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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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Prayer for Foreign Missions

Greetings with the Word as recorded in Jeremiah 33:3: "Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not." These words constitute a promise of divine certainty in Jeremiah's vision concerning the future of the Davidic kingdom. These promises apply also to us today. The unchangeable God stands true to His promises.

World events of the past decade are affecting the cause of foreign missions in a way unknown in past years. This is especially true in reference to the Congo. The Board of Foreign Missions at its sessions Aug. 24-27 passed a resolution setting aside the week of September 18 as a special period of intercession and prayer for the large trust that the Lord has committed to the M. B. Church in the area of foreign missions. With this writing, we wish to communicate this resolution to all of our brethren and sisters in the local churches, asking them to join the Board of Foreign Missions and the missionaries of our Conference in thanksgiving and prayer for missions in general and for the Congo in particular.

All of our mission personnel with their families have returned to the homeland from the Congo with the exception of the families of Henry Brucks, Bob Kroeker, George Faul and Harold Fehderau. We wish to give thanks to God that in the emergency no lives from our large mission staff in the Congo were lost, neither was anyone of them seriously mistreated. They were in great danger, but God had a way to save them from the hands of cruel men who might have mistreated them shamefully.

Special thanksgiving is also to be offered for the initial response from the national church. Our brethren from Leopoldville were able to contact them. There is a spirit of confidence and faith. The trials and testings which have come to the Congo churches seem to become the occasion for greater devotion to Christ and His cause. For these things we owe God much thanksgiving.

The political conditions in the Congo remain unpredictable. In keeping with the urgency of world

missions, the Board has asked several of our brethren to leave their families in the homeland and go to the field to assist the national church. Brother Henry Brucks has been requested to continue in the administrative capacity. Henry Derksen, now in Germany, and Orville Wiebe, Belgium, have consented to have their families return to America and themselves proceed to the Congo to serve as counselors to the nationals in the large educational program. George Faul, who is in Leopoldville, will join them in this responsibility. Brother Arnold Prieb has accepted the assignment to return without his family as a counsellor to the national church in their evangelistic and church-building program. Brother Bob Kroeker will seek to re-open the Bible school. Our two doctors, E. W. Schmidt and Verne Vogt, have both responded and they expect to leave for service in the Congo to meet the critical needs which have arisen through the evacuation of all professional medical people from the Congo. No nurses will return for the present.

The status of the families now in Leopoldville is uncertain. Wives and children which are still in the Congo may also have to return. The Board has left the decision in this matter to the families themselves, giving them the privilege to return if they so choose.

Our mission program in the Congo constituted the largest concentration of missionary personnel of the M. B. Conference. Sixty eight were assigned to this field. In the future the approach to the ministry in this country will demand basic changes. These demands present difficulties which appear humanly insurmountable. Our brethren who are accepting the responsibility to return to the field in the midst of much political unrest and danger are doing so in obedience to the call of Christ and in keeping with the example of the apostles who carried out the assignment which they had accepted as being the will of God in the face of enmity and danger. The families so affected are especially committed to your intercessory prayer.

The future program for the Congo will crystallize as the political

situation develops. Our Board, the Administration and the missionaries are in need of a special degree of wisdom and guidance so we may not fail the national churches, and, above all, that we may not fail our God. With this writing the Board of Foreign Missions wishes to request that the given circumstances and needs be accepted as a special responsibility for thanksgiving, prayer and intercession by our churches on Sunday, September 18,

and Wednesday, September 21, and that this responsibility also be carried into the various families of our church constituency for a special degree of intercession during the days of that particular week. The brethren who are returning without their families plan to leave Hillsboro on September 21.

On behalf of the
Board of Foreign Missions,
The Administrative Secretariat
J. B. Toews

Bethesda Home Expands

By G. Friesen



Vineland, Ont. — The above picture shows us the initial stage of the new addition to Bethesda. The excavation was begun on July 26. It was a momentous day in the history of Bethesda. Ten years ago, the main building, with a capacity of 40 beds, was finished and dedicated to the service of suffering humanity. Five years later an addition was made at the east end, which provided fifteen more beds for female patients. A room for occupational therapy and a chapel were also built. In 1957 we were able to build the laundry room, which made it possible to arrange two rooms for male patients on the lower floor of the main building.

The summer of 1960 finds us actively engaged in building an attractive addition, 40x80, at the west end of the main building which will greatly improve our service to the mentally ill. We expect to provide room for an additional 20 male patients, leaving sufficient room for male occupational therapy and day room in the basement. All male patients can be occupied there throughout the year with staff sup-

ervision. The authorities in Toronto have given their approval to the addition. The M. B. Conference held at Virgil agreed to a resolution calling for two offerings annually for the building fund and requesting the Board of Directors to make a necessary loan.

The walls of the lower storey are now up. On September 2, the steel structure for the floor of the second storey was erected. The job is proceeding step by step and we, as well as the patients, are looking forward to the day when we shall dedicate this building to the Lord and to His service. Brother Jacob Reimer of St. Catharines is in charge of the building. His many years of experience and his connections with the suppliers of building material is of benefit to Bethesda. In all respects we wish the building to be of good quality, but also economical. Of course, the regulations and instructions of the authorities must not be ignored. Fireproof material is used mainly.

As formerly, we have again mailed letters to all firms which serve

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EDITORIAL

Who Shall Lead Out In Youth Work?

We have in our churches the concept of youth worker. Perhaps this is a transliteration of the German word *Jugendarbeiter*. Also current in our church circles is the term youth leader. What we mean by the names which we attach to those who "do youth work" is not always too clear.

Sometimes the youth leader was some rising star in the firmament of youth in the local church. He was gifted, no doubt, and his initiative brought his latent leadership abilities into the open. Naturally, he was elected as youth leader. It is true that "youth between the ages of sixteen and twenty have often done excellent work in leading programs within their own groups. . . Occasionally a strong personality rose in a community to give dynamic leadership for several years, only to go away to school or service or to disappear into the "married ranks." It is quite correct to describe the career of such a youth leader as meteoric. He flashed upon the scene of youth work in his local church, only to disappear into oblivion after a few short years.

More often our churches have elected older people as youth leaders. Sometimes the election was the expression of the church's concern that the young people should not get out of hand. The concern was so great that a grandfather was elected; at least the individual was so far removed from the problems of youth that he could impossibly provide proper leadership.

Who should lead out in the local church youth program? I think that in the pattern of church work now evolving—the pastoral system—the pastor should *not* be expected to do this job. There are good reasons for such a viewpoint. The pastor must constantly sustain the widest approach to his assignment in the church. A narrowing of his interests to one phase inevitably limits his attention to other aspects of church work. Then, too, in youth work there is the constant danger of developing the work around a personality. When the pastor leaves his charge the youth work suffers a set-back, if it has involved the personality of the pastor too closely.

I think that youth work in the local church is a layman's job. I would like to see laymen active in youth work in every church who are mature in life and spiritual experience and established in their vocation and the community.

How can we best describe the job which such a layman would do in youth work? I would like to call such a youth worker a *youth sponsor-counselor*. According to Webster a sponsor is "one who assumes, or one to whom is delegated, responsibility for some other person or thing." In this definition of my chosen term, sponsor, I find the correct picture of what a youth worker should be. The local church delegates to an individual brother the responsibility of guiding the youth in their program of worship, fellowship, and service. That is his job as youth sponsor. The sponsor is concerned with the group experience and activity of his young people. As a counselor his responsibility goes a step further. He concerns himself with the spiritual needs and problems of the individuals in his group. The sponsor-counselor recognizes that sometimes group action alone does not suffice to promote individual spiritual growth. That is the point at which counseling begins. What we need in each youth group is a corps of counselors "who can give individual counsel to the young person who has questions to ask about life."

I visualize the youth sponsor-counselor as an individual who is somewhat in the background in youth group activities. He is like the coach in the team. The team is on the field in full view of the public, but the coach's training and advice are more real than apparent, especially if the team wins. He sponsors the youth work in the local church and in this capacity he furthers the work of the kingdom of God among young people. He counsels with the individual young person in the matter of spiritual needs and problems. Young people are led to a true experience of Christ in salvation and become devoted to Christ in service.

Guest Editorial by Rev. W. Wiebe, Kitchener, Ont.

DEVOTIONAL

What Does the Future Hold?

By Tom M. Olson

With each passing day bringing its huge toll of startling major events such as wars, assassinations, world conference failures, murders, suicides of eminent persons, flights into voluntary exile of the heads of gigantic syndicates, kidnappings for ransom, farm strikes, mob outbreaks and financial difficulties everywhere, it becomes apparent that this poor world is reeling to and fro like a drunkard. It is with strange misgivings that one surveys the news of the day. The question which springs spontaneously to mind is:

"What Next?"

Without wishing to be sensational, we wish to state an unflinching authority that an event is yet to occur which will give to the world its greatest shock. The shock will consist of the sudden and complete disappearance of millions of its choicest inhabitants. The disappearance will be of such a mysterious nature that it will seem as though the earth has opened its mouth and swallowed them. However, the very reverse will be the case; heaven will have opened its door to receive them!

The unparalleled mystery will be deepened by the discovery that myriads of bodies which were at rest in mother earth will be missing at that same moment.

Doubtless all manner of explanations of this mystery will be offered by the great ones of earth. To be sure, it will be regarded as a "natural phenomenon," for the world's experts will not tolerate any thought or expression of a supernatural event. However, there will be those on earth who, having previously heard and read of such a possibility, will be able to show from that lightly esteemed Book, the Holy Bible, exactly what happened.

They may be called "old fogies," but they will be able to produce the following:

"Behold, I show you a mystery. we (living believers) shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed" (I Cor. 15:51, 52).

"The Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord" (I Thess. 4:16,17).

A Powerful Dictator Coming

Shortly after this exciting incident, a most powerful dictator will

dictate peace to the nations then at war, and being a genius, he will also cause business to prosper. The world will again not only forget God and its soul, but also its troubles. It will become inebriated with the fulness of its prosperity and will cry: "Peace and safety." Then shall sudden destruction come upon it.

The Lord Himself said: "For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time" (Matt. 24:21). Wars, famines, pestilences, earthquakes, signs in the heavens, on earth and in the seas shall characterize that period.

And is that the grand finale of earth's history? By no means! "Immediately after the tribulation of those days . . . shall appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven" (Matt. 24:29,30). He will return with a rod of iron to put down "all rule in peace, righteousness and joy for one thousand years (Rev. 20:4). At the close of that reign, there will be "a little season" of Satanic deception (Rev. 20:7, 8), another great conflict, judgment, conflagration, and then a new heaven and a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness! (II Peter 3:13).

Do you want to escape the tribulation

Does the reader wish to participate in the Rapture already mentioned? Does he wish to be among those who shall be taken bodily from this scene by the Lord Jesus before the Great Tribulation is ushered in? If so, there must be acceptance on his part of the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour. He died for our sins according to the Scriptures and He was buried and He rose again the third day, according to the Scriptures (I Cor. 15:3,4).

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Mr. and Mrs. John J. Willms Observe Silver Wedding Anniversary

Gem, Alberta. — On Sunday, August 14, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Willms, Gem, Alta., observed their 25th wedding anniversary. Relatives and friends from Coaldale, Grassy Lake, Namaka, Calgary and Gem filled the church, which seldom happens, as our group is slowly decreasing.

The family entered the church while the song, Grosser Gott, wir loben dich," was being played. Rev. H. Siemens opened the service by reading Heb. 13:15 and praying. Kathy Willms, accompanied by Mrs. Erna Walde, sang "Bless This House." Rev. J. P. Dueck of Coaldale based his message on I Sam. 7:12. He said that Br. and Sister Willms were not taking God's blessings for granted, but were erecting an Ebenezer, which signified praise and gratitude for experienced spiritual and material blessings. Johnny Willms, accompanied by his sister Kathy, then played the hymn, "God Will Take Care of You."

Next Rev. J. Pankratz spoke on Psalm 118:1-4. "God's mercy endureth forever." God has a blueprint for all our lives. The best way to

read and work it out is on your knees in prayer. The five children then sang "The Lord Is My Shepherd." Arthur Willms recited a poem especially written for this occasion by Abram Enns, Abbotsford. Mr. John Willms then related some of the experiences of the last 25 years. The family had resided at various places, but everywhere they had found friends and fellowship and had enjoyed God's blessing, for which they were truly thankful. The choir sang, "Count Your Blessings." Rev. H. Siemens closed the service by remarking that it was the duty of every Christian to pause and offer God thanks for His manifold blessings. He thanked Brother Willms and his family for their help in the church. Mr. and Mrs. Willms then expressed their gratitude to God in prayer.

While the hymn was sung, "Fass meine Hand," the family, relatives and friends gathered downstairs for the reception. Rev. P. Doeksen read Haggai 2:6 and offered thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Willms wish to thank all the guests and friends who helped to make this a joyful occasion.

Blessings at Warman

By Rev. Frank F. Froese

Warman, Sask. — In Psalm 103:2 we read, "Bless the Lord, O my soul and forget not all his benefits." As we look back over the past summer we, too, must join in these words. The Lord has been good to us.

The Janz Brothers' campaign in Saskatoon during the first part of June was a time of blessing to our congregation. Many took part in the meetings and a goodly number of our young people were either restored to fellowship or came forward to be saved during these meetings.

Another blessing was the enlarging of our church building. The need for more room was felt for some time, but not before our business meeting in January was the question considered seriously. It was decided to begin gathering funds. A canvassing of the members and friends of our church here resulted in a total of \$1,300 in cash and pledges.

What Does the Future Hold?

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Those who "believe on His name" (John 1:12) become sons of God and to such He says: "I will come again, and receive you unto Myself; that where I am, there ye may be also" (John 14:3).

Receive the Lord Jesus Christ by faith, and rejoice in His so great salvation, and be ready for His return. He has said, "Surely, I come quickly." (or suddenly) Rev. 22:7,12,20.

Encouraged by a promise of another \$1,000 from our provincial Mission, we began the work around the middle of June. Today we say, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." The job is not quite completed due to lack of voluntary help, but we hope to finish it in the near future.

Summer Bible school was another time of blessing. After much prayer and searching the Lord enabled us to find the necessary workers. From July 25 to 29 we gathered twice daily. The total enrollment reached 105, with an average attendance of 94.6. We were especially happy to see children attending who do not attend Sunday school otherwise. Some of these are now attending Sunday school. The closing program brought out parents who otherwise do not come to our church. Now our prayer is that the seed sown might bear much fruit.

On August 21 it was our privilege to administer the rite of baptism to seven young people and to receive them into the fellowship of the church. Our general director, Brother Art Martens, was with us for the occasion. Many people had gathered at the banks of the South Saskatchewan River to witness the baptism. They heard a stirring message from God's Word delivered by Brother Martens. This step of obedience was a victory for several of the candidates since they had to take it in the face of misunderstanding and opposition from friends and family members. May their testimony open the eyes of their relatives.

These are some of the blessings

the Lord has given us, yet we are not satisfied. We are looking to the Lord for further blessings in the work here, especially for September 25, when we plan to combine our Harvest Mission Festival with a dedication of the new part of our church building. May the Lord have His way with us and use this humble testimony here as a means of leading many precious souls to the Saviour.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Falk's Silver Wedding Anniversary

Abbotsford, B.C. — Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Falk celebrated their silver wedding anniversary at South Abbotsford Mennonite Brethren church on August 14. Five hundred friends and relatives were present at the gathering.

The program commenced at 2 p.m. with the opening by Rev. W. Neufeld. The church choir sang "Blessed Be the Lord," which was followed by a sermon from Rev. J. J. Stobbe. Rev. C. C. Peters and George Falk also spoke. Two recitations and a song by the family were rendered. Their seven children were all present for the celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. Falk were the first couple from the South Abbotsford Mennonite Brethren Church to be married after the church was organized. They started farming on the present site with only 20 acres. Today they are a prosperous farming family with over 80 acres and 50 head of stock.

15 Baptized at South Abbotsford

Abbotsford, B.C. — July 31 proved to be a blessed day when ten persons followed the Lord in baptism. Rev. C. C. Peters spoke at the baptismal service which was held at Yarrow. The baptismal candidates were: Mrs. H. Reimer, Doris Mueller, Ingrid Neufeld, Linda Klassen, Charlotte Toews, Maggie Mueller, Wiltrud Neufeld, Verna Dyck, Marlene Thiessen and Betty Stobbe.

The second baptism was held on September 4, when five more persons applied for baptism. Mr. Abe Stobbe spoke at the waterfront. This service was also held at Yarrow. Those following the Lord in baptism were: Virginia Braun, Adina Janzen, Betty Peters, Ingrid Funk and Walter Janzen.

In both cases the Lord's Supper and the acceptance were held in the evening with Rev. Wm. Neufeld, the pastor, conducting the service.

Senior Fellowship Day Well Attended

The Mennonite Brethren Conference of Manitoba sponsored a senior fellowship day for members at the Winkler Bible Camp, Burwalde, on August 28. About 200 people attended the morning and afternoon sessions of the program

which was sponsored for ages 55 and up. Rev. D. K. Duerksen of Winnipeg was the guest speaker in the morning session and Rev. H. Regehr of Winnipeg spoke during the afternoon. Rev. D. D. Derksen of Boissevain was in charge.

14 Baptized at Vauxhall

By Abe Reimer

Vauxhall, Alta. — "O sing unto the Lord a new song; for he hath done marvellous things." We, too, rejoice with the Psalmist for the marvellous things the Lord has done for our church. Fourteen young people were baptized and added to the Vauxhall M. B. Church on Sunday, September 4. It had our concern that so few had been obedient in this respect during the last few years. The Lord has again been gracious to us and has answered our prayers abundantly.

The testimonies of the candidates on Saturday evening were a blessing as we heard how the work of parents, the church, camps and ministers had been instrumental in leading these young people to follow Christ.

Sunday morning Rev. J. J. Siemens of Coaldale presented a fitting message based on Romans 8:29-39. He emphasized that God has called all people, and that we can trust in His care. At the service on the shore of the Bow River in the afternoon Rev. J. Dueck of Coaldale spoke on the meaning and importance of baptism. Then the following young people were baptized by Rev. Siemens upon the confession of their faith in Christ Jesus: Hertha and Elfrieda Unruh, Helen and John Petkau, Jeanette and Robert Thiessen, Margaret and Henry Dyck, Betty Friesen, Marjorie Janz, Agnes Fast, Jake Born, Peter Reimer, and Mary Petkau of Hays.

Later in the afternoon Rev. H. Unruh, our local minister, welcomed the candidates into the fellowship of the church. He based a few remarks on Heb. 10:19-25. The church recalled the Lord's sacrifice during the communion service, which concluded the afternoon service.

David Unger Seeking His Father

Steinbach, Man. — Just a little over two years ago, Bernard B. Unger of Menno Colony in Paraguay came to Canada to visit. Since that time none of his family have heard of him, although he has been seen in various Mennonite communities in Manitoba during these two years. Two months ago, his son, 23-year-old David Unger arrived in Canada to try to locate his dad. So far he has been unsuccessful and he has to return to Paraguay on September 20. He is very anxious to locate his father before he goes and anyone knowing the whereabouts of Bernard B. Unger is asked to contact the Carillon News or Jacob S. Fehr at Penner Electric in Steinbach.

Bethesda Home Expands

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Bethesda, acquainting them with our project and asking for donations. The results are encouraging, for our receipts are accepted for income tax deductions. If business firms or private individuals in Canada or the USA should feel a desire or obligation to help in sending a donation, we shall be very grateful. A picture of Bethesda shall accompany each receipt.

We are very grateful for the expansion in our services to the ill by which we are able to accept more patients requiring hospitalization. The 250th patient has been admitted to the hospital. At present 90 patients are registered, four of whom are on probation, leaving 86. All beds are taken. Treatment consists of modern methods and medicine as is recommended by the specialists in this field plus the all-important Christian love by conscientious and dedicated personnel. The Lord is blessing the work and has helped through many difficulties.

Our gratefulness to God will find special expression at our thanksgiving service on October 2. For a number of years Bethesda has observed this festival on a Sunday afternoon. All who can are invited to come. Those who cannot attend in person are requested to remember Bethesda in a special way on that day. As a rule, the churches of Ontario take active part in this service. The offering will help outfit the new addition. During this day all articles prepared by the patients during the year are displayed. They find ready purchasers. Also, opportunity is given to see the institution and in particular the new addition.

Despite the unfavorable weather in spring and the late seeding, the Lord has blessed the fields. The last of the oats remains to be threshed—three weeks later than usual. We have had sufficient rain during the summer; corn and grapes look very promising and will be harvested in October.

In everything we see God's hand and the answer to the many prayers of His children, who feel a concern for the work carried on in Bethesda. We feel certain that we will continue to enjoy this support in the future and are thankful to God for all supplication and gifts. "Of his fulness have we received grace for grace . . ."

Three Canadians Leaving for MCC Service

Miss Anne Enns, Elm Creek, Man., left for the Brooklane Farm, Maryland, USA, on August 30. The MCC has assigned her to serve in the Psychiatric Hospital there.

Miss Martha Epp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Epp, Chilliwack, B.C., left August 27 for Mennonite Central Committee relief work in Amman, Jordan. She is a graduate of Chilliwack senior high

school and has nursed for two years at the Chilliwack General Hospital.

Abram Hildebrandt, Gretna, Man., has volunteered for a two-year assignment under MCC to serve in Morocco with the EIRENE program. This service involves work in under-developed countries and with refugees. Mr. Hildebrandt attended Mennonite Collegiate Institute, Gretna, and graduated from the University of Manitoba.

Silver Wedding Anniversary Observed

Grassy Lake, Alta. — The Silver Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Thiessen was held in the M. B. church at Grassy Lake on September 4. Many relatives, guests, and friends were present to share the Lord's blessings with them. After a program brought by the family, Rev. Alex Neumann brought a message based on I Sam. 7:12: "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." Then Mr. Thiessen related some of the many blessings they had experienced over the past years.

H. Willms

Hoping to Bring Wives from Russia

Abbotsford, B.C. — Hope of two elderly men of the congregation of being united with their wives is stirring the membership of West Abbotsford Mennonite Church.

When Jacob Bergen and Peter Bergen, Peardonville Road, left Russia some years ago they were separated from their families who remained behind the "Iron Curtain." One family is in Southern Russia, the other in a northern district.

Since the Bergen brothers are not in good health, the church is seeking to have their wives brought to Canada. Applications have already been approved by Canadian authorities.

Approval by Soviet authorities must still be obtained. It is known that the children of the two men will not be allowed to leave Russia, since the youngest in one family is only 16 and in the other 18. Young people are not allowed to leave the Soviet Union even with their parents, states Rev. Peter Froese, church pastor.

Two Dead, One Injured

Two men died as a result of an accident four miles north of Hallock, Minnesota, recently. They were killed when a semi-trailer transport truck and a car collided on a straight stretch of Highway 75.

Dead are Isaac Friesen, 32, of Fort Garry, and Harry Warner, 19, of Mapleton, N.D.

Henry Rempel, 33, of Altona, driver of the transport belonging to Arrow Transit Lines of Winnipeg, suffered broken ribs, facial and hand lacerations in the crash. He was reported in fair condition in hospital.

Progress of Menno Colony

Menno Colony, Paraguay. — Menno Colony, oldest Mennonite colony in Paraguay, established in the late 20's, has made steady progress in the past 12 years, as shown by the statistical report given by J. B. Reimer of the colony administration.

Since 1947 the population has increased by more than one-half, expanding from 2,940 in 1947 to 4,608 in 1959. Cotton acreage has doubled, 1,200 hectar in 1947 and 2,357 hectar in 1959.

Most phenomenal increases were in the number of fruit trees planted and cattle raised. The total of fruit trees was increased from 9,520 in 1947 to 24,700 in 1959 and cattle on farms from 14,920 to 23,548. In 1947 there were no tractors in the colony, now there are 11.

Plunges Over Niagara

Niagara Falls, Ont. (CP) — A woman identified as Della M. Lewis, 50, of Syracuse, N.Y., plunged to her death over Horseshoe Falls. Witnesses said the woman jumped into the Niagara River from the Three Sisters Island bridge. The body was recovered on the Canadian side of the river below the falls.

80,000 Acres Sold to Mennonites

Fort St. John, B.C. — Agricultural lands estimated at 80,000 acres have been purchased by a Mennonite group settling north and east of here on Squaw Snider, Buick and other creeks between the Alaska highway and the Beatton River airport.

Individual families are each taking between a quarter section and a full section of land in the area. The land, unsurveyed, is immediately west of Mennonite settlements in the Fort Vermilion, Alta., agricultural belt. It was bought from the B.C. government.

New Leadership Magazine Released

The new leadership magazine, **Builder**, is available for the beginning of the fall quarter. The October edition has just been released by the press. This new magazine for leaders in various types of church work is published by the Board of Education and Publication of the General Conference Mennonite Church in co-operation with the (Old) Mennonite Church. It replaces the Herald Teacher, but provides additional material. Maynard Shelly is the General Conference editor.

The **Builder** has three major sections. Each month there will be leadership articles, lesson helps for teachers of adult and youth Sunday school classes, and program helps for Sunday evening and midweek meetings. Besides these regular

features, there will be special features such as book reviews, information on audio-visuals, editorials, and other items of interest to workers in Christian education.

Ministers, youth leaders, trustees, and committee members as well as Sunday school teachers and superintendents of adult and youth departments will find this magazine helpful.

Increase of US Population in 10 Years

The U. S. population has increased 28 million since 1950 and today totals about 180 million, according to an announcement by the Census Bureau.

The huge increase of 28 million in 10 years, a record for any decade, was attributed to the high birth rate and increasingly lower death rate, rather than to such factors as immigration.

The four states with the largest population are, in order, New York, California, Pennsylvania and Illinois.

Pool Elevator Destroyed by Fire

The large 137,000-bushel-capacity Letellier Pool Elevator was destroyed by fire recently. The flames that enveloped the big elevator and its two annexes were plainly visible for 15 miles around. The loss, which included 135,000 bushels of grain, was estimated at close to \$300,000. It was covered by insurance.

The Morris telephone exchange was immediately notified of the fire and calls were put in to fire departments of six neighboring towns. Brigades from Altona, Morris, Emerson, Dominion City, Lowe Farm battled the blaze, which at one time threatened to spread to adjoining oil tanks and buildings in the village. They gave up the elevator at about 8:45 and concentrated their efforts on saving adjoining buildings.

Heavy Oat Yield in Manitoba

Ivan Langtry, a farmer in the Homewood district of Manitoba, reports having recently harvested a 22-acre field of Garry oats yielding 161.25 bushels to the acre. The sample weighed 42 lbs. to the bushel and the yield is believed to be a record for Manitoba. The oats were grown on land from which the previous year's crop of peas had not been harvested. The vines were burned and the oats sown immediately after cultivation.

While the average yield of oats for the province of Manitoba is recognized to be between 35 and 40 bushels to the acre, yields of 100 bushels are not uncommon, and figures of up to 120 bushels have been recorded.

Mennonites Co-operate in Relief to Congo

Akron, Pa. (MCC) — Representatives of the Mennonite Brethren Board of Foreign Missions, the Congo Inland Mission and Mennonite Central Committee met August 31 in Chicago to discuss plans for Mennonite relief action in the Congo. Orie O. Miller, recently returned from a trip to the Congo, and William T. Snyder represented MCC at the meeting.

Responding the urgent need for a coordinated relief approach in the Congo, the three organizations have agreed to channel their Congo relief interests through the proposed relief agency of the Congo Protestant Council.

Congo Protestant Council is a council of the Congo churches and the missions are associate members. Congo Protestant Relief Agency will be its agency for the carrying out of relief, with a New York committee coordinating contributions in North America.

The organization is being set up with the initial aim of providing doctors to replace the large number who left the country during the emergency and to supervise distribution of church-contributed medical supplies. It will probably be-

come the principal Protestant relief agency in the Congo and a focal point for all-Protestant cooperation.

The two mission boards, Mennonite Brethren and Congo Inland, will provide mission doctor returnees to CPRA. MCC will send relief workers, short-term doctors, Paxmen and relief medical supplies.

Ernest Lehman, former Jordan MCC worker, will assist Robert Bontrager of CIM in CPRA program direction. The Lehmans will also manage the Union Missionary Home in Leopoldville and the Menno Travel Service branch office to be established in connection with the home. MTS has agreed to take over management of the Union Missionary Home, a hostel for missionaries, on October 1 rather than on November 15, as previously announced. Lehmans plan to be in the Congo before October 1.

Donald Hedrick, a Paxman from Lansdale, Pa., will also arrive at this time and will be working mainly at the Union Missionary Home. Paxmen who were in the Congo at the time of the European and American evacuation have returned home or have been reassigned.

Missionaries Work in Ecuador

Foam Lake, Sask. — It was our privilege to have Rev. and Mrs. Danny Kroeker, missionaries to Ecuador, S.A., in our church for 3 days recently. Rev. Kroeker spent one term in Ecuador, returning this spring to marry Miss Elma Balzer. Since June they have served at many Bible camps, DVBS and churches.

On Sunday morning, August 21, Rev. Kroeker had as his text Phil. 2:12-15. He said that the Christian's life purpose is to shine as lights in the home, the church and the world. We are to be the reflectors of Christ. Living for Christ is a very practical thing. Do we permit Christ to live out His life in our personal lives? If parents in the home fulfilled their obligation there would be no need of Sunday schools and camps. What impression do we make on our children? Do they confide in us? Most mothers and fathers do not shine for Christ, therefore their children are prone to wander.

In the church many are cold and lifeless. Division and strife are common. Satan uses small things to start disunity. Let us not permit him to get his foot in the door! We are to be of one mind in the Lord, loving one another.

In our relations with the world there is a great need for us to shine. We are being watched as to whether our walk and our profession agree. Therefore our daily walk is most important. We are to reflect the love of Christ in our deal-

ings with our neighbors and friends. We must not let sin cover our light.

At the Sunday evening Young People's Endeavor program Rev. Kroeker spoke on the topic, "Road to Personal Witnessing." He gave four steps to witnessing, namely, the experience of salvation, the assurance of salvation, the leading of the Holy Spirit and a consistent walk.

He cited an example of ineffective witnessing. Statistics show that there were 10,000 Communists in pulpits in the USA in 1951. We must have the assurance within us and be completely yielded to the Holy Spirit's guidance. God will never lead a thirsty sinner to an empty well. We must practice what we preach.

On Monday, Rev. Kroeker showed slides of the work in Ecuador. There are four million people in this land, which is half the size of Saskatchewan. Spanish is the main language, with many Indian dialects further inland. These descendants of the Incas are downtrodden today; they are deep in sin. They are known as Quichuas. The Jivaros are known as head hunters, but that practice is seldom carried out. They are in complete darkness and very difficult to reach with the gospel. The better known Aucas live here, too.

Ecuador is a beautiful country. There are 1500 species of colorful birds, many rare flowers and many kinds of fruit such as pineapples,

oranges, bananas and melons.

The cities are modern, but the mountain folk (Indians) live in poor shacks on small farms. Roads are poor in most areas.

Rev. Kroeker is in need of a jeep to carry on his work when he returns to Ecuador next March. The Kroekers hope to establish themselves in some central town and go out from there to unreached villages and farms.

The Catholics have a firm hold on the people, keeping them in sin and darkness. They oppose the missionary continually. The Spanish people are receptive to the gospel if they have not been taught by Catholics. The need for more workers is great. Natives are being trained at the Bible school in Shell Mera.

May God bless this consecrated couple and greatly use them as they return to Ecuador.

\$75 Million for Congo

United Nations, N.Y. — United Nations officials are estimating that the first three months of UN operations in the Congo will cost \$40,000,000. By the end of the year, an authoritative source said recently, the total cost will probably amount to \$75,000,000. The annual cost of the UN emergency force in the Middle East is \$20,000,000.

Informed sources said Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld will ask the General Assembly to finance the Congo operations by assessing all members according to the scale used to raise general UN funds.

942 German Missionaries

Evangelical overseas missionary personnel from Germany has increased from 180 to 942 since the end of the Second World War, according to the latest statistics published in Hamburg by the Evangelical Church in Germany. Missionary fields served by the various German Protestant mission societies include India, Indonesia, South Africa, Egypt, Ethiopia, Japan and New Guinea. Medical work is especially stressed in the German overseas missions.

Ladies Plan for Missions

Horndean, Man. — Plans for the next annual mission sale were discussed at the meeting of the Horndean Ladies' Sewing Circle. Mrs. John Doell presided during the business session, at which the minutes of the last meeting were read and plans made for the coming season.

This was the first meeting of the season and was held at the home of Mrs. Hardy Kehler on September 7 at 7:30 p.m. Most of the ladies were present and a few new members were received into the group. The hostess, Mrs. Zehler, opened the meeting with Scripture and prayer. After the business session, a luncheon was served to all present. The next meeting will be in October.

Billy Graham Campaign Planned for S. America

Curitiba, Brazil. — A visitor with the Mennonite congregations here in June was Rev. Martin Duerksen, widely known Mennonite pastor from Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Rev. Duerksen was on the way to attend the Baptist World Congress in Rio de Janeiro, and there to meet with Dr. Billy Graham, who is to hold an evangelistic crusade in South America in the not too distant future.

Rev. Duerksen, a member of the Billy Graham crusade committee, also served on the committee for the Oswald T. Smith crusade in Buenos Aires some years ago.

Mexico Mission Work

John and Mary Friesen (Marquette, Man.) have completed a five-year term of mission work at Santa Clara, Mexico. Replacing them in the latter part of August are the Jacob Heinrichs, also of Manitoba.

Waiting to Enter Congo

Newton, Kans. — The first unit of the Congo Inland Mission to return to Africa has not gained entrance into the Congo. James Bertsche, Elmer J. Dick, and Allan Wiebe left the United States on August 20 and are now in Brazzaville, Congo Republic (French Africa). They found the frontier to the Republic of Congo closed because Prime Minister Lumumba had declared martial law. The men are waiting for further developments which will permit their entrance. In spite of this setback, the Congo Inland Mission Board is optimistic and plans to send additional men soon.

66,000,000 Without Church Affiliation

According to a recent statement in church membership in America issued by the Board of American Missions of the United Lutheran Church, the upsurge of religious interest in our nation is not so great after all. Some 66,000,000 Americans still have no church affiliation, and this total is getting bigger by about 1,000,000 every year. Unless several thousand new churches are organized annually, Protestant as well as Catholic denominations won't even keep up with the population increase.

Quarter Million Bequest to Israel

A South African Christian, a member of the Christadelphian sect, has left a bequest worth over a quarter of a million dollars to the Jewish National Fund.

The Christadelphians believe that the return of the Jewish people to Israel is a manifestation of the will of God and its members participate in Israeli enterprises and contribute money to the various Israel funds.



Dear Girls and Boys,

What smells so good in Mother's kitchen? Is the table and counter so wondrously sticky and sweet? Are you allowed to scrape the large jelly saucepan?

All the mothers are very busy these days. They are pickling and freezing and canning. Likely your mother has quite a lot of jelly and jam ready by now. Perhaps some of the girls help after school to clean sealers and vegetables, or cut up fruit. Mother must hurry with her cooking and canning because she knows that the frost will soon come and kill everything in the garden. She must use her opportunity and get as much food ready for winter as possible.

We, too, have opportunities—but often we waste them thoughtlessly. Every day we have chances to do good. It may only be a kind word or a cheerful smile. That seems so easy—but so often we forget! And what is worse yet, we frown and complain. Our days of opportunity goes by and we haven't helped or pleased anyone. Do you think Mother would leave her fruit and vegetables to spoil? She knows how to utilize her time. Remember, boys and girls, our days speed by. Today can never return and be lived over again. May you be reminded to hurry and use your chances to help as you see Mother hurrying around her kitchen.

Love, Aunt Helen.

Tommy Goes Back to School

By Mary Elizabeth Yoder

"When does school begin?" asked Tommy. Mother glanced at the calendar.

"Two weeks from today," she answered.

Tommy frowned. "Oh, no! I don't want to go to school this year. I'd rather stay at home and run after Daddy and ride on the tractor with him."

"But think of all the things you learned and all the good times you had last year," Mother reminded him.

"Oh yes, I know I learned a lot," answered Tommy, blinking his brown eyes. "I think I know all I need to know now. I can read and print. I can do problems and I can spell words. So why should I go to school?"

Mother smiled. "Well, that is fine," she said. "If you can do all that, you can finish filling out this order to Montgomery Ward while I do the dishes. Then we can both go to the garden and pick those pretty speckled, bird-egg beans."

"All right," agreed Tommy. "What shall I order?"

Everything is on the order blank except these three shirts," answered Mother, showing him which ones.

"Write this number right here. Put a three in this little box. Write shirts on this line, size 8 here and blue here. Put the price and postage in the columns as it tells you to above."

Mother went to do the dishes and Tommy got to work. It took a long time to print the numbers and words on those little lines.

"Mother," he called, "how do I know how much three shirts cost?" "Multiply by three," answered Mother.

Tommy's brown eyes grew big. "But I don't know how to do that," he said.

Mother smiled as she helped him. "Now you will need to add this long column of numbers to get the total," she explained. "When you are finished with that I will show you how to add postage and tax."

Mother went back to the dishes and Tommy's brown head bent over the order sheet. How he did work, but there were so many numbers he got all mixed up.

"Mother," he called again, as though he were ready to cry. "How can I add all these numbers? I get all mixed up."

"Well," smiled Mother, "maybe there is something for you to learn in school after all."

Tommy looked at the floor. "I guess you're right," he said, "I can do problems, but not such big ones. I suppose if I want to be Daddy's helper when I grow up, I'd better go to school and learn to do big problems too."

Tuesday morning in September Tommy put on one of the shirts he had helped to order. It was a light blue shirt with a big yellow T on

the front. For breakfast Tommy had cold orange juice, warm toast, an egg, and cereal that crackled when he added milk.

After breakfast he helped Mother pack his lunch. He wrapped two of Mother's good chocolate chip cookies into crackly waxed paper and put them into his lunch kit. Then he snapped the lid shut. Suddenly he thought of something. "Mother," he said, "may I take a cookie along for Miss Burkey?"

"Certainly you may," said Mother. "That will be a fine way to get acquainted with your new teacher."

Quickly he opened the kit again and put in another cookie. Then he ran outside to wait for the bus. He looked both ways before he crossed the highway.

"Good morning," said Bobby, Peter, and Jack when he climbed into the bus. It was good to see them again. He hadn't seen Peter since school closed last spring.

At the schoolhouse more friends greeted him. "Hi, Tommy," said Arthur, his best chum. "Say, it's great to see you again. Let's choose sides and play a game of ball."

What fun they had playing ball, but soon the bell rang. Tommy's face clouded up as though a storm was coming. To his surprise the schoolroom was nice and cool. The windows were open and he could hear his favorite robins and bluebirds singing.

"How nice this is!" he thought, looking about the room. "It smells so fresh and clean, and it isn't nearly as hot as it would be outside running after Daddy. I think I'll learn a lot this year."

Miss Burkey smiled at Tommy as she thanked him for the cookie. "I am sure we are going to have fine times this school term," she said.

When Tommy came home, he hurried into the house, letting the screen door bang behind him. "Mother," he called. "We had a fine time in school. Miss Burkey is such a nice teacher and the schoolroom was so pretty. It wasn't nearly as hot as it is running after Daddy. I think I'll learn lots and lots of things this year."

"That's fine," said Mother. "I was sure you would like school."

Tommy remembered to say a special "thank you" for school when he said his prayer that evening.

A Prayer for Boys and Girls

Dear God, help all the boys and girls who are going to school this year to learn important things so they can do important work for you. Amen.

Reprinted from "Story Friends."

"Jesus, I Come"

I went to see a young boy who was in hospital with a broken leg. He was sitting up in bed, with a fair, bright face and curly hair, looking like a little sunbeam. I sat down at the foot of his bed and said, "You look very happy, my boy, tell me what makes you so?"

"If you please, sir, it is Jesus," was his reply.

"But how does He make you happy?" I then asked him.

He said, "I will tell you. When they brought me to this place my leg pained so much that I felt very miserable. In the night I felt very lonely, with no mother or father or anyone I knew, near me, and wondered what would become of me. But when I stopped crying and began to look around, I looked over to that wall and read the verse."

As my young friend pointed across the room, I saw on a wall a large printed Scripture which read, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God" (Luke 18:16).

"And what happened then?" I said.

"Why, I just thought it was the Lord Jesus speaking to me and saying: 'Come unto Me, Colin, come unto Me.' And I felt so drawn to Him I just said in my heart, 'Jesus, I come.' Since then I have been so happy knowing He is near me and have felt neither sad nor lonely."

Have you invited the Lord Jesus into your heart, dear reader?

Safeguard Your Children

More than 500 pedestrians are killed each year in Canada and thousands injured when struck by automobiles, statistics show.

Many of those killed and injured are children, and with schools again opening across Canada, extra precautions are needed to protect the lives of school-age youngsters. These safety suggestions to parents may help to reduce accidents.

1. Start early to teach children the recognized rules and habits of safety.

2. Children are quick to follow the example of older people, so set a good example yourself by obeying the traffic and pedestrian rules.

3. Teach small children to cross streets only at stop-lights or where special crossing guards are on duty.

4. Always encourage children to make full use of school yards and playgrounds and not to play on the street.

5. Campaign for school crossing guards in your community.

6. When driving, watch for school and playground areas, always slow down.

7. Watch carefully for children in the morning, at noon and when schools close for the day.

8. Don't pass loading school buses from either side. Wait until its doors are closed and until it has started again.

9. Always give the child the right-of-way.

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"Exclude religion from education and you have lost a foundation upon which to build moral character."



Strait is the Gate

By MARJORIE BUCKINGHAM

(3rd Installment)

The people who had made up his congregation here this morning at Southdown Grove were very much the same as the last congregation to which he had ministered, he reflected—the same as any ordinary church congregation. They were people of all ages and from all walks of life. There were the very young and the very old, and the bigger majority of "in-betweens". There were well-dressed prosperous-looking people sitting side by side with unpretentious ordinary folk. There were those to whom life had obviously been kind, and there were those on whom its cares and burdens weighed heavily. There were those who radiated joy and gladness, and there were those whose very faces told the story of defeat and despair.

Maxwell Brandon never could view his congregations as a whole. To him they were always a group of individual people with individual needs, and he never preached a sermon without first praying that God would direct the message to needy hearts. And how many hearts had been touched this morning, he wondered. The congregation had seemed so unresponsive . . . But of course he knew that some had only come out of curiosity to see the new minister; some had come to criticize and complain; some had come to welcome the change of ministry and any new departure from the established order of things. Some of those faces, no doubt, he would never see in the church building again; but some, at least, he would always remember . . .

"Welcome home, dear!"

He started at the sound of the voice, for he had been deep in thought; then, looking up, he saw his wife, who had left the church before him, walking down the garden path to meet him, and his face lit up with a smile.

"Home!" he echoed. "Ah, Margaret, that sounds good to me!"

Margaret Brandon, a slight vivacious little woman whose dark hair showed a few early streaks of grey, came up and took her husband's arm.

"Well, it is home, dear," she said, warmly.

Maxwell Brandon looked up at the gaunt, grey structure before him—surely the most unattractive-looking manse he had ever seen—then turned to his wife with a quizzical smile. "Is it, really?" he asked doubtfully.

"Of course!" she answered quickly. "The place has possibilities, Maxwell."

"Yes, I suppose it has," he admitted rather critically. "But the church board can't think so. I

don't believe they've spent a penny on it for years!"

"No, dear, I'm sure you're right. I guess they put all their money into the church building, and it does look nice."

"Which is more than anybody could say of the manse!" added her husband candidly.

Maxwell Brandon was right. There was certainly a sharp contrast between the newly-renovated church building, all freshly painted and decorated, and the drab, somewhat dilapidated residence in the adjoining block.

"Yes, but it won't be so bad when we get a little colour into the garden. We'll have to plant some stocks and zinnias. It just wants brightening up."

"Like the house!" he agreed with a smile. "Anyway, nobody would ever be able to say that the manse attracted us to Southdown Grove, would they?"

"No, that's one consolation!" smiled Margaret. "But you won't know the place in a little while, dear. We've only been here two days, you know."

"Yes, of course." Maxwell Brandon drew his wife closer to his side. "You're a brave little woman, Mrs. Brandon," he whispered gently.

She caught her breath in a quick little sigh. "No—no, not really!" she protested. And she turned her head away to hide the tears that had come into her eyes. She had determined not to become sentimental over this move, but it had not been easy to break up their home after ten years . . .

Yes, they had been ten years with their last church—a long time in the history of their little family—and Margaret Brandon, for one, had become very much attached to the house that had been their home there for so many happy years. Their youngest child, their baby, had been born in that house. And it was there that the two elder children had passed the first milestone from childhood to youth. But that was all behind them. This house, she supposed, would see them all grow up. Why, Pauline was sixteen now—how quickly the years had passed . . .

"Mummy—daddy!" a girl's voice broke in on her thoughts. "Oh, there you are!"

And catching sight of her parents as she spoke, Pauline Brandon stepped out on the verandah, a bright figure in her floral smock and fancy apron. She was a well-built girl with rounded, pleasant features, blue eyes and a soft complexion, and she looked more than her sixteen years—probably because she had fastened her long fair plaits around her head instead of leaving them down as she did at

school during the week.

"Coming, dear!" replied her mother quickly.

"I wondered where you were," the girl went on as she advanced towards them. "Dinner's all ready, and it's getting late."

Maxwell Brandon glanced at his watch. "Yes, Pauline, you're right." He turned to help his wife up the steps. "Your mother and I were so busy talking that we hadn't noticed the time."

Pauline laughed as she put an arm around each of them. "You're forgiven this time," she said playfully. "So long as you don't complain if the salad is spoilt!"

"I shan't say a word," said her father meekly. "because I can see it will be entirely my own fault."

"Oh, Daddy!" cried the girl impulsively, giving him a kiss on the cheek.

Pauline Brandon cheerfully accepted her responsibilities as the eldest of the family, and was a great joy to her parents. She had always helped with the younger children, and as she grew older insisted on doing all she could to lighten the strenuous round of duties that fell to her parents' lot. For one thing, she was always first home from church on Sunday mornings so that she could have the table laid and the kettle boiling and everything ready just to sit down to dinner when the rest of the family came in. This left her mother and father free to chat with the people after the service without unduly delaying the dinner—an important consideration in a household where there was never a minute to spare on Sundays, in spite of the fact that household chores were reduced to the barest minimum on that day.

Life at the manse left little time for leisure, but there was always an air of happy relaxation at the meal table, when all the family was together. The meal usually ended with some helpful discussion of problems and points of view—a discussion in which the children took an increasing interest as they grew older. Then there was always the family prayer and Bible reading together, no matter what time the meal itself might finish. Maxwell Brandon felt that in his busy life he owed that much at least to his family, and he was never away from home for the main meal of the day if he could possibly be present.

It was only natural, then, that this first Sunday dinner in the new manse should have special significance, even though it had to be a makeshift in many ways, for they had only moved in on Friday and hadn't had the time to unpack more than the bare essentials. But Pauline had gone to a lot of trouble to make the table look attractive, even though she hadn't been able to find the best silver which was always used on Sundays! But the clean white tablecloth looked very inviting with the little bowl of flowers she had managed to gather from

the garden, and the small coloured motto standing beside it, on which she had printed "Welcome to Southdown Grove."

"How lovely!" exclaimed Mr. and Mrs. Brandon together, as they stood at the dining room door and viewed their daughter's handiwork.

Pauline flushed with pleasure. They were always so generous in their praise that she loved doing things like this.

The brightly set-out table was a pleasant contrast to the room with its dull and faded walls, high ceiling and long narrow windows through which comparatively little light could enter, even at the brightest period of the day. And the bright faces of the Brandon family—twelve-year-old Robert, little David who was nearly five, and Pauline herself—completed the happy picture.

"Southdown Grove seems to agree with our appetites, anyway!" declared Mr. Brandon as he passed his plate for a second helping.

"It's the sea air, I think," suggested Mrs. Brandon with a smile.

"Oh, yes, mummy!" agreed Pauline enthusiastically. "It's lovely being at Southdown Grove—so near the beach!"

The popular seaside resort of Southdown was certainly a contrast to the quiet country town in which they had lived for the last ten years, and to the younger members of the family it was a very welcome one.

Maxwell Brandon looked thoughtful. "Well, yes," he conceded, "Southdown Grove has its advantages, but it has its responsibilities, too."

"For us—yes, dear," echoed his wife seriously.

But the problems that weighed on their parents' hearts did not even exist for the children. They saw only the lighter side of their new life. . .

"It's going to be pretty good at Southdown Grove, I reckon!" declared young Robert, anticipating the future with all the eagerness of a twelve-year-old boy. "We'll be able to go swimming every day in the summer—gee!"

Maxwell Brandon leaned forward quickly. "What did you say, son?"

"Oh—" Robert looked puzzled at his father's sudden interest. "I just said we'd be able to go swimming."

"Yes, but that other word—"

"What, dad?" The boy looked surprised. "Oh, you mean 'gee'—?"

His father nodded. "Yes, son, I don't like the sound of it at all."

Robert gasped. "But dad, what's wrong with saying 'gee'?"

Before Maxwell Brandon could frame his reply, the baby of the family surprised them all with a very pertinent remark.

"When Robert says 'gee,'" the child remarked innocently, "I think he's going to say 'Jesus.'"

(To be continued)

Impressions of Germany

By Miss Ida Toews, North Kildonan



Neuwied, Germany. Left to right: Katie Isaak, Sister Loewen, her daughters Maria, Anni, Liselotte, son Peter, Sister Vogt, Max Woerlen, Helena Braun, Frieda Fast, Ida Toews and Lotte Janzen.

(Continued from previous issue)

School holidays in Germany are a joy. Just when you think school has settled down in earnest, the Catholics come along with a holiday, then the Evangelical Church supplies another and when neither can think of anything to celebrate the state declares one. On these wonderful days we visited Heidelberg with its time-tempered tragic castle; Ulm, whose Minster rises unharmoniously in majestic grandeur from an ultra-modern and not very beautiful city; or just walked to a lookout point to admire the view of the thousand hills fading toward the horizon. Then Goethe's words "Ueber allen Gipfeln . . ." became very real. It is small wonder that this land inspired so many poets and song writers.

When we visited the one-time convents and monasteries at Bebenhausen, Maulbronn, Blaubeuren and Hirsau, however, I could not share in the admiration of the monks who chastised their bodies with fasting and living in unheated cells to glorify God, or spent their lives carving madonnas and crucifixes. My forefathers had turned away from this and I felt I would have, too. The explanation that these beautifully carved altars and ornate churches are an expression of man's longing toward the Divine is convincing but not quite satisfying. Maulbronn is now an Evangelical Seminary and echoes to the voices of very much alive young theology students.

The Bodensee (Lake Constance) lives peacefully and effortlessly on its reputation of loveliness. It is the oldest settled area of Germany and combines its scenic beauty with a wealth of history and literature which my German friends imparted generously to a willing recipient. At school I had read Annette von Droste-Huelshoff's poems without too much interest and found "Ekkehard" rather dull. Now, a walk through the 'moor', an unforgettable day on the Saentis with its Wildkirchlein and emerald lake made me feel as if I had stepped into the book of time and turned back the pages. We at-

tended mass in the thousand-year-old monastery church on the Reichenau, and the Hohentwiel stands like a reminder to come back.

The Mennonite group in Stuttgart is small but very sincere. Fellowship at their church service which is held once a month, in their homes and at the young people's meetings was a real blessing to me. Several of the young people have been to the United States with the MCC program of international trainees and spoke English fluently. The Mennonites are typically German in speech and custom but have more contact and knowledge of their brethren beyond their borders than the average German.

The Neuwied Mennonite Brethren Church is like a home church to many M.B.'s travelling, studying or working in Germany. The "Gemeindehaus" is a typical, neat, white stucco and timber building, but inside its warm, cozy atmosphere is very reminiscent of a big, western farmhouse. After months among strangers, nothing is as welcome as just to sing the old, familiar hymns, hear an inspiring sermon, have apple pie for dessert and be at home with the J. W. Vogts. It was also very pleasant to meet and share experiences with good friends from Winnipeg—Katie Isaak, Lotte Janzen, Elfrieda and Corny Balzer.

During my stay in Germany I was able to participate in some very well organized and pleasant young people's retreats. Youth hostels, operated by the state, church groups and various organizations, give choice and variety in accommodation. One retreat, held in an idyllically located cabin in the Eifel hills, was led by Max Woerlen and Hans Ufer, a blind young evangelist. Another held at Seeheim in the Odenwald brought together Christian young people from many parts of Germany, Austria and even Paraguay. The pastors and missionaries from the M. B. churches at Neuwied, Neustadt, Linz and other points led the services and it was a wonderful time of fellowship. The blending of European, American and Canadian influences, customs

and ideas under the guidance of Christian principles is unique and a real privilege for the young people.

Last year was the 200th year of Schiller's birth and Germany honoured its great son in many celebrations. I would like to close with his key to understanding:

"Willst du dich selber erkennen, so sieh wie die andern es treiben; willst du die andern verstehen, blick in dein eigenes Herz."

Growing E.M.B. Conference

Abbotsford, B.C. — More than 200 delegates and guests represented 10 states, three Canadian provinces and two foreign countries registered for the 66th annual convention of the Evangelical Mennonite Brethren Conference held from August 17 to 21 at the EMB church, Abbotsford, B.C. Dr. John R. Dick was the host pastor.

The theme, "Lo, He Comes!" was discussed under topics as: He Comes Unexpectedly; Expectedly; With Trumpet Sound; To Reward the Saints; To Meet His Bride; To Judge the Believer; To Establish Eternal Glory; To Establish Eternal Judgment. This theme was well developed during the evening and Sunday services.

Dr. Willard Aldrich, president of Multnomah School of the Bible, was the able and much appreciated guest speaker Friday evening and on Youth Night, Saturday.

Rev. H. A. Brandt, president of the Conference and pastor of the Mt. Lake EMB Church, presided at all business sessions of the delegate body.

The statistical report showed that contributions totalled \$303,635.29. The average contribution to the church per member was \$119.73 and approximately 39 per cent of the total giving is designated for missions. A budget of \$143,140 was accepted by the delegate body.

Three brethren were granted a preaching license. Eighteen candidates were accepted as full-time missionaries, bringing the missionary family to number 106.

Present plans call for the organization of two churches, one in Omaha, Nebr., and one in Saskatoon, Sask.

Of particular interest was the acceptance by the Conference of two churches, Avalon Church in St. Vital, a suburb of Winnipeg, with Rev. C. Wilbert Loewen as pastor, and Salem Church (formerly KMB) at Waldheim, Sask., with Rev. Edward Epp as pastor. The Salem Church brings with it 12 missionaries included in the above eighteen.

Detweiler Assistant Pastor at Goshen

Orville, Ohio. — Robert Detweiler of Orville, co-producer of "The Calvary Hour" radio broadcast, has accepted a call to serve as assistant pastor of the Goshen Col-

lege congregation at Goshen, Ind.

After serving as assistant pastor of the Martins Mennonite Church near here for the past five years, Rev. Detweiler preached his last sermon here August 21 and took up his new duties September 1. He will continue in the radio broadcasting work with his twin brother, William Detweiler, coming here three or four days a month for this purpose.

Rev. Detweiler is a graduate of Eastern Mennonite College in Virginia and of Faith Seminary, Philadelphia.

The Goshen College Church, located on the college campus, has a membership of over 600 and attendance reaches 1,000 to 1,200 during the school year. John H. Mosemann is the pastor.

News from Here and There

A Western rancher had asked the district superintendent that a pastor be assigned to his community.

"How big a man do you want?" the superintendent asked.

"Well, we're not overly particular about that," he answered. "Just send us a man who can reach to heaven when he's on his knees."

Protestant and Roman Catholic churches in West Germany, a country which only a few years ago received large amounts for relief, rushed a total of \$70,000 in assistance to the stricken people of Chile, where earthquakes and seismic waves killed or injured thousands and left more than two million homeless. —Gospel Herald.

According to *Mennoblatt*, Jacob Penner of Vancouver recently spoke over a 13,000-mile distance via telephone with his wife in Tomsk, Russia.

Religious Magazine

Montreal — A non-denominational religious monthly, Christian Outlook, is being published for the first time this month. The magazine has representatives of the Anglicans, Baptists, Presbyterians, Unitarians, United Church and Church of Christ on its editorial board.

Octogenarian Called Away in Death

New Holland, Pa. — A well known octogenarian of this community, Mrs. Emily S. Kauffman, 87, widow of Israel M. Kauffman, passed away here recently at the home of her son, Galen C. Kauffman. Mrs. Kauffman was a 1899 graduate of Juniata College.

Crimes in U.S.A.

The first three months of 1960, according to Edgar Hoover of the FBI, were the worst in the history of crime in the United States. Burglaries were up 10 per cent and robberies seven. Other crimes, too, are more numerous, which Mr. Hoover says, reflects increased violence in American life.

National Immunization Week September 18 - 24

National Immunization Week is sponsored by the Health League of Canada in co-operation with Health Departments and other agencies.

You are risking serious illness or death to your family and yourself if you are not immunized against smallpox, diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus (lockjaw) and poliomyelitis. Immunization against these diseases costs only a few cents and a few moments of your time. Why take a chance?

September 18 to 24 will mark the eighteenth year in which National Immunization Week has been sponsored by the Health League of Canada and supported by Health Departments in Canada.

SMALLPOX

We all know what smallpox is, though many of us have never seen a case.

Perhaps that is why we forget that smallpox is a killing disease. We forget how disfiguring it can be. We forget that it was once the most dreaded of all diseases and that it wiped out a tenth of the population at a time. It used to be that lack of smallpox marks was used as a means of identification—people who were not pock-marked were rare.

Protection

There is no natural immunity against smallpox. Anyone who has not been vaccinated may catch it. It attacks people of every age. Vaccination is the only protection we have against it.

Every child should be vaccinated before he is 6 months of age. Smallpox is caused by a germ so tiny that it cannot be seen by an ordinary microscope. This germ is spread by direct contact, that is, through close association with smallpox patients and it enters the body by the nose and other air passages. It may also spread from the sores them-

selves, so that great care must be taken when looking after a patient.

Smallpox vaccination protects against smallpox. Vaccination is usually done on the outer part of the upper left arm. Modern methods leave only a small scar no larger than the end of a lead pencil. In young children there is scarcely any "sick" reaction, though in older people who have never been vaccinated, there may be some symptoms of fever and headache. It is not necessary to put a dressing over a vaccination, though a piece of light gauze may be placed over it when it is starting to "take". If a vaccination does not "take" and if it leaves no scar then the person is not immunized. A vaccination scar is the badge of immunity against smallpox.

Vaccination should be repeated every seven years, or during an epidemic, and for international travel every three years.

POLIOMYELITIS

Poliomyelitis is perhaps more feared than any other infectious disease of children because of the permanent crippling and disability that may result. The usual public health measures for control of infectious disease, such as strict isolation of the patient and quarantining of contacts, proved of little help in checking the spread of the disease. . . Parents in all parts of the world rejoiced at the news that a safe vaccine for poliomyelitis had been developed by Dr. Jonas Salk of Pittsburgh and his collaborators. This news was of particular interest to Canadian parents, for much fundamental work in relation to the vaccine was carried out at the Connaught Medical Research Laboratories of the University of Toronto.

Protection

Poliomyelitis vaccine in Canada has been established as entirely safe and studies confirm that it is effective in greatly reducing paralytic polio incidence. Three doses, with one month's interval between the first and second, and not less than seven months between the second and third.

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News from Here and There

Khrushchev Coming to US Again

Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev is coming to the United States again. Washington officials said they cannot prevent him from coming, since he is coming as head of the Soviet delegation to the United Nations General Assembly opening in New York September 20. He will likely not be allowed to travel anywhere else.

Khrushchev, who had enjoyed the hospitality of President Eisenhower last year, bitterly accused Eisen-

hower when he scuttled the Paris summit conference and also called off the tour which Eisenhower was to have made through Russia in June.

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The Road Winds On. — Andy Lewis took it for granted that he would follow in his father's footsteps. And Kay Putney was sure that she had her work cut out. But when God tested their call, things turned out much better than they had planned. By Francena H. Arnold. 192 p. \$2.95

Three Shall be One. — This is a story of man-and-wife tensions, and it reveals the solution to the problem: conversion and the inclusion in the home of the Lord Jesus Christ. By Francena H. Arnold. 251 pages \$3.00

Not My Will. — After various experiences of despairing grief Eleanor Stewart discovers that fortune plays tricks on people who try to manage their lives to please themselves. In vain she seeks for peace, until she surrenders her life completely to Jesus Christ. By Francena H. Arnold. 334 pages. \$3.00

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Both Banks of the River. — Based upon the remarkable life of Charles Journeycake, last principal chieftain of the Delaware Indians, this book is a heroic and unforgettable story of American tragedy and triumph on the western plains in the mid-nineteenth century. By Argye M. Briggs. 333 pages. \$3.00

The Hem of His Garment. — Sharon Simpson moved from one place to another. Her father went wherever he could make some profit and her mother was highly self-indulgent. Sharon grew up in a kind of vacuum until she surrendered to Christ, who is the very source of the world's healing power. By Argye M. Briggs. 314 pages \$2.00

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From Asuncion, Paraguay, to Newton, Kansas, by Car

(This is the fifth of a series of reports from John Schmidt, M.D., and his family who are traveling from Asuncion, Paraguay, to Newton, Kans., by car. Dr. Schmidt is founder and director of the MCC Paraguay Leprosy Mission near Asuncion.)

Looking at a South American map and seeing the many divisions into countries makes a North American wonder why South America doesn't become another United States, especially composed of the Spanish-speaking peoples. But on traveling through South America many reasons become evident why that does not happen. There is great diversity in the Indian population, in the mode of living, in climate and vegetation. This is especially apparent as one travels from Peru to Ecuador. Peru is dry, Ecuador is wet. Peru is barren, Ecuador has heavy foliage. Peru has first class roads; Ecuador, being a poorer country, has poor roads.

The Indians of South America are a good subject for study. In Paraguay, the Guarani Indian dominated, so every Paraguayan now speaks the Indian dialect instead of Spanish. No doubt the greater percentage of the Peruvians are of Spanish ancestry, hence the predominance of the Spanish language there. In Peru, much of Ecuador and in Colombia the Indian is not considered a citizen of the country. In Bolivia the Indian population is the determining factor in elections. The Bolivian Indian is given the right to vote, but he doesn't know what he is voting for. Often elections have little significance.

Sickness is a problem with all Indians. Tuberculosis was very common among the Indians in the Paraguayan Chaco. In Bolivia, missionaries say more than 80 per cent have tuberculosis. I argued that they used a skin test (tuberculin) which is positive in over 80 per cent of the cases, but I was told this was active infection. I am sure this cannot be. At any rate, the number of tuberculosis cases is high.

From Bolivia to Ecuador, amoebic infection is considered universal in many areas, as hookworm is in Paraguay. These chronic diseases complicated by whooping cough or measles epidemics cause high infant and child mortality. This seems a great public health problem, but the health departments of these countries make no effort to remedy the situation.

Besides the Guarani Indians there are completely primitive and isolated tribes in Paraguay, which is also the case in the jungles of other countries. The Aucas of Ecuador, brought to the attention of the world in 1955 by murdering five men from the Air Missions Fellowship, are no match in ferocity and

number for the Morro Indians of the Chaco. Yet the progress of evangelization of the Chaco Indians by Mennonite missions is not equalled anywhere in South America. This is not because different Indians and missionaries are involved, but because there are Christians living with the Indians and teaching them by example.

We visited Colta on the Ecuadorian plateau where the Gospel Missionary Union (GPU) works among the Indians. A large hospital is being established. Not far away we saw the good work being done by one of GMU's many missionaries, Miss Dora Regier (White-water, Kans.) and a lady co-worker, giving the gospel to the poor. The Indians work hard for their livelihood, raising cereals, mostly wheat, on little hillside plots of land. Mechanized labour on these tiny plots is of course impossible. For the Indians to improve their lot here would be to literally lift themselves by their own bootstraps. The hopeless situation has caused many Indians to turn to drink. This Colta area is a very difficult mission field indeed.

In Ecuador success in missions differs widely from place to place. The work of HCJB, the well-known radio mission in the capital city of Quito, is recognized and has religious freedom. Yet about 280 miles south of Quito, the city of Cuenca is so intolerant toward evangelicals that well-established missions have found it impossible to stay. Converts found it impossible to live there because of business boycotts and prohibition to send their children to school. A Lutheran mission is trying to start a school as a new venture. Johnsons, a dedicated, capable couple, are responsible for this work in Cuenca. We stayed with them one night, and wish them God's blessing in this venture.

In contrast, the mission work at Shellmera enjoys full freedom for unorganized evangelism and is holding street meetings in the middle of a nearby town. Schools in Shellmera and other areas have a promising future. Native graduates can give out the message of the gospel much more effectively than foreigners can. The Air Mission Fellowship works actively in various jungle locations and is filling a great need. The work with the Aucas is also going well, but not as a direct result of the death of the five martyrs, as one might think. This does not mean that the men died in vain. They acted, as they thought, under God's guidance and God saw fit to call them home while on this mission.

The traveler has many pleasant surprises in Ecuador. No country in South America has so many high peaks in such a small area. From



An Indian lady spins while the children of Dr. and Mrs. Schmidt look on.

Shellmera we saw the active volcano, Sanguiy (17,390 ft.), and nearby "El Altar," a collection of peaks forming an altar. Within a radius of 100 miles two snow-covered peaks, Chimborazo (20,000 ft.) and Cotopaxi (19,490 ft.), and many others can be seen. The road to Shellmera follows a river with numerous waterfalls flanked by mountain ranges on either side.

Having heard how dangerous it is to eat the vegetables or drink the water and milk in Ecuador because of universal amoeba infection, it was a pleasant surprise to find pasteurized ice-cream in all the US flavors, sold by an Ecuadorian in La Avelina. We celebrated July 4 by treating ourselves to ice-cream there.

Every visitor to Ecuador should see HCJB, the religious radio station in Quito. It is geared to serve the Lord. A radio station has to be punctual, every second counts. They surprised us immensely by giving us a chance to witness on three different programs. HCJB also arranges to use television in spreading the gospel.

When we began this trip we were concerned about the red tape we would have at state borders, but we have had very little trouble.

When we entered Peru, customs had to see our tape recorder, not for the sake of inspection, but because the officer had never seen such apparatus before.

Crossing from Peru into Ecuador caused some difficulty at first, mainly because these countries are still uneasy after the border war they had four years ago. As we left Ecuador we were pleasantly surprised at having almost no border checking, except for a short contact in Tulcan, where we gave passport and visa data to a customs and military officer. He wished us a good trip.

Ecuador is one of the poorest countries in South America. Its population is more than 50 per cent Indian and many Indians live in areas where they cannot make a decent living even with hard work. In contrast, Ecuador might be said to be rich because it has religious freedom. The five men of the AMF are symbolic of the many dedicated missionaries in Ecuador. Let us pray that God may keep the doors open and give the missionaries courage and strength. May many more, especially Ecuadorians, dedicate their lives to the winning of souls for Christ.

(To be continued)

Rev. Jacob G. Gerbrandt Resigns after 37 Years of Service

Saskatoon, Sask. — The resignation of Jacob G. Gerbrandt after 37 years of continuous service with the Canadian Mennonite Board of Colonization took place at the first official meeting of the Canadian Mennonite Relief and Immigration Council, successor to the Board.

Rev. Gerbrandt was first elected to the board in 1923. His main duties in the 1920's were to assist immigration of more than 20,000 Russian Mennonites to Canada and the settling on land of a substantial number of families in the province of Alberta.

Since the death of Daniel D. Enns in 1946, Gerbrandt has served as secretary-treasurer of the organization which has its headquarters at 506—4th Ave. N, Saskatoon.

The Council recognized the service record of Rev. J. Gerbrandt by a special resolution and granting him a bonus of one month's salary.

The first official meeting of the CMRIC followed the amalgamation of the Canadian Mennonite Board of Colonization and the Mennonite Central Relief Committee. The two organizations served the congregations of the Conference of Mennonites in Canada and the Canadian Mennonite Brethren Conference.

Members of the Council are C. A. DeFehr, A. A. Wall, G. G. Friesen, A. A. Wiens, D. D. Klassen, J. J. Thiessen, Bruno Ens, D. P. Neufeld, H. Kornelson, and I. H. Block. Elected to the executive were J. J. Thiessen, chairman; C. A. DeFehr, vice-chairman; D. P. Neufeld, second vice-chairman; and A. A. Wiens, secretary.

M. B. Bible College

Martens Soloist at Minnesota University

Mr. Victor Martens, music instructor at the College, has been tentatively engaged as tenor soloist for the Bach Festival at the University of Minnesota. The festival, an annual feature at the University, is sponsored by the music faculty and is considered to be a major event for the twin cities. This year's performance will include Bach's Mass in B Minor. This work is considered to be one of Bach's greatest choral works, equal perhaps to the St. Matthew Passion. It is particularly demanding for the chorus.

Mr. Martens was enrolled at the University as a graduate student working toward a Master's degree in Music Education. Previous to his studies at the University of Minnesota, he spent two years studying voice at the Nordwest Musikakademie at Detmold, Germany. He has been asked to come to the University this winter to act as guest soloist.

Music Instructor Arrives on Campus

Mr. Peter Klassen, newly-appointed instructor of music at the College, arrived in Winnipeg recently. A former College instructor he spent the last two years teaching high school at Pilot Mound, Man. During his stay at Pilot Mound, Mr. Klassen worked with the community choir and served as organist for a church at Crystal City. His work in the community and in school was greatly appreciated and he has been asked to return as guest conductor for the fall musical.

At the College, Klassen will teach music theory. He is completing the Master's degree in Music at the University of Minnesota.

The Klassens have three children. Mrs. Klassen is the former Magdalene Regehr. Both are graduates of the College.

Swiss Student to Enroll at College

Andre Wenger of Berne, Switzerland, has been accepted as student for the next school term. The Wengers served two years with the MCC at Vienna, Austria. While in Europe they heard of the College and decided to study theology at the MBBC after the term of service at Vienna had expired.

A former bank employee, Mr. Wenger attended elementary and secondary schools in Switzerland. He is a graduate of a commercial college, having specialized in banking. His wife is an American and they presently reside in Pennsylvania.

Enrollment Prospects for Coming Year Excellent

The advance enrollment figures for the coming school year are presently around 130. The dates for the official registration have been set for September 19 and 20. The registrar, Rev. David Ewert, notes that the educational level of the appli-

cants is higher than it was for previous years. Many of the applicants come with university training and a good number have completed their B.A. degree. Two prospective students have M.A. degrees. A greater number of teachers and nurses have applied for admission. A high percentage of the applicants have had Bible school before coming to College.

The number of students intending to take the music course has also increased. Many of the students have had voice training.

Evening Classes Announced

President J. A. Toews announced three courses to be taught on Thursday evenings during the coming semesters. Dr. Frank C. Peters will offer a course in Systematic Theology, Eschatology, a study of the doctrine of the last things. Rev. David Ewert will teach a course in Pauline Epistles, a study of the Corinthian letters. Mr. Victor Martens will offer a course in conducting for those interested in music and choir work. The date for the first evening class is September 29. As in previous years these classes are open to the public. Qualified students may take the work for credit.

In past years these classes have been very popular in the Winnipeg community. Ministers, teachers, nurses, doctors and other professional people have availed themselves of this opportunity to receive instruction in Bible and theology at a college level.

Eden Faculty Visitations

Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont. — Two weeks before the opening of the new school year the entire faculty of Eden Christian College was privileged to visit almost all the churches from which Eden students have come in the past. The schedule included all the M. B. churches of Ontario, one M. B. Christian Fellowship Chapel and two United Mennonite churches. Ten programs were presented to complete the schedule.

Special emphasis was placed on the importance of Christian education at every stage from home to college. This work was carried out for the purpose of increasing interest and prayer support for Christian high schools. In this way the friends of Eden Christian College were given the opportunity to see and meet the faculty of their school before the opening of the next year.

All the members of the faculty found great encouragement for their work in the interest shown by the churches visited. As a faculty we are thankful for this opportunity to visit the supporters of Eden Christian College. We consider it a privilege from God to be able to work in this important phase of His great kingdom.

The members of the faculty are: G. Wichert, P. J. Dick, H. Fast, P. Wiebe, H. Esau and R. Bartel.



Brother L. Doerksen, who graduated from the M. B. Bible College in 1960 and comes from Clearbrook, B.C., will teach in the Winkler Bible School.

Bethel College

Newton, Kans. — Seven night classes totaling 17 quarter hours of college credit will be offered during the fall quarter at Bethel College. A special feature will be a new course in the department of history and government entitled Contemporary Political Issues.

21 Nursing Graduates

Newton, Kans. — A capacity audience attended the graduation exercises held at the First Mennonite church, Newton, on Friday evening, September 2, for the 21 members of the 1960 class of the Bethel Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing. Prof. Maurice A. Yoder of Hesston College gave the commencement address on "The Achievement Fell Short of the Vision."

Speaker at Youth Meetings

Berne, Ind. — Dr. David Schroeder, instructor at Canadian Mennonite Bible College, Winnipeg, is the speaker for a week of youth meetings at the First Mennonite church, September 11 to 18.

Dr. Schroeder served in MCC youth work in North Germany from 1956 to 1958. A graduate of Bethel College and Mennonite Biblical Seminary, he was for three years the pastor of the Bethel Mennonite church in Winnipeg.

Goshen's Largest Enrollment

Goshen, Ind. — About 860 students are expected to enroll for the fall semester at Goshen College. The projected total is about four and a half per cent over the first term of last year. College officials expect the increase to give the school the highest enrollment of its history.

A major factor in the increase is the large number of students remaining in school, according to J. B. Shenk, college registrar. In addition, some 100 transfer students and 13 foreign students will attend Goshen this fall. The totals include 20 or more seminary students, about the same number as last year.

A breakdown into classes shows a projected total of 253 freshmen, 225 sophomores, 178 juniors and 166 seniors.

Scholarships in German at United College

A number of interested individuals and business firms have made available funds in excess of \$1,000.00 to provide scholarships for students registered in German at United College, Winnipeg. These scholarships will offer encouragement to promising students to pursue the study of German language and literature, and officials at the College have expressed their gratification over this development.

United College has always had a substantial number of students enrolled in the German Department and an increase is anticipated again this year. Dr. Abram Friesen is the head of the German Department. He received his early education at Burwalde, Grunthal and Steinbach. Later, he studied in Germany at Goettingen and Mainz, receiving his Ph.D. from the University of Mainz in 1958.

The scholarships are being donated by the following: C. A. DeFehr & Sons Ltd., Winnipeg; Derksen Printers, Steinbach; John H. Epp, Independent Credit Jewellers Ltd., Winnipeg; John J. Klassen, Monarch Machinery Co. Ltd., Winnipeg; Walter E. Kroeker, Kroeker Seeds Ltd., Winnipeg; Henry Neustaedter, Neustaedter Construction, Winnipeg; J. A. Parks, Bearing Supply and Service Co. Ltd., Winnipeg; David E. Redekop, Redekop Electric Co. Ltd., Winnipeg; J. P. Riediger, J. P. Riediger & Sons Ltd., Morden; A. J. Thiessen, Thiessen's Bus Lines, Winnipeg.

U.S. Schools Bulge with Students

The nation's schools will bulge with students this fall—48 million of them—according to a survey by the National Education Association.

Enrollment this coming term is expected to be about two million higher than last year, with the biggest increase, percentage wise, on the secondary level.

Prospective elementary school enrollment is estimated at about 24,850,000, high school enrollment at 12,350,000, with 6,800,000 in private and parochial schools, and 4,000,000 in colleges and universities.

Among last spring's graduating classes were at least 29,000 newly-eligible teachers, but the nationwide teacher shortage is still estimated around 135,000.

Immunization Week

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second and third doses, are recommended. Immunization should be started at the age of three months.

At the present time the major concern is to see that everyone receives a basic course of three doses.

DIPHTHERIA

Diphtheria, too, is a germ disease which spreads very rapidly

from one person to another, either by direct contact or by means of "carriers." Poison from the germs spreads through the body.

It is a killing disease, though at times it is deceitful by its very mildness. In the old days before the discovery of antitoxin and toxoid, it wiped out whole families and even communities because of its severity. It was dreaded almost as much as smallpox.

It attacks all ages, and even when apparently mild it may leave serious heart and nerve complications.

Protection

Here toxoid comes to the rescue. Toxoid will protect our children against taking the disease. It is usually given in three or four small doses under the skin. The doses are spaced about three weeks to a month apart. There is no "sick" reaction to it when given at an early age.

It is best given beginning at the third month. A "booster" or "reinforcing" dose should be given about one year later and again just before or on starting school.

Toxoid is not a treatment for persons sick with diphtheria. It acts by building up a person's resistance to diphtheria germs and their poisons.

Diphtheria can be wiped out by united effort.

WHOOPIING COUGH

Of all communicable diseases, this one is most likely to affect the youngest members of the family. Many cases occur in infants of six

months of age or less, while the greatest number occur between the ages of one and three years. In older children, while the disease may not be so severe, there is still the long drawn out convalescence, with its nights of coughing and wakefulness, which is perhaps harder on the parents than on the child!

Protection

Whooping cough vaccine provides protection in about 80% of children and if the disease is contracted it is much milder.

Whooping cough vaccine is given under the skin like diphtheria toxoid. It should be given at three months of age. It is usually given in three or four visits to the child health centre. Recall doses up to school age are necessary for maximum immunity.

D. J. Reimer Died

Brother David Reimer, Morden, Manitoba, went home to be with the Lord on September 14, at 10:30 a.m. Funeral services are to take place in the Winkler M. B. church on Sunday, Sept. 18, at 3:30 D.S.T.

A Reminder

An Oratorio Choir will be organized and will meet for the first time on Tuesday, October 4th at 8 p.m. During the first part of the season the rehearsals will be at the Vancouver M. B. church at 43rd Ave. and Prince Edward St. Since most young people are finalizing their plans for the winter the committee hopes that many are not forgetting to include the choir in their plans. Mendelsohn's Oratorio "The Elijah" will be the first work attempted and Jacob Derksen will be the conductor. Those wishing to join the choir or desiring further information please contact Bill Klassen at FA 5-0350 or Ed. Hintz at FA 7-2336.

Opening Program of M.B.C.I.

The opening program of the Mennonite Brethren Collegiate Institute will be held on the 18th of September at 7 p.m. in the school auditorium, 173 Talbot Ave., Winnipeg. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

P. G. Klassen, principal.

ON THE HORIZON

Every Sunday. — German School Program of Manitoba Mennonite Schools over radio station CFAM from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. (CST)

September 19. — Registration of students at the Mennonite Brethren Bible College, Winnipeg, beginning at 9:30 a.m.

October 2. — Opening program of the Mennonite Brethren Bible College, Winnipeg, on Sunday at 7 p.m. in the M. B. Collegiate Institute auditorium, Winnipeg.

October 8-11. — Central District

M. B. Conference sessions at Mountain Lake, Minnesota.

October 15-18. — Southern District M. B. Conference sessions at Fairview, Oklahoma.

October 22-25. — The M.B. Pacific District Conference is to take place in the Dinuba M.B. church, California.

November 10 and 11. — The United States M.B. Conference is to be held in the Shafter M.B. church.

November 13-16. — The General North American M.B. Conference is to be held in the Reedley M.B. church, California.

Dr. Ironside's Bible-Centered Books

H. A. Ironside, internationally beloved Bible teacher and preacher, has written more than 60 volumes, pamphlets and articles on Bible subjects. Thousands of readers testify to Dr. Ironside's ability of getting to the heart of any Scripture and of his clear easily grasped outlines of even the most complex passages which makes it easier to understand the deep truths of God's Word. For 18 of his 50 years of ministry, Dr. Ironside was pastor of the famous Moody Memorial Church in Chicago. He went home to be with the Lord on January 15, 1951.

Here follows a list of books written by him:

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