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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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First Baptismal Service at Brandon



Baptism at Brandon. On the photo are: Dick Enns, Anne Enns, Martha Duerksen, Ruth Funk, Esther Funk and Rev. L. D. Warkentin.

Brandon, Man. — The Gospel Light Mission of Brandon conducted the first baptismal service in its history on August 30, when five candidates were baptized in the tabernacle of the Alliance Church here in Brandon.

Dick Enns, Anne Enns, and Martha Duerksen from Alexander, and Ruth and Esther Funk from Brandon were the five young people baptized. Rev. L. D. Warkentin had given them instruction previously and members of the M.B. Church heard their public testimonies. Arrangements with the local Alliance Church made it possible for the group to use their indoor baptismal facilities.

Rev. A. J. Froese, Boissevain, the guest speaker, used the illustration of the eunuch and Phillip to point out the need for obedience and public confession to the candidates. Rev. Warkentin baptized the young people and Brother J. J. Krueger from Alexander and the two ministers welcomed them into the respective churches.

The churches of Brandon and Alexander had joined for this service so that the tabernacle was almost filled. The organ music and convenient arrangements made pos-

sible a spirit of dignity and reverence throughout the entire service. A baptismal service is the open-air on a beautiful day, open to all the world to see is the way it was done in the beginning of the Christian Church. We must not forget, however, that act is symbolic and therefore can also be carried out under a different setting.

Blessings in Calgary

Calgary, Alta. — A baptismal service was conducted in the Calgary M. B. church on August 30. Our hearts rejoiced and our faith was strengthened as each one of the five candidates testified of the saving grace of our dear Lord and Saviour.

The candidates were: Rosie Loewen, Sarah Chetter (a young girl from the Standoff Hutterite Colony near Fort McLeod), Clara Rogalsky, Elvira Rempel and Ernie Loewen, brother to Rosie.

Special mention must be made of Sarah Chetter, who will probably suffer severe persecution upon her return to the colony, yet realizing the chance she was taking, she was quite convinced that this was

Sad News from Reinland

Reinland, Menno Colony, S.A. — There were times of blessings in the Menno Colony during the last week in July. A preachers' conference took place, after which Brother and Sister Warkentin served with messages, reports and sound-films. This gave an insight in the missionary activity in India, Japan, Africa and the Holy Land. An appeal was also made to accept Christ as Saviour.

God has blessed the colony with a penetrating rain which lasted two days and one night. The people felt grateful to the Lord for spiritual and material blessings.

In Reinland of the Menno Colony there was a J. U. Kehler family. Mr. Kehler was an excellent farmer and Mrs. Kehler a very good housekeeper. They had seven daughters of whom the oldest three are married. The latter were living in a village at a considerable distance from their parental home.

Mrs. Kehler prepared supper. She opened a glass of conserved (poisoned) meat. The youngest daughter did not like the "Leberwurst." The rest of the family ate of it. All of

the way she should go. Through her testimony we were impressed to see how precious her Saviour was to her. Let us pray for her as well as for the other Christians in the colony and for Mr. and Mrs. Boldt, who have through the years of faithful service been able to see their need. Mr. Regier has also visited them occasionally.

During the same weekend Miss Nettie Kroeker of Winnipeg was in our midst. She lectured on the importance of Sunday school, also stressing the need for cooperation between parents and Sunday school teachers.

Pedestrians Injured At Clearbrook

Clearbrook, B.C. — A local girl is still unconscious in hospital four days after an accident involving two teenagers in Clearbrook on September 5.

Janet Peters, 14-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan C. Peters, and Ruth Thiessen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Thiessen, both of

them slept well during the night. On the following day they all went to work as usual.

During the second night, however, Mrs. Kehler and Neta became very ill. Neta, who was about 19 years of age, died the following day at 3 p.m. One day later Mrs. Kehler, 50, passed away. On the day which followed, Mr. Kehler, 56, was called into the presence of God and finally Liese, 17, also went home to be with the Lord.

Thus the believed remaining members of the family had to see their loved ones die one by one four days in succession.

The burial of Mr. Kehler and Neta took place a few days before Mrs. Kehler and Liese were laid to rest. The funeral service for all four of them was held August 7. The sermons which were presented at that occasion were heart-searching. But the four graves of the bodies that were laid to rest made the people present think very seriously of the truth contained in Psalm 90:12: "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom."

Clearbrook, were hit by an automobile while crossing the highway in a pedestrian cross-walk. Ruth escaped with bruises and shock and was released from hospital after examination. But Janet came under the car, receiving an exhaust burn and other injuries not yet determined because of her unconscious state. She was rushed to St. Paul's Hospital in Vancouver.

The driver of the car apparently failed to see the girls as they crossed the Trans-Canada highway at an intersection where pedestrian traffic is heavy.

Evangelistic Meetings At Blumenau

Blumenau, Brazil. — Ever since January we prayed, planned and prepared for evangelistic meetings to be conducted in our M. B. Gospel Chapel. Throughout the whole course of preparation we sensed the Lord's guidance.

The week prior to the services our young people and a number of
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EDITORIAL

Vacation, Vacation, Vacation

Professor Jackson, who asked his students, Williams, Smith and Jones to express their views on the question of vacation, makes closing remarks.

Professor Jackson: Some-times it is necessary to have vacation because we get tired of people and people get tired of us, for the best of us are very disappointing. We must also get away from home in order to appreciate it more when we come back.

Some years ago a doctor said that he had had a very busy winter. There had been a great deal of sickness. Toward spring, he began to feel that his nerves were a little bit ragged. One morning when he came down to breakfast he did not feel as cheerful as usual and his wife felt just like he did. He went down town and came back at noon and said to his wife, "I have arranged to have you go to California." "What?" "Yes, I have wired and made your reservation, and here is your ticket and reservation on the train. You are going to California." "But what for?" "I think you need a change."

A fellow practitioner who heard about this said to the doctor, "Would it not be fine if you could arrange to go with her?" "Well, I would be seven-eighths of a fool if I did that. Do you not know that what she needs is to get away from me?"

Later the doctor said, "So I sent her off and about two months later when I went to bring her home, the woman who came tripping down to the train to meet me was the woman I married; we had another honeymoon."

The procedure of the doctor was somewhat strange. But isn't it true that we must some-times get away from people in order to appreciate them more when we come back? Likewise it is true that we must get away from home occasionally, in order to have a greater liking for it when we return from our journey. Home ought to be a sweet place for us, but some-times the sweetness of it must be renewed.

Right now I am reminded of a little poem which those who are taking off a time for rest would do well to remember. It gives us a warning and it also contains an exhortation to use our vacation in a God-pleasing manner. I'll recite it for you.

I forgot God in the summertime,
Just the time I was needed most;
I was not away, but on each Lord's Day
I failed to be at my post,

I forgot my church in the summertime,
As I lazily lay in bed,
While the faithful few had my work to do,
And I was spiritually dead.

I forgot my pledge in the summertime,
When He needed it most of all,
While my cash was spent, I was pleasure bent
Just off duty for God until fall.

If my Lord should come in the summertime,
When from duty to God I'm free,
What should I do when my life is through
If by chance He should forget me?

This Is My Father's World

This is my Father's world,
And to my list'ning ears,
All nature sings, and round me rings
The music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world,
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and
seas —
His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world,
The birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white.
Declare their Maker's praise.

This is my Father's world,
He shines in all that's fair;
In the rustling grass I hear Him
pass,
He speaks to me ev'rywhere.

This is my Father's world,
O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so
strong,
God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world,
The battle is not done,
Jesus who died shall be satisfied,
And earth and heav'n be one.

DEVOTIONAL

The Spirit of Love

By Victor D. Toews

For God has not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind (II Tim. 1:7).

In this verse three characteristics of the Holy Spirit stand out like jewels in a royal crown. I would like to draw the beauty of the centre one to our attention for a few moments. We have received the Spirit of Love.

According to Romans 5:5 "... the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us." Love is a fruit of the Spirit of God in our lives. Our faith is a religion which, in contrast to others, not only demands love of its adherents, but supplies the power to love every child of God.

This new love relationship makes itself felt in all of our attitudes, desires and actions. This is especially true with regard to our relationship to God. In the Old Testament people were commanded to love God with all their heart, soul and mind. In the New Testament this command is still to be followed but not only because it is required. "We love Him because He first loved us." The Spirit of God Himself creates this love within our hearts.

Most religions hold to a belief in some kind of deity. Thousands of so-called primitive people believe in a god, but do so with fear and trembling. Theirs is a relationship of fear. All of their actions whether personal, domestic or tribal are generally in some manner or another connected with the fear which they have of their gods.

Paul describes our love relationship to God in Romans 8:15, "For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the spirit of adoption whereby we cry Abba Father." We are in a privileged group. In Christ Jesus we may approach the great Creator and Sustainer of the universe and call Him "Our Father." As young children who love, trust and adore their parents, we may come to God in the knowledge that He is our Father Who loves us.

The love of God in our hearts also extends to our brother. Those of us who have read the first Epistle of John will recall that the apostle emphasizes this relationship. He expresses it in the following words: "Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and everyone that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God." From the reference and similar passages we note that our faith in God and our love for the brethren is closely related. Such a love can bridge many gaps such as race, nationality and language.

This Spirit of Love also enables us to forgive our brethren if they

sin against us. Humanly speaking this is very hard and in some cases almost impossible, but love is the enabling factor. The child of God can even forgive the habitual sinning brother when he repents of his sins.

Furthermore the Christian also has received a sincere love for the lost. It is the same love which Christ had for the world. When He saw the multitudes He was moved with compassion for them. This compassion led Him to heal the sick, feed the hungry and to help those who were troubled in their soul.

If we would but let the Spirit of Love open our eyes we would also become more aware of the needy souls around us. Many have material and physical and many more have spiritual needs. When our eyes are opened by the Spirit of Love we will be led to pray more for these people. We will give more of our time and goods. We will also be led to speak more to them.

It should be our fervent prayer that the Spirit of Love have more room in our churches, homes and especially in our hearts.

The Christian and His Bible.

By Douglas Johnson. 144 pp.

Written by the General Secretary of the Inter-Varsity Fellowship in London, this book deals with the Bible as the voice of God in the church, the documents, difficulties in the Bible, inspiration and reliability of the Bible, and understanding the Bible. Every Christian should have one of these books for a better understanding of the Scriptures \$2.25

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Winnipegosis DVBS Work

Winnipegosis, Man. — In answer to prayer, the Lord was able to move a number of teachers into His white harvest field around Winnipegosis. Starting at Winnipegosis (Jerusalem), with an enrollment of 54, Miss Anne Dyck of Boissevain, a public school teacher, Henry W. Funk a graduate of the Winkler Bible School, and Mrs. Henry Penner of Winnipegosis taught for two weeks. The daily average attendance was between 40 and 50.

Moving next to Fork River, 11 miles away, Sister Anne Dyck and Brother Henry Funk continued to have a blessed time as they instructed more than 20 children.

By this time the Brethren Frank Dick and Jake Dyck of Newton Siding arrived and assumed the responsibility for a school in the Campbelton area, 25 miles from Winnipegosis. These men found an open door among the people. Their work was appreciated. This is the place where we have services every other Sunday afternoon.

Miss Anne Dyck accompanied by Miss Caroline Palmer of Winnipegosis were stationed next at West Bay 20 miles away, where it had been my privilege to teach Good News Club for the past two years. Their closing program was excellent.

By now, Leonard Schroeder, a student of the M.B. Bible College, came to strengthen our ranks. He and Henry Funk took over the South Bay school, some seven miles away. Since the Catholic Church had not appreciated the high enrollment of 33 the summer before, they tried to spoil it for us by having catechism classes before we could have the school. Since the attendance was low for two teachers, they had acted quickly and contacted the people by phone in a different area. The result was that Len Schroeder took a different school with some 16 children, seven were of pre-school age. The children knew their items well at the closing program. Henry Funk remained at South Bay.

The last DVBS, just before the public schools opened their doors, was held at Pine River, 38 miles from Winnipegosis. The Brethren Funk and Schroeder went to this place. We received the permission of the United Church to use their church building for this purpose. Twenty-six children attended. The people welcomed the teachers even though "an obvious religious air" had been put on. Here too a number of Catholic children came out. We were told that the singing at the closing program had been "superb".

A word of recognition and appreciation be to all the workers and their parents, who permitted them to come and teach here. Since it has become almost traditional for

public school teachers to take summer school in order to be qualified for higher pay the next year, the service of Miss Anne Dyck, who came out all on her own, was greatly appreciated. We trust that more teachers will follow her good example. The Brethren, Henry Funk and Leonard Schroeder, were kept busy over the week-ends with singing and speaking engagements. May God bless their zealous and able service done for Him.

We would like to put the following question before you, dear reader, Could you not do something of this kind, next summer?

Frank Peters.

New Matsqui Church

Matsqui, B.C. — The Matsqui M. B. Church will soon have its services in the new building which is almost ready for use.

The old church was destroyed by fire earlier this year. The workmen have completed the framework and are presently roughing the interior. The new structure is built on the site of the old church. It has a full basement, a large auditorium, a balcony and a number of anti-rooms.

Home Missions

Regina, Sask. — Praise be to God for the many boys and girls who heard the Word this summer. Of the 80 at West Bank Bible Camp 12 were from Regina. Another 103 were enrolled in VBS.

Several thousand attended the 5-day club sponsored by the Child Evangelism Fellowship of Saskatchewan. There were 144 enrolled in the 5 clubs in which one of our sisters taught.

Among those who heard were a goodly number of children who usually do not get the Gospel clearly. Some children accepted Christ as their Saviour. There were also those who were willing to pray, give, and go.

Let us pray that those who professed to accept Christ might have full assurance and live for Him. Many prayers have also been offered up in behalf of Rev. H. H. Epp, whose evangelistic campaign began in Regina on September 13.

Flood in Taiwan

Newton, Kans. — In a letter to the General Conference Mennonite Church headquarters here Hugh Sprunger, missionary living in Taipei, Taiwan (Formosa), tells of the destruction and suffering that came with the flood of August 8, now known as "Black Saturday."

He writes: "The heaviest rainfall

Golden Wedding for Brother and Sister Bartel



Golden Wedding of Brother and Sister Jacob Bartel in the St. Catharines M. B. church, on August 15, 1959. Sitting: Jacob and Katharina Bartel. Standing, left to right: Mr. and Mrs. John Rempel, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Peters (Kitchener, Ont.), Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Dyck (Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont.), Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Bartel (Hespeler, Ont.)

St. Catharines, Ont. — The golden wedding of Brother and Sister Jacob Bartel took place in the St. Catharines M. B. church on August 15.

Rev. P. Dick read Lam. 3:22-25 for the opening and prayed. A trio sang "Der Herr ist mein Hirte." Then Rev. Henry Penner spoke on the theme, "The Altar of Prayer." His text was Gen. 35:1-4. Following this the grandchildren presented an English song. Then three Christian sisters sang "Fuerchte dich nicht, was auch geschieht. Gott sorget für dich, sein Kind." Two appropriate poems were recited after which Rev. D. Klassen of Virgil asked the congregation to sing "Wie gross ist des Allmächtigen Güte." Then he delivered a message based on Psalm 36:6-11. Then a trio sang, "Da ist ein Führer."

Brother P. Dick read a number of congratulations of which the one from Prime Minister John Diefenbaker was read first.

in 60 years, some twenty-odd inches, fell in a matter of hours, causing unbelievable damage to the cities and villages along the western side of the island. The heaviest damage occurred in the Taichung area and the area just south of Taichung. The losses in human life and property are fantastic. A recent report from the central government listed 645 dead, 590 missing, 984 injured, and 248,184 homeless.

Unger, Pastor in Hamilton

Hamilton, Ont. — Rev. John Unger, graduate of the M. B. Bible College, Winnipeg, and also of the University of Western Ontario, (Waterloo Branch) is pastor of the M. B. Christian Fellowship Chapel of Hamilton, Ont. There are 20 baptized members, which belong to the fellowship group. The average attendance in the worship services ranges from 40 to 50. Some times there have been 80. The Sunday school enrollment is about 90.

Sister J. Rempel, daughter of the Bartels, read a report of the 50-year journey of her parents, beginning at their wedding 50 years ago.

They got married at Schönwiese, Molotschna, on August 15, 1909. Rev. Bernhard Wiens had officiated. He had then spoken on the text, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

Later they emigrated to Canada. First they came to Waterloo, Ont., then they moved to Hespeler, then to Kitchener. In 1943 they settled at Niagara-on-the-Lake. When their children had reached adulthood, they moved to St. Catharines. Here they receive many spiritual blessings for which they are grateful to the Lord.

Their physical frailty reminds them of the fact that the home which they now have is but temporal. They are thankful to God for His faithfulness and mercy which the Lord has bestowed upon them so bountifully in the past.

Rev. and Mrs. Unger are serving under the Ontario Home Mission Board. The work there began in 1954 with DVBS and it has grown considerably as seen from the previous paragraph. This year the DVBS had an enrollment of 83. Brother Unger is field director of the Mennonite Brethren Church DVBS work of the province. This past summer 114 DVBS teachers taught in 29 school areas and they reached 1672 pupils.

Religious education is obligatory in Ontario. Teachers who are not qualified to teach religious subjects may invite clergymen or laymen to do this work. Last year Brother Unger gave 21 periods a week of religious instruction in public schools. He also taught the course Religious Guidance in the Hamilton Teachers' College. Thus Brother Unger and his co-workers had a splendid opportunity of testifying in Hamilton with its population of 259,000 and in other areas of Ontario.



Brother F. H. Klassen, his wife Patricia, Kathryn and Frankie. The Klassens have served in Ethiopia for six years.

F. H. Klassens Return From Ethiopia

Brother F. H. Klassen, his wife Patricia and their two children Kathryn and Frankie returned from Ethiopia. They visited Mr. Klassen's parents in Winnipeg and also Mrs. Klassen's parents in Vancouver. They are grateful to God for His love, help and protection during the six years of their service in Africa. It was a joy to them to see their relatives, friends and members of their home church (Elmwood). They wish to convey their hearty greetings to the many friends in Canada, whom they were not able to meet during their brief visit in the home-land. On September 7, they went to Urbana in order to study at the University of Illinois.

In 1953 they concluded their study at the Manitoba University and followed the invitation to Ethiopia. Here they served in the field of education and helped in the training of the young people of this ancient Bible-land. First they were at Ambo, next at Jimma and during the last three years at Harar. While Mrs. Klassen was teaching in girls' schools Mr. Klassen was the principal of a school at Jimma and also of the Teacher Training Institute at Harar. Brother Klassen expects to continue in the teaching profession.

King Haile Selassie of Ethiopia endeavours to raise the standard of education in his country. For this purpose he invites teachers from

other civilized countries. It is his aim to train young people of his own nation for the teaching profession. For this reason the Teacher Training Institute at Harar received a grant of \$600,000 for the erection of a new building. This plan was initiated and completed at the time when Brother Klassen was still in charge of the institute and the erection of the school building was begun when the Klassens left Ethiopia. There is a university in Addis Abeba, capital of Ethiopia.

The number of qualified teachers in Ethiopia is very small, and those who are capable of teaching are unwilling to go to the desolate areas in order to help those who are in need of educational assistance.

During the last ten years, Ethiopia has made marvelous progress in the field of education and also in religious education. This influence can be felt in every sphere of the Ethiopian life.

Ethiopia is a country with beautiful scenery. There are many wild animals and birds. Occasionally Brother Klassen, missionaries and fellow teachers went out hunting. Mr. Klassen shot two lions, wild hogs, antelopes and various birds. He brought with him more than 1,000 slides which present Ethiopia as it really is. The slides reveal much of the religious, cultural, social and economical life of the country.

Mennonite Brethren Mission Notes

Brother and Sister Ted Fast and Sister Regina Suderman arrived in India on September 8 under the Lord's good protection. They are grateful to the Lord for granting them a good journey as well as health and protection across the ocean to the land to which the Lord has called them.

New hospital wards have been completed at Wanaparty, India, to care especially for caste people. The building was dedicated to the Lord on July 23. It is a matter of gratitude to God that already during this short time a caste man has accepted Christ and enjoys to read the Word of God. Sister Margaret Willems is in charge of the medical

work at Wanaparty and Sister Helen Dueck assists. A large national staff also serves in the Wanaparty hospital. The staff is praying for an Indian Christian doctor.

The India field reports a large school enrollment this year. The elementary and middle schools at Hughestown have an enrollment of 592 pupils. At Mahbubnagar the high schools and middle schools have enrolled 450 students. The other mission schools also have large enrollments.

Brother and Sister Paul Hiebert have been appointed by the Board of Foreign Missions to missionary service in India. A response to the application for their entrance into India has, however, not yet been received. May we therefore pray that it will be possible for the Hieberts to enter and serve in India where their services in the training of national workers are urgently needed. It is hoped they can sail for India this coming December or early in January, 1960.

Brother Abr. J. Neufeld stopped at the Hillsboro office for a conference on September 12 enroute to Europe. After serving in the Henderson, Nebraska, church on Sunday, September 13, he travelled to St. Catharines, Ont., where he visited his parents. On September 16 the St. Catharines Church bade him farewell and wished him God's blessing as he returned to Europe. On September 18 Brother Neufeld took a plane from New York and was expected to arrive in Linz, Austria, for Sunday, September 20. May we continue to pray for son Gareth so that the entire family might return to Europe at least by the spring or summer of 1960.

Brother and Sister T. R. Nickel have consented to serve in Linz, Austria, during September and until October 11. Brother and Sister Jacob Thielman will arrive in Austria shortly after October 11. The services of the Nickels in the work in Europe are much appreciated. Their willingness to serve for an extended period to meet the need caused by the delayed return of Brother Neufeld is especially appreciated.

Brother and Sister J. A. Harder will leave for Europe from Vancouver on October 16. In Europe they will visit with their children who reside in the vicinity of the French-Luxemburg border. Arrangements are being made by our workers in Europe for Brother Harder to serve in Bible conferences in our churches and places of work in

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The new six-unit hospital ward at Wanaparty, India, known as "Maranatha"



MCC Assists in Calcutta, Hongkong Refugee Complex

The MCC plans to increase assistance in two of the world's most concentrated refugee areas—Calcutta, India, and Hongkong. About 700,000 Chinese refugees huddle in the over-crowded Hongkong territory; approximately 4,000,000 displaced Hindus who have fled from Pakistan since that Moslem state was formed by partition are now concentrated in and around Calcutta.

Hunger, homelessness, nakedness and restlessness continue to nibble on the lives of thousands of human beings. Freedom-seeking peoples and politically-expelled men, women and children continue their existence-struggle in a dilemma of misery and loneliness. Responsibilities pointed out by this year's designation as World Refugee Year, again, concretely indicate the intensity of the refuge problem. Said Vernon E. Bergstrom at the World Refugee Year inauguration luncheon, "There are still approximately 15 million who need help, either in the process of their integration or in resettlement. The world community in this century of man's inhumanity to man must act collectively in behalf of its members who have been forced to flee home, family and livelihood."

MCC intensified efforts brought about by the Far East challenge in this World Refugee Year. Future aid programming in Calcutta, which the MCC accepted and encouraged with deep concern, includes 1) setting up a food distribution program through child feeding centers in selected refugee schools; 2) establishing canteen services for undernourished and needy University of Calcutta students; 3) supporting one Paxman and using voluntary service workers from India Mennonite and Brethren in Christ churches to help in the material aid distribution program; and 4) increasing Calcutta's designated funds.

Calcutta: Poverty and Restlessness Pervade

An analysis of the West Bengal refugee situation indicates that about 240,082 are living in camps and homes, about 243,765 are in government colonies, and 2,778,506 are existing outside camps, homes and colonies.

At present MCC is working with the West Bengal Refugee Welfare Committee in four colonies. Milk, wheat and other foods are being distributed. Medical care is being given to leprosy and tubercular patients. And through William Voth (Chilliwack, B.C.) MCC is working

with the Department of Agriculture in a poultry project.

Calcutta is the capital city in the West Bengal state. One of its major problems is brought about by its University, where over 40 per cent of its undergraduate students are receiving less than the maximum nutrition required for good health. Several years ago the University reported that 18,000 of its 43,000 students were in the undernourished category. The University Vice-Chancellor expressed hopeful interest in the Mennonite Central Committee setting up student feeding stations in some of the University colleges.

The help planned by MCC would provide many of the needy students with at least one meal a day. Establishment of canteen services in selected centers will be made in cooperation with the University Vice-Chancellor; the University will provide required operating space. Surplus commodities as well as MCC processed foods will be used in carrying out the feeding program.

University Offers Ideological Opportunities

Evaluating the overall positive results of the projected program William T. Snyder, executive secretary of MCC, concludes, "The need of the University students presents not only physical aid possibilities but also ideological opportunities. These are the future leaders of West Bengal. Doubtless much good will be accomplished in the witness if we as a Christian organization working with other Christian agencies will bring them assistance during their student years."

The Calcutta refugee problem is augmented by India's entire national picture. One out of 42 people are refugees. Her population is increasing rapidly. By 1966 India's population will probably have grown to 460 million. Increasing food production is India's primary concern for the next seven years. Without enough food her hopes for improving human welfare and achieving social justice will become impossible. If India's food production increases no faster than at the present rate, the gap between supplies and the total amount required for efficiency will be 22 million tons annually by 1966.

Hongkong: A Problem of People

Hongkong, a small free territory located near Communist China, is also in desperate need of help because of its complicated refugee complex. An estimated three or four thousand refugees arrive in Hongkong each month. About a million Chinese have escaped from Red-controlled China sneaking into Hongkong in the decade since the Communists conquered China mainland. Two of seven people in Hongkong are refugees. They present the Colony with massive problems of housing, health and fire risks, un-

employment, and, on occasions, political instability. Despite heroic efforts and quite disproportionate expenditures by the government in Hongkong the majority of these refugees still live in appalling squalor and overcrowding in hillside shanties or rooftop huts. Hongkong has lived up to the highest traditions of the right of asylum but quite obviously has been limited by its absorptive capacity."

MCC came to Hongkong in the summer of 1950. Not knowing that the refugee problem would become critical, MCC discontinued its activities in Hongkong two years later. But as the 'problem of people' became increasingly acute with each successive year the MCC again resumed its work there. In the fall of 1957, in line with its policy of helping 'where the need is the greatest regardless of race or nationality or religion,' MCC decided to work with the homeless in Hongkong.

Center Reopened in 1958

Since the reopening of the MCC center in 1958 much of the \$172,829 worth of relief foods distributed until August 10, 1959, has gone to two charity hospitals, Kwang Wah and Tung Wah. Last year there were 23,000 births at Kwong Wah, the largest maternity hospital in the world. To an average of about 63 mothers who leave the hospital daily, MCC workers have been giving parcels of food and/or clothing.

Planning must be made from year to year because it is difficult to tell how long we will have freedom of operation; it is generally agreed that China could take over the city anytime it desires—but for the present it is open and there is great need among the people here for our ministry In the Name of Christ.

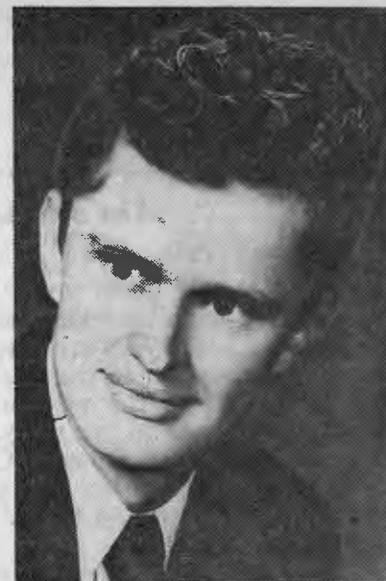
Vietnam

Mobile Medical Unit Projected for Mid-1960

Plans for a mobile medical unit in central Vietnam are moving ahead. As a cooperative venture between the Evangelical Church of Vietnam and MCC, the proposed project would begin in mid-1960 following termination of the medical program of Banmethuot.

In a letter August 5 inviting MCC to share in the new medical witness in rural Vietnam, President Le van Thai of the Evangelical Church wrote, "We have been always grateful to the Mennonite Central Committee and we pray that your work shall be successful for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Overall administrative responsibility for the projected program including the spiritual ministry will be directed by the Vietnam church. The church will also provide capital, operating budget and certain personnel. The Mennonite contribution will probably include a doctor couple, two nurses, a vehicle, some drugs and medical equipment.



Under the executive secretaryship of Elmer Neufeld the Peace Section plans to intensify its witness in the areas of militarism and war, and race relations.

Akron, Pa. — Elmer Neufeld began his services as executive secretary of MCC Peace Section on September 7. He replaces Jess Yoder, who served in a half-time capacity; Yoder is now teaching in the Goshen College speech department. Neufeld's appointment on a full-time basis will allow for intensified work in the areas of militarism and war and race relations.

Filadelfia, Paraguay. — Mennonites in Paraguay dedicated their first mental hospital August 14 at West Filadelfia. The hospital, Sanatorium Hoffnungsheim (Home of Hope Sanatorium), was constructed with the joint help of MCC and the five Paraguayan Mennonite colonies—Menno, Fernheim, Neuland, Friesland and Volendam. About 1500 attended the dedication services.

Work in Nepal

Nepal, hitherto one of the most remote and backward countries on earth, has in recent years begun progressing towards modernity. In spite of all kinds of obstacles, political developments have given it a sort of stability. Attempts at raising its economic status through agricultural and industrial development are also being made. Nepal is situated between India and Tibet.

In 1956 Nepal was opened to the Christian church to provide assistance in Nepal's improvement struggle. MCC responded to the "opening invitation" with a team of two Paxmen and a relief worker. The MCC group, working with the United Christian Mission to Nepal, began extending the Christian message via medical, educational and building services. The activity of the inter-denominational and international United Missions in constructing hospitals and schools in Kathmandu and Tansen was the first organized service of the Christian church in this Buddhist nation

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THE Young Observers

Let's Visit a Minute

Hi Boys and Girls,

Greetings to all of you! How were you getting along this week? Are you all working hard to get ahead? We hope so.

Camps and DVBS are over and it seems that even the swimming will soon be of the past. But there are many who are thinking often of the wonderful times they had this summer. How good it was to get away, wasn't it? Wasn't it wonderful to meet all the new friends? Certainly you are now thinking up many interesting things you will do with the fellows and girls. Well, that was a grand thing. But summer is gone pretty well, the way it seems.

And yet, we often think of the new friends we made, don't we? Say, do you ever pray for them when they do come into your mind? It would strike us if we knew how many fellows and girls are having quite a hard time following God's way once they are away from DVBS, camp, their friends and the teachers. You perhaps never knew that their mommy and daddy never told them the Bible stories. They maybe never heard anyone ever pray to God in their home. Many of them never knew of the Lord Jesus. But my, how they would still love to go on being true to their Saviour Jesus Christ, even if theirs is not a Christian home. Do you think you would like to pray for them? Why don't you? Pray that they may be faithful in turning to the Bible readings daily; pray that they may take time to pray; pray that they may find opportunity to go to Sunday school and to church to hear more about Jesus and the new life in Christ; then pray also for their homes.

Certainly you will remember these many new friends. God will make you happy in praying for them. God will also make you thankful for the wonderful home He has given you.

Good-bye for now. Be a good friend! Pray for your friends!

Love, Aunt Anne.

Good Night Or Good-Bye?

Dr. Langdale of New York tells us of a devoted Christian businessman who was struck by an automobile and hurried to a hospital. He was informed he had only about two hours to live. His faith was implicit in the goodness of God and a future life. To him death was only a gateway leading to a higher world. He had his family called to him and thus addressed them:

"Good night, dear wife. You have been the greatest woman in the world to me. Through sunshine and shadow we have walked together. You have been my inspiration in everything I have undertaken. Especially has this been true in reference to my religious life. Many times I have seen the Spirit of God shining in your face. I love you far more than the day you became my bride. Good night, dear, I'll see you in the morning; good night."

"Good night, Mary. You are our first-born. What a joy you have been to your father. How glad I am that you have looked so much like your mother. In face and spirit you have always reminded me of her. I see in you the sweet, beautiful young woman who left her home to be the builder and keeper of mine. What a Christian

you are, Mary; you will never forget how your father loved you. Good night, Mary, good night."

"Good night, Will. (He then turned to his eldest son.) Will, your coming into our home has been an unmixed blessing. You were a manly boy, you have become an exemplary man. You love the God of your father. How proud I am of such a son. You will continue to grow in every Christian grace and virtue. You have your father's love and blessing. Good night, Will, good night."

"Good night, Gracie."
(Charlie was the next. Charlie had fallen under evil influences and grievously disappointed his father and mother. The dying man skipped him and spoke to the youngest child, a beautiful young girl.)

"Gracie, your coming was like the breaking up of a new day in our home. You have long been a song of gladness, a ray of light. You have filled our hearts with music. When not long ago you surrendered your life to Christ your father's cup of happiness was full to overflowing. Good night, little girl, good night."

"Good-bye, Charlie." He then called Charlie to his side. "Charlie, what a fine, promising boy you

were. Your father and mother believed you would develop into a great and noble man. We gave you all the opportunities we gave to the other children. If there has been any difference you yourself must admit that the difference was all in your favour. You have disappointed us. You have followed the broad and downward road. You have not heeded the warnings of God's holy word. You have not hearkened to the call of the Saviour. But I have always loved you and love you still, Charlie. God only knows how much I love you. Good-bye, Charlie, good-bye, good-bye."

Charlie seized his father's hand and between his sobs he cried out, "Father, why have you said good night to the others and good-bye to me?"

"For the simple reason that I shall meet the other members of the family 'in the morning,' but by all the promises that assure us of a reunion, by those same statements of God's word I can have no hope of seeing you 'over there.' Good-bye, Charlie, good-bye."

Charlie fell on his knees by his dying father's bed and cried out in the agony of his soul, praying God to forgive his sins and give him the hope of meeting his father again.

"Do you mean it, Charlie; are you in earnest?"

"God knows I am," said the heart-broken young man.

"Then God will hear you and save you, Charlie, and it is good night and not good-bye. Good night, Charlie, good night. I am grateful to God it is not good-bye, but only good night. Good night, my boy." And he was gone.

Charlie is now a preacher of the Gospel.

The foregoing account of the bright homegoing of this dear man was sent to me by a friend, and in passing the incident on it is with earnest prayer that it might reach the hands of many "Charlies" that are making their way down the broad road to destruction.

Reader, you may be a maiden or a youth who has been attracted by the brilliant flame of this world, just as the deluded moth is attracted to its own destruction, and you may think in this day of unceasing rush that your parents are old-fashioned and out of date, but remember: "The way of transgressors is hard," and having been brought up under the priceless influence of a Christian home and godly parents, having been cradled with their prayers now you are old enough you think to shake yourself free to enjoy yourself according to your own desires.

Prayers are not easily shaken off, and God has no doubt heard the breathings of your parents on your behalf. But to answer them, one, or perhaps both of them may have to be taken from you in the way Charlie's father was in order to bring you to your knees.

How you will regret, when they are gone, the unnecessary sorrow your foolish course gave them, and to all lovers of their parents I would commend this true story that they might make it their one object to follow, serve, and wait for their father's Lord and Saviour, who is so shortly going to summon all those who have put their trust in Him to Himself, and then if having had to part with a loved one who has been put to sleep by Him, for you it is only good night and not good-bye.

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Romans 10:9.

Sunday School Material of Herald Press

What is available now is most of Year I of the primary age. But the task calls for materials for three years of the primary age, six to eight; three years of the junior age, nine to eleven, and three years of the intermediate age, twelve to fourteen.

"The first year of primary is on the theme Redemption. By the fall of 1960, Year II in primary, junior, and intermediate will be ready on the theme The Church. By the fall of 1961 Year III in primary, junior, and intermediate will be ready on the theme Discipleship. Then in the fall of 1962 the junior and intermediate materials will be ready on the theme Redemption, and this will complete the task.

First Day

I stand at the door on a September morn
And watch as she goes through the gate.
I answer the wave of a little brown hand
As she calls to the others to wait.
A primer is pressed to the fast-beating heart,
With a pencil, eraser, and rule.
I'm only a mother—so pardon my tears.
My baby is going to school.
Oh, I would not stop one moment of time.
The tried way of nature is best.
My baby must lose her innocent ways
And become world-wise like the rest.
She must learn for the time when her mother is gone,
And into the throng she is hurled.
But I'm a mother—so pardon my tears,
She is going out into the world.

—Eunice E. Heizer.

But Not Forsaken ☆

by Helen Good Brenneman

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(26th Installment)

That's the way Franz was. The experiences he had been through, even his uncertain future, never spoiled his joy in living for long. If life did not furnish him entertainment, he got busy and manufactured some small pleasure, whittling a toy for a child, swapping stories with someone in the camp, or strumming absent-mindedly on his guitar. Quickly he tossed his own troubles to the winds, taking Maria by the arm and leading her somewhat hesitant body toward the MCC office.

"It's beautiful outside right now, isn't it?" Maria remarked, her soul breathing in the beauty of the tree-lined street. "Changing the subject, Franz, what should I say when I get over there? Shall I take this as God's leading, or shall I wait for Hans? I haven't lost hope—I just can't—but I have no proof that he isn't in Siberia looking for us."

"Just tell them about your letter and ask their advice."

"But—oh, say, there's Frieda. She's one of the stenographers in the office—" Maria waved at the figure crossing the street toward her. "Elfrieda, you're just the person we want to see."

Elfrieda looked extra pretty today, Maria thought. How much better she appeared now that she had put on a little weight at the camp. Her hair was braided becomingly around her head; her clothes were spotless. And that smile!

"Maria, I'm ashamed that I haven't been over to see you since you're out of the hospital. Honestly, we've been working so hard in the office. We've been at it until midnight every night this week. But it's so satisfying, knowing that another transport will be sailing next week for Paraguay."

"It must be. I envy your feeling of accomplishment, Frieda. Oh, excuse me, surely you have met my cousin, Franz? I just took for granted that you knew each other."

Maria was aware, all of a sudden, that Franz was ill at ease, shifting uneasily from foot to foot, quickly looking away from Elfrieda when she caught him gazing steadily at the girl.

"Of course we know each other," Elfrieda replied "We sing in the choir together."

"You mean you sing in the choir," he laughed. "I'm there bodily, but I'm afraid I'm not good for much more than moral support."

Again he stared at Elfrieda so

steadily that she blushed. Maria came to the rescue.

"Frieda, I just received a letter inviting me to emigrate to my cousin's farm in Canada. Should I show it to the MCC?"

Elfrieda beamed. Explaining that she should take the letter to Herr Peters, the refugee office manager whom everyone knew and loved, she hurried on to the camp and Franz, too, left to make his way uptown on some business of his own.

Maria crossed the street toward the villa, the letter a firm and material proof that she was not dreaming. Her heart fluttered anxiously; a new hope swelled within her breast. Suppose that she could take the children to a new home, that they could grow up to adulthood in a normal way, that they could look forward to a future free from fear, far away from this continent of woe? Suppose that Rosie would marry comfortably and settle on a farm and have three children, and Hansie—

The sight of Herr Peters leaning over a desk, the sound of four typewriters clicking at once, the low murmur of stenographers consulting together over a letter, brought Maria out of her dream world. Slowly she found her voice, laying the letter on the desk beneath Herr Peter's kind face.

"It's from relatives in Canada. They want us to live with them."

Her voice echoed back in her own ears, and what she had said sent a strange quivering through her body.

They want us—they want us—someone wants a homeless, unwanted refugee. They want us—

CHAPTER XXII

The balmy May day was perfect, just right to warm up the spirits and bones of those who were lucky enough to be outside, a wonderful day to be perched on a chair, under a tree, peeling potatoes. At least, that seemed to be the opinion of the group of women who sat in a circle around a big tub of water, tossing in potatoes as they laughed and chattered together.

Maria was glad to be busy again, thrilled to be making a contribution, however small, to the community life about her. The doctor had finally given her permission to work, and the Lagerleiter had assigned her an easy job to start on. For the past few weeks since her release from the hospital Maria had watched with interest this most unusual community in which she lived. It was a community born not

merely out of social and economic needs, not simply because the inhabitants liked living together because of their common religious heritage, but as a result of love—the love of friends and relatives in another land.

She had felt the heartbeat of this strange community; she had observed the efficient way in which the camp administration channeled the variety of abilities into the multiple jobs that it took to run the camp smoothly. Cleaning squads worked incessantly. In the basement washwomen bent and perspired over old-time washboards and hand-turned wooden machines. Conscientiously performing their duties in the newly converted MCC hospital, nurses dressed in blue uniforms hurried from room to room. In a small, poorly equipped shop two shoemakers did the best they could, and in a similarly primitive shop two young boys and two older men repaired chairs and other furniture. On the veranda seamstresses visited while they repaired and remodeled clothing. Cooks in the kitchen were ever busy preparing the three meals a day that kept this huge community alive and active. In the camp office, workers admitted new people, grappled with problems concerning the physical operation of the camp, distributing rations and supplies according to the needs of the individual campers, assigned workers to their specific tasks. Workers in the MCC office labored far into the night to prepare documents and letters to make possible the migration of a continual stream of displaced persons to Canada, the United States, and Paraguay.

And now, after a few weeks in which Maria had become stronger, the doctor had at last said that she might do some light work. Help was desperately needed, for a large influx of refugees from other parts of the British and American Zones had come in to be transported to Bremerhaven, where they were to sail for Paraguay on the S.S. Charleston Monarch. Since the camp, which usually accommodated a maximum of 900 persons, was filled to capacity, these approximately 1,000 guests slept en masse on straw-covered floors in school buildings which had been released by the city for that purpose. Of course, these newcomers had to be fed as well, and the kitchen force had had to be doubled to take care of the emergency.

Maria looked down at her apron-covered lap and her own busy fingers with satisfaction. New life surged within her; the fresh air of spring filled her lungs. Deftly her knife slipped around the potato in her hand. So content she felt within herself that she almost forgot the circle of friends around her.

A sudden shuffling of feet and hustling of young bodies terminated the numerous conversations around the potato pile, as everyone turned

to watch the school children form queues in front of the Klubhaus. Maria's eyes met Susie Dyck's and they both smiled. Their children were whispering together as they marched toward the school building. Hansie's friendship with pretty little Irmgart was firmly established, despite the teasing of his boy friends and the insinuating remarks of his younger sister.

"There goes the Guenther child," Frau Duerksen said, pointing out a thin little form at the end of the line. "They were at it again last night, and this morning it was terrible."

"You'd think that anybody lucky enough to have their whole family with them could get along." Frau Enns's tone was severe as she tossed another potato into the tub. Maria saw bitterness sketched in hard lines upon the woman's face. Frau Enns had not been mellowed by the loss of her husband and both of her children; her deep-rooted resentment of life many times sprang forth in sharp words of criticism, or in angry, sarcastic remarks.

Maria hated gossip. She wanted to turn the tide of the conversation, but her nerve failed her. She was too new among the women to wield much influence.

And what was more, Frau Duerksen wanted to finish what she had started. The carpenter's fights with his wife were always excellent material for gossip.

"They surely don't try to keep their voices down when they quarrel. I guess half of the people in the Klubhaus heard her tell him off this morning."

What was the use of rehashing something that too many people had already heard? Unfortunately, the thin blanket walls were anything but soundproof. Family difficulties that might have been easily cleared up were almost impossible to mend after they had been shared by so many outsiders. Maria tried to swallow the feeling of disgust that flared up within her. She looked helplessly at Irmgart's mother. It was easy to see that she, too, was annoyed.

Maria had not learned to know Frau Dyck as well as her son had become acquainted with Irmgart, but she had noticed that Susie Dyck was an interesting, spirited person, one who never allowed her lonely widowed life to sink down too far in the mire of despondency.

Susie Dyck threw a naked potato into the kettle and stood up to stretch herself. Everybody looked up in surprise at her snappy change of conversation.

"My, I'm really achy in the bones this morning," she said. "Wonder what the people feel like who had to sleep on the floor of the school building last night?"

"Especially the older people," Frau Neufeld added.

(To be continued)

Jesus is Coming Again

"The Manner of His Coming"

Pompeii was a city in ancient Italy. It was built on a plateau of very old lava less than a mile from the foot of Mount Vesuvius. Its beautiful skies, mild and sunny climate attracted many wealthy Romans, who built great homes or villas, near the Mediterranean shore. Its people were generally very prosperous.

Volcanic Mount Vesuvius began to rumble in A.D. 63, but the people paid no attention to the warnings. They were flourishing and enjoying life and could not believe that the crater would erupt again. But in the summer of A.D. 79 the volcano sent forth great fiery streams and buried Pompeii under twelve to fifteen feet of lava. About 2,000, or one tenth of its population, perished.

When Jesus comes again the unsaved people will be caught by surprise just as the Pompeians were. The chief characteristic of Christ's return is that it will be unexpected. Oh surely, lots of warnings have been given and the alarm sounded just as in the days of Pompeii, but they go unheeded. The devil convinces every sinner that he need not take God's warnings seriously.

No Advance Notice

We are told time and again that the day Christ comes will be a normal day. There won't be anything in nature that will give an advance warning. Don't gamble with the idea that perhaps the day Jesus comes there will be a peculiar odor in the air or a special color in the heavens or something odd about the sun or moon. All through the Bible we are told that the coming of Christ will be very sudden and at a time when the unsaved are not looking for Him. The day He comes the people will be living normally, just like today. In fact, Jesus might come today because it is a normal day.

Let me read to you from the Scriptures to show you how Jesus pointed out this fact to us.

"But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only. But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, and knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come" (Matt. 24:36-42).

Jesus doesn't say that the people in Noah's day were killing, stealing, drunken and immoral when the door to the ark was locked. He says they were eating, working, getting married, and doing the other normal things of life when their last day of opportunity to get saved passed. In other words, Jesus implies that He will come in normal times. Likely it won't be when we are engaged in a nuclear war or in a time of world famine or some similar universal catastrophe. Today seems the more likely time for Christ to come than when there is a great calamity or disaster that makes people think about the end of the world.

An Unexpected Time

The unexpectedness of Christ's return is illustrated in another way, as a thief in the night. Jesus said, "Behold, I come as a thief" (Rev. 16:15). "If the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up. Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh" (Matt. 24:43,44).

The Apostle Paul also uses this analogy. "For yourselves know perfectly that day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. For when they shall say, Peace and safety, then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape" (I Thess. 5:2,3).

Just as a thief comes when one least expects him, so also will the coming of Christ be. It will be at a time when the unsaved will be caught entirely off their guard. Don't count on your sixth sense to warn or tell you when Christ is coming; it will be futile. That's why the Bible says, "Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh" (Matt. 25:13).

Before I was a Christian I had the foolish idea that probably I would have time quickly to confess my sins while Christ was gathering up His church and go along. But the Bible clearly tells us that such a scheme would fail. The suddenness and swiftness of that event is dramatically illustrated in the Scriptures. Those who are not ready at the moment Christ leaves the Father's right hand are doomed. There will be no time to repent. The day of God's grace will be past.

Like Lightning

Here are some of the Bible descriptions of the swiftness of Christ's return. "For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be" (Matt. 24:27). As we all know,

one doesn't have time to utter a word when a stroke of lightning flashes until it is past.

The Apostle Paul describes the quickness of it all when he says, "We shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed" (I Cor. 15:51c,52). So we see that there will be no time to repent when Jesus comes because it will all be over in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye. Both those periods are so short that they cannot be timed. They happen in an instant. Friend, there will be no time to get ready when Jesus comes, that's why He said we are to be ready.

It seems like God wants to give us one last warning before the Bible ends. On the very last page Jesus repeats the phrase three times, "I come quickly." Let me read what He tells us there. "Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book. . . Behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be" and "Surely I come quickly. Amen" (Rev. 22:7,12,20).

Some Not Surprised

There is one group of people who will not be taken by surprise when Jesus comes again; they are those who are saved through the blood of Christ. The Bible says, "Ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober" (I Thess. 5:4-6). In other words we are looking for the moment of Christ's return. We will not be caught unawares.

Christians are prepared, watching and waiting for Jesus to come again. Let me illustrate. "The caretaker of a country estate kept the premises spick-and-span for the unpredictable visits of his master from the city. An observer said, 'You act as if your master were coming tomorrow.' 'Today, sir, today!' was the answer of the faithful servant." We are like the caretaker, expecting our Master at any time. Jesus says, "Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come" (Matt. 24:42).

No Warning—Be Ready

Unsaved friend, when Jesus comes again for His bride, the church, there will be no warning of it. Don't expect to be informed of the event. There will be no announcement in the newspaper, on the radio or television. Neither will a present-day prophet or preacher herald the information. His coming will be sudden and swift and will

take you in complete surprise. Let me read for you again the warning Jesus gave us, "Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh" (Matt. 24:44).

You must confess that you are not expecting Christ to come now or soon, not even in your lifetime. Satan has convinced you that Jesus is not coming in the near future, so you feel it's safe to put off the matter of getting right with God. Yet Jesus said that's exactly how the unsaved will feel at the time He comes. It will be a time when He is not expected. In fact, I doubt if there will ever be a day in which you will expect Christ to come. All of which reveals the seriousness of your postponing the repenting of your sins and the accepting of Christ as your Saviour. Why gamble with eternity. Don't delay another moment, give your heart to Jesus now, so that the coming of Christ will be a glorious exchange into God's presence.

(By B. Charles Hostetter)

Take care to be an economist in prosperity; there is no fear of your not being one in adversity.

—Zimmermann.



"Behold, I Come Quickly"

"Behold, I come quickly."

Yes, this is the word,
The promise once given
By Jesus our Lord.

"Behold, I come quickly."

E'er sweetly the same;
Then why should I care
For earth's riches and fame.

"Behold, I come quickly."

If sorrow is mine,
With this cheering promise
Why should I repine?

"Behold, I come quickly."

Is joy mine below?
Still greater my joy
When to Jesus I go.

"Behold, I come quickly."

Let come, then, what may,
This comforting promise
My spirit shall stay.

"Behold, I come quickly."

His word must abide.
I'll soon be with Jesus,
Safe, safe at His side.



Round-Up of

World-Wide

RELIGIOUS NEWS REPORTS

Premier Manning Speaker

Chicago, Ill. — Premier Earnest Charles Manning of Alberta, Canada, will be among the featured speakers for the Twenty-Second Christian Business Men's Committee International Convention scheduled for September 30 to October 4 at Hotel Leamington, Minn. Mr. Manning, who will address the men's luncheon on Friday, conducts a weekly broadcast known as "Canada's National Back to the Bible Hour."

Theme of the convention is: "Wanted: A Man Found Faithful," based on I Cor. 4:2. CBMCI vice-chairman James E. Colville, vice-president of the John Adams Henry Co., New York City, will deliver the keynote address. Mrs. R. G. LeTourneau of Longview, Tex., will speak at the ladies' luncheon. Welcome to the delegates will be given by Floyd Hooten, chairman of the convention committee. A daily "Win Men" session will be conducted by Robert D. Foster, vice-president The Navigators, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Other featured speakers will include Robert J. Willey, manager production control, missile projects, Hayes Aircraft Corp., Birmingham, Ala.; R. G. LeTourneau, president, R. G. LeTourneau Inc., Longview, Tex., and Leon H. Sullivan, president, Leon H. Sullivan Inc., investment bankers, Philadelphia.

Washington News

Washington released the news that the American people paid over \$98 billion in taxes last year. This amounted to \$568 for every man, woman and child in the country.

This did not reduce the national debt, but instead the debt got bigger by another \$12 billion. Consequently the federal mortgage now stands at \$334 billion which comes to \$1,930 per person or \$9,650 for a family of five.

Nobody seems to be alarmed about it, because the American

government owes the money to the American people.

Quebec Premier Dies

Schefferville, Que. — Maurice Le Noblet Duplessis, premier of Quebec, died of a series of cerebral hemorrhages while visiting a north-eastern Quebec mining community on September 7. He was 69.

Mr. Duplessis, premier from 1936 to 1939 and from 1944 until his death, had waged a tenacious battle for survival. He suffered five strokes. In his struggle against death, friend and foe joined in expressing sympathy.

The body was flown to Quebec City to lie in state in the legislative building. Burial was to follow in Trois Rivieres, the premier's hometown and the place he represented continuously in the legislature since 1927.

The premier died in harness and in solitude. In life, he suffered for years from diabetes, but he remained in harness.

In an emergency the cabinet has the authority to name an interim premier. Very likely the Lieutenant-Governor Onesime Gagnon will summon a member of the cabinet and ask him to take over and form a new cabinet. Veteran observers predict that the man most likely to be called by the lieutenant-governor is Hon. Paul Sauve, 52-year-old minister of health and welfare.

M. B. Mission Notes

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Austria and Germany during October and November.

A meeting of our workers in Europe will be held in Karlsruhe, Germany, on November 24 and 25 when the Brethren C. A. DeFehr, J. A. Harder and J. B. Toews are in Europe enroute to the Belgian Congo. Brethren DeFehr and Toews are scheduled to fly from New York, on November 18. The Board of Foreign Missions is grateful that it is possible for Brother DeFehr to accompany the brethren on the administrative visit to the Congo and assist and share in its responsibilities. Brother DeFehr, Winnipeg, serves as treasurer of the Canadian Conference. Let us pray for these brethren in their extensive travels and for God's blessing and success in their services.

Brother and Sister John J. Klansen and daughter Victoria arrived in Sao Paulo, Brazil, on August 28. At Sao Paulo they went through customs with their hand baggage and took another flight which brought them safely to Curitiba. Brother and Sister Kenneth Gerbrandt went to meet them at Sao



About one million Chinese have escaped from Red China. Many fled to Hongkong. Two of seven people there are refugees. The city is overcrowded. Many live in hillside shanties or rooftop huts as seen on this picture. See report on page 5.

Paulo, but missed them when the Klassens transferred to the Curitiba line while they waited in the international section of the airport. The Klassens are going to Campinas near Sao Paulo to attend the same Portuguese language school where the Gerbrandts study. The last term of school for the Gerbrandts closes in December after which they will take up work at Curitiba. The nine months of language school have given the Gerbrandts sufficient knowledge of the Portuguese so they can converse with the children who will be under their charge.

Evangelistic Meetings at Blumenau

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other members distributed approximately two thousand invitations and about four thousand gospel tracts. It is, indeed, a joy when all cooperate in an effort to bring the Gospel into every home in a given area.

On July 19 the meetings began. Rev. Franz Heinrichs, our blind evangelist from the interior, based his evangelistic messages on the Beatitudes of our Lord according to Matthew 5. He used as his main theme the beautiful phrase, "Selig sind die . . ." He presented the way of salvation in a simple but clear manner. Brother Peter Penner served as soloist and choir director. He sang the message of the Cross into the hearts of the sinners. It was a great joy to point a number of immortal souls to the "Lamb of God Who taketh away the sin of the world."

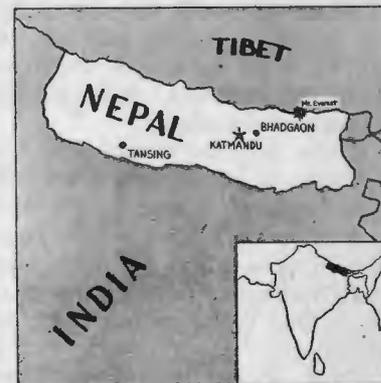
We were also very grateful to the Lord that Rev. G. W. Peters was able to come to Blumenau for two days. On both nights he showed

slides from Europe and the Near East. They were very interesting and educational. His messages were powerful and heart-searching. On the last night three souls were saved.

Our visiting brethren have left us and are serving at other places again. It was a blessed time to labour and fellowship with them. We are again left on our own to evangelize—and evangelize we shall. There are many more around us who need the Saviour; to these we must preach. But there are also those who have already been converted and born again; these we must try to bring into the fellowship of believers by "teaching them to observe all that He has commanded us."

We thank God for the many friends who are faithfully praying for the spreading of the Gospel to the unsaved and the teaching of the Word to the saved here in Blumenau.

Hans and Frieda Kasdorf



Nepal with a population of 8,596,000 is situated between India and Tibet. MCC began work there in 1956. Five Paxmen are working there now. See report on page 5-4.

The Miracles of Our Lord

By R. C. Trench

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Foreign Language Study is Soaring

By D. K. Duerksen

Time Magazine of September 14, 1959, states the following: "Foreign language study is soaring especially in elementary schools. Last year the U.S. Office of Education urged all schools to begin 10 years of language beginning in the third grade. All Russian children begin in the fifth grade. This year Washington, D.C., is starting third grade French and Spanish. Hawaii's elementary schools will teach Chinese, Korean, Japanese, Hindi and Tagalog. More than 400 U.S. high schools will teach Russian."

The quotation from Time Magazine shows that the nations become more and more convinced of the importance of mastering more than one language.

Such information should also stimulate the Mennonite communities to study and to preserve the German language. To many of us it is more than a foreign language, it is still our mother tongue. Others can easily learn high German because they know the closely related low German language.

In this article I should like to indicate briefly what can be done in order to learn a second language; in this case it is naturally the German language.

Many Mennonite public schools in southern Manitoba make every effort to teach one half hour German and another half hour religion. In most of the schools the latter is taught in the German language. In this respect the teachers are willing to go the second mile, for German instruction is given either before or after the regular school hours. The teachers are doing very good work and are trying to prepare their pupils for high school and for life. The latter demands more than ever the knowledge of two or more languages.

There are many districts in Canada where there are no such opportunities in public schools. In such a case it would be commendable to organize German church schools. Such schools have proved to be a great help and success in the past in many places. When the children grow up, they will be very grateful to their churches and parents for the strenuous efforts they have made to maintain these schools throughout the years.

If the churches cannot establish such schools, the parents could help their children during the winter months to study the German language at home. There are many good and suitable textbooks on the market, so that this plan could easily be carried out.

There is also a correspondence course in German given by Mr. G. H. Peters, 34 Noble Ave., Winnipeg 5, Man.

The teachers of the Manitoba Mennonite schools have prepared a

program of studies for German and Religion (Lehrplan fuer Deutsch und Religion). The necessary textbooks are listed in the pamphlet. The program of studies can be obtained from Christian Press Ltd., 159 Kelvin St., Winnipeg 5, Man., and from D. W. Friesen, Altona, Man. The textbooks can also be ordered from these publishing houses.

The Mennonite Society "Deutsche Sprache" is still active and tries to help, to encourage, and to advise in the work for the good of our children and our young people. This is also the purpose of this article.

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Important Health News

The Canadian Health League is concerned about the health of the Canadian people. It releases the following information.

"Arthritis" means inflammation of any joint. There are four main kinds and about twenty rarer kinds. Osteoarthritis, due to wear and tear, is the commonest.

"Bursitis" means an inflamed bursa, and may occur over the kneecap, elbow, or in the shoulder, notably. It is usually caused by injury, friction, or unaccustomed use.

"Neuritis" is an inflammation of a nerve. It may result in pain, numbness, or paralysis in the part supplied by that nerve. Alcoholism, chemicals, such as lead, and certain infections, including diphtheria, are common causes.

Athlete's Foot is not confined to any one group of people, but is a widespread skin infection occurring throughout the world, particularly in the hot and in the temperate regions.

Athlete's foot is not restricted to the feet, but may affect any part of the smooth skin. Most often it starts between the fourth and fifth toe, where moisture and heat produce softening and macerating of the skin.

The early symptoms of athlete's foot are only burning and itching. People who have normally cool feet can develop athlete's foot in a few days by wearing socks and shoes which produce sweating.

Here are a few simple rules for prevention of athlete's foot:

1. The feet should be washed frequently and dried with care, particularly between the toes.
2. Dusting powder used after the bath will help to prevent maceration.
3. Loose or open weave shoes are

valuable for those who perspire heavily or are on their feet for long periods, especially during the hot weather.

Most serious cases are produced by overtreatment, especially if there is a secondary infection due to bacteria.

Canada's National Immunization Week is scheduled this year for the week commencing September 20th.

During National Immunization Week Canadians should learn the lesson that diphtheria, smallpox, whooping cough, poliomyelitis and tetanus are diseases which are

largely preventable by means of immunization. Many years ago the late King Edward VII said of tuberculosis, "If it is preventable, why not prevent?" Doctors, nurses, health departments and clinics throughout the country stand ready to do their part. It is now up to parents to see to it that their children are protected.

In 1943 there were 19,082 cases of whooping cough in Canada and 416 deaths. In 1958 there were only 6,932 whooping cough cases and 40 deaths. Immunization has helped much to reduce these numbers.

Hebrew University

Courses for Teachers at Hebrew University

Over 500 school principals, teachers and other educational workers attended post-graduate summer courses held under the auspices of the Hebrew University's School of Education. As in previous years, various institutions co-operated in the organization and financing of the courses, foremost among them being the Ministry of Education and Culture.

Seventy-five elementary school principals and vice-principals attended a one-month course (extending over two summers) in problems of organization and management, methodology, and the drawing up of curricula.

Eight courses of between 18 and 24 days each for secondary school teachers attracted some 180 teachers of Hebrew, history, Bible, English, biology, chemistry, physics, and mathematics.

A four-week course in special education was attended by about 80 teachers and other staff members of schools and institutions for children requiring special care and education.

Forty-five principals of vocational schools and 20 of agricultural schools participated in a ten-day course.

Courses in problems of language and literature and educational methods were attended by 55 instructors of Youth Aliya groups, most of them from agricultural settlements. There was also a three-week course for the benefit of teachers of Hebrew to adults.

American and Canadian Students At Hebrew University

Thirty-five students from the U.S. and Canada—18 girls and 17 young men—have arrived in Israel to participate in the fifth one-year special course for American college students at the Hebrew University. Most of the students will receive credits for their studies in Jerusalem.

As in past years, the curriculum is designed specially to enable students wishing to learn about modern Israel in its Middle Eastern setting to acquire an extensive knowledge

of Hebrew and receive an introduction to the fundamentals of Jewish thought, history, and literature. Until the new academic year opens in November, the students will study Hebrew.

Institute for Biblical Studies Opens in Jerusalem

Twenty American graduates of colleges and theological seminaries, under the leadership of Dr. G. Douglas Young, came to Israel recently to study at the Institute of Biblical Studies now being established in Jerusalem. The Institute, which will be housed in the buildings of the American Mission, is sponsored by the Israel-American Institute of Biblical Studies.

The students will study subjects connected with the Bible, archaeology and the Middle East. Lectures will be given by Professor G. Herbert Livingston, Professor Arnold C. Schultz, and professors and lecturers from the Hebrew University.

Weddings

Hamm—Koop

Miss Anne Koop, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abram J. Koop of Campden, Ont., and Mr. Edward Hamm, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hamm of Leamington, Ont., were married on August 15, in the Vineland M. B. church. Rev. David Derksen of Leamington officiated.

Visitors had come to attend the wedding from Winnipeg, Man.; Wheaton, Illinois; Windsor and Kitchener, Ont.

A wedding trip was made by the young couple to Bangor Lodge, Bracebridge, Ont.

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Colleges and Schools

IS BILINGUALISM IN OUR SCHOOLS AN ADVANTAGE?

By G. Lohrenz

It is more than an advantage—it is a necessity. At one time a car and a telephone were luxuries, but today very few people can afford to be without them. Similarly the knowledge of a second language not very long ago was something that only the intellectuals aspired to, but that is a thing of the past. Today the average person must know a second language. No longer can a person speaking one language only lay claim to being an educated person.

Up until a few years ago the North American continent was an independent unit, far removed from all other continents and quite self-contained. History had decreed that there should be only one official language on this continent. Anyone knowing this language could get along quite nicely; a second language was required in comparatively few occupations.

There existed in the mind of some people, and possibly still exists in the mind of a few backward individuals, the thought that to know any other language besides the English is something to be ashamed of.

How could such an idea ever come into existence? Very simply. Throughout the decades thousands of immigrants have come to this continent. These people usually did not know English or they knew it very imperfectly. They were poor; they did not know the ways of this country. Thus it was not difficult for some people to associate in their mind a foreign language with poverty and awkwardness. These characteristics do not appeal to people, especially not to young people. This can be explained that to many a person it seemed smart to know English only.

As stated before, in business and public life here in America there was very little need for a language other than English. Since the American student did not see the practical need of knowing a second language and because of the connotation attached in his mind to such a language, he was rather unwilling to acquire or even to retain a second language.

However, we are living in a time when conditions are changing very rapidly. America is no longer isolated. South America, Europe and Asia have become our next door neighbours. Modern transportation makes it possible to reach any of these continents within hours. Our old seclusion is becoming very rapidly a thing of the past. Already today, and more so tomorrow, we will have to meet and deal with people who speak other languages than English.

Although English is one of the

most important languages of the world, it must be remembered that it is not the only important one. The knowledge of a second, third or even a fourth language will open many doors to the one who knows them in the economic, cultural, political or religious fields. In all these fields the American will have to compete as never before with other nations. These nations are training their youth to speak many tongues. In the Netherlands every high school student is required to take four languages: Dutch, English, German and French. In Russia the pupils have to begin the study of another language in grade five. In other countries the situation is very similar. Within a few years right here in our country a person knowing one language only, will be at a very serious disadvantage. Such a person will not only seem provincial and uneducated but he also will find that many attractive positions will be closed to him.

Our educational authorities are recognizing this fact. As of this fall the University of Manitoba accepts only such students who have the necessary standing in a second language.

So far we have stressed only the utilitarian side of knowing a second language. There is another aspect. A language is a gateway to the cultural heritage of a nation. No two nations are exactly alike; each nation has something to contribute. The ability to read the best of literature in the original and thus to penetrate into the thinking of another nation is a great privilege and an enrichment of one's mind.

Because of this it is obvious that to attend a school where a second language is thoroughly taught is a great privilege. Obviously it requires energy and effort to master a second language. This is self-evident. Things that do not demand any effort usually are worth very little. The useful things must be acquired by the sweat of our brow. Thus the Lord has decreed it and so it will remain to the end of time. For us the question is: Do we have the insight to realize the value of knowing more than one language and do we have the energy and the will power to acquire fluency in at least a second language?

Is Bilingualism in our schools an advantage? It seems to me that a high school teaching one language only is out of date. The progressive school pays great attention to the study of another language.

New Teachers Introduced at Rally

Clearbrook, B.C. — Two new teachers, Rev. Nick Willems of Woodrow, Sask., and Rev. John B. Epp of Kitchener, Ont., were introduced to those assembled at the annual rally of the M. B. Bible Institute here.

Meeting in the auditorium of the

Bible Institute on Sunday afternoon, September 6, were former students, prospective students and friends of the school. The rally serves to keep up the relationship with the school during that part of the year when warm support of the school is most necessary—just prior to the opening date of the fall term. The 1959-60 school year begins on September 21.

Brother George Konrad, appointed principal of the school after the resignation of Rev. A. H. Wieler this spring for purposes of further study, served as chairman at the rally. After the invocation by Leo Siemens, a graduate of 1959, Brother Konrad introduced Brother Abe Klassen, alumni president. Brother Klassen reported on the summer activities of the alumni, revealing that already \$250 had been received in the drive to gather funds for library expansion. A graduate of 1950, Abe Klassen will continue studies toward the B.D. degree at Goshen College this fall.

Rev. Willems and Rev. Epp both directed warm words of encouragement to prospective Bible institute students and the school's supporters. In brief addresses, they pointed out that unless today's Christians are saturated with the Word of God they cannot be said to have a balanced education, neither can they serve effectively in the kingdom of God. The Bible school experience often changes a person's outlook on life completely and may give life an entirely new meaning. A Bible school training is unquestionably necessary for every Christian, declared Rev. Willems, especially in the light of secularism rampant today.

Rev. A. H. Wieler, associated with the Bible institute for many years as teacher and principal, led in a short testimony meeting. He then called for daily prayer for the faculty and student body of the school, emphasizing that a Bible school is fruitful only when there is adequate prayer support.

The rapidly growing army of false cult adherents can be halted only by Bible school trained young men and women, for only when one has a thorough knowledge of the Word of God does one have the discernment necessary for distinguishing between truth and error, asserted Rev. Rudy Janzen in the address of the afternoon. Only fully committed disciples of Christ, armed with the Word of God, can smite the foe.

Five instructors will be teaching at the M. B. Bible Institute during the coming school year. They are Brother George Konrad, principal, Rev. Nick Willems, Rev. John B. Epp, Brother H. P. Neufeldt, and Rev. H. H. Nikkel, part-time. Classes meet in the modern school building less than half a mile north of the Trans-Canada Highway on Clearbrook road. Considerable thought is also being given to the construction of a dormitory on the

campus, with some suggesting that it should be ready for the 1960-61 school year.

Nickel Receives Th.D. Degree

Newton, Kansas. — J. W. Nickel, professor of Philosophy and Languages at Bethel College, was granted a Doctor of Theology degree at Iliff School of Theology in Denver at the August convocation this summer.

Dr. Nickel's dissertation is entitled, "An analytical Approach to Mennonite Ethics." The study attempted to search out the factors that influenced the ethics of the Mennonites generally in view of the Mennonite claim to a biblical orientation in ethics.

A Th.D. degree at Iliff is awarded at the end of a three year program beyond the masters degree. Dr. Nickel has completed a six year program of studies at Iliff having received a Master of Theology degree there in 1956.

Bethel College obtained his services as assistant professor in 1957 and the Doctoral study was completed at Iliff during recent summer sessions.

Work in Nepal

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—a nation located north of India "on the rim of the earth." MCC's interest in the Nepal program continues. The beginning two-man Pax team has increased to five members.

Religion plays a very important part in the life of a Nepali. The majority of its 8,596,000 people hold to a religion made up of a curious mixture of Buddhism and Hinduism. Every city, town or village has a temple of some kind.

So far, the United Mission to Nepal has not been allowed to engage in direct evangelization work. Even though the Christian witness may be somewhat restricted, there are people who have shown an interest in Christianity—the seed of Christ is being sown and the climate for a Christian church is being prepared.

Medical work in Nepal was first started in 1953. The hospital at Shanta Bhawan had a small beginning of only ten beds. Since then it has grown to 80 beds. Within the next few months there are plans to expand it even more. The goal is 120 beds with a nurses' training school, children's ward and mid-wifery department.

With Nepal moving out of its antiquated, feudal existence, she will face many new perplexing problems, some inevitably dangerous. It is hoped that the assistance program with which the United Christian Mission is working will play a meaningful part in eventually establishing an active Christian Church, a Church which will light mountain-circled Nepal.

Invitation

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Please send in your application soon. We expect that God will richly bless those who take time to study His Word in Bible school this winter. Will you come to share these blessings with us?

On behalf of the school,
A. J. Konrad, principal

Invitation to Opening Program

All friends of the Mennonite Brethren Bible College are cordially invited to the opening program in the Elmwood M. B. church on October 4, at 7 p.m. We are grateful to be able to report that many men and women from the various churches and provinces of our constituency have sent in their applications for admission to the College for the new school year. At our opening program we would like to present to you the College family and challenge you to pray with us for a fruitful teaching ministry this coming year. All prospective students we would like to remind of the fact that registration begins on September 21, at 9 a.m.

On behalf of the College,
J. A. Toews

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On the Horizon

September 20. — Mennonite Brethren Collegiate Institute Opening Festival in the Elmwood M. B. church, Winnipeg, on Sunday at 7 p.m.

September 20. — Thanksgiving Festival at the Regina M. B. church. Rev. Frank C. Peters of Winnipeg will be the guest speaker.

October 4. — Mennonite Brethren Bible College Opening Festival.

October 10-13. — Central District Conference, Lustre, Montana.

October 16-19. — Southern District Conference, Hillsboro, Kans.

October 18 to 26. — Evangelistic services to be conducted by Rev. John M. Schmidt of Winnipeg in the Frasersview M. B. church of Vancouver, B.C.

November 6 and 7. — Preachers and Deacons Conference of the Mennonite Brethren Church of Manitoba held at Newton Siding.

November 8. — Mennonite Teachers' Fellowship Meeting, to be held at North Kildonan M. B. church.

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