

# Mennonite Observer

"For I decided to know  
among you  
Jesus Christ  
and him crucified."

I Cor. 2:2

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Rev. and Mrs. Wolfgang Rueschhoff (centre), serving in Steyr, Austria, are among the first national workers of our European conference. Pictured with them are Rev. G. H. Jantzen, left (Fresno, Calif.), and Rev. J. W. Voigt, right (Corn, Okla.).

## 1961 Conference Reveals . . .

### A Growing Work in Europe

By G. H. Jantzen

Greetings with Psalm 133: "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! . . . for there the Lord commanded the blessing."

The days of May 20 to 22 when the Mennonite Brethren Conference of Europe convened in Linz, Austria, were filled with blessings. All the churches—Linz, Steyr, and Wels in Austria and Neustadt and Neuwied in Germany—were well represented. Representatives also came from Gronau, Germany, and Ens, Austria, where there are Mennonite Brethren members, but not organized churches.

The spirit of fellowship is growing and the feeling of belonging together becomes stronger from year to year. It is becoming evident that church building is possible and desirable in Europe. Interest is increasing and the prospects are that the future will produce greater growth in our churches.

All the churches reported victories and fruit in evangelistic efforts during the past year. Youth and children's work is carried on in all churches throughout the week. Enrollment in Sunday school in the various churches stands as follows: Linz 95, Wels 80, Neuwied 75, Neustadt 40, Steyr 25. Each church re-

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### M. B. Board of General Welfare

Mrs. A. R. Ebel served as our conference representative in the orientation program for the MCC summer service unit to serve in the Institute of Logopedics in Wichita. She discussed the topic, "Living Together as Christians," with the four women in the unit. The orientation was held in Newton June 13 and 14.

John Walls plan to leave Montevideo at the end of July after five years of service among the Menno-



Students and faculty of the 1961 Bible school of the Mennonite Brethren Church at Bage, Brazil. Teachers seated in the front row: Frank Peters, Winnipeg, Man., and John Wall, Vineland, Ont., Welfare Board workers; and Peter Klassen Sr., Fernheim, Paraguay.

## An Increasing Church in Japan

The first baptism has been held at Kuwana—the area in Japan where a new work was begun following the devastating typhoon of 1959. Each believer is taking active part in the church program. They are also paying half of the support of Mr. Kura—a third year Bible school student who ministers there over weekends.

Work is being carried on in that section of Kuwana where new housing areas are constantly expanding. During the past year many new families have moved into these areas. Believers are sowing the seed in house-to-house visita-

tions with gospel literature. May the Lord bless the evangelistic campaign to reach many souls.

Brother Kyoichi Kitano reports that the church in Japan has begun new evangelistic work at Imazato in Osaka City with Sam Krause in charge. Evangelistic work was also begun in the Osaka prefecture at Neyagawa with Eitaro Nakamura in charge and at Suita where Brother Kitano serves in addition to his Bible school responsibilities. Let us continue to pray for a great gospel outreach by the indigenous church in Japan.



First believers baptized at Kuwana, Japan. Women, from left to right: Mrs. Muzutani, Mrs. Isogai and Mrs. Kuwano, teacher at the sewing school in which the Kuwana believers meet; men, from left to right: Mr. Okamoto and Mr. Isogai, both company workers, and Mr. Yamamoto, a junior high school principal.

nite Brethren in Uruguay as well as in the Bible school program at Bage, Brazil. Personnel to provide continued assistance to the Menno-

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### Bienenberg Bible School Choir to Tour in U.S. and Canada

Akron, Pa. (MCC) — Fourteen European young people who compose the Bienenberg choir will tour approximately fifty Mennonite churches and colleges in the United States and Canada from August 17 to October 20. The choir members, who are alumni of the European Mennonite Bible School, will present a program of English and German songs, instrumental selections and devotions. Samuel Gerber, principal

of the school, and Clarence Hiebert, Pax pastor and teacher at the school, will accompany the group.

The European Mennonite Bible School, situated near the village of Liestal ten miles from Basel, Switzerland, is a preparatory school for European Mennonite youth. The school program emphasizes Bible study to prepare the young people for work in their local churches.

### Special Notice to Our Readers

Due to Vacation Time no Mennonite Observer will be issued for the first week of July. The issue that will follow then, will carry the two dates July 7 and 14 and the volume numbers 27 and 28.

## EDITORIAL

### Are Conferences of Any Value?

In the history of the human race there have always been conferences. The present century is especially known for its many deliberative assemblies. To hold conferences is not only a matter of politicians, educators, businessmen, doctors, scientists, etc., but also of ecclesiastical bodies. They have also found a conspicuously outstanding place in the Mennonite denomination with its more than twenty branches. It is rather remarkable that Webster's New World Dictionary gives as one of its definitions the following: A conference is "an assembly of ministers . . . of the Mennonite Church for legislating on church matters." The time of year in which we are living now is also marked with many conferences.

Sarcastically or for the sake of amusement or because of comparatively meager results, some unknown person has defined a conference as "a group of men who individually can do nothing, but then they can meet and decide that nothing can be done." Even though this definition is ironic, yet it might help us to examine ourselves as to the results of our conferences.

In order to think seriously, intelligently and constructively about conference, we must have a right concept of it and know what it means. According to Webster's and other dictionaries a conference is "a conversing or consulting on a serious matter" or "a meeting of a number of people for discussion or consultation" or "a meeting at which committees . . . reconcile the differences . . ." or "an association of religious bodies . . . for some common purpose," or "a caucus, convention, synod, congress, assemblage," etc.

In view of some of these definitions it is evident that we are living in an age where there is an urgent necessity for conferences. The ever-increasing speed by car, by boat or by jet, as well as messages from one person to another that can be conveyed in a matter of minutes or seconds by means of telegraph, telephone, radio or television, has brought people much closer to each other. They must have a basis of agreement that makes it possible for them to live together, and this can partly be accomplished through successful conferences.

It is true that conventions have often been held with wrong motivations and for sinful purposes. Godless people have had joint deliberations in which they discussed evil plans they intended to carry out. Thus the workers of iniquity stoned Stephen, beheaded Paul and crucified the Saviour. There may also be conference sessions with many flowery words, resulting in comparatively few actions and bearing no fruit with temporal or eternal value.

The failures or evil results of many conventions, however, are not to be a discouragement to ecclesiastical bodies which meet for the specific purpose of extending the kingdom of God, of nurturing the spiritual life of believers and of doing everything they can to glorify God and to help their fellow men.

There are many things which can be accomplished if a body of spiritual believers meets in order to carry out the work of the Lord more efficiently.

A church conference may help greatly to create or strengthen the spirit of unity among believers. Their consciousness that they are one in Christ Jesus increases, because they realize that they have in common, one Lord, one Spirit, one basic task to perform, one purpose of life, one absolutely reliable guide that determines their faith and conduct which is the Word of God, and one glorious heavenly home for which they are striving in life's pilgrimage.

A conference, which functions under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, is able to undertake great projects, which, if individuals or local churches were left to themselves, could never carry out. Thus the M. B. Conference of North America is doing a tremendous missionary work in many parts of the world and has been instrumental in leading many souls to the saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.

We have all observed that through the united efforts of a convention, great things can also be accomplished in the fields of religious training, secular education, printing, music, evangelism, youth work and many other branches of Christian service. Let us therefore be faithful in the work God has entrusted unto us and shoulder the responsibility which the Lord has placed upon the conference.

G. D. H.

## DEVOTIONAL

### Stewardship as Related to Our Time and Talents

Rev. Rudy Janzen, pastor of the Greendale M.B. Church, B.C.

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"What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit Who is in you, whom ye have of God, and ye are not any more your own? For ye are bought with a price . . . glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's" (I Cor. 6:19-20).

The basic rule of life still stands, according to I Cor. 10:31 "Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God. Give none offence" . . . Even as I please all men . . . not seeking mine own profit, but the profit of many, that they may be saved." The apostle Paul here would have us ever remember to seek God's glory first, and its result would be the salvation of precious souls. There are manifold ways of realizing the latter end.

In discussing these methods of reaching souls for Christ our need is to do first things first. According to Matt. 6:33 we must "seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added unto you." This is a clear maxim of Christ. How many get side-tracked from the essential decisions by non-essentials and worthless incidentals. Busy-being a "jack of all trades", many fail to concentrate on the things that count. Just as no marriage is a complete harmonious unity without the basic spiritual foundation, in Christ Jesus, likewise are temporal pursuits useless without Christ's directives into eternity.

We should not be surprised to read of how the Apostle Paul buffeted his own body so as to improve the soul, when even Plato's dictum was to develop the body for the soul's sake. It is quite significant to read in Luke 2:52 that Christ "increased in wisdom and stature," with the emphasis also on the physical development. Powell coined the conclusion that it was "man who made the schools, but God who created the playground" — with its natural setting.

Recreation — where it really is re-creation of our mind and body, may well include elements of service and provide the satisfaction of doing something constructive for someone else, but in every case, to be positive, it must provide opportunities for developing creative abilities and skills. There should be a balance between vocation and avocation, its basic relation actually comes through alternating activity. Thus the adage — "A change is as good as a rest." To be most effective, personal participation should take precedence over spectator types, so that these ex-

periences together with others can be deepened and enhanced with meaning by fellowship. True Christian fellowship, however, is based on a mutual relationship of forgiveness and commitment to Christ. Great peace have they only who love the Lord, and the more real the fellowship among believers, the less is the necessity to create somewhat artificial situations.

In Proverbs 29:18 we read dynamic words of challenge to a nation: "Where there is no vision (no word of prophecy or revelation) the people perish. But he that keepeth the Law (the Word of God), happy or blessed is he."

Yes, vision or foresight, as realized to its fullest extent only through God's enlightenment is just what we need.

Dr. Billy Graham has aptly stated it lately in Life's June issue: "America is said to have the highest per capita boredom of any spot on earth. We have tried to fill ourselves with science and education, with better living and pleasure, with the many other things we thought we wanted, but we are still empty and bored. Why are we empty? Because the Creator made us for Himself, and we shall never find completeness and fullness apart from fellowship with Him. Jesus told us long ago that "man shall not live by bread alone," but we have paid no heed. We have gone on stuffing ourselves with bread of every description — except the bread (that) Jesus offered. We are desperately weary

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# CHURCH NEWS

## Baptismal Service at East Aldergrove

The local M. B. Church held a baptismal service on June 4. Brother Ed Andres, teacher in the Mennonite Educational Institute at Clearbrook, gave the baptismal message. After the message, the congregation gathered outside around the baptismal tank and Rev. Herman Voth, pastor of the church, served the candidates with baptism. In the evening the East Aldergrove Church gathered to receive the new members and observe the Lord's Supper. It was a happy day and we pray that the Church may not only increase in numbers, but also in love and service for Christ.

## A Great Women's Missionary Rally

Kitchener, Ont. — "Women can do a work no man can do," said Missionary Kathryn Willems addressing the Women's Missionary Rally of the Ontario M. B. Churches held in Kitchener, June 17. She pointed out how God has used women in special ways to serve Him. The prophetess Deborah of the Old Testament was used to do a work which no man could do. In New Testament times women were the first to receive the command of Christ to go forth and tell others that He was risen. In the early apostolic church Phebe was called a "servant of the church" and a "succourer of many." A record of the first "women's group" ever formed is found in Luke 8:28. These women had been healed of their sickness by Jesus and out of gratitude they now "ministered to him of their substance."

Miss Willems gave an account of her call to missionary work and related a few of her experiences on the field. She encouraged the women attending the rally to continue in their work and witness for Christ.

A record group of women was present for the occasion. Representatives of nearly all the women's organizations of the Ontario M. B. Conference gave brief reports of their work and activities to help the various groups become better acquainted with one another. The reports revealed that many of the groups followed the traditional pattern of women's work in the churches—a devotional emphasis as well as an attempt to harness the special skills of the homemaker for missions. Missionaries have been outfitted, much sewing has been done for the MCC, for foreign mission projects, for homes for the aged, as well as for hospitals and schools. An expanding program of activities for many groups includes

studies of specific mission fields, missionary biographies, and Bible subjects. Most groups maintain close contact with missionaries by regular correspondence. Many groups make regular visits to the sick and the aged. A new activity added during the past year for all Ontario groups has been the regular visiting of patients at the Bethesda Home for the Mentally Ill. Funds have been contributed to home missions and foreign missions as well as to such projects as DVBS, Ailsa Craig Boys Farm, Gideon Bibles, and local church projects.

Olga Enns, Kitchener, was again elected to act as liaison officer between the Board of Missions, Hillsboro, Kans., and the local groups. Mrs. Katie Redekop, St. Catharines, was elected as her assistant. It was unanimously agreed to hold a similar rally next spring.

Informal fellowship over a light lunch was enjoyed by all following the meeting.

Mrs. Katie Wiebe

## 47 Baptized

The Reedley M.B. Church had the joy of baptizing and receiving as members 47 believers on May 14. Others also had the desire of undertaking this step of obedience, but were hindered from doing so because of illness.

## Seven Churches in Altona

Churches have played an important role in the life of Altona from its earliest history dating back to 1895.

Of the seven church groups, the Altona Bergthaler Mennonite Church was the first to be formed. That was in 1907, when its members met in a public school for services. In 1908 the first church building was erected on the site where a new structure was built in 1954. At present its membership is 550.

The Sommerfelder Mennonite Church, also one of the older congregations in town, has a membership of 350.

The Reinlaender congregation was organized and a church built in 1958. It has a membership of 200.

The Evangelical Mennonite Mission Church, formerly known as the Rudnerweider, built a new church in 1951 and has 185 members.

Three other church groups in Altona are: United Church of Canada, Evangelical Free Church and Jehovah's Witnesses.

The Association of Jehovah's Witnesses, with a membership of 53, began in Altona in 1916, when its members gathered in homes. Kingdom Hall was built in 1948.

The Evangelical Free Church,

with a membership of 40, was formed in 1954 and the new church was built in 1957.

The United Church was begun in 1954 and the present church was erected in 1955. It now has 150 members.

—Altona Echo

## Congo and India Conditions Portrayed

Newton Siding, Man. — There are times in our lives when God seems to give us a greater portion of His blessings than at other times. We experienced this during the past week when we had three missionaries visiting our church.

On Sunday night Rev. and Mrs. Brucks, missionaries to Africa, told us how God had guided and protected them during their term of service in the Congo. We heard of the spiritual darkness among the heathen and the turmoil the Congo is in at the present. However, we heard again and again how God is faithful and takes care of his own. In spite of the difficulties God is guiding and controlling the affairs of the nations.

Monday night we were again blessed when Rev. A. N. Taves reported on his work in the Chad Republic. Although it is so close to the Belgian Congo, Mr. Taves said the doors are wider open now than ever before. Through the pictures, we saw how God saves people who have lived in heathen darkness for many years.

Dr. and Mrs. George Froese visited our church Tuesday night. Mr. Froese reported on the work they have been doing in India. He said that the greatest hindrance in the work is the nominal Christian. But despite hindrances, sinners are turning to God and the church is being built up.

We are thankful for the blessings we received during these evenings. Through the reports we were made more aware of the faithfulness of God. We were also encouraged to continue in prayer for our missionaries.

Elfrieda Dueck

## WEDDINGS

### Penner—Schroeder

The M. B. church at Main Centre was the scene of a pretty wedding on Saturday, June 17, when Miss Irene Schroeder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Schroeder of Main Centre, Sask., became the bride of Mr. Elden Penner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Penner of Virgil, Ont. Rev. Henry I. Schroeder from Swift Current performed the double-ring ceremony beneath blue and white decorations.

Little Twila Martens was flower girl, and Miss Verna Neufeld was bridesmaid. Mr. Arthur Wiebe acted as best man, and Mr. Arnold

Janz and Mr. Rueben Martens were ushers. Stanley and Steavie Lantz, small twin boys, were the candle lighters. Mrs. Verna Martens was organist.

Mrs. Miriam Harz sang "A Wedding Prayer" during the signing of the register. A mixed quartet, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Siemens, Mr. Ben Wiebe and Mr. Philip Wiebe sang two selections and little Carol Friesen, niece of the bride, recited a very fitting poem.

Rev. Henry Schroeder had a short message based on the book of Ruth, after which Rev. and Mrs. Schroeder sang a duet.

The parents of the bride had prepared a delicious supper, at which about 200 guests participated.

The happy couple will make their home at Virgil, Ont.

### Pauls—Schmidt

Miss Martha Schmidt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Schmidt of Newton Siding, Man., and Mr. John Pauls, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Pauls of Domain, Man., were married in the Newton M. B. church on June 24, 1961.

Rev. David Dyck officiated while Mr. David Duerksen served with an English message. Miss Katie Froese was the soloist.

Mr. and Mrs. Pauls will reside in Domain.

### Penner—Kroeker

Miss Agnes Kroeker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kroeker of Central Road, Yarrow, B.C., and Mr. Jake Penner, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Penner of Lumsden Road, Sardis, B.C., were married at the Yarrow M. B. church on June 9, 1961.

Rev. P. P. Neufeldt officiated, assisted by Mr. Vern Ratzlaff of Queensboro. Peggy Martens was the soloist. A Queensboro male quartet also served with songs.

The young couple expects to leave shortly for Peru, South America, where they will teach in a missionary children's school under the auspices of the MCC.

### Dyck—Brauer

Miss Lena Brauer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. (Brauer) Jacob Froese of Yarrow, B.C., and Mr. Edwin Dyck, son of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Dyck of Abbotsford, B.C., were married at the Yarrow M. B. church on June 17, 1961.

Rev. P. R. Toews of Vancouver officiated. In his message he spoke on Psalm 119:97-105. Rev. P. P. Neufeldt based his sermon on Psalm 37:4. Miss Driediger, niece of the groom, was the soloist. After a short trip to the United States, the couple took up residence in Vancouver, where they will continue in office work.

## Ambassadors for the Lord



**Introducing:** Missionaries who formerly served under the K. M. B. Conference are herewith presented to members of the M. B. Conference so they may become acquainted with and intercede for the new workers of our missionary staff.

Rev. and Mrs. Joe Walter Jr. of the Bethel Church, Yale, South Dakota. Their field of service is Peru, where they are doing general missionary work.

## In Memoriam - Sister Helene Janz

It has pleased the Lord to take unto Himself our dear mother, grandmother, sister-in-law, and aunt, Helene Janz, nee. Fast. She passed away after a lengthy illness on Monday, June 5, at 1:30 a.m. in the Abbotsford Hospital.

Since 1930 she has suffered from high blood pressure. In 1952 she was found also to be diabetic. In the fall of 1960 her ailments caused increased suffering and necessitated repeated admissions to hospital. When she could no longer care for herself in her home she decided to seek admission to the Tabor Home at Clearbrook. Here she experienced blessed quiet hours. When her blood pressure again surged she followed the doctor's advice of going to the hospital, where she then spent her last ten days. Monday morning, June 5, she suddenly and unexpectedly was called to her heavenly home, where there will be no more parting.

Helene (Fast) Janz was born at



Hierschau, November 23, 1888. At the age of two years she moved with her parents to Samara. In 1898 the family moved to Orenburg and later to Omsk. On July 11, 1904, she found peace with God through faith in Jesus Christ. Her conversion was based on the Scripture recorded in Romans 5:1. That same summer, July 25th, she was baptized and accepted as a member of the Mennonite Brethren Church. She has enjoyed faithful fellowship in this denomination until her passing, ministering in prayer and counsel with her voice, and added responsibilities as a minister's wife. On February 23, 1909 she was married to Abram David Janz of Orenburg. In May, 1909, they took up residence in the Barnauler Settlement. There they lived in the village of Gruenfeld for thirteen years. Later they moved to and made their home at Schoental. On August 7, 1929, they emigrated to Canada via Moscow and settled at LaGlace, in the Peace River District. Here they spent sixteen hard but also blessed years. These circumstances often drove them, together with their children, to the throne of grace in prayer-experiences which remain indelibly impressed on the children's memories. Many songs of victory and thanksgiving ascended from our home in those times.

In 1945 our parents moved to Sardis, British Columbia. Four years later our father was stricken with a heart ailment coupled with dropsy. These were difficult years for mother. For the following four years she faithfully ministered to the needs of our ailing father in a sacrificial manner. During these trying times our parents have shared many blessed times. After the passing of our father a difficult time of being alone set in for mother. She sojourned as a widow the next seven years.

The Lord blessed our dear parents with the birth of one child. They had a warm heart of love for forsaken children, however, so agreed to give a home to five such children. These they have nurtured and trained in the Word of God with great love and devotion.

Helene Janz was predeceased by her husband, her only child by birth, and two children by adoption. She leaves behind her son Abe and wife Shirley with four children; her daughter Anna and husband Peter Toews with six children and her daughter Tina and husband Kornelius Wiens with five children; one sister in Russia; one sister-in-law, Erna, now Mrs. Langemann of Vancouver; many relatives and acquaintances.

We are sorrowing, but not as those who have no eternal hope.

We wish to express our appreciation to the personnel of Tabor Home who showed so much love to mother and ministered unto her needs so faithfully.

The bereaved children



Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sawatsky and sons Terrance, 6, and Edwin, 3.

## To Leave for Brazil

Brother and Sister Walter Sawatsky and family are scheduled to sail from a west coast port on July 17 for Brazil, where they will assist in the church building and evangelistic program. In preparation for their ministry as regular missionaries of the conference, they will be ordained by their home church of Yarrow, B.C. In the summer of 1957 the Sawatskys departed for the Congo where they served in Ecole Belle Vue missionary children's school until the evacuation last summer. In view of the uncertainty of returning to the Congo and the qualifications of the Sawatskys, the Board of Missions felt led of the Lord to appoint them to a ministry

in Brazil, where workers are urgently needed to meet the great missionary opportunities. During the past year they studied at Mennonite Brethren Biblical Seminary, Fresno, Calif. Walter is the son of Peter J. Sawatsky and Irma the daughter of Peter P. Neufeldts, both of Yarrow.

Sr. Janio Quadros, the newly-elected President of Brazil, has indicated that he will guarantee freedom of worship and conscience as established by the constitution and said that religious minorities should not be constrained to take part in ceremonies of other creeds.—Evangelical Foreign Missions Association



Young people baptized and received into the Mennonite Brethren Church in the colony at Bage, Brazil, on Good Friday.

## General Welfare

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nite Brethren Church in Uruguay is a special concern of the Board of General Welfare at this time.

Frank Peters, Welfare Board worker at Bage, Brazil, has been asked to take the responsibility for the Sunday morning half-hour German gospel radio program which the Mennonite Brethren in Bage are broadcasting over a local station.

The Mennonite Brethren Church Bible school at Bage, Brazil, con-

cluded its 1961 term with a closing program on Pentecost. God's blessing was experienced as teachers and students were together for approximately four months to study God's Word and to nurture their Christian lives. The school term was preceded by a youth retreat in which several young people were saved, and that spirit continued into the school program. The school began with approximately 35 students, but not all were able to complete the course because of farm work. Pictured above are those who were able to stay through to the end.



## The Cause of Foreign Missions

### Our National Churches Abroad: Istmina

The district of Istmina with a population of more than 23,000 inhabitants presents a tremendous challenge to our national church there. But its location in the Choco of Colombia and the accompanying circumstances present many obstacles. Our concern for the Istmina church is expressed in Revelation 3:15 and 19b: "I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot . . . be zealous therefore and repent."

Since Catholicism appeals more to the women than to the men, more men than women attend the Istmina church. The men's Sunday school class is the largest class. The church has a membership of 40 with an average attendance of 75 to 85.

The people who attend come from various walks of life, from a prosperous storekeeper to the poor laborer known as a boga, who barely has a shirt on his back. They work in stores, shops, on government road-building or on their small fincas (farms). They are poor because wages are very low and because of much stealing.

The social life of the general populace of Istmina centers around religious holidays with their processions, fireworks and drinking parties, dancing and weird music. More liquor is consumed in the Choco than in any other part of Colombia.

In these circumstances the Istmina church is actively at work in the region of the San Juan River. But it often finds itself handicapped in its spiritual outreach. Nearly every Sunday hostile people in the area turn on a loudspeaker so loud that it is very difficult to carry on the worship service.

Beside the regular Sunday school and worship services, there are the weekly meetings of the ladies and teen-age girls who assemble separately for Bible study and sewing. Proceeds from their sale provided two nice pulpit chairs last year.

Many children attend vacation Bible schools during December and January. Some of our young people also go out to teach VBS in neighboring villages.

The work of the church which influences the public the most is the evangelistic outreach of the young people. More than half the congregation consists of young people. Each Tuesday evening we have services in several sections of Istmina. These gatherings are in the homes of believers and there is always a large group of unbelievers from nearby who attend. Counting the total attendance, we reach more people on these Tuesday evenings than we do in church on Sunday morning.

Believers also go out in groups of two or three on Sunday afternoon to neighboring villages. Jose Asprilla reports great interest at La Mojarrá and is studying his Bible to answer the many questions. Nemésio Diaz enjoys preaching the gospel to a house full of eager listeners at Cardenas. At San Pablo a number of folks are really interested in the gospel. Francisco Mosquera says the work at Agua Clara and Las Animas is hard because Sunday is market day. These are mining villages. When it rains the people spend all day and part of the night in their mines and on Sunday do their marketing and spend their money on drink. Marceline Guitierrez says 27 folks were out on their first visit to Basuru and reports a great hunger for the Word. Through these visits our young men are gaining valuable experience and we pray they will be our future church leaders and workers.

There is a primary school in our church where the first three grades are being taught by two young people from our church. These young people are at the same time receiving some further training from one of our missionaries.



Istmina congregation in front of the church



Tuesday evening gospel service in a home in Istmina

At present the church does not have a pastor and much of the direction of the work falls on the missionary. The church does, however, have a council of three nationals and two missionaries: Don Francisco, Don Nemésio, Senora Ruffa de Gutierrez, Miss Herta Voth and Ebner Friesen.

We are grateful for the "works" of the Istmina Church, but we are concerned that there be more fruit. Many people around Istmina are tired of their religion and are anxious to know about the religion of the Protestant. They are even willing to become "evangelicos" (evangelicals). But our great concern is that they actually accept Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord and live victorious lives in Him. Join us in prayer that the Word of the Lord may be fulfilled here at Istmina: "Be zealous and repent."

Ebner J. Friesen

#### Intercessor

These are busy summer days for us, filled with activity from morning to night. But the ministry of our missionaries and national churches abroad continues amid tremendous opportunities and responsibilities. Specific needs in our world missionary outreach during July are contained in *Intercessor* and *Gebetsanleitung* distributed in the churches last Sunday, June 25.

#### North Carolina

Our North Carolina churches are being assisted in their daily vacation Bible school and summer camp program from June 19 to July 31 by Mrs. P. H. Siemens, Miss Sandra Schafer and Miss Gloria Schroeder.

Sister Siemens, now of Fresno, Calif., has given many years of her life to the work among the Negro people of North Carolina. Miss Schafer, Harvey, N.D., and Miss Schroeder, Buhler, Kans., are Tabor College students who have entered the Board of Missions assistance program in North Carolina through the Conference Christian Service Program.

#### The Congo

A. J. Esau and Alfred Schmidt arrived in Leopoldville in the Congo June 5 and were met at the airport by George Faul and Orville Wiebe.

Concerning the Congo, George Faul wrote June 8: "There are still those incidents that show that all is not well in the land. However, the flood of prayer constantly going up has certainly been an effective weapon to stem the flood of evil that was about to engulf this land. May all these prayer warriors continue faithfully."

#### Many Missionaries Travelling

Forty-six General Conference Mennonite missionaries will have travelled to and from some foreign country before the end of the five-month period from April 15 to September 15 of this year. Sixteen of these will come home and thirty will return to their field of service or embark on their missionary career.

That doors are open for mission work is evident from the fact that these missionaries represent all the fields in which the General Conference Church has operations.



A member of the church distributing gospel tracts



Hello Girls and Boys,

Dominion Day is an important day in Canada. It is a national holiday—everyone in Canada, in the whole nation, considers it a holiday. We celebrate it on July 1 of each year to honor the day the provinces were united under one government, called the Dominion of Canada. That happened a long time ago, in fact, almost a hundred years ago.

Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick formed the Dominion in 1867. What happened to our prairie provinces? Why, they were property of the fur-trading companies. Our wonderful Manitoba was bleak and bare, having only small settlements. Three years later, in 1870, it was created a province and was the fifth in the Dominion. Which province do you think joined Canada next? No, not Saskatchewan nor Alberta. It was British Columbia, in 1871, after the government promised to build a railroad linking the new province to the east. At first Prince Edward Island refused to join. In 1873 they changed their minds and were the seventh province. Now, which ones are missing? Finally, in 1905, the Hudson's Bay land was created into the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan.

Those are the nine provinces that I studied about in school. I guess you have to work harder now? You have to know all about ten provinces. Well, much later—not so very long ago—in 1947 Newfoundland joined Canada.

Isn't this an interesting story about our own country? We are proud of Canada, and are glad to learn about it.

... Where pines and maples grow,  
Great prairies spread, and lordly rivers flow,  
How dear to us thy broad domain,  
From East to Western Sea!  
Thou land of hope for all who toil!  
Thou true North, strong and free!

Love, Aunt Helen

## Crossing the Street

The first grade had recited its last lesson. Little Dottie Roberts was standing at Miss Field's desk with her hat on. Then Miss Fields called Margaret's name, and Margaret went to her desk.

"Dottie got her feet very wet at the fountain," Miss Fields said. "I think she had better go home. You have had your last lesson, Margaret. Would you like to go, too? You can help her across the street."

"Yes," replied Margaret, "and I'll take good care of her."

"You must be very careful," Miss Fields said. "Mr. Flanagan will not be there, you know, until school is out."

Margaret felt proud as she left the room with Dottie. She knew that Miss Fields had chosen her because she was always careful about crossing the street.

"Come on, Dottie," she said, as they crossed the schoolyard. "We must hurry or you will take a cold."

Dottie slipped her hand into Margaret's. That made Margaret feel still prouder and bigger.

"She knows I'll look after her," she thought happily.

But when they reached the street, Margaret did not feel so proud, nor so big. In fact, she began to feel quite small and suddenly she was afraid. The street was very wide and there were cars coming both

ways. Some of them went terribly fast and made big swishing noises. That was why kind Mr. Flanagan, the policeman, was always stationed here at the time school closed. He led the children safely across the street. But Mr. Flanagan was not there now and Margaret had never crossed the street alone before.

She felt Dottie's fingers tighten around her own. "Don't be afraid," she said. "We'll just look in both directions, then hurry."

Very carefully Margaret looked first to the right and then to the left. Then she stepped off the curb and started across the street. But each time she became frightened at an approaching car and she stepped back on the curb, pulling Dottie with her. After several attempts Margaret was almost ready to cry, but she did not cry, because Dottie must not know she was afraid.

"Do you think we will ever get across?" Dottie asked as they stood at the curb waiting.

"Of course," Margaret replied. "Only I—I wish Mr. Flanagan were here."

Suddenly she had an idea. "Mr. Flanagan isn't here," she said to herself, "but God is."

She bowed her head for a moment and whispered, "Dear God, you know more about this street than

Mr. Flanagan does. Please help us across. Amen."

With her left hand she clung a little tighter to Dottie. She stepped from the curb and looked up the street and down the street. Then she raised her right hand and walked swiftly across.

"Here we are," Dottie laughed, as they reached the curb in safety. "My, you are brave, Margaret! But why were you holding your hand up like that?"

Margaret laughed too. "God made me brave," she said. "I was really scared and wished that Mr. Flanagan were here. Then I prayed a little prayer and I knew we were safe. I just pretended to take God's hand like we do Mr. Flanagan's and like you did mine."

"God certainly takes care of people," Dottie said. "If I ever have to cross the street alone, I'll be very careful and I'll ask Him to guide me too."

By Lois Snelling

From Salvation Army's publication, "The Young Soldier"

## Jesus Bids Us Shine

"Look! How it shines, Mommie!" cried Mary Ann as her mother came into the kitchen. You see, it was Tuesday and that is the day when Mary Ann helped Mother clean the silverware.

If Mary Ann had had to do it all by herself, it wouldn't have been so much fun. But if Mommie helped and perhaps even told a story, she didn't mind doing anything.

As Mary Ann picked up the silver sugar bowl, Mommie's favorite, Mother said, "You know, Mary Ann, that bowl reminds me of something about God's people."

Mary Ann looked puzzled. She looked at the dull sugar bowl in her hand and then at Mother. What could Mother mean? One thing she knew, if Mother said it, it must be something good.

"Do you mean because the bowl is full of sugar?" asked Mary Ann.

"Well, dear," replied Mother slowly, "I wasn't thinking of that just now. Look! Let's see what happens when we use a little polish on the cloth and rub and rub and rub. How brightly it shines! Can you see the difference, Mary Ann?"

"Oh, it does shine brightly!"

"Now, Mary Ann, see the other side. See how dull it is. That's the way our Christian lives are sometimes. One day they shine so brightly for Jesus and the next they are dull and gloomy. Do you know why? It's because we forget to use the polish God has given us."

"What polish, Mother?"

"Well, dear, the Christian's polish is reading and obeying God's Word, the Bible, and praying to our heavenly Father. These things make us bright Christians. In Psalm 51:7 we read: 'Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.' And another verse reads, 'Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? By

taking heed thereto according to thy word.' That is Psalm 119:9. Taking heed, Mary Ann, means reading God's Word and believing it and then doing what His Word tells us to do. See, the more we polish, the brighter the sugar bowl shines," said Mother as she continued rubbing.

"Oh, Mother, now I know what you mean and I won't forget to read my Bible and pray, because I want to shine for Jesus, too."

Are you shining for Him?

Memory verse: "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven" (Matt. 5:16).

## Quiz on Birds

There are many kinds of birds mentioned in the Bible. Can you choose the correct answer for each question in this multiple choice quiz?

1. What did God tell the ravens to do to Elijah in I Kings 17:4? Carry him away—bite him—feed him

2. Where did the pelican come from in Psalm 102:6? Desert—wilderness—sea

3. What did the partridge set on in Jer. 17:11? bush—eggs—nest

4. What did the vulture fail to see in Job 28:7? path—sin—food

5. What did the quail do in Ex. 16:13? fly away—eat grain—come up

6. What did the swallow find in Psalm 84:3? nest—house—tree

Answers: 1) feed him; 2) wilderness; 3) eggs; 4) path; 5) came up; 6) nest.



## I'll Do His Will

My hands shall work for Jesus,  
My feet shall run for Him;  
My ears shall ever listen to His voice,  
My tongue His praise shall sing.

My mind shall think of Jesus,  
My heart shall love Him still;  
My eyes shall ever look upon His face,  
And thus I'll do His will.

## Strait is the Gate

By MARJORIE BUCKINGHAM

(43rd Installment)

The rest of what he was trying to say became unintelligible as he tossed feverishly on his pillow. But Nancy had heard enough. With a heart that was almost breaking she bent and kissed him on the forehead, and then, her eyes blinded with scalding tears, she turned and stumbled from the room.

The doctor spoke to her again in the hall, and there was a note of reproach in his voice. "Well, what are you going to do?"

Nancy looked into the doctor's face, but she could only see him indistinctly through her tears. What she did see clear before her was the strait and narrow way that lay ahead.

"Doctor," she said trembling, "I have no alternative."

"You mean—?"

She nodded. "I mean that I must be true to what God requires of me whatever the cost." She walked over to her mother, who sat dejected in the adjoining lounge. "Good-bye, mother," she said with an effort.

Mrs. Norwood looked up with a weary sigh. "Then you're going, Nancy?" she ventured, too bewildered to be cognizant of the whole situation and too chastened in spirit to criticize or complain.

"Yes, mother, I must. God will take care of Daddy, I know He will." Nancy kissed her mother warmly on the cheek.

"Oh, Nancy!" Thelma Norwood clung to her daughter in helpless grief and she had to struggle to draw herself away.

"I won't be away very long, dear. As soon as the meeting is over, I'll be right back."

At this juncture Mr. Findlay took over. He had called at the house again that day in the hope of being of service and had been a silent listener to the little drama.

"If you intend going to the mission, Nancy, then I'll drive you down," he began, and no one seemed to notice that he had dispensed with formalities.

"Thank you, Mr. Findlay," said the girl gratefully, "that's very kind of you."

"Not at all!" he averred with a smile. "In fact, I think I'll stay for the meeting myself, and then I'll be there to bring you home again."

"Really, Mr. Findlay—"

"Lionel is the name," he said seriously. When they were seated in the car and driving along together, he went on. "To tell you the truth, Nancy, after thinking things over, I really believe you're in the right after all."

"Do you?" she echoed with a grateful smile.

"Yes," he said thoughtfully, "I've

come to the conclusion that it pays to put God first in our lives."

"I'm sure it does, Lionel," she said earnestly, although at that moment she could not see beyond the step of faith she had taken. "I'm sure it does!"

### CHAPTER XXIV

#### HEART TO HEART

The Southdown Grove manse was very quiet that Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Brandon were out and Pauline and Robert were alone in the house.

Pauline had agreed to stay at home to answer calls while her parents took the opportunity to pay a visit to Granny Weston in her cottage by the sea. They wanted the old lady to know all that had happened the previous day, because she was always so interested in their work and had been praying so earnestly for them. While they knew that she would eventually hear it all from others, that which concerned them personally they wanted to tell her themselves. She had been an inspiration to them during their ministry at Southdown Grove and had been in their confidence a long time. So they were glad to take this brief respite in the midst of their many cares and responsibilities to enjoy the spiritual refreshment that a little time spent with this choice saint of God always brought.

There had been no callers at the manse so far, so Pauline had the house to herself, except for Robert, who had retired to the study to write an article for the school magazine. He had made a few attempts at it before, but his ideas had changed since yesterday. He now felt that in view of what had happened they might expect him to contribute something of a more serious nature. They all knew of the tragedy that had hit his family and, since he had made no secret of his Christian convictions, they might wonder how he would react now. As far as he knew, he was the only boy in the school who had had so recent a contact with death. So he decided to write an article entitled "My Faith." But he found it wasn't so easy to put into words. And as the article had to be finished by tomorrow, he was working hard at it, while Pauline sat by herself in the lounge—thinking.

The house was so quiet that it was depressing, yet Pauline had no desire for company. She was glad to have this time for herself to try to piece together the events of the last twenty-four hours. Things had happened so quickly that she was still bewildered and confused. It was all so different from what they had planned and prayed for. Why,

she wondered. Why had God taken little David from them when they all loved him so dearly, and, if his life had been spared, he would most certainly have grown to be a fine Christian man? A preacher, or doctor, or missionary perhaps. The longer she tried to work out the problem, the more baffling it became and the more she became entangled in a maze of philosophy. She could not understand it.

One thing made her feel confident and secure: the wonderful faith of her parents in this crisis! At first she had been afraid that this tragedy might be too much for them. But she need not have been. Her father's words were still ringing in her ears: "The Lord loved him more than we did. He wanted our baby even more than we wanted him, and some day we will see His great purpose in all this."

A sudden ring at the door-bell interrupted her reflections and she jumped to her feet with a start. Visitors! This was where she had to take over. She hurried to the door and when she opened it, to her complete surprise, found herself face to face with Trevor Warne.

"Why, Trevor!" she exclaimed, her face lighting up. "Come in!"

She opened the door wide with a welcoming gesture, but the young man hung back sheepishly. "Er—I—I just wanted to see your father for a few minutes if I could, Pauline. Is he here?"

The girl shook her head. "I'm sorry, Trevor, he isn't. But do come in," she urged him warmly. "Daddy's only paying a visit and he should be back before long."

"Oh, no, Pauline, I think I'll leave it. Thanks all the same." Trevor was moving away from the door.

Pauline looked at him questioningly. "But if it's something important, Trevor—"

"Oh, well—!" He shrugged his shoulders.

Pauline was not so easily put off. She hadn't prayed for Trevor Warne for so long only to let him slip from her now. He must have a very good reason for calling at the house, something on his mind, perhaps. She studied him closely. He looked worried and ill at ease. His eyes were heavy as though he hadn't slept and there was an air of defeat and despair about him. She must try to keep him there until her father came home.

"Daddy would be terribly disappointed if you didn't wait and see him, Trevor," she said persuasively. "I'll do my best to entertain you in the meantime," she added with a smile.

Trevor smiled back limply. "Well, I'm not exactly dressed for a social call," he demurred, looking down at his casual, untidy clothes, which had very little to commend them. Pauline found it hard to believe that this was the same handsome, spruce, well-groomed young man who had set her heart throbbing at the very first service they had attended at

Southdown Grove. She remembered so well seeing him walk down the isle with Nancy Norwood. He seemed to have lost all pride in his appearance and his face was showing unmistakable signs of the dissipated life he had been living. Yet Pauline Brandon's heart went out to him—not to the Trevor she saw before her now, but the Trevor she had cherished in her heart for so long, the better man that she wanted him to be, the true, upright, noble man that by the grace of God he could and would be.

"Don't worry about your clothes, Trevor," she said quickly. "I'm sure I won't. I'll be too glad to have your company."

She saw the look of surprise on his face and hastened to add, "You see, daddy and mother are both out and there's only Robert. We miss David so much." Her voice trembled.

"That was an awful tragedy, Pauline. It must have been a terrible shock to you all," Trevor said awkwardly. He stepped inside and followed her into the lounge, where he seated himself opposite her in one of the big armchairs.

"Yes, it was a shock, Trevor," she agreed. "Poor little David! He was so very much alive yesterday, we—we never thought we were going to lose him. It just goes to show that death may be much closer to us than we think."

Trevor forced a smile. "That's a very comforting thought, I must say!"

Pauline sensed his discomfiture and knew that this was her opportunity, the opportunity she had been praying for. So with a prayer in her heart for guidance and grace she went on, "It's all right as long as you're prepared, Trevor, as long as you've made your peace with God."

He gave her a quick, uneasy look and then dropped his eyes to the floor. "That's easier said than done," he muttered almost to himself.

"Oh, no, Trevor. It's really very easy for us if we put our trust in Christ. He paid the price of our sins on the cross."

"Yes, I know all that!" The young man made an impatient gesture. "It sounds all right in theory, but it's different when you've become involved."

She looked him squarely in the face. "What do you mean, Trevor?"

"Oh, never mind, Pauline. You wouldn't understand anyway." He was sorry he had said as much as he had.

"Why wouldn't I, Trevor?"

(To be continued)





## Drought in Algeria Increases Relief Need

Algiers, Algeria (MCC) — A critical drought spreading northward from Southeastern Algeria has prompted CIMADE, the French Protestant relief organization, to intensify distribution there during the summer and the coming year.

Vern Preheim, MCC representative on the Algerian CIMADE staff, wrote recently concerning the drought: "While travelling in Eastern Algeria from May 15 to 23, I observed that everyone was talking about the catastrophic drought. I could see that the wheat fields would not yield much this year, that the livestock were becoming thin, that the hills were turning brown, and that large caravans of nomads were moving north in search of food. I was told that in some areas over half of the herds have died from starvation and that people would be dying if no help came."

Responding to the urgent calls for help, CIMADE will attempt to send out a summer itinerant distribution team of four young men under the direction of Vern Preheim. An itinerary is being arranged for two three-week trips during July and August.

MCC cooperates with CIMADE (Comite Inter-Mouvements Aupres des Evacues) in its Algerian relief work. The CIMADE program at present consists mainly of feeding centers and resettlement projects.

## Volunteers Enter Summer Service

Akron, Pa. (MCC) — Three orientation sessions for MCC Summer Service volunteers were held simultaneously on June 13 and 14 at Newton, Kans., Bluffton, Ohio, and Akron, Pa. In Newton Sara Penner, Director of the MCC Regional Office, conducted a session for four girls who will serve at the Institute of Logopedics, a school for children with speech and hearing defects in Wichita, Kans. Claude Boyer, Associate Director of Voluntary Service, was in charge of orientation at Bluffton for nine girls who will serve in the Christian education and recreation programs of the Wheat Street Baptist Church in Atlanta, Ga., and the South Street Community Center in Nashville, Tenn. Ruth Ann Gardner, Summer Service Director, planned the session at Akron for eight summer volunteers who will assist in camping and activities at Wiltwyck School for Boys, Esopus, N.Y., Children's Center, Laurel, Md., and Junior Village, Washington, D.C.

On June 15 seventeen men and women began service as psychiatric aides at two Minnesota State Hospitals, Fergus Falls and Hastings. The previous week 10 young people began their summer service as volunteers in medical research at National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Md., and in work with emotionally maladjusted and mentally retarded children at the Woods Schools, Langhorne, Pa., and Brookland Plantation, Edisto Island, S.C.

In addition to these 48 persons, who have already begun service, 14 other young men and women will meet on June 28 at Hamilton, N.Y., for a short training session before they begin work with agricultural migrant laborers in Hamilton and Waterville, N.Y. They will conduct a program including Christian Education, recreation, crafts, home economics and health education.

Approximately 75 Canadian young people are serving in projects administered by Harvey Taves and Tom Dow from the Waterloo, Ont., MCC office. They are serving as nurses' aides, orderlies, attendants, counselors and cooks at camps and schools for crippled and mentally retarded children, mental hospitals, sanatoriums and a hospital for post-polio and chronic patients.

## Case Number 474

By Peter J. Dyck

His case number is 474. There has been a long search for him. More than 30 pieces of correspondence from various countries have through the years collected in his folder in our MCC East-West Office. In time one speaks of "cases," and this is one of many. But suddenly the "case" is solved, No. 474 has received a face! Hans Wiebe of Russia and more recently of the Soviet Zone of Germany stands personally before us.

In 1953 his father wrote to the MCC, at that time to C. F. Klassen: "... and then there is another son. We have heard that supposedly he was in Bavaria on February 18, 1945. Following the war, when Germany had an emergency tracing service, we filed a notice but had no success. His name is Johann Wiebe."

"Without success." How often must one hear this! Many are waiting for word from their loved ones. "If one only knew whether he is dead or alive," said one mother. "Painful as the news of his death would be, it would be easier to bear than this continued uncertainty." As long as the "case" is not clarified, the search must continue. When the lost is found, as in the

case of Hans Wiebe, we rejoice with him and his relatives, almost as though one had found his own brother after years of searching.

Two things which easily weary people are hunting and waiting. Both are severe tests of patience. In the East-West work much patience in hunting and waiting is required. Coupled with the gracious leading of God, it led to the closing of Case 474.

About 45,000 brethren of the faith are in Russia and many families are still waiting for reunion. We don't know whether we will bring this work to completion, but we in the East-West Office have adopted the slogan of the old rabbi: "It is not your duty to finish the task, but neither are you at liberty to abandon it."

"Dear MCC," wrote Hans Wiebe after the long-awaited contact was finally established. "With great joy I have received your letter of June 11 and thank you for it with my whole heart. You can probably not imagine how one feels to finally receive a sign of life from one's relatives after 16 years. Please accept my most sincere thanks."

On New Year's Day we were able to visit Hans Wiebe and his wife in their one-room apartment and present a parcel in the name of his mother in Canada as well as "in the name of Christ" through the MCC. We used the occasion for a family outing and it was a happy experience for our children to meet and greet the Wiebes after they too had heard about Case 474. With heads bowed in prayer we thanked God not only for the New Year but also for the new beginning so graciously and wonderfully granted to our friends, the Wiebes. Both of them have work now and are looking hopefully to a better future. Plans for this future include a trip to Canada to visit with the mother, brothers and sisters.

## 48 in Orientation School

Forty-eight new MCC workers are participating in an orientation school at Akron headquarters June 27 to July 11. Classes on the philosophy of the MCC, its service program, and the practical aspect of the assignments are taught by MCC staff members and guest instructors. Guest instructors for the school are: Roy Harnish, Hagerstown, Md.; Paul Peachey, Falls Church, Va.; Paul Erb, Scottsdale, Pa.; J. C. Wine, Millersville, Pa.; Martin Schrag, Grantham, Pa.; Ned Detmer, Washington, D.C.; and Glenn Esh, Akron, Pa.

## European and Holy Land Tour

Menno Travel Service is again making plans for a Fall Europe and Holy Land Tour, scheduled for Oct. 9 to Nov. 22, 1961. The tour group will spend 24 days in Europe and 21 days in the Middle East, visiting twelve countries—England, France, Holland, Germany, Switzerland,

Italy, Greece, Egypt, Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and Israel. Urbane Peachey, pastor of the Bart Mennonite Church, Bart, Pa., and Secretary of MCC Personnel Services, will serve as tour conductor. Persons interested in this travel experience may inquire at regional MTS offices or write to Menno Travel Service, Akron, Pa.

The latest gospel in this world is: know thy work and do it.

—Carlyle

Thoughts fall on us like seed, it is only time and silence that can ripen them. Author Unknown

## Stewardship

(Continued from page 2-4)

of the emptiness and boredom within. We are confused by the prejudice, hatred, greed and lust that are within us. We seem to be caught in quicksand. We want out of our human dilemma but are powerless."

"It is absolutely impossible to change society and reverse the moral trend unless we ourselves are changed from inside out. Man needs transformation or conversion. Unless we — — are willing to humbly accept the diagnosis of the Book — the Bible, the holy Word of God, — — and to accept its remedy — we are going to continue along the road to disaster and ruin. Our only way to moral reform is through repentance of our sins and a return to God." (Life, June 6, 1960)

"Confronted with the evidences of spiritual and moral decay on every hand, we now find ourselves more frequently looking for relief from the consequences of our waywardness rather than to the cause and cure of the desperate situation in which we find ourselves. In the Old Testament we read: II Chron. 7:14 "If my people, which are called by My name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land". Here is a formula of God's own making, a way by which a nation may return to a right relationship with Him." To achieve this, its individual citizens "must be changed" first. "In Christ — the personal problem of sin, which is the 'root cause' of many of our problems, would be answered. A new atmosphere could be created as we approach the complicated social and political problems of our corporate life. We would then have the inner strength, courage and ability to cope with these problems."

In endorsing these thoughts may I challenge you, dear reader, to heed the call to "be reconciled to God through faith in Jesus Christ and enjoy those blessings.

(To be continued)

**Change of Address**

Former address: Feldgasse 6B, Wels, Austria.  
 New address: Rev. Lawrence Warkentin, Wels II, Austria.

**Diamond Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Epp**

Mr. K. K. Epp and his wife Anna, nee Kampen, observed their Diamond Wedding Anniversary at the Swift Current M. B. church on June 4. In 1923 they left Russia for Canada where they resided first at Herbert and then in Swift Current.

"Gluttony kills more than the sword."

**2 Manitoba Government Officials Congratulate Altona-Gretna People**

The following are excerpts from the two messages of congratulation: It is with a sense of pride in the progressive spirit of the people of Altona-Gretna region that I warmly congratulate you for undertaking, with the assistance of the Manitoba Water Supply Board, a project that will mean so much to the further development of this area.

The new water system is the product of full co-operation between the people of south-central Manitoba and the government of the province. It is well to point out that this form of co-operation between

governments and people marks the most satisfactory way of bringing public services to districts requiring them.

Please accept my best wishes for continued success and economic growth.

Duff Roblin,  
 Premier of Manitoba

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to congratulate the people and town of Altona for their achievement of putting the new water system into operation. I am proud and happy to be a member of the government which was instrumental in making this possible by bringing the water to the town.

Altona has long shown vigor as a community. Great strides in development have been taken without the benefit of a good water supply. It would be surprising if this community does not continue to grow and develop even more rapidly. Indeed, there is no reason why Altona should not spearhead Manitoba's agricultural and industrial development the potential of which is the greatest in its history.

George Hutton,  
 Minister of Agriculture and Conservation  
 —Altona Echo

mer, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Letkeman, Rudy Raabe, and Walter Janzen. At the outdoor service the Rev. Rudy Janzen spoke to the gathering, basing his comments on the account of Philip and the Ethiopian as recorded in Acts 8. The church choir sang two hymns: "Jesus Shall Lead Me" and "Count Me."

The ceremony of reception as members into the Mennonite Brethren Church and commemoration of the Lord's death were conducted in the church following the outdoor service.

E. D.,  
 Greendale Correspondent

**An Excerpt from a Letter**

The Mennonite Observer is much appreciated and eagerly read. The serial story makes good reading. Thank you.

Written by a couple from Manitoba

**Mennonite Books of Special Value**

- Youth Worker Program Helps. W. Wiebe. 153 pages of program ideas for young people's meetings. \$2.25
- Alternative Service in Canada during World War II. J. A. Toews. 127 pages. Paper cover \$1.75 Library edition \$2.75
- This Way. J. J. Toews. Words of Counsel to Young Christians. 32 pages. 20¢
- God's Word as Guide in Church Discipline. A. H. Unruh, D.D. English/German edition. 20¢
- The Hymn Book. 555 Hymns with Notes. Well-bound. Grey or Maroon cover. \$3.00
- Smith's Story of the Mennonites. C. Henry Smith. 855 pp. \$4.75
- Mennonite Peace Study Conference. Papers presented by 15 Mennonite authors. A mimeographed manual. About 100 pages. \$1.50
- A Brief Outline Study of the Seven Churches. Henry H. Janzen. 32 pages. 35¢
- Your Church and You. Frank C. Peters. 40 pages. 35¢
- Titus and Philemon. D. Edmond Hiebert. 128 pages. 39¢
- The Doctrines of the Mennonites. John C. Wenger. 163 pages. \$1.75
- Scriptural Principles for the Christian Life in the M. B. Church. 12 pp. English/German edition. 10¢
- The Mennonite Brethren Church. J. H. Lohrenz. 335 pp. \$2.50
- The Mennonite Brethren Churches of North America. Henry J. Wiens. 192 pages. \$2.50
- The Recovery of the Anabaptist Vision. Guy F. Hershberger. 360 pages. 4.50
- Smith's Story of the Mennonites. C. Henry Smith. 856 pp. \$4.50
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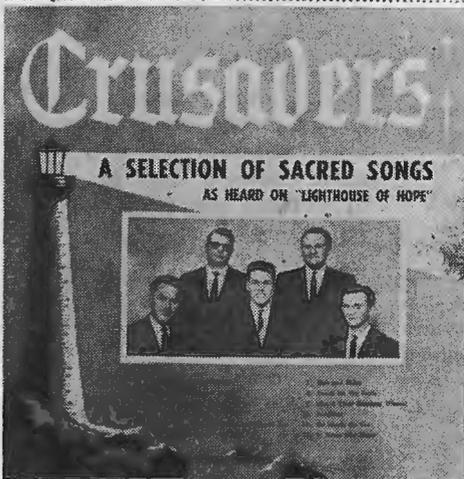
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# YOUTH IN ACTION

## Splendid Response in Saskatchewan Crusade

Lanigan, Sask. — Ten churches, including Old Mennonite, Mennonite Brethren, and General Conference Mennonite congregations, participated in a Crusade for Christ in the Lanigan, Sask., Town Hall June 4-11. Jack Osborne, Dearborn, Mich., was the evangelist.

Osborne has preached in 40 different countries in the past 20 years. He left a successful engineering career to devote his time to the ministry. His co-worker, song leader Ralph McGilvra, is a Bible teacher at Bob Jones University, Greenville, S.C. He sings daily on religious broadcasts heard over 60 radio stations.

Ten churches within a radius of 20 miles of Lanigan cooperated in this venture.

The mass choir, under the direction of McGilvra, gave opportunity for many to participate in the services. Mrs. Epp and Mrs. Schroeder, Drake, Mrs. Bresch, Lanigan, and Mrs. Pete Janzen were the accompanists.

More people responded to the messages than could come forward to the altar, but those who did were helped by concerned and trained personal workers.

## "The Lord Hath Done Great Things for Us"

By Pfarrer Otto Obracai  
(Translated from the German)

The Lord has done great things for us in Linz and the surrounding area, for which we are glad. We are deeply grateful to you brethren and sisters in other lands who have stood with us in prayer during these days.

The person writing these lines is a Pfarrer who had the privilege of receiving and confessing Christ as Saviour and Lord after the first evening service of the crusade.

It was not possible for me to be at the opening service on Sunday afternoon, but I believe that at this service as at all the other services of the crusade, lost men and women found the Saviour. At the two youth-night services held during the crusade many young people received Christ, praise His Name!

Not only did the people of Linz attend the services, but many from the suburbs and neighboring towns came as well.

Deaconesses were among those who responded to the invitation, becoming children of God. Two of our four children made their decision for Christ. One of the most precious experiences, however, was to see the unity among the children of God during the crusade. Dear Lord, grant that it may long continue to be so!

Yes, the Lord visibly blessed the ministry of the Janz Brothers in word and song. May He continue to use them wherever they go.

## A Letter from Baden, W. Germany, to the Mennonite Observer

Dear Co-Workers,

There are three sounds which we have longed to hear again since our coming to Germany: the rustle of the leaves of many Bibles as the pastor announces his text, the hearty congregational singing of simple gospel songs, and the shuffle of eager boys and girls as they file into the front pews of a typical Mennonite Brethren church after Sunday school. To many of you these "ingredients" are taken for granted, but pause for a moment and thank God that you have them. Bibles, boys and girls, and simple gospel songs are conspicuously absent in most churches in Germany.

At times we become so lean spiritually. After being spoiled on a "meat diet" back in Canada, we pout when we are offered "skim milk." Then we thank God for the training in personal Bible reading and study which we received at Bible school. Too often we are prone to lean on our pastor or fellow believer for spiritual strengthening and not on the Lord. Do you? If you do not know what to pray for in remembering your missionary on the field, turn to Paul's prayer for the Ephesians, chapter 3:16: "... that He would grant you according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man." That is our daily need!

After each campaign, our hearts go out to the young converts who need Christian fellowship and spiritual guidance. Pray for them, because there are very few fundamental churches which can nurture them.

The Lord has given us much joy as we have done the office work and many insignificant tasks behind the scenes for the Janz Team as unto the Lord. Much wisdom from on high is needed to supervise the more than twenty national workers in our office and printshop.

At present Art is recuperating after having his appendix removed on June 15. We praise the Great Physician that all went well, even as it did after his tonsilectomy shortly before Easter. Our 5-year-old son Alan is thriving on German "halb-weiss Brot," but His German accent when trying to speak English gives us concern. Carolyn, 3 years, is Mummy's helper and Baby Donna Ruth is a picture of health at 10 months.

Our furlough is due next summer and we can hardly wait to meet many of you again and others for the first time.

Pray for the Janz Team as they face a heavy summer schedule of tent evangelism. From June 25 to July 9 they are in Gummersbach. In these days of gathering unrest we rejoice that the doors in West Germany are still wide open to the gospel. Who knows for how long?

Sincerely in Christ,  
Arthur and Hilda Froese

P.S. We enjoy every issue of the Mennonite Observer. God bless each one who has a share in sending it forth.

## Sentenced to Die

Quesnel, B.C. — Ronald Dennis Mitkevich, 19-year-old mill worker, Thursday was found guilty of murdering his former employer and was sentenced to be hanged.

A jury deliberated seven hours before returning a verdict of guilty in the shooting death of Jacob Janzen at Canim Lake, 120 miles south of this community, 60 miles south of Prince George.

## A Shrunken World

It's a badly shrunken world! Back in 1927 it took Charles A. Lindberg 33 hours to make the trip non-stop solo flight from New York to Paris. On May 21, the 34th anniversary of Lindberg's historic feat, a U.S. Air Force B58 bomber made the same trip in three hours and 20 minutes. Ironically, about two weeks later this same bomber crashed in France, killing all members of the crew.

## 4 New Staff Members at United College

Principal Wilfred Lockhart has announced four new appointments to the arts and science faculty of United College. Dr. Katherine George will lecture in sociology and anthropology. Dr. Marta R. Kruuner, a former student at United College, will be joining the English

department. Robert B. Cates, who holds an M.Sc. from King's College, London, England, will lecture in mathematics. Another United College graduate, Jack Thiessen, now completing his Ph.D. at the university of Marburg, Germany, will lecture in German at United College. Mr. Thiessen is a native of Grunthal, Man.

## Commencement at Canadian Mennonite Bible College

Winnipeg, Man. — Commencement exercises at the Canadian Mennonite Bible College and a closing program were presented by the 1961 graduates and the college choir on June 17. The baccalaureate service was held in Sunday morning and the graduation service in the afternoon.

Rev. J. J. Thiessen, chairman of the board of directors, spoke at the baccalaureate service Sunday morning and Rev. Henry Poettcker, president of the college, spoke in English.

In his opening remarks at the graduation service, Dr. Poettcker indicated that the current class of 11 graduates brought the total number of graduates of the college to 126. The total number of students, he said, who had attended CMBC came to over 300. For next year 25 applications have been received.

The valedictorian, Menno Wiebe, Mt. Lehman, B.C., paid tribute to the influence of the parents and local churches for their foresight in establishing the college and maintaining it, and for the influence of teachers and fellow students during the three-year period of study. He said that providence had led them to college and "the Master Who has led us here can lead us on to become more faithful disciples."

Hilda Schroeder, Plum Coulee, Man., also a member of the graduating class, gave a testimony.

Dr. William Klassen, instructor of New Testament at Mennonite Biblical Seminary, presented the

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## EDUCATION SCHOOLS and COLLEGES

### Three Schools in Altona, Manitoba

The public school of Altona is housed in three buildings, with 19 classrooms and 20 teachers. Pupil enrolment at the present time is 546, with 137 in the collegiate and 409 in the eight elementary grades.

The collegiate building was built and officially opened in March, 1956. It contains eight classrooms, a library, four auxiliary rooms and a large auditorium-gymnasium.

The Inter-School "Christian Fellowship" organization has as its motto: "To know Christ and to make Him known." Meetings have an average attendance of 20.

This spring a track and field meet was conducted for the first time, thus further widening the students' extracurricular program.

Elim Bible School in Altona trains young people of the community in Christian service. This year the enrolment at Elim was 58, with four full-time and one part-time teacher employed. The school's term is 22 weeks from October to March or the beginning of April. The course is of three years' duration and diplomas for a Sunday School Teachers' course are also awarded. Elim was founded in 1929, was closed in the early 1930's, and resumed its work in 1936.

—Altona Echo

### Ontario College Project

By Dorothy Swartzentruber

**Baden, Ont.** — The annual sessions of the Mennonite Conference of Ontario, held June 6-8 at the Shantz Mennonite Church near Baden, Ont., heard reports and took action on matters pertaining to Christian nurture and education, missions and service, and the administration of the Conference district.

The sessions were chaired by Moderator J. B. Martin, who after twenty years in office as moderator, this year relinquished the position. He is succeeded by Newton Gingrich of Markham, Ont.

An action of major significance was the conference's approval of the projected plans for Conrad Grebel College on the University of Waterloo campus. Members will again be appointed to serve on the provisional board and this board was authorized to proceed with the affiliation agreements with the University and to present plans for raising its proportionate share of the \$400,000 capital expenditure for a building on the campus. This building will include dormitories, offices, chapel, and class rooms.

The Conrad Grebel College pro-

gram will be presented to the Conference bodies of the five other participating groups during the year where official support of the project will be solicited. It is hoped to have at least one full-time staff member by September, 1962. A charter was approved on April 20, 1961.

The education committee is asking for the appointment of an educational representative in each congregation. This person will represent the interests and promote the program of the various educational institutions of the church and also Christian education in general.

Considerable discussion revolved around the matter of religious education in the schools. John Hess of Toronto, who serves on the Inter-Church Committee on Religious Education in the Schools, presented the points of the current controversy and the education committee has been asked to study the matter farther.

The Conference Treasurer, John W. Snyder, presented a budget of \$74.25 per member for the coming year, which was approved by the Conference body.

Other executive officers elected were: Rufus Jutzl, Floradale, assistant moderator; Harold Good, Waterloo, secretary; J. W. Snyder, Hespeler, treasurer, and J. B. Martin, Waterloo, fifth member.

### Manitoba University Undergraduate Awards

The University of Manitoba recently announced its list of undergraduate winners of awards and scholarships. Some of the winners were:

Diploma Course in Agriculture—De Laval Company Prize in Livestock and Dairy Production: Frank Goerzen; United Grain Growers Prize in Farm Business Management—David Falk.

Arts and Science: Marq Adine Driver.

Bursary—Herman Peter Schroeder, \$200.

Betty Meltzer Memorial Prize for highest standing in History of the First or Second Year—Abram Ernest Epp.

Dr. H. Oelkers Scholarship for highest standing in Second Year German—Sigrid Funk, \$100.

Mrs. Natalie Riedle Scholarship for the second highest standing in German II—Walter Falk, \$100.

M. C. Rosenthal Memorial Scholarship in Second Year Science—Sigrid Funk, \$500.

Sigma Alpha Mu Bursary in Second Year Science—John Klassen, \$100.

J. M. Gilchrist Bursary in Ar-

chitecture, First, Second, Third or Fourth Year, \$200, and also Manitoba Association of Architects Book Prize for major design problems and sketch problems, Third Year—Weldon Dwight Pries.

Dentistry: Certificate of Merit, honors standing, Third Year—W. J. Froese.

### CMBC Missions Conference

Following a busy four days of final examinations the students of Canadian Mennonite Bible College joined the faculty and friends for the annual Missions Conference held in the college chapel June 15 and 16.

The general theme, "All Things to All Men," based on Paul's words in I Cor. 9:22, sought to explore the different ways in which God's servants may adapt themselves and the Christian message to win men for Jesus Christ.

Two missionaries, home on furlough, spoke of their experiences of becoming all things to all men. Peter Falk, who has worked in the Congo under the Congo Inland Mission, emphasized particularly the need for adaptability. The Christian must adjust himself to Christians elsewhere and live in harmony with them. Said Bro. Falk, "Unless a person can adapt himself to the people in the foreign field, his ministry will be a failure." This means both identification and cooperation with the people among whom the missionary labors.

But there was a word for the listener which caused deep heart-searching. In our time when people the world over have come "next door" to each other it is imperative that church members at home live a life of full dedication. This has very definite implications for the witness on the foreign field. An inconsistent witness at home is detrimental to the mission program. This involves us all.

Martha Boschmann, home after one term of service in Formosa, related the medical service to the missionary outreach and with the use of slides pointed out that the gates of Formosa stand open. We need to utilize every available moment and every opportunity to bring the gospel message to these people.

Henry Isaac, pastor of the Brandon Mennonite Mission, related the communication of the gospel to those living in the city. Having delineated the needs of the city-dweller, he went on to plead for men with sincerity and willingness to go where men live, a willingness to be cleansed by the Spirit of God, and a willingness to sacrifice for the Master's cause.

Speaking to the general topic of communication, Frank Epp, editor of *The Canadian Mennonite* and graduate student at the University of Minnesota, drew a number of parallels between the church and secular organizations in their methods and content of communication.

Whereas the church was often the pioneer of a new venture, it has now relinquished that role to the secular society, and too often contents itself with the mediocre and the inadequate. Mr. Epp maintained that the individual Christian needed to have a world-encircling view, which would challenge men to look beyond their immediate surroundings. The pressing needs of today make this imperative. Furthermore, communication in our time must be such that men will perceive what is being said to them.

Under the direction of George Wiebe, music instructor at CMBC, a pageant was presented portraying the missionary interest, the missionary appeal and the missionary outreach of the hymns of Sir Isaac Watts.

All present at this conference were challenged anew to give their lives to Christ's service. One of Watts' hymns, sung by a college choral group, fittingly summarizes the basic affirmation which comes through the realization of the gospel's ultimate triumph:

Jesus shall reign where e'er the sun  
Doth its successive journeys run;  
His kingdom spread from shore to shore,  
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

### Commencement at CMBC

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graduation address on the topic, "The Handwriting of God." Presentation of diplomas was made by Dr. Henry Poettcker, assisted by Waldemar Janzen, registrar, and Rev. J. J. Thiessen.

The graduates were: Elizabeth Klassen, Rosthern, Sask.; Hertha Neufeld, Watrous, Sask.; Louise Peters, Gnadenthal; Mrs. Martha Rempel, Steinbach, Man.; Hilda Schroeder, Plum Coulee, Man.; Henry Engbrecht, Boissevain, Man.; Susan Peters, Gnadenthal, Man.; John Franz, Edmonton, Alta.; Alvin Harms, Sardis, B.C.; Waldemar Klassen, Mission City, B.C., and Menno Wiebe, Mt. Lehman, B.C.

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Our five churches in Germany and Austria have each had baptisms during the past year. Pictured is Jacob Thielmann, pastor of the church at Linz, Austria, and three believers who were baptized and received into the Linz Church.

**Growing Work in Europe**

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ported growth in membership through baptism: Neustadt 6, Neuwied 6, Linz 3, Steyr 2, Wels 2. Membership in the churches now stands as follows: Neuwied 80, Linz 30, Neustadt 12, Steyr 7, Wels 7.

Each church, with the exception of Neustadt, now owns its meeting house. Neustadt meets in a rented "Saal" which has been renovated at a cost of 700 DM during the past year. Property value is as follows: Neuwied 100,000 DM, Linz 825,000 Shilling, Wels 350,000 Shilling, Steyr 250,000 shilling (Approximately 4 DM or 25 shillings make an American dollar).

In Ens, Austria, we have a small group of believers who have come to faith in Christ through evangelistic services conducted by A. J. Neufeld and the Corny Balzers. These

are being nurtured by the Wolfgang Rueschhoffs, who pastor the Steyr Church. Also at Gronau and at Grefrath in Germany we have small groups meeting in the homes and being served every other Sunday by the George Jantzens who teach in the Bible and Missionary school at Kalkar, Germany. Evangelistic services were held in both Gronau and Grefrath by the Neufeld-Balzer team during the past year. Brother Neufeld has been very busy throughout the past year and is heavily booked for evangelistic services during 1961 and into 1962. Invitations come from various Mennonite as well as other groups.

The radio work carried on by H. H. Janzen and the Neufeld-Balzer quartet has been blessed of the Lord during the past year. At first the broadcast, "Quelle des Lebens," was released from Luxembourg

short wave every Friday morning. Disturbances gradually increased until the program could not be heard, but through much prayer the station offered to switch the release to "Mittelwelle," which makes reception very clear. Recently another release has been accepted, so that we now have two "Mittelwelle" (long wave) broadcasts from Luxembourg each week, one Wednesday morning at 6:05 and the other Friday morning at 7:00. Both are 15-minute releases. Letters of inquiry come in from a goodly number of European countries including many from behind the Iron Curtain, for which we are grateful.

The following workers are serving in Europe at present: H. H. Janzen in radio and Bible conference work; Corny Balzers, radio and evangelistic work; A. J. Neufelds, evangelism, church work; J. W. Vogts, Neuwied; John N. Klassens, Neustadt; Jacob Thielmanns, Linz; Lawrence Warkentins, Wels; Wolfgang Rueschhoffs, Steyr. George Jantzens, Bible and Missionary School, Kalkar. Conference officers for the next year are, A. J. Neufeld, chairman, G. H. Jantzen, vice-chairman; Kurt Hoffman, secretary-treasurer.

Rev. Henry R. Baerg and Mrs. Baerg (nee Anna Wiebe) of 170 Talbot Ave., Winnipeg 5, are happy to announce the birth of a son, David John, on June 19. Rev. Baerg is teaching at the M. B. Bible College.

**ON THE HORIZON**

**June 30 to July 3.** — Teeners' Bible-centred Retreat at Camp Arnes.

**July 1-5.** — Canadian Mennonite Brethren Conference at Coaldale, Alta.

**July 4.** — Counsellors' Orientation Day at Camp Arnes.

**July 2-9** — Camp meetings of the Ontario Brethren in Christ Church at Niagara—Christian College, Fort Erie, Ont.

**July 5-11.** — Canadian Mennonite Church Conference to be held in Calgary.

**July 5-14.** — First Children's Camp at Arnes.

**July 12-19.** — Girl's Camp at Sask. Redberry Bible Camp.

**July 19-26.** — Boy's Camp at Sask. Redberry Bible Camp.

**July 16-25.** — Second Children's Camp at Arnes.

**July 26 to August 3.** — Family Camp at Arnes.

**July 28-29.** — Married Couple's Camp at Sask. Redberry Bible Camp.

**July 30 - August 4.** — Young People's Camp at Sask. Redberry Bible Camp.

**August 4-6.** — Youth Retreat at Sask. Redberry Bible Camp.

**August 4-7.** — CBMC Retreat at Camp Arnes.

**August 8-17.** — Third Children's Camp at Arnes.

**August 20-21.** — United States M. B. Conference at Gnadenu M. B. church in Hillsboro.



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Rev. John Wall and Mrs. Wall (nee Frieda Baerg) of Vineand, Ont., are happy to announce the birth of a son, Robert Allan, on June 14, a brother to Marlene Elizabeth. The baby was born at Montevideo, Uruguay.

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