Jesus Christ.

And why have the Klassens left their home, the great possibilities for advancement, in the Fraser Valley? They declare that it is an "inner compulsion" to serve the Lord in a special way that motivates their going. In the face of hardships they "trust in the grace of God" and they have found that "the Lord never fails" his servants. And is this not the motivation for many of those who leave the "banana belt" and go into the frosty north? Yes, after many contacts with them it has been proved over and over again that "the love of Christ constraineth" them.

Are there any more teachers, nurses, and mission workers to join this glorious band?

## Teachers Meet in Ontario

The annual convention of the Ontario M.B. public school, high school, and Bible school teachers met at the M.B. church in Virgil, Ont., on August 27, 1955.

Rev. J. J. Toews, pastor of the Kitchener M.B. church, and Dr. A. H. Unruh, Winnipeg, were the guest speakers. Testimonies were given by Miss Clara Durksen, St. Catharines, and Mr. Walter Bergman, Virgil. Mr. George Wichert, who recently joined the staff of the Eden High School, also addressed the convention.

## A Letter To All Children

Dear boys and girls,

Some of you have been reading the stories and talks in the "Jugendfreund" in the MENNONITISCHE RUNDSCHAU. But some of you cannot read German anymore, so we are going to print a whole page full of interesting stories, talks, quizzes, and riddles just for you. And so you can have a part we are asking you to write letters to us.

In your letters to us we want you to tell us whether you love the Lord Jesus, if you have let him into your heart, what your hobbies are, and the things you specially like to do. And if you write poems and little stories, send them to us too.

If you don't all write at once we want to print your letters on this page, so that others can read them too. Then you might read a letter from someone you would like to have as a pen pal, and all kinds of interesting things can happen.

So next week when you see the MENNONITE OBSERVER be sure to turn to this page. And make sure your Dad and Mom order it, so that you can read this page every week.

From your loving,

Uncle Les.

## WEDDINGS



KLASSEN — REGEHR

Magdalena, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Henry Regehr, Winnipeg, Man., and Peter Klassen, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. H. Klassen of Abbotsford, B.C., were married in the Elmwood M.B. church in Winnipeg on Thursday, September 8. Rev. Henry Regehr, father of the bride, officiated. Rev. I. W. Redekopp gave a short address on Amos 3:3.

Mr. and Mrs. Klassen will make their home in Winnipeg, where Mr. Klassen is a member of the music faculty at the Mennonite Brethren Bible College.

DICK — PAULS

Helen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Pauls of Coaldale, Alta., and Mr. Victor Dick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernhard Dick

of Coaldale, were married on September 11 in the Coaldale M.B. church. Rev. B. B. Jantz officiated.

The couple were honoured at a community shower held in the M. B. church on Saturday, Sept. 10. The Coaldale Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Peter Dyck, and several vocal and instrumental solos provided the music for the evening.

FALK — GOERZ

Anne Doris Goerz, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. John A. Goerz, Black Creek, B.C., and Herman J. Falk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob B. Falk, Black Creek, were married in the Black Creek M.B. church on August 28. Rev. C. D. Toews of Abbotsford officiated.

JANZ — SCHMIDT

Ruby Pearl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Schmidt, and Jacob Janz, son of Mrs. Abe Janz and the late Mr. Janz, were married on August 18 in the Mennonite Brethren Church in Saskatoon. Rev. Nickolai Janz, uncle of the groom, officiated. After a honeymoon at Banff and Lake Louise, the Janz's moved to the Blaine Lake district, where Mr. Janz is teaching.

HEIDE — BICKERT

Seeking company and fellowship, Mr. Cornelius Heide, 76, and Mrs. Helena Bickert, 63, were married on September 4 in the Warman Mennonite Brethren church. Rev. John Friesen, Hague, Sask., officiated at the wedding.

KNODEL — BULLER

Eleanor Gladys Buller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Menno Buller, and Edwin Knodel, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Knodel, were married

## A Prayer When School Begins

*Dear Father now that school begins  
I ask your help each day,  
Not only in my lessons  
But guide me in Your way.*

*Help me to be quiet,  
To think before I say  
An unkind word to others  
When we are out at play.*

*Help me to be honest,  
To be fair, and never shirk  
The hardest task—and to be neat  
And truthful in my work.*

*Help me not to envy  
The boys and girls who make  
The highest marks, but help me  
To do my best for Jesus sake.*

(Monica Williams)

in the Terrace Gospel Chapel on August 29. Rev. Arthur Olson of Prince Rupert officiated.

At the reception in the Anglican Parish Hall Rev. L. A. Thorpe spoke and Margaret Peters and



John Peters each sang a solo, with Eleanor and Margaret Peters singing a duet.

After the wedding trip to the Cariboo, Mr. and Mrs. Knodel will reside in Terrace, B.C.

## FRANK PETERS HAVE SILVER WEDDING

Celebrating their silver wedding on September 4, at 2 p.m., Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peters of Terrace, B.C. were hosts to about 120 guests at the Terrace Gospel Chapel.

Mr. Ben Peters, the eldest son, led the short program at which Mr. George Peters and Rev. Lindbergh spoke. This was followed by lunch served by the Ladies Aid of the Chapel. The whole family, six sons and one daughter, was present for the occasion.

## CHURCHES GROW

— 17 candidates were baptized at the Hepburn Ferry and received into the Hepburn M.B. church on Sunday, August 28. They were: Joan Warkentin, Ruth and Victor Toews, Caroline Wiebe, Shirley and Walter Andres, Alice, Harvey and Elmer Geransky, Linda Warkentin, Pete and John Neustadter, Marvin Quiring, John Braun, and Mr. and Mrs. Van Kuik.

— With Rev. I. W. Redekopp officiating, 5 candidates were baptized at Marquette, Man. With a total membership of 27, the Marquette group is an affiliate of the Elmwood M.B. church in Winnipeg.

— On August 14 the M.B. church of Saskatoon, Sask., had a baptismal service in the South Saskatchewan River. Rev. Art Martens officiated as 6 candidates took this step of obedience. They were: Hertha Dyck, Christine Albertson (nee Friesen), Lorne Albertson, Ernest Balzer, Hugo Schmidt, and Jake Braun. This brings the total membership of the church up to 267.

— Twelve candidates followed the Lord in baptism on September 4 in the South End M.B. church in Winnipeg. Rev. J. P. Neufeld officiated. Baptized were: Walter Wiebe, Werner Wiebe, Siegfried Schroeder, Art Janzen, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Paetkau, Elizabeth Quiring, Luise Klassen, Mrs. Katherine Schmidt, Lilly Kliever, Elona Schrier, and Maria Block.

— Sunday afternoon, September 11, 8 persons followed the Lord in baptism at a joint Greendale-Chilliwack baptism in Yarrow, B.C. The candidates from Greendale were: Anne Pauls, Serina Wiens, Rita Baerg, Louise Dirks, and Bernie Peters. Rev. H. G. Dueck of the Greendale M.B. church officiated.

— 33 followed the Lord in baptism at a joint ceremony of the North Kildonan M.B. church and the Elmwood M.B. church on July 27. Rev. I. W. Redekopp and Rev. Wm. Falk officiated. It was noteworthy that among the 29 candidates from North Kildonan, several were married couples and others were more advanced in years.

— Five candidates followed the Lord in baptism at Elmwood M.B. church, Winnipeg, Man., on September 18, 1955. This is the third baptism this year for the Elmwood M.B. church.

— The Coaldale Mennonite Brethren church had the joy of baptizing 10 candidates on Sunday, Sept. 4, 1955. Rev. D. Pankrat officiated, giving a message on "Halfway is not yet the goal".

— The E.M.B. church at Dalmeny, Sask., had a baptismal service on August 21 with six candidates accepting baptism.

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## MENNO VISITS QUITO

David Nightingale

"I've decided to leave you folks for a while."

Every eye in the M.B. congregation was fixed with amazement on the young speaker. Menno was a faithful member of their church who had never been away from home, and this unexpected announcement took his listeners by complete surprise. As they leaned forward, open-mouthed, they heard Menno continue with a strange note of unwavering determination in his voice, "I am planning to visit 'The Voice of the Andes' in Quito."

Some grey heads began to shake slowly, a certain young lady began to colour quite perceptibly, and some fellows, Menno's age, began to whisper excitedly among themselves, "Where does he get the money?" and some dear old ladies began to finger their shawls uneasily—"How will he ever get back from there?"

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Yes, Menno's plans were definite. It was true, the money he had saved month by month had been intended for a new tractor to

cultivate his berry-field, but that missionary report, given by someone who had come all the way from Ecuador, had gripped his heart with a strange, unyielding power.

"The Gospel, this precious gift of God that has become so dear to me, and which is the ONLY power of God unto salvation, is heralded in ELEVEN LANGUAGES AND INTO EVERY CORNER OF THE GLOBE from this international missionary radio station in the heart of the Andes Mountains." These were facts that had echoed and re-echoed through Menno's mind since then.

Perhaps, and his heart had filled with a sincere longing, perhaps if he could actually GO there for a visit, he would be able to pray more intelligently and more effectively for God's work. And perhaps his heart would be challenged as in no other way, to yield his all to the Master and to serve Him with a faithfulness and vitality that could bring forth fruit, and result in honour and glory to the Saviour's Name. (To be continued)

### CHURCHES GROW

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— On August 28 the Mennonite Brethren church at Dalmeny baptized eight candidates. Rev. Abe Sawatsky delivered the message before the baptism at the river, with Rev. George Dyck officiating.

— The mission station at Horn-dean, Man., had the joy of seeing three step out for the Lord in baptism. Brother Abe Quiring is working at Horn-dean under the Manitoba M.B. Mission.

### Mildred Friesen Going to Alaska

Miss Mildred Friesen, outgoing missionary to Kodiak, Alaska, under the Slavic Gospel Association, gave her testimony and showed slides on the work of the mission on Sunday, Sept. 4, in the M.B. church at Hepburn.

After obtaining her visa and a period of orientation in Chicago, Miss Friesen expects to leave for Alaska. There she will marry Rev. John Stickland and together they will serve at the Christian Centre in Kodiak, Alaska.

Miss Friesen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Friesen.

### Home For More Study

Miss Katherine Unruh, a teacher at the Hithclarc School in Kodai-kanal, South India, for three years, arrived in Winnipeg for an extended leave on August 28. Miss Unruh is a daughter of Rev. and Mrs. A. A. Unruh, missionaries to

India under the M.B. Board of Foreign Missions.

A graduate of Tabor College, '51, Miss Unruh is enrolled at the University of Manitoba and is studying to gain the Master of Arts degree.

The Hithclarc School in Kodai-kanal is a school for missionaries' children operated by eight contributing missions, including the M.B. Mission. It is situated at an elevation of 7000 feet about 100 miles from Madras, and is also used by missionaries as a retreat from the heat in summer.

### Mennonites Awarded Scholarships

A high standard of scholarship is revealed by the many scholarships received by Mennonite students this summer. From Waldheim comes word that Willie Falk, a Waldheim high school graduate this spring, received a \$400 scholarship to enter Queenston University. He is interested in engineering.

Berny Klassen, son of D. G. Klassen, was awarded a \$500 scholarship recently by the Alberta Hotel Association. He was the only Linden representative at the Alberta Mennonite High School during the past year and will continue his studies at the University at Edmonton. His goal is the medical profession.

Ernest Redekop, son of Rev. and Mrs. H. Redekop of Winkler, has been awarded a General Motors

Scholarship under which his tuition at college is paid and he himself is annually eligible for an amount from \$200 to \$2,000 toward his cost of living, depending upon his needs. Ernest, an Isbister Scholarship winner last year, will attend United College in Winnipeg.

Also receiving scholarships are George Brown and Harold Dyck of Winkler, Man. George Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Brown, has received a Manitoba Scholarship worth \$325. He will attend the University of Manitoba. Harold Dyck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dyck, won an Isbister Scholarship for the Winkler area with an average mark of 89.3 in grade 11 exams.

### Fire Destroys Home

Fire destroyed the home of the Cornelius Rempels at Big River, Sask. There were no injuries from the blaze, but the contents of the house were almost a total loss.

The Ladies' organizations and the Men's Brotherhood of the United Mennonite Church at Rosthern are gathering clothing and other necessary articles for the Rempels. The Rempels, with a family of ten children, formerly farmed in the Rosthern district.

### Harvest Festival at Elm Creek

The Mennonite Brethren church at Elm Creek was filled for the annual harvest thanksgiving and mission festival on Sunday, Sept. 11. The church met in the forenoon for the harvest thanksgiving and in the afternoon, after a lunch served by the ladies of the church, for the mission festival.

Guest speakers for the day were Rev. H. P. Toews of Winnipeg, who spoke on Gen. 12:2-3, and Rev. Jacob Epp of Steinbach, who based his messages on II Chron. 20:20-28 and John 3:16.

The congregation demonstrated its thankfulness to God by giving \$1,090.80 in the morning offering and \$1,403.00 in the afternoon offering.

## Alumni Presents Programs

The British Columbia branch of the Mennonite Brethren Bible College Alumni Association presented four programs in the Fraser Valley over the weekend of Sept. 4. Starting at Vancouver M.B. church on Friday night, Sept. 2, the group moved to Chilliwack M.B. church on Saturday, Sept. 3, into the M.E.I. auditorium on Sunday afternoon, and to the Yarrow M.B. church for its final program on Sunday, Sept. 4.

Under the leadership of Henry Voth, principal of the Sharon Mennonite Collegiate Institute at Yarrow, B.C., this group is one

## Colleges Expand

With both the M.B. Bible College and the Canadian Mennonite Bible College expanding their educational facilities, the building scene is one of real activity.

The Canadian Mennonite Bible College is the farthest advanced, with the roof already on the office wing and the roof due to go up on the rest of the building any time. They hope to complete the structure for occupancy by the New Year.

The Mennonite Brethren Bible College must first move the Bethany Hall off its present location before it can proceed with its building program. The basement has been completed at the new site for the "White House" and this is to be moved there any day now. After that the new building can be started.

### Song Festival at Gretna

More than filling the MCI auditorium, over 1000 people attended both the morning and afternoon programs of a song festival at Gretna sponsored by the Manitoba Mennonite Youth Organization. A men's choir of 100 voices sang in the morning and a 400-voice mixed choir sang in the afternoon. Both choirs were under the direction of Dr. K. H. Neufeld.

Niel Unruh from Grunthal, with a string orchestra and assisted by musicians from Winkler, Plum Coulee and Rosenfeld, accompanied the choir and played a number of selections during the morning and afternoon sessions.

### Pastor Honoured on Birthday

Rev. J. C. Schmidt, pastor of the United Mennonite Church in Rosthern, Sask., was pleasantly surprised with a birthday party in his honour on Sunday, Sept. 4. He was presented with a purse sufficient to lay linoleum in their new residence.

of the most active in the M.B.B.C. alumni. For these programs a choir under the direction of Aaron Warkentin was formed, with the number of singers varying from 25 to 35 at the programs. Rev. D. Ewert had come from Winnipeg to speak at the programs, and Takashi Niwa, a prospective student at M.B.B.C., arrived from Japan in time to give a personal testimony at three of the programs. Another highlight of the programs was a survey of the fields in which graduates of M.B.B.C. are active, as compiled by Hugo Jantz, teacher at the East Chilliwack Bible School.

# Children's Missions in Review

There are many of the older generation today who can still remember the days when there were no Sunday Schools in our churches. But during their life-time the first primitive efforts have mushroomed into bulging classrooms and today they are considered an indispensable part of the total church program.

In this issue we present reports on the summer's activity. To get the total picture in all of our Mennonite circles would require a special issue, but some representative reports follow. We hope these reports will challenge us to renewed efforts to reach the children for Christ.

## D.V.B.S. Promoted by Winkler Bible School

John Boldt

The Daily Vacation Bible School program of the M.B. churches in Manitoba is spearheaded by the Winkler Bible School. Preparations are begun already in January for the summer's work. The students are made acquainted with the material and urged to participate in the work.

There are two spheres of activity in this program. One is that of holding Daily Vacation Bible School in localities around the Manitoba M.B. Mission stations. The other is the promotion of D.V.B.S. in the local M.B. churches. Although there are more open doors than ever, it is becoming increasingly difficult to find the necessary labourers for the work.

A summary of the schools taught around the mission stations reveals that at Winnipegosis six teachers taught in four schools, at Ashern four teachers worked in two schools, at Lindal two schools were taught by two teachers, at Horn-dean three workers taught in two schools, and in Brandon two teachers remained true to their trust.

Many of the churches are beginning to exploit the glorious opportunity for having D.V.B.S. in their area. The Winkler Bible School supplies the materials and helps with the organizing in these schools. Manitou, with 5 teachers, had a top enrollment of 90. Steinbach made a fine beginning with 5 teachers and 80 pupils. In



D.V.B.S. pupils at St. Martin (near Ashern, Man.)



Miss Susan Penner with D.V.B.S. pupils at Lindal and at Snowflake, Man.

Boissevain five teachers taught 57 students. Newton Siding, with 57 pupils, had only 3 teachers. Lena had three teachers for its 45 pupils. Justice and Elm Creek had an enrollment of 33 and 32 respectively. Four teachers at Domain served 29 children. A large proportion of these pupils came from non-Mennonite homes, an encouraging sign.

## Winkler Bible Camp

John Boldt

As we take stock of the past summer's work at the Winkler Bible Camp we must say with the Psalmist, "O give thanks unto the Lord; for His mercy endureth for ever".

Although applications for the camp were rather slow at the beginning, we soon found that we would not be able to accommodate all of those who desired to attend. A total of 234 children attended the three children's camps, with over 50 children entering the third camp free of charge.

To provide supervision and instruction for these children a staff of 12 volunteer workers served the Lord and the children with sacrificial devotion and enthusiasm. When we were short-staffed because of the ill-health of one of the workers and because others left, the rest divided the work and carried on.

Increased accommodation was provided by the new boys' cabin. Now the old tent could be used for woodwork. With water piped into the kitchen the boys need not carry it any more, so they could help with the dishes.

The program is designed to give

the children Bible knowledge as well as recreation. The morning is spent around the Word of God, with instruction in graded classes. This year's course was on the Tabernacle. Singing and memorizing Scripture, with a film-strip from the Moody Institute of Science, added to this in the afternoon. Other activities included games and sports, wood-work, and sewing. In the evening there was a Gospel service, with Brother John Enns, Winkler, as evangelist during the third camp.

Although 34 registered for the young people's camp, there were many more attending the meetings, especially on Sunday. Rev. J. H. Quiring, pastor of the Winkler M. B. church, and Rev. H. H. Redekop, principal of the Winkler Bible School, spoke on the practical aspects of a Christian life. Surely it is a good thing for everyone to spend part of the beautiful summer days in learning more about God. May He be glorified in a harvest of souls.

## Long-range View in Sask. S.V.B.S.

J. S. Adrian

"The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad" Ps. 126:3. As workers in the vineyard of the Lord in the field of S.V.B.S. and Bible camp we humbly bow before God and acknowledge that it is the Lord who grants power for doing great things.

Again this summer 36 young people had the joy and privilege of serving in Summer Vacation Bible School in northern Saskatchewan. In 11 different schools

instruction was given to some 400 children. The majority of the children enjoyed S.V.B.S. and hoped for another session next year. It is challenging to find that numerous children accepted Christ, for this is actually the purpose of S.V.B.S.

As a mission we are not content with having a school in a district only one year, but keep in contact with the districts that have been served. By conducting a school several years in a row in one area we hope to eventually establish a permanent Sunday School. After that we look for the day when an established evangelical church will come into being. God grant it!

## Bible Camp

Besides maintaining nine permanent fields and an extensive S.V. B.S. program, the M.B. Mission of Saskatchewan also operates two Bible Camps. The northern Saskatchewan Bible camp is situated at Redberry Lake and presents great opportunities for drawing children and young people closer to the Lord. The scenery already reveals the greatness of God as Creator. The bill-board announces silently though boldly that the site is a Bible camp. While the cabins, dining-hall and kitchen provide food and rest for the natural man, the spacious 60-foot Tabernacle with its Bible verse along the front reveals to everyone that this is a BIBLE camp.

It was here that the Lord met us in a wonderful way with His bountiful blessings from July 9-31. During three full weeks of Bible camp 31 consecrated young people served on the staff as supervisors, teachers, cooks, and counsellors. The total enrollment at the three camps was 245. 104 boys and 87

girls between the ages of 6 and 14 each had a one-week camp, with 54 enrolled in the young people's camp.

The forenoons at camp were spent in Bible classes, the afternoons in recreation, and the evenings had a Gospel service, with the emphasis on the Bible. Visitors at the camps were the missionaries J. Rolfe Graves, the C. N. Hieberts, and the H. K. Warkentins, who presented the Gospel and a missionary challenge during their visits.

May it please God to bless the efforts of our mission in Saskatchewan, as well as all other evangelical efforts, to the salvation of many souls.

### Expanding D.V.B.S. Program in Alberta

Abe Regier

Still growing after an activity of 20 years, the Daily Vacation Bible School program of the M.B. churches in Alberta has again reached out into new areas this year. Teaching in about 25 schools, 48 young people took part in a project that reached 750 children this summer. With the majority of these children coming from homes where Christ is little known and seldom mentioned,

these Daily Vacation Bible Schools again resulted in a number of decisions for Christ.

The vision of several brethren in the Alberta M.B. churches led to the inauguration of a Daily Vacation Bible School program under the auspices of the Western Children's Mission two decades ago. From a small and insignificant effort, this project has expanded into a worthwhile work for God. Incorporated as the Alberta Children's Mission several years ago, the mission has a provincial executive as well as a local committee in each church.

The Alberta Children's Mission augments its school program by the distribution of tracts, Testaments, and Bibles, and by making personal contacts in the homes. Because this work is periodic, local churches are also encouraged to start mission Sunday Schools, with about 12 in operation already. Even though conducted on Sunday afternoons, thus entailing a certain amount of effort, there has been no serious difficulty in obtaining teachers.

Through the power of the Lord and in confidence that His Word will not return void, the brethren are planning the expansion of this work for the salvation of souls and for the glory of the Lord of the harvest.

## Fishermen and Cannery Workers Hear Gospel

Jake Bergen

We greet you with the words of Paul from I Cor. 3:9, "We are labourers together with God." We trust that these words will become even more true through the medium of the MENNONITE OBSERVER. Not only is it encouraging to know that others are praying along, but it is a necessity that we labour together in the Gospel.

It is now two years since we first came to Port Edward, a fishing and cannery town not far from the northern seaport of Prince Rupert. The majority of the approximately 1000 people living here are probably natives, although there are also whites and Japanese. In summer the natives come here for the fishing and canning season, only to return to their villages farther north for the winter.

#### Mission Work

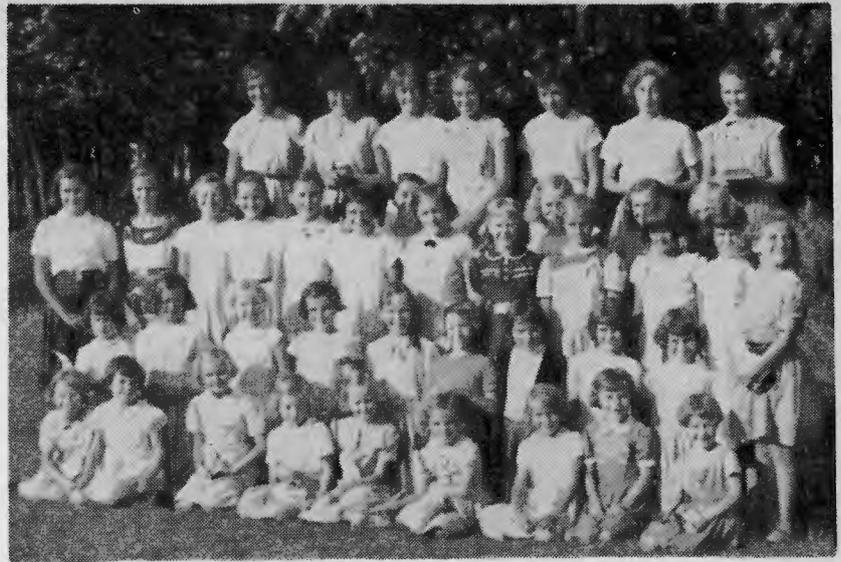
Our work consists of Sunday School, church services, house visitations, and various activities with the young people. Singing, sewing, handwork, woodwork, and recreational games are combined with a Bible lesson as often as possible, but we have to be careful not to overdo this, especially at the beginning.

The children have responded fairly well in the Sunday School, although we can reach only a fraction of those who live here. Mrs. Blythe teaches the beginners, with Mrs. Clayton assisting her, while my wife teaches the primaries and I have the intermediates. We were sorry to see Miss Erna Loewen leave us, for she taught the juniors until August 15, when she left for her home in Niagara, Ont. We wish you God's blessing, Erna, in your future service for Him.

Church services and Sunday School go through a "depression" in summer. Thus we have often been thankful for Mrs. Blythe, a faithful local supporter of our work. She has been a great help in our services by attending and also by playing the organ. We ask you to pray that we may have faith and courage to continue the work in spite of discouragements.

#### Building

The Lord through the provision of the Canada Inland Mission and the help of several brethren from the Fraser Valley has made it possible for us to build a chapel here. The building was begun in June of 1954 and, if possible, we hope to complete it this fall.



The girls of the third camp at Winkler Bible Camp.

Though much remains to be done we have had services in it for 9 months already.

#### Bible Camp

During the month of August we took 14 of our Port Edward children to Summer Bible Camp near Terrace for 10 days. This camp is a joint effort of the Regular Baptist Church of Prince Rupert and our chapel in Port Edward. The 38 children from Prince Rupert increased the total to 52 campers, with a staff of 11, and 7 pre-camp-age children. With 70 persons to feed, Mrs. Blyth did a very good job of cooking.

The staff at camp consisted of Rev. L. Thorpe, camp director; Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Schmidt, Terrace; Mr. Ed. Jones, missionary from Ethiopia now home on furlough; Mrs. Wittich, Prince Rupert; Anne and Sue Neufeld, Vancouver; Erna Loewen, Ontario; Mrs. Blyth, Port Edward; and my wife and myself.

Although the weather was quite cool the children thoroughly enjoyed their stay at camp. Several expressed their desire to receive Jesus Christ as Saviour and others were challenged to continue the Christian life which they had begun. Pray that these young Christians may take grace to stand up for the Lord in their homes.

### God No Respector of Persons

Joe Wiebe

The Psalmist reminds us, "Bless the Lord O my soul, and forget not all His benefits" Ps. 103:2. The Lord has given us His blessing during another busy summer, with attendance fairly good at the Sunday School and worship services.

It is a real joy to worship together with several nationalities. One Sunday morning we noticed German, Dutch, English, Greek, Indian, and Ukrainian people present. And what joy to know that each nationality was represented by at least one believer. Certainly the Lord is no respecter of persons.

The Daily Vacation Bible Schools and Mission Camp have proved to be a rich blessing again, with several children deciding for the Lord Jesus Christ. Joan, for example, was telling us that she had wanted to be saved even before she went to camp. When she came to the Lake Winnipeg Mission Camp and heard the Word of God, she accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as her Saviour at her first opportunity. After she came home she immediately told her mother about it. As a result her parents have started to come to Sunday School and worship services.

We earnestly covet your prayers for this needy field in Ashern.



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and faith in the church which will support this work.

Greetings were brought by Mr. T. L. Patrick, member of parliament for Middlesex North, on behalf of the government; by Stanley Crow, on behalf of the Honourable Louis Cecile, Minister of Welfare; and by Mr. William Waters on behalf of the local school board.

Rev. Frank J. Andreys of St. Catharines led in the invocation and Bishop J. B. Martin, Waterloo, Ont., had the dedicatory response and prayer. Rev. Wilfred Schlagel, pastor of the Nairn Mennonite Church which donated the farm to the MCC, presented the key to Mr. Edward G. Snyder, Director of the MCC office in Waterloo, Ontario.

Following the ceremony some of the boys who have already been admitted to the farm conducted tours through the building.

A. Schmitt, Swift Current, Sask., and recent graduate of Goshen College Biblical Seminary, has been named director of the farm. House-father will be Jack Wall and Miss Elaine Brubacher is matron.

The project has been sponsored by the Conference of Historic Peace Churches.



### **Mennonites Help Clean Up in Flood Area**

Following the disastrous floods in northeastern Pennsylvania, Mennonites of Franconia, Lancaster, southwestern Pennsylvania and eastern Ohio seized the opportunity to demonstrate the love of Christ. On Monday, August 22, 120 men left Franconia by bus for the flooded area. During the following two weeks between 200 and 300 men helped daily, first at Riegelsville, and then at East Stroudsburg, Pa.

Although the Red Cross met the first major needs for clothing, the Mennonite churches made one distribution of new bedding—comforters, spreads, sheets, blankets, and pillowcases. New shoes and new clothing for school children and men were also items that the Red Cross did not have.

Although Labor Day marked the last effort of the large organized groups, representatives of MCC and disaster workers plan to meet on Sept. 21 to discuss the long term needs and the final disposition of funds.

### **School of Nursing Opens in Formosa**

A school of nursing for the MCC hospital in Hualien, Taiwan, opened during the month of July. Four girls are enrolled in the first half of this year's class and two others are already on the waiting list for the next half year. It is hoped to have room for them by January.

The Joint Committee on Rural Rehabilitation, a branch of the Economic Cooperation Administration, has earmarked funds for a new nurses' home. This same committee assisted in the expenses of the hospital when it was erected in the latter part of 1954.

### **Church at Backnang Completed**

Dedicatory services on July 10 marked the completion of the first church for Mennonite refugees in West Germany. Pax men and local volunteer labour built this church in Backnang, the largest of seven German Mennonite refugee settlements.

Valued at over \$20,000, the 30 by 50 ft. structure will serve as a place of worship for approximately 90 families, the majority of which come from Prussia, Danzig, and Silesia. They live in the 15 completed apartment houses of the Backnang Pax project. When completed, the project's 20 houses are to provide permanent homes for some 140 families.

### **Swiss to Take Over in Austria**

The Conference of Mennonites in Switzerland recently bought a house in Vienna to accommodate Rev. Ernst Wyss, who went there in June. This action follows the decision of the Conference in spring to take over this mission work, an outgrowth of the MCC work there. The MCC has agreed to support the mission work temporarily.

## *Walls to Visit West*

Representing the European Mennonite Bible School, the Cornelius Walls will visit the churches of western Canada between September 27 and October 3. Principal of the European Bible School for the last three years, Bro. Wall has also been very active in youth work while in Europe.

The Walls report a growing interest in the Bible School in Europe as well as in America. The only Mennonite Bible School in Europe, it started in 1950 with 27 students and a four-week course. In five years the enrollment jumped to 50 for the longer ten-week course offered during the last winter. Because of the expanding student body a house was purchased in Basel in 1954, providing the necessary classrooms, dormitory, and boarding facilities. In the years since its inception 150 young people from France, Germany, Italy, Luxemburg, and Switzerland have benefitted by the basic Christian training and fellowship the school offers.

The Cornelius Walls, whose home is in Mountain Lake, Minn., went to Europe as relief workers

under the MCC in 1948. After serving for two years they returned in 1950 in time for Bro. Wall to begin the fall term as instructor at the Mennonite Brethren Bible College, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Following a call from the MCC the Walls were released by the Bible College to teach at the European Mennonite Bible School in Basel. Since February of 1952 "Onkel" Wall has served as principal of this Bible School and "Tante" Wall as the "Hausmutter".

The Walls have been called home for three months to help awaken interest and support for the European Mennonite Bible School in America. It will be a joy for them to meet many of their friends again before they return to Europe in late October.

The Wall's itinerary for western Canada has been announced as follows: Tuesday afternoon, Sept. 27, Steinbach M.B. church; Tuesday evening, Sept., 27, Winnipeg; Wed., Sept. 28, Winkler M.B. church; Friday, Sept. 30, Coaldale; Sunday, October 3, Vancouver, B.C.

### **Harvest Highlights**

A minimum of hail has been a contributing factor to the rather satisfactory yield in most areas in Linden, Alta., where harvesting is in full swing.

— With harvesting almost completed, the Waldheim, Sask., district had an above-average yield this year.

— Harvesting is progressing in the Dalmeny, Sask., area with the weather cooperating wonderfully. The yield is good, with wheat averaging 20 to 35 bushels per acre and oats averaging 15 to 50 bushels per acre. That which was sowed at the end of May could be harvested by the end of August.

— Except for a few late-seeded fields of flax, oats, barley, and buckwheat, harvesting has been completed in the Elm Creek, Man., district. Some areas had better-than-average crops, while others had much below average yields due to heavy rains in the spring, aphids, and intense heat during part of the summer.

Light frost hit the area on the week-end of September 11.

— With harvesting operations reaching the halfway mark, snow and rain fell in some parts of Alberta on September 9. Reports from Gem and Cayley, Alta., indicate that the spell of good harvesting weather was broken and harvesting received a setback by this early snow.

### **Loan Endorsed**

A proposal to borrow \$40,000 to allow for the completion of the entire home project received unanimous support at a special meeting for all members of the Home for the Aged Society, Thursday, September 8, at Winkler, Man.

Rev. J. M. Pauls, chairman of the Society, indicated that when present construction is completed 27 beds will be ready for occupancy. It is expected that the loan of \$40,000 to complete construction of the main wing will bring the capacity up to 55 beds. The total cost, including furnishings, is expected to be \$95,000.



Mennonites cleaning up after flood in northeastern Pennsylvania. Tubs of mud are added to the piles of debris cleared by bulldozers from the road in front of the store.