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"For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified." 1 Cor. 2:2.

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Ordained for Missionary Service

Greenfarm, Sask. — In spite of heavy and very poor roads, attendance was quite good at the ordination of Miss Marie Schultz, R.N., for missionary service in the Greenfarm M. B. church on Sunday, March 18. Both the forenoon and afternoon service were devoted to missions.

The morning service began with congregational singing led by Brother Abe Voth. Brother George Penner read from Psalm 37 for the morning prayer-meeting, after which several praised God in prayer for the possibility of sending out missionaries. Following a song by the choir, Rev. E. J. Lautermilch, moderator of the South Saskatchewan M. B. Conference, delivered a message on the third chapter of Malachi.

Rev. J. H. Epp, member of the M. B. Board of Foreign Missions, challenged the congregation with the question contained in Exodus 4:1-4: "What hast thou in thy hand?" The choir responded with "Ready to Go; Ready to Stay". Rev. J. J. Thiessen, the pastor, closed the morning service with prayer.

All present were invited into the church basement to partake of the lunch prepared for the occasion.

Brother Henry Penner led the congregational singing as the guests gathered for the ordination service. As Miss Schultz, M. B. missionary to Mexico, took her place the choir sang "Christ Liveth in Me". After the Scripture reading the brethren Anthony Wiebe and Lawrence Schulz led in prayer.

Speaking on "Great Significance in Ordaining to Missionary Service", Rev. J. J. Thiessen, pastor, emphasized the responsibility the church accepts by ordaining someone. He read Acts 13:1-4 as the basis for his message.

Rev. J. H. Epp spoke to the missionary, Miss Schultz, and pointed out that there would be battles. There would also be victories and blessing in the work, he assured her.

As Miss Schultz stood, Rev. Epp solemnly presented the formal ordination questions to her. After she had answered in the affirmative, he turned to the church. They rose in response to his question,

signifying their affirmation. The brethren J. H. Epp, J. J. Thiessen and E. J. Lautermilch prayed over the missionary and pronounced the benediction. Thereupon Miss Schulz rose and in prayer thanked God for His salvation, seeking His

help in leading others to Christ. As the congregation stood, inwardly moved, the choir sang "Ready to Go".

In a brief testimony Miss Schulz asked the church to be much in prayer for her as she labours for the Lord in Mexico as a missionary nurse.

Annual Peace Conference in B.C.

Abbotsford, B.C. — The fourth annual Peace Conference sponsored by the Peace Committee of the Mennonite churches in British Columbia will be held in the auditorium of the Mennonite Educational Institute, North Clearbrook, B.C., on April 7 and 8.

The committee has planned a program that relates non-resistance to the total life of a Christian. Speakers coming for this conference are Rev. H. H. Janzen, president of the M. B. Bible College, Winnipeg, Man., and Rev. Erland Waltner, chairman of the Bible department at Bethel College, Newton, Kansas.

At five services on Saturday and Sunday these two men will deal with the church and its part in God's program, and non-resistance as an expression of love. Rev. Janzen will deliver a series of messages in German on the Church, while Rev. Waltner will deal with various aspects of non-resistance.

Beginning at 9:45 on Saturday morning, the first session will hear Rev. Erland Waltner speak on "The Christian in a World of Violence", while Rev. Janzen will speak on "Der Ursprung der Gemeinde". The second session, beginning at 1:30 p.m., will feature the themes: Das Wesen der Gemeinde, by Rev. Janzen, and Identifying Biblical Non-resistance, by Rev. Waltner.

At the evening session on Saturday, 7:30 p.m., Rev. Janzen will elaborate on "Die Aufgabe der Gemeinde auf Erden", while Rev. Waltner will establish "But What Things Are Caesar's?"

Sunday afternoon, 2:00 p.m., Rev. Waltner will apply "Non-resistant Love in Daily Life", and Rev. Janzen will describe "Die Gemeinde in ihrem Verhältnis zur Welt und umgekehrt".

The final service on Sunday

night at 7:30 p.m. will reveal "Die Zukunft der Gemeinde", as visualized by Rev. Janzen from Holy Scripture, and show the significance of "The Sword and the Cross", as seen by Erland Waltner.

TO SERVE IN SOUTH AMERICA

Rev. Henry P. Epp, pastor of the Waterloo, Ont., United Mennonite Church, and his family left Toronto, March 23, enroute to South America, where they will make their headquarters at Asuncion, Paraguay.



Rev. Epp has been appointed to a two-year term of service as representative of the General Conference Mennonite Church in South America. More specifically he will represent the Board of Christian Service and the Board of Missions.

Before going to Waterloo, four and one-half years ago, Rev. Epp served on the faculty of Rosthern Junior College. He is a graduate of Bethel College and has taken two years of work at the Evangelical Lutheran Seminary in Waterloo.

Early in April Rev. Epp will attend the opening of the Spanish-German Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Montevideo, Uruguay, being sponsored jointly by the (Old) Mennonite and General Conference Mennonite Churches.

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Now Broadcast World-Wide

Winnipeg, Man. — A radio program begun as an act of faith by several students at the M. B. Bible College will be on the air world-wide next Sunday after only ten years of broadcasting.

Beginning next Sunday, the "Gospel Light Hour", started as an independent broadcast but now sponsored by the M. B. city mission in Winnipeg, will be broadcast over HCJB, Quito, Ecuador, a short-wave station with an around-the-world outreach. Both the regular English broadcast and the new German program will be aired weekly over this powerful short-wave station.

Now on the air over CKY, Winnipeg, and CFCO, Chatham, Ont., the English program has had such a good response that the directors ventured this additional step of faith. At the same time they are beginning a German language radio program over KFNW, Fargo, North Dakota, which will also be broadcast over HCJB, Quito.

Rev. John M. Schmidt is the director and the speaker of the "Gospel Light Hour", while Rev. Henry Regehr will speak on the German broadcast. A quartet and a choir directed by Corny Balzer also sing on the program.

EDITORIAL

Devotional

"CHRIST, OUR LIFE"

By Rev. I. H. Thiessen *

Death Has Been Vanquished!

For the Christian the overwhelming truth of Christ's resurrection has many significant aspects. Christ's resurrection stamped, as it were, God's seal of approval upon Christ's atonement. It also vindicated Christ's claims about Himself—that He was the Son of God come to save men from their sins. Yet one of the most significant aspects, that Christ has abolished death through His resurrection, is often forgotten.

The Apostle Paul thrilled to this truth and wrote to Timothy, ". . . but is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel." That this is not only wishful thinking on the part of Paul is proved by Christ's own words. Jesus announced, "If a man keep my saying, he shall never see death" (John 8:51). Or again, ". . . and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die" (John 11:26).

The full significance of Christ's resurrection is lost upon us because we were not eye-witnesses. But those disciples who had seen Christ go to Calvary, who had seen him die a cruel and lingering death, were shocked and amazed when Christ appeared unto them after the resurrection—alive! Their testimony henceforth was to "Jesus and the resurrection". For them the darkness and terror of death was gone—there was life and immortality.

But a constant repetition of this fact has dulled our minds to the glorious consequences of Christ's victory over death. We still sing about "the bitter pains of death" and despondently refer to death as "the gloomy portal", as an "icy river" and as a deep and treacherous "Jordan" we must cross. Somehow death has not lost its terror for us. The gloomy and terrible images of superstition and heathenism still influence our conception of death.

Thus we need to remind ourselves this Easter that Christ "tasted death for every man". He bore the sin, the darkness, the terror and the pain. For Christians death is "to depart and be with Christ, which is far better", "to sleep in Christ", to "be forever with the Lord".

Let us praise the Lord, "who hath abolished death".

CONTENT WITH EMPTY HANDS

We should not be misunderstood if we confess a serious and widespread failure in the Church—the failure not only to reach out and win the lost, but our seeming indifference to this situation.

It is a tragically significant fact that most Bible-honoring churches and most evangelical Christians today not only are not reproducing, but they do not expect to do so!

If you doubt this, ask yourself how many souls have come to Christ in your church during the year just past. Ask how many souls it expects to win this year. And ask yourself whether you expect to win at least one person to Christ before the close of 1956.

We cannot forget several year-end letters from missionaries which speak joyfully of God's increase—not in terms of scores or even dozens saved, but of one's and two's. Some may object that missionaries are full-time workers supported by Christians at home, but again we cannot help but recall the stories we have heard of the volunteer work assumed by many in the field—of Bible classes and visita-

tion and personal work done by doctors, teachers and evangelists long after their assigned duties of the day were over.

We expect our missionaries to win souls in spite of barriers of language and color, race and custom. And they, as God enables, expect to do so, too. They are not ashamed of one' and two's, and they are willing to invest hours of prayer and patient labor for one soul.

Expectancy and work. Work and expectancy. These go, well together on foreign soil. Might they not do as well at home?

Or shall we be content with empty hands?

—Editor William C. Culbertson, in *Moody Monthly* (Feb. 1956)

JUST A MINUTE

I have only just a minute
Just sixty seconds in it;
Forced upon me—can't refuse it,
Didn't seek it, didn't choose it,
I must suffer if I lose it,
Give account if I abuse it,
Just a tiny little minute
But eternity is in it.

In Colossians 3:4 the Apostle Paul states that Christ is our life. During this Easter season it is profitable for us to ask the question: What is Christ Jesus to me? We commemorate His resurrection but is He really a living Saviour to me? Do I have true fellowship with Him? Is He my life's Companion, whose nearness I experience in the joys and sorrows of life?

What are we living for? What is the main purpose of our life? I do not mean what we are doing to make our livelihood, for we must keep clearly in mind the distinction between our livelihood and what we are living for. Jesus, our Lord, was a carpenter, but that was not what He lived for. Paul, the Apostle, was a tentmaker, but that was not what he lived for. In his letter to the Philippians he states: "For me to live is Christ." Christ was the aim, the pattern and the strength of his life.

How many there are who do not take life seriously, but live only for pleasure. Not only has religion, in any high and serious sense, no attraction for them, but they dislike deep thought or earnest work in any sphere. As soon as they are released from the claims of their job, they rush off to be excited and amused. And the one thing they dread is solitude. For others, not required to work hard for a living, life is nothing but a merry round of gaiety, one amusement following another. Others do not enjoy the questionable benefits of wealth, but the attainment of wealth is their ideal. In their vain imagining that in wealth there is happiness, they envy those who possess it.

But how empty are the hearts of those who pursue only the things of this earth. Neither wealth nor education, neither fame nor power, give true satisfaction and happiness. Indeed, the life of many a person who has these things does not deserve the name life—it is a mere existence. Jesus, who looked not only on the outward appearance but also on the heart, was moved with compassion when He observed the multitude, because they fainted and were scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd. Isaiah, seeing the lost condition of men, wrote: "All we like sheep have gone astray, we have turned everyone to his own way."

This selfishness is the real cause of our unhappiness. Jesus came to save us from such a self-centered life. He came to bring us true life. "I am the life," He said, and again: "I came that they might have life, and that they might

have it more abundantly." What a wonderful experience it is to have this life of Jesus fill our hearts! Paul in referring to it writes: "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature, old things have passed away, behold all things have become new." God is the source of all life; in His fellowship there is life, and separation from Him is death.

The life of God is revealed in Jesus Christ. Through Him we may have this divine life that enables us to live a life pleasing to God and satisfying to our innermost being. Christ's way of imparting this life is not reformation but regeneration. People imagine that they must join the church, be benevolent, turn over a new leaf, be good citizens. True, these virtues will be the result of the new life, but, my dear friend, "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." By the new birth man is brought into a living union with Christ. This new life is the source of an unspeakable joy and peace, of strength and endurance in the trials and afflictions of life. On the surface the life with Christ may seem hard, but yet His followers are richly repaid for any losses they may be called to suffer in the material realm.

It was my privilege to have a chat with the late John A. Campbell of this town not very long before he was called home to be with the Lord. He was an ardent follower of Jesus, having given his heart to Him in his youth. At

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Leaves for Peru

Hepburn, Sask. — Miss Margaret A. Epp, Waldheim, Sask., successful free-lance writer of Christian fiction for boys and girls, boarded a plane at Saskatoon, March 16, for a trip that will take her for a visit right into a mission field in Peru.

After brief stop-overs in Omaha, Nebr., and Meade, Kans., to see some relatives, Miss Epp will proceed on to Idma, Peru. There she will be met by the Rev. and Mrs. Sylvester Dirks who will take her to their mission station in the jungle interior. The Dirkses are working there under the auspices of the KMB Conference. Mrs. Dirks and Miss Epp are sisters. At the end of May the Dirkses are planning to come home to Canada on furlough and Miss Epp will be returning with them. By that time she will have realized much of the purpose of her air trip: to gather background material for her writing career, to catch a new missionary vision at first hand, in order to be able to convey the spirit of missions to her young readers.

Miss Epp is a graduate of the Bethany Bible Institute of Hepburn, Sask., where she has also been instructor for several years.

CREATE EASTER ATMOSPHERE BY PROGRAM

Leamington, Ont. — The death and resurrection of Christ served as the theme of the program brought by the Ontario M. B. Conference Bible School from Kitchener in the M. B. church here on March 18. Rev. I. T. Ewert, principal, directed the program, while Henry Goerzen, the music teacher, directed the choir.

The first song, "An dem Kreuz", struck the key-note for the whole evening. The scene of the death and resurrection of Christ was portrayed in a short dialogue. Sev-

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one time the Lord had prospered him and he gave abundantly to the cause of God's kingdom. But now his health was failing and perhaps other circumstances were not too bright. So I asked him if he thought that he had done the right thing when he yielded his life to Christ in his early years. He looked up to me and, with deep emotion, tears filling his eyes, he said: "If I had a thousand lives to live, I would want to live them all with Christ."

* Speaker on the radio program "Heimatlicht", sponsored by the Leamington, Ont., M. B. Church over CJSP (710 KC) at 6:05 p.m., Sunday.

eral short poems followed the singing of "He Tenderly Looked at Me" by a trio. The choir then sang "All in the April Evening", by W. H. Anderson, whereupon another scene revealed the sorrow of the disciples at the disappearance of Christ's body. After the song, "Thou Wilt Keep Him in Perfect Peace", by the choir, Christ's appearance to the disciples in Galilee was portrayed. Mr. Goerzen then sang "The Love of God". Another recitation and song by the choir preceded the message.

Ed Janzen of Grimsby delivered a sermonette, followed by several songs by the choir, male quartet, and by a recitation.

We were again challenged by the great facts of God's sacrifice and Christ's suffering through this program.

Oratory Contest at Lucky Lake

Lucky Lake, Sask. — On March 16 the local elementary and high school held an oratory contest in the Legion Hall. This was the first of its kind to be held in town, and the spacious hall was comfortably filled with parents and other interested friends.

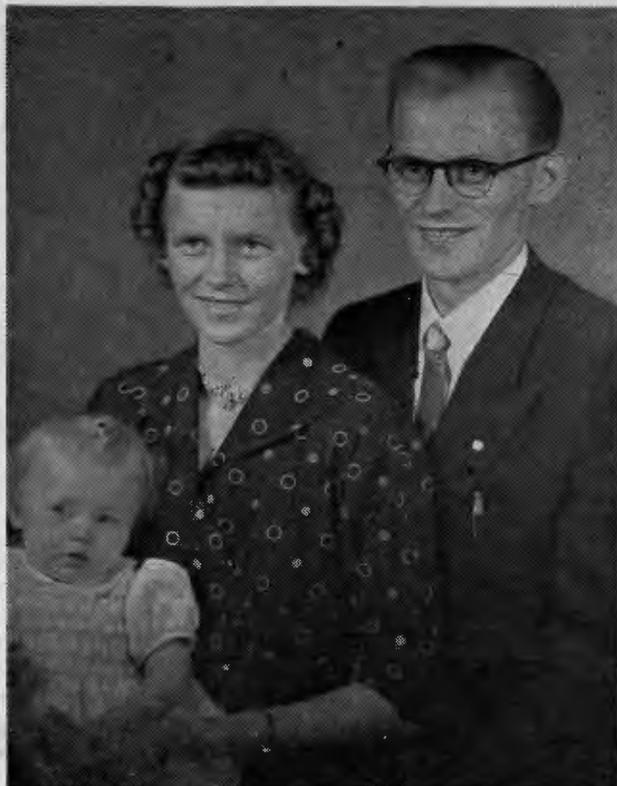
Twenty-four contestants from grades one to twelve took part in the contest. The lower grades presented memorized poems and stories, while the higher grades gave speeches which they had prepared on topics of their own choosing. A wide variety of interesting and profitable subjects were discussed and the contestants did very well in their presentation. Those who were successful in winning in their respective group received a bronze inscribed medal as a reward for their effort. Several received honorable mention.

Judges for the contest were Mr. Nelson, principal of the Demaine school; Mr. Fieger, principal of the Beechy school and Mrs. Hooper, also of Beechy.

The intermissions between the different groups of speakers were filled in with the presentation of playlets and songs of supposedly humorous (nonsensical) nature.

The following were the winners of the reward: Beverley Bond with "I Like Mice", grades one and two; Shirley Snowdon with "Betty at the Party", grades three and four; Bobby Jones with "My Grandfather Goes West", grades five and six; Ruby Froese with "Insulin", grades seven and eight; Shela Steinhauer with "The Life of Jesus", grades nine and ten; and Arlene Fisher with "The South African Racial Problem", grades 11 and 12.

Mrs. Jones, president of the Lucky Lake Home and School Club, made the presentation of the medals.



Rev. and Mrs. Hugo Jantz and daughter are at present staying at the headquarters of the M. B. Board of Foreign Missions in Hillsboro, Kans. They expect to leave for Costa Rica in less than a month to begin studying the Spanish language. After completing their studies they will go to Quito, Ecuador, to assist the David Nightingales at radio station HCJB.

TO MEET IN KITCHENER

Kitchener, Ont. — The Sunday school workers and Bible school teachers of the M. B. Church in Canada will meet for their annual conference in Kitchener, Ont., from April 5 to 8.

The sessions will be held the afternoon and evening of April 5 and 6, while on Saturday three sessions will be held. A final meeting will convene on Sunday afternoon. All sessions will be held in the Kitchener M. B. church.

Topics under discussion on the conference will be: Biblical Aims in Religious Education, The Example of the Teacher the Best Instruction, Principles in Discipline, The Effective Use of Music in Worship, and Principles for Curriculum Planning.

Present German Play

Winnipeg, Man. — Mennonite students at the Manitoba Provincial Normal School cooperated with the "Mennonite Society for the Nurture of the German Language" to stage the German play, "Der Segen des Wohltuns", in the auditorium of the Technical Vocational High School in Winnipeg on March 24.

Before the play a choir composed of normal school students, directed by Allan Janzen, sang several songs for which Christian Gellert, the hero of the play, had written the words. The choir sang after the introductory remarks by Rev. D. K. Duerksen, the chairman of the society.

An all-male cast gave a creditable performance of the play un-

der the circumstances. Considering that their previous acting experience was little if any and that German was not their "lingua franca", they did quite well, with an especially good performance by Jake Klassen, the grandfather in the play. Costuming was very good.

The play itself showed the noble character of Gellert—who gave away his last "Taler" for those in need. His ability to make even a covetous nobleman generous and his talent for putting his noble thoughts into words came out forcefully. Yet over all his humble attitude under God made the greatest impression.

RETURNS BECAUSE OF ILL HEALTH

Laird, Sask. — Due to ill health Miss Mary Heppner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Heppner of Laird, Sask., had to return home from her field of missionary service in Trinidad, British West Indies. She has been on the field for almost 18 months. We wish her a speedy recovery.

A letter from Rev. and Mrs. Ben Heppner, who are also serving in the British West Indies, reports that their second Bible school term is drawing to a close. The seven male students have received the Word with great enthusiasm and have grown spiritually.

Christ died at the hands of sinners. Yet he died for sinners. Here are the facts which should lead every sinner both to conviction and faith.



Rev. Sherman Williams



Rev. Clate Risley



Mr. Wm. T. Greig

These were the three main speakers at the Sunday School Conventions in Steinbach and Winnipeg, held March 15 to 18 and March 18 to 20 respectively. Rev. Risley is general secretary of the National S.S. Association, Chicago; Rev. Williams is the director of the convention department of Scripture Press, Chicago; and Mr. Greig is vice-president of Gospel Light Press, Mound, Minnesota. Miss Lillian Swanson of Child for Christ Crusade, Calgary, Alta., assisted in the workshops.

HERE AND THERE AND EVERYWHERE

Bible School Visits Port Rowan

Port Rowan, Ont. — The 26 pupils, Rev. I. T. Ewert, the principal, and Henry Goerzen, the music teacher, of the Ontario M. B. Conference Bible School at Kitchener, Ont., visited the Mennonite Brethren Church here on March 17 and 18.

Everyone took part in their presentation of the Easter message. Through the dialogue, recitations, and songs by the choir, trio and quartet, our attention was focused on Christ and the accounts of his death and resurrection.

The group stayed overnight and took part in the morning worship service. The choir sang three songs and Rev. Ewert spoke on "Redemption in the Blood". After lunch they left for Leamington, where they were also going to present a program.

Leave for Bible Conference

Winnipeg, Man. — Dr. A. H. Unruh and Rev. David Ewert from here left on Wednesday, March 28, for St. Catharines, Ont., where they will serve at the annual Bible Conference in the M. B. church there. Rev. Ewert is registrar and instructor at the M. B. Bible College, while Dr. Unruh is a retired teacher still active as Bible expositor.

Ministerial Course in Saskatoon Church

Saskatoon, Sask. — Rev. G. Lohrenz, instructor at the Canadian Mennonite Bible College, and Rev. A. J. Regier, teacher at the Rosthern Junior College, Rosthern, Sask., lectured at the annual ministerial course held in Saskatoon at the First Mennonite church from March 13 to 15.

About 40 ministers and church

workers from various parts of Saskatchewan were present for the course, which included sessions both morning and afternoon on the three days and evening services the first two days.

In his lectures Rev. Lohrenz dealt with the first three chapters of the book of Revelation, while Rev. Regier outlined the first 29 chapters of the Book of Jeremiah.

Meals were served in the church basement by the ladies of the First Mennonite Church.

Receives Scholarship for Study in England

For the second successive year a graduate of the Mennonite Collegiate Institute at Gretna, Man., has won one of the two Shell Postgraduate Scholarships for study in the United Kingdom.

Peter J. Krueger, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Krueger, Altona, Man., received word from the Awards Officer of the National Research Council last week that he has been awarded the scholarship for study in the United Kingdom during 1956-58. The scholarship is awarded by the Shell Petroleum Company Limited and has a value of 750 pounds per annum, plus passage. Only two such scholarships are awarded annually in Canada in Science and Engineering.

A graduate of Mennonite Collegiate Institute in 1951, Mr. Krueger entered the University of Manitoba the following year on a Manitoba scholarship. He graduated in 1955, receiving his B.Sc. (honours) degree with first class honours. He is completing his work for the M.Sc. degree in chemistry at the present time. During the course of his studies he has received numerous scholarships and bursaries.

Last year's winner of this schol-

arship was Theodore Schaefer of Gretna, who is currently studying at Oxford, England.

Director Undergoes Operation

Hepburn, Sask. — The general director of the M.B. Mission of Saskatchewan, Rev. J. S. Adrian, had to submit to a hernia operation on March 22 in the Saskatoon City Hospital. His condition is satisfactory and he is expected to be home for Easter.

Elmwood Choir Sings to Full Church

Winnipeg, Man. — The large choir of the Elmwood M. B. Church sang "The Seven Last Words of Christ", by Dubois, in their home church on Sunday evening, March 25. A very large congregation listened to this second presentation of a difficult cantata.

Directed by Rudy Boschman, a senior music student at the M. B. Bible College, the choir repeated the program they had previously given in Morris and Winkler. Soloists were: Mitzi Suderman, soprano; Peter Koslowsky, tenor; Helmuth Janzen and Abe Friesen, baritone. Miss Adeline Willems sang the contralto solo, "Oh Sacred Head Now Wounded". Dr. F. C. Niermeier was the organist.

Male Choir Sings in United Church

St. Catharines, Ont. — Having become acquainted with the male choir of the St. Catharines M. B. Church through the radio broadcast, "The Glorious Gospel", the Elm St. United Church in Merriton invited the choir to serve them. This was done on March 21.

After bringing a program of sacred music the choir was invited into the basement auditorium for a light lunch prepared by the ladies of the congregation and

served by members of the junior choir. * * *

Gedderts at Terrace

Terrace, B.C. — The Terrace Gospel Chapel Young People's was blessed by the good singing, testimony and message of Jake and Mary Geddert of Port Edward, Sunday, March 18. Jake is a school teacher in Port Edward and Mary is nursing in the Prince Rupert General Hospital.

After the meeting the young people gathered for a time of social fellowship in the home of Rev. and Mrs. A. Schmidt. Since the train was delayed, as usual, Brother Geddert just made it back to Port Edward for his first class on Monday morning.

The group is very grateful for their service and its prayer is that God will continue to bless their ministry.

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ATTEMPT TO INFILTRATE NORTHERN B.C.

Terrace, B.C. — For some time now Terrace has been conscious of its need of a new hospital. The 20-bed hospital in army buildings now serving the community is inadequate for the ever-increasing population.

It entails a lot of red tape to acquire a new hospital, therefore the Catholic population of the community would like to have their church come in to build and staff a hospital. At the annual meeting held Friday, March 23, an overwhelming majority proved that the Terrace community wants to remain independent of such outside influence and build its own hospital.

Since Terrace is one of the wealthiest communities in B.C. it "should have enough pride to do its own work" was the general consensus of opinion.

CHALLENGE IN KOREA

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were sitting around a pail of slightly glowing coals to keep warm. Is it any wonder then that we feel badly when our children are discharged to the orphanages?

Now that our hospital has an ambulance Bertha and I are to visit some orphanages every week and make reports on what we find and see whether something can be done to improve matters. We feel so helpless when we see the great need of the thousands of orphans here in Pusan, but we know that God has promised to be a Father to the orphans.

Margaret Wiens, R.N., Vancouver, B.C. and Bertha Kornelsson, R.N., Abbotsford, B.C., have been loaned by MCC to the hospital at Pusan. This report is from MCC Canadian Headquarter's Letter.

The Testimony of a Missionary

(Miss Marie Schulz, R.N., was ordained in the Greenfarm, Sask., M. B. church on March 18 for missionary service. She already has spent several months on the field in Mexico. This testimony was given at the ordination service.)

In Psalm 118:1 we read: "O give thanks unto the Lord for he is good: because his mercy endureth for ever."

I thank God for a Christian community and the influence of devoted believers. From an early age I attended Sunday school and church services. I realized my lost condition and accepted Christ as my Saviour, claiming as my own the promise in John 6:37: "All that the Father giveth to me cometh to me and Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out."



God spoke to me about full-time service in several ways; the first time through a missionary report. At Bible school my sense of responsibility for the lost was increased. At the close of my third year at Bible school I promised my life to the Lord. When I graduated from Bible school the Lord gave me the verse, Proverbs 4:12 (Weymouth Translation): "When thou goest, thy way shall be opened before thee step by step."

In 1950 God opened the way for me to enter Nurses' Training. Upon completing my training I applied to the M. B. Board of Foreign Missions for full-time service, feeling my insufficiency but realizing that "I am a debtor" to those lost in darkness and sin.

It has been my privilege to spend almost two months at our mission station at Nuevo Ideal, Durango, Mexico, and I shall return to this station shortly. This work has only just been begun and there are many in Mexico yet who are without Christ.

Will those who love the Lord and His work pray that God will give me the needed grace to trust and believe Him for the accomplishment of my assignments?



At the left you see some of the Good News Club pupils at Winnipegosis. On the right is the class at Fork River, Man. Both classes are looked after by Harry Loewen of Coaldale, Alta., who is the M. B. home missionary at Winnipegosis.

Difficulties, but also Victories

By Harry Loewen

Winnipegosis, Man. — The sun is shining again and the cold winter with all its difficulties seems to be a thing of the past—at least we hope so. Nevertheless, the hardships of a severe winter on a small mission station on the shore of Lake Winnipegosis are still very fresh in our memory. Blocked roads, drifting snow and below zero temperatures had their effect on the work being done here.

During this period several out-stations which were being served regularly by our group had to be dropped. People on isolated farms could not be reached, while church members and others who usually attend our services found it impossible to come and enjoy the blessings of fellowship. The choir, which had served us faithfully at all times, was unable to practice, consequently also unable to sing.

But this is only one side of the picture. Although the roads to the church and to the people were blocked, the road to God, the spiritual channel, remained open. When there was no way out, there was a way up. And how we thank God for His answers to prayer. In spite of the severe weather conditions the attendance at the Sunday morning services averaged from 30 to 40 people; the Bible study classes averaged from eight to fifteen; while the Sunday school and Good News Clubs in Fork River on Thursdays, and here in town on Fridays, averaged from 16 to 22 children in each village.

The Lord has also blessed the work with visible results. At the Good News Club in Fork River several girls of about 10 years of age confessed their sin to God and accepted the Saviour. Adults also have experienced the transforming power of the message of the cross. For example, a man of 68 who had attended our street meetings in summer and was influenced by the songs and messages, accepted salvation readily after we visited him in his home.

God is working also on the heart of his wife and we pray that she too may find peace.

Spring and summer are approaching. What does the future hold? In spite of the predominantly Roman Catholic character of this community, the possibilities of reaching the lost are great.

Through the street-meetings, the approaching evangelistic services—possibly in May and in fall—and the house visitation work the Word of God can be sown into the hearts of men and women. Yet faithful witnessing must be supported by a holy life. A cleansed and consecrated Christian life on the part of the church members and the other believers is the prerequisite for showers of blessings (II Chron. 7:14).

A Great Challenge in Korea

By Margaret Wiens

Time rushes by so fast that it seems as if we are always writing reports. It is almost unbelievable that Bertha Kornelson and I have been in the Pusan Children's Charity Hospital for more than three months. And the remark made in a letter from Gregory Votaw, Church World Service, that this hospital was a great challenge, but probably the most frustrating too, has proved true.

The way the patients are treated one wonders if the doctors have had any training at all. For example, one of our boys had a rash on his head. Upon inquiry I was told it was ringworm. I asked the doctor why it was not being treated and she said, "He must have his hair clipped and the clipper is broken." So I explained that the hair could be cut with scissors and that he should have treatment before it spread any further. She finally consented and did as I suggested. It is sometimes hard to know what to do, but we have the welfare of the patient in mind and want to do what we can to help our children.

The work with the patients gives us much joy. They are so receptive to every little deed of kindness and just seem to thrive from it.

Let me tell you about one of the children, a partly negro boy, about four years old, who was brought in by some one who had found him abandoned. He had wounds about his head and body

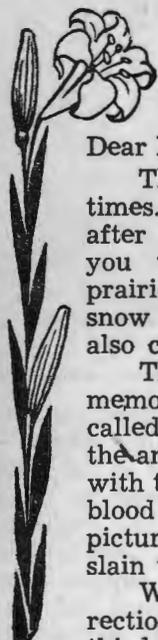
and his feet were very swollen and cold. He was in a semi-conscious state and we felt at first that there was very little hope of recovery. He, of course, had pneumonia from exposure and later the doctors also detected tuberculosis. The first ten days he was fed with a bottle and nipple. Slowly improvement was noticeable, but he had such a very sad expression on his face that it nearly moved us to tears at times. It was as if he wanted to say "Why am I treated this way, why must I suffer like this?"

We would often sit at his bedside and try to play with him, but he showed no sign of interest. Several weeks passed before he raised his eyes and looked into our faces, and then it was some time until we finally saw him smile. Improvement came slowly but steadily and the time came when he could sit up. Finally he stood up on his feet and started to gain weight, becoming a happy boy. When he was discharged from the orphanage he had such fat cheeks and was really a handsome boy.

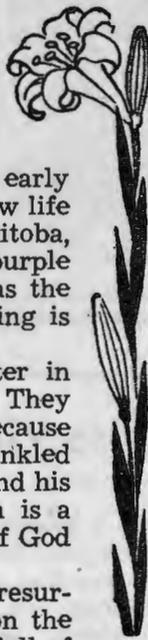
Several days ago I had the opportunity to visit the orphanage and came away feeling very sad and downhearted. Joey (for so we called him) was sitting on the floor with a number of other children, barefooted, dirty and his cheeks much thinner. He had no sparkle in his eye anymore. They

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THE Young Observers



Let's Visit a Minute



Dear Boys and Girls,

The name of Easter has come to us from early times. It means spring, the awakening of new life after the long winter. If you live in Manitoba, you will know the fur-coated silvery-purple prairie crocus. It appears almost as soon as the snow is gone. This little harbinger of spring is also called the Pasque or Easter flower.

The children of Israel celebrated Easter in memory of their departure from Egypt. They called it the festival of Pasach or Passover because the angel of death passed over all doors sprinkled with the blood of a lamb. That slain lamb and his blood sprinkled to save people from death is a picture of Jesus Christ, who was the Lamb of God slain to save us all.

We celebrate Easter to remember the resurrection of Christ. Christ died for us but on the third day he arose. Our Easter hymns are full of triumph. I like to hear the boys sing "Christ Arose" with real enthusiasm. It is such an inspiring song. And then, I like to hear you sing "Easter Lilies". Their white colour signifies light, purity and joy.

When Christ triumphed over death, He awakened his children to a new life of light, purity and joy with Him. Let us remember this as we celebrate a "Joyous Easter".

Aunt Selma

Cross-Bearers For Christ

By J. H. Janzen

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MENNO AND THE GOOSE

Once the group of scholars in which Menno was traveling were in the vicinity of the Dollard, expecting to find some wild fowl in the swamps and marshes which surround the bay, when they came upon a flock of geese swimming calmly in a puddle at the road side.

"If only they were wild and I could shoot one of them," moaned the archer. "I am hungry as a wolf."

Making up his mind quickly, Menno rushed towards the geese, scaring them into a wild panic.

"Shoot," he cried, as the flock rose from the water to fly home. "They are wild now."

The archer took aim and pulled the trigger. Down came a fat goose, which was quickly found, dressed, and roasted on an open fire by the hungry band. After the meal the boys stretched out in the shade of the bushes to rest, without even hiding the feathers and the bones of the goose.

It did not take the surviving geese long to get home and to announce their untimely arrival by a loud and excited chatter. This brought the farmer's wife to the yard, where she discovered in no time that one of her geese was

missing. Neither did it take long for the farmer to guess what had happened. He formed a posse, armed with pitch forks, flails and other weapons, who set out in search of the culprits. These they found very soon. The band was encircled, taken captive, disarmed, and marched off to the magistrate. The bones and feathers were gathered up and taken along as evidence.

The scholars were in for a painful lesson on the law of "meum et teum", which was Latin all right, but which did not sound like elaborate Virgillian poetry at all. Sullenly the captives went along, with bowed heads and depressed spirits. Only Menno refused to be dismayed.

"Ours is a lost cause," repeated the man to his right over and over again.

"Not at all," replied Menno in a whisper. "Haven't we eaten the goose?"

"Yes, but what if they turn us over to the jailer to dust our threadbare pants while we are still in them?" the man asked gloomily.

"Be of good courage," said Menno. "The people here are not without heart, and where there is a heart it can be moved."

As soon as they entered the village an escort of loafers and or-

ONLY JESUS

One offer of salvation,
To all the world made known;
The only sure foundation
Is Christ, the Cornerstone.

One only door of heaven
Stands open wide today;
One sacrifice is given;
'Tis Christ, the Living Way.

My only song and story
Is—Jesus died for me;
My only hope for glory
The cross of Calvary.



phans formed around them.

One shrill and insistent voice lamented that the roaming scholars would destroy the happiness of everyone in the country if their pranks could not be stopped. All evil originated with education. Why, had not that haughty, learned monk of Wittenburg even dared to reach for the Pope's tiara? What was this world coming to, anyway?

That voice belonged to the woman whose goose was missing, and there was little hope for leniency on her part. But Menno nudged the archer who was marching just in front of him and whispered mischievously, "Old master Erasmus of Rotterdam said it would not have harmed Luther so much to have touched the Pope's crown, if

he would only not have shaken the fat paunches of the prelates so much."

But the archer was in no mood for jokes.

"You should be concerned about the paunches of the prelates! You better think of your own fate."

The outlook, no doubt, was a gloomy one, but Menno remained unmoved.

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PSALM 23

The Lord is shepherd,
I shall not
He maketh me to
in green pastures:
He leadeth me in the of
righteousness
For His sake.
Yea, though walk
Through the of the
shadow of
I will no evil:
For thou art me;
Thy rod and thy staff they
..... me.
Thou a table
before me
In the of mine
enemies:
Thou anointest head
with oil;
..... cup runneth over.
Surely, goodness and mercy shall
..... me
..... the days of my life:
And I will
In the house of the
For

THE MAN IN BEARSKIN

By J. Keuning

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(8th Installment)

"So you're lost, are you? What are you doing in this wilderness, alone and unarmed?"

"It's my own fault," murmured the lad. "I intended to go only a little way, but I came across a big rabbit, and I started to chase him. Before I was aware of it, I had gone so far as not to be able to get back. I roamed about until I became so thoroughly frightened that I thought I had better call for help. Then I heard you answer, and I came over here to you." The boy wiped the sleeve of his jacket across his eyes to hide an unsuppressible tear. The strangeness of his surroundings, the singular rescue which he had accomplished, the signs of approaching night—all combined to upset the courage of the young Hollander, and he found it hard to keep from breaking down.

"My father will be wild with anxiety, if I don't get back tonight. He's warned me time after time to be careful in the forest, and he will be angry with me, too."

"Your father? Oh yes! Who is your father?" asked the hunter in an attempt to take the boy's mind away from his present misfortune.

"My father's name is Gerrit Kolf."

The man started as if stung by a wasp. The pupils of his eyes dilated with surprise, his mouth fell open. "Gerrit Kolf!" He spoke the name in an awe-struck voice.

"Yes," said the lad, "and my name is Jacob."

"Jacob Kolf! His son! The son of Gerrit Kolf," and the hunter eyed the boy as if he beheld some freak of a sideshow—some unnatural phenomenon.

"You seem to know my father," said the boy in a tone of wonder.

"Boy, why do you say that?"

"Well, you gave him a deer on the lake, and a sack of meal the next day."

"But cannot one bring gifts to those who are needy without necessarily knowing them personally?"

"Yes, but you knew my father's name, for you wrote it on a piece of paper. I saw it myself." The man was silent for want of an effective reply. "But what is your name, Sir?"

"I am the 'Man in Bearskin.'" He uttered the words slowly and solemnly, letting the romantic phrase exercise its full power upon the imagination of the young man.

"The 'Man in Bearskin,'" re-

peated the boy with some degree of reverential awe. "But you must have another name, too. What is your real name?"

"I believe you and I are going to be good friends, and we had best understand each other from the start. I have told you the only name by which I care to be known. Use that name as you please, but never ask me for another one. Will you do that?"

"Yes, sir," answered the boy.

"Well, Jacob, our time is worth too much to spend it here in idle talk. We must get back to my hut before the blackness of night obliterates all familiar trails and landmarks. We can still help each other. I'll manage to get you back to the colony after we have arrived at my shelter. Now get me a stout staff from that young oak over there—here's my knife—and I'll try to hop along somehow."

Jacob complied with the request, and soon had a substantial cane cut from the sapling. The pair set out in the direction of the grassy park, the hunter propped upon his improvised crutch hopping along and accepting the proffered support of Jacob's shoulder. Beside the hunter walked the boy proudly carrying the rifle of the cripple. Through the solemn corridors of the forest they journeyed. The youth talked incessantly with the open-heartedness and confidential frankness of his age, but the man heard little of what he said. While Jacob prattled boyishly, the "Man in Bearskin" was seeking a way out of the labyrinth into which his thoughts had led him.

"Jacob Kolf," he soliloquized. "Son of Gerrit! Yes, the lad had his father's features—the same chin, the same eyes. Gerrit must be the same as he used to be, always bringing in God, and the Bible, and prayer. The boy talks just as his father used to talk. But he was a good Gerrit—better than I. Yes, a thousand times better," and he stopped his chain of thought to permit himself to conjure up fond reminiscences of the past.

The insistent voice of the strippling at his side called him back to the present. "Sir," asked the boy, "shall I ask my father to visit you?"

The hunter stopped in his tracks. The query was entirely unforeseen. "But Jacob, why should he think of such a thing? He doesn't know who I am."

"But father would like to thank you for the gifts you made him."

"Jacob, I want no one to visit

me. No, I'll allow no visitors on my ground. I've bought the land, I'm the owner, and I have the right to keep from it all whom I please. That plot of land is my little kingdom; there I am master, and no one shall trespass upon it." The hunter spoke these words with a grimness and determination that caused the boy to draw back, and lift his face toward the bearded countenance in a questioning way.

"The people all know that you don't want any one on your land, because you shot at them the other day. My father was there, too."

"Was Gerrit—your father there?"

If the lad could have seen the face of his companion he would have noticed that it was bloodless and pale. "Well," continued the man, "if your father tries to force his way, he must be held back too. I'll withstand all intruders, and if they persist, they must reckon with powder and lead. But what did your father and the other men want on my property?"

Thereupon Jacob related the full story of the party of land seekers and their adventure at the enclosure.

"So!" sighed the man in relief. "They were looking for land. And how did they fare?"

"Father said that he would stay in the neighborhood of Holland, because he doesn't want to borrow any more money to buy land. He is going to work for the other colonists for some time. We have a little hut of boughs now, and father helps the other men in clearing the land. Before winter comes we will build a hut of logs. For the time being we are too busy for that. Isn't it a strange life around here! But it's fun though," added the lad in the joy of adventure which came upon him.

"Are your parents in need of anything?" asked the "Man in Bearskin" considerately.

"No, sir, not just now. But we are living so differently here. Just imagine! We have no closets, no table, no chairs—nothing that belongs in a home. A chest that we brought from the Netherlands serves as a closet and table at the same time. A few blocks of wood serve as chairs, and the boughs of cedar and hemlock make up our beds. Some of the people," continued the lad in an unbroken stream, "are discontented, and are blaming Dominie Van Raalte for bringing them here. Father says he is a wise and a good man, and that he knows well what he is doing. I hear that more people are coming here from Zeeland and Friesland. I'm glad that there are more people coming, but some folks are afraid that there won't be enough food for all, if too many come. It's strange," continued the boy changing his tack, "it's strange not to have to go to school.

We haven't any church either, except outside in the open air. But the Dominie said that there would be one before winter."

The steady flow of news from the lips of the youth had caused the man to forget his painful ankle somewhat, and before he was aware that so great a distance had been covered, he found himself at the rail fence surrounding his little cabin. Wolf came rushing out to honor the return of his beloved master. The quick animal seemed to know that some misfortune had befallen his master, and he leaped and pranced about him in great joy to show his fidelity.

The dog was less friendly to Jacob. He advanced toward him and began to sniff around suspiciously as if to make sure of the reliable and friendly character of the lad.

"Wolf," said his master, "the boy is my friend, and he must not be harmed. He helped me and saved my life, and we must be good to him. Do you understand?" and he patted the dog gently as if to give force to his implied command. "Don't be afraid of Wolf, Jacob. He will not touch you against my will. He'll be your friend in a little while now."

Jacob was uneasy at the proximity of the great animal, whose ferocity had been the subject of so much excited conversation after the return of his father and the party of land-seekers. But the injunctions of the hunter changed the attitude of the dog so much that Jacob lost credence in much that had been told him.

The injured man was now safely seated upon a block of wood in the meagre comfort of his rude home. Jacob was curious and lost no opportunity to drink in the interior of the cabin with his quickly shifting eyes. It was a shack not unlike the home from which he himself had started that very morning. A framework of saplings, hastily thrown up and notched together with the additional strength of a few wild vines, had been covered profusely with hemlock boughs. One end of the frame was left open to serve as a door and window combined. The floor was the damp earth warmed by a covering of pine and hemlock needles. Through the small, irregular apertures between the twigs of the covering could be seen the last dim light of the departing day.

The only furniture of the room was the block of wood upon which the owner was sitting. A heap of white ashes near the door indicated the place at which the woodsman prepared his meals, and an iron skillet and a heavy pot set in one corner comprised the full kitchen equipment of the modest establishment.

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THEY TAKE THEM OFF THE STREET



These pictures and those on page 9 give a view of the personal work being done between 10 and 12 p.m. at the Union Gospel Mission by the M. B. city mission. In the first picture, lower left, Peter Teigroeb of Port Rowan, Ont., is seen preparing for personal work—underlining important Scripture verses. The second picture, upper left, shows a quartet singing “the wondrous love of Jesus”. At the piano is Mrs. George Schroeder, while the quartet consists of George Schroeder, Steinbach, Man.; George Block, Borden, Sask.; Art Kliever, Elm Creek, Man.; and Jake Neufeld, St Catharines, Ont. “Bring them in” is the motto of the tract workers stationed outside, be it 60 above or 30 below. On the above right picture you see Erich Giesbrecht, Paraguay, inviting someone in for a cup of coffee. (Staff photos)



For those interested, a chart in Union Gospel Mission gives the schedule of services for the week. On one evening the Christian Businessmen's Committee serves, another evening it is Grant Memorial Baptist Church, and on another evening the Winnipeg Bible Institute ministers. But right in the middle, after the word “Wednesday”, the on-looker notices “Mennonite Brethren Mission”, and in smaller print, “Coffee and donuts”.

Hand in hand with the evangelical churches in Winnipeg, the M.B. city mission, called the “Gospel Light Mission”, has been ministering to the derelicts and about-to-become derelicts in Winnipeg's “skid-row”. Every Wednesday evening for many years the mission has been holding a service here. After the service, consisting of songs by a choral group, a testimony meeting, congregational singing, and a message from God's Word, those participating hand out steaming cups of coffee and buns. Often as many as a

hundred men or more are reached in this way.

However, Rev. John Schmidt was not satisfied with this. If the men would come to listen to a service because of the promise of coffee later, why wouldn't they come to be dealt with personally if offered a cup of coffee, he reasoned. The result is a quiet, but for those circumstances remarkably successful, ministry to the down and out.

A little over a year ago, in 1954, the doors of the mission remained open after 10 p.m. instead of closing after the men left. In came a singing group, several young men and ladies with tracts and Bibles in their hand. They were students at the M. B. Bible College, recruited to make this extra service possible. After a season of prayer in the office their work began.

The singing group mounted the platform, switched on the loud-speaker (also heard outside) and began singing. Several men went out into the cold to pass out tracts and invite the passers-by in.

A combination of gospel music and ardent persuasion brought in one man, another one—until almost all the tables were taken. As each man (or woman) came in he was ushered (some perhaps a bit unsteadily) to one of the tables. A cup of coffee and a bun was placed before him and a personal worker seated himself opposite the “guest”. Today several older brethren from the churches also participate and thus the personal worker may address his guest in Russian, Ukrainian, French, Polish, English, German — or

“Plattdeutsch”. Since Winnipeg is a cosmopolitan city this is a very essential aspect of the whole project.

The ministry is not confined to men; for there is a young lady outside also inviting the less fortunate women in, while inside those who preside at the “urn” also do personal work.

The success of the venture cannot be measured statistically. For every man or woman won for Christ several dozen hear the Word of God in such a way that they cannot close their ears to it—even though they may throw the tract away. Because these people are usually transients, even those who make a decision for Christ cannot be followed up in most cases. A rescue home is needed!

But there have been definite results. Jack, a converted alcoholic, whose mission in life has become the saving of these down and out, looks after the mission. He also attends the Gospel Light Mission frequently, and when there were evangelistic services there he invited three of the older Sunday school pupils at Union Gospel Mission to the service on a Wednesday night. The three girls left the evangelistic service under conviction, but would not yield. Jack managed to persuade them to come to Union Gospel Mission, where they, with the help of the personal workers on duty at that time, found peace in Christ.

Does it pay? Ask any of the personal workers—many of whom wouldn't miss this two-hour session before midnight on Wednesday for anything. The odor may be strong at times, the men unco-

operative, the opposition voluble, but they have a mission—they are ambassadors for Christ, beseeching men, “Be ye reconciled with God.”

MCC IN BERLIN

By Robert Schrag

(“MCC in Berlin” is the first of a series of articles describing the work the North American Mennonites through MCC are doing in Europe.)

Divided Berlin, a rankling sore on the face of the postwar world, continues to be a major point of Mennonite relief service in Europe. This city of hate and tension, almost obliterated by Allied bombing 11 years ago and today a “battleground” in the cold war between East and West, urgently needs the aid of Christians serving in the spirit of love.

Focal points of our Berlin program are relief services for some of West Berlin's 40,000 unrecognized refugees and aid to Mennonites—including refugees and the nearby 1,000 fellow-believers still residing in East Germany.

Menno-Heim, a fellowship and service center, is the base for Mennonite activity in this city on the very edge of the Western world. Established in early 1952 when the incessant refugee influx to West Berlin was beginning to reach the proportions of a mass exodus, Menno-Heim has served as a transient center for an estimated 500 Mennonite refugees. At this center, these emigrants from Communist East Germany received temporary housing, meals and material aid before being flown out to West Germany.

Haven for “East Zoners”

Menno-Heim is also considered a very special place by the nearly 1,000 Mennonites still living in Communist East Germany. For them it is a haven of hope and assistance, where, in addition to receiving material aid, they can temporarily be free of Communist restrictions, speak freely and worship God in a Mennonite church service.

Since it is relatively simple for East Germans to enter West Berlin, every three weeks the local Mennonites invite a different group of some 25 “East Zoners” to spend a weekend at the center. Even though the trip to Menno-Heim often requires travel by train from their homes—sometimes more than 100 miles from the city—to East Berlin, then by streetcar across into the city's American sector, more than 300 “East Zoners” attended the special weekends last year.

MCC relief supplies distributed to them include much-needed

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**VISIT VINELAND
M. B. CHURCH**

Vineland, Ont. — The Mennonite Brethren Conference Bible School presented an Easter program in the Vineland M. B. church Sunday evening, March 25. Especially noteworthy was the excellent singing of the choir, under the able direction of Brother Henry Goerzen.

The Easter story was clearly portrayed in the form of dialogue and recitation.

Only two of the teachers, Rev. A. Block and Rev. I. T. Ewert, principal of the Bible School, accompanied the students on their tour of the M. B. churches of the Niagara Peninsula. This was their third program for the day.



This man (at left) didn't want a cup of coffee, but is quite willing to listen to the message from God's Word. Gerhard Jantz of East Aldergrove, B.C., speaks German, English and Polish, making him a very useful personal worker. The girls (seen above right) are performing a very necessary service in the kitchen at the Union Gospel Mission. At the left is Laura Heier and at the right is Katie Regehr, both of whom come from Steinbach, Man., but who work in Winnipeg.

THE RELIGIOUS KALEIDOSCOPE

**To Investigate
Missionary Activity**

In Israel Premier David Ben Gurion announced that his government is setting up a special committee to investigate missionary activities. His reason: "Israel is a country which holds several religions and the question of missionary activity is a most serious one, not only from the religious point of view, but also from the cultural, moral and educational viewpoint." Probable real reason: The World Council of Churches and the International Missionary Council will sponsor a conference at Beirut, Lebanon, in May to consider church aid for the 900,000 Arab refugees from Palestine. (ERA)

**Missionary Education
Hampered in Egypt**

In Egypt another new law is hampering missionary educational activities. Now, no new private school may be opened without a permit from the district education board. The new law specifies that religion and ethics is compulsory in private schools, but also forbids teaching any religion other than the pupil's own faith and that pupils may not be required to observe the rites of another creed. Private schools must hire a Moslem or Jew to give religious instruction to pupils who are members of those creeds. (ERA)

**Spanish Protestants
Call for Evangelism Program**

The General Assembly of the Protestant Church of Spain has recommended the creation of a Commission on Evangelism. The decision was announced in a message recently sent to all congregations.

"Owing to the doctrinal deviations of the Roman Catholic Church," says the message, "this

evangelistic work is becoming an absolute necessity. But it must be carried out in a non-sectarian spirit and be based solely on Holy Scripture."

The Assembly asks the local congregations to be ardent about evangelism, to consider the value of Bible study and to deepen their own knowledge of Protestant doctrine. It urges "meetings of an evangelistic nature in families". (WCD)

**Swedes Forced to Worship
in Danish Border Church**

Building a church in Sweden is a very difficult thing to do. In fact, it is easier to build an apartment house or a hospital—license-wise at any rate. This situation is not the result of persecution, but it does reflect the pressing housing shortage.

One Lutheran congregation in Malmo has blueprints for a new church ready, a site purchased and money in the bank for its construction—everything except the license—but is forced to hold weekly worship services across the border in nearby Denmark. (ERA)

**Speakers Announced for
Annual YFC Convention**

Evangelist Billy Graham will head the roster of speakers at the annual convention of Youth for Christ International, to be held at Winona Lake, Indiana, July 1 to 15. Other well-known evangelists slated to speak are Bob Cook, Jack Shuler, Bob Pierce, T. W. Wilson, Cedric Sears, Jack Cochran, Carl Bihl, Joe Weatherly, Sam Wohlgenuth, and Bob Savage.

The new teen-age dramatic film "Seventeen", produced by Youth for Christ, will be premiered during the convention. Another highlight will be the national high-school Bible quiz contests, and the national finals of the teen-age speaking and musical talent

contests. Thousands of teen-agers now are participating in local rally Bible quizzes and talent contests, later to compete in regional finals in hopes of winning the right to compete in the national finals at Winona Lake. (ERA)

CANADASCOPE

The Budget Helps the Farmer

The Canadian government expects to have a revenue of \$4,763,000,000, and expenditures of \$4,650,000,000. Thus there will be a surplus, yet there has been only a slight reduction in taxes—and this reduction has helped the farmer most. The excise tax has been repealed on: boxes or farm wagons and articles used exclusively in their manufacture; poisons used in agriculture or horticulture; vermiculite used for agric-

ultural purposes, identification tags or labels for designating the grades or quality of meat, poultry, fish, eggs, fruit and vegetables and finally on artificial insemination refrigerators.

Large Profit for Breweries

Breweries in Manitoba made more than \$18,000,000 in profits, before interest charges, in the 10-year period from 1946 to 1955, according to figures submitted to the Manitoba legislature's beer profits committee.

CNR Plans Huge Spending

The CNR plans to spend \$233,564,000 on capital improvement projects in 1956, a large portion of which will go toward expenditures on road property, rolling stock and hotels.

The World Today

Egyptians Warned by British

Britain's Foreign Office has warned Egyptian Premier Gamal Abdel Nasser that "it is difficult to see how there can be hope for improvement in Anglo-Egyptian relations" as long as Egypt continues to present political policies and propaganda "against Britain and governments in treaty with Britain".

An Unfriendly Reception

Gen. Ivan Serov, head of Russia's secret police, received a very unfriendly reception in England when he arrived to arrange safety measures for next month's visit of Premier Nikolai Bulganin and Nikita Khrushchev. Papers contained lengthy tirades against the man they blame for mass deportations from Poland, East Germany and the Baltic states.

Sweeping Reforms in Algeria

Sweeping reforms will be undertaken by Minister-resident Robert

Lacoste in Algeria to improve conditions there. He will press forward with land reforms, increase the amount of harvests received by share-croppers and guarantee of certain jobs for the Moslem natives.

**FORAGE MIXTURES
ARE IMPORTANT**

Grass-legume mixtures have many advantages over single crops. They produce greater yields, add variety to livestock rations, and provide green palatable forage over a longer period because some species start early while others mature late.

During the past two years at the Experimental Farm, Brandon, results of hay tests indicated that mixtures gave an increase of 78 per cent over single crops; whereas, in pasture tests, mixtures out-yielded single crops by 200 per cent.

The legume in the mixture is particularly important since it maintains a higher level of productivity by increasing the nitrogen content of the soil.

Weddings

SCHMIDT — FRIESEN

Tina Friesen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Friesen, Coaldale, Alta., and Werner Schmidt, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Schmidt, Coaldale, Alta., were married on March 17 in the Coaldale M. B. church. Rev. D. Pankratz officiated.

Special speaker at the wedding was Rev. A. Neumann, Grassy Lake, Alta. Music was provided by a choir consisting of relatives and by soloist Rudy Wiebe.

ISAAK — KLIEWER

Magdalena Kliewer, daughter of Mrs. Anna Kliewer and the late Mr. Kliewer, Aldergrove, B.C., and Jake Isaak, son of Mrs. Isaak and the late Mr. Isaak, Aldergrove, were married on March 18 in the East Aldergrove M. B. church. Rev. Herman Voth officiated, while Rev. C. D. Toews delivered a message in the English language.

THIESSEN — ENS

Elsie Ens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Ens of Saskatchewan, and David Thiessen, son of Mrs. A. Thiessen and the late Mr. Thiessen, St. Catharines, Ont., were married on March 24 in the M.B. church at St. Catharines, Ont. Rev. A. H. Redekop officiated.

Mr. and Mrs. Thiessen left for Saskatchewan for their wedding trip, since Mrs. Thiessen's parents were not able to be present for the wedding. Mr. Thiessen is a school teacher who has taught in Manitoba previously. His wife has been a student at the M. B. Bible College at Winnipeg at one time.



NEW AREA OF NEED IN KOREA

Ullung is an island about 80 miles off the east coast of Korea with a population of 15,000. During the first week of March the Korean government informed relief agencies in Korea that 9,000 of the 15,000 people on this island were needy.

MCC will send food and clothing to the island. Other agencies will send wheat, milk and butter and oil. A special ship will carry the relief supplies and personnel to this island, which is so isolated that it has neither roads nor ox carts.



This is a scene at a migrant labor camp in Coalinga, California. The MCC through its voluntary service workers provides material aid as well as spiritual help through classes for the children and visitation work.

TWO COUPLES SAIL FOR INDONESIA AND KOREA

The Kenneth Brunk's and Chris Z. Yoder's sailed aboard the S. S. China Mail on March 28 for the Orient and three years' service in the Far East.

Kenneth and Twila Brunk will take over direction of the Mennonite Vocational School for Orphan Boys at Taegu, Korea, from Venre and Norma Kohls.

Chris and Sara Grace Yoder will join the MCC unit at Kudus, Java.

Both couples are from Denbigh, Va., and attended the Warwick River Mennonite Church there.

TWO YEARS IN IRAQ

Carl R. Jantzen of Beatrice, Nebr., spent most of his I-W time in Iraq. He was loaned from MCC to the International Voluntary Service community development team there.

In the first phase of the IVS program the teams established pilot projects where they trained village workers in sanitation measures, agricultural and dairy herd improvement, digging wells, etc. Now a program of village development for the entire country will be launched this year, based on the IVS project.

Jantzen writes of his experience: "I am enthusiastic about the project in Iraq. . . For one thing, my eyes were opened to the way in which much of the world lives—crude mud or stone houses where one sees none of the luxuries that are termed necessities in a common American home. Life here presents itself as a wretched thing, especially when a philosophy of fatalism holds the people. . .

"Another outstanding personal gain from these two years in Iraq stems from having spent a long period of time in one place to learn to know individual persons.

Sometimes one finds that in the course of a busy day he forgets that he is not only holding down a job. Knowing the people for whom he is working is valuable not only for the personal friendship, but also for keeping in mind the total purpose of the project as he is led to think directly about the future of those about him. In fact, to have been there, to have seen and realized what the people need and then to go away and forget does not seem right. One finds himself beginning to think of foreign service, no more so much as adventure, but as a possibility for a vocation showing the love which he as a Christian is asked to give."

MCC IN BERLIN

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clothing of all types and food like butter, cheese and flour. Three worship services, held especially for the "East Zoners" by the local Mennonites, are a much appreciated part of the weekend activities. MCC worker J. K. Klassen is usually in charge of one service. One afternoon is free for singing and informal fellowship.

These "East Zone" Mennonites were uprooted from their prosperous farms in Prussia by World War II. Despite their flight westward before the advancing Russian army, the division of Germany nevertheless brought them under the Communist regime.

Some conditions these people face today were pointed out by Herr F., who formerly farmed in the rich agricultural area near the city of Danzig. Since many farms in East Germany are now being collectivized, he considers himself fortunate to still be privately operating a small farm with two horses, three cows and a few hogs. "We like to work for ourselves," he said. Income from agricultural produce, according to the Mennonite farmer, provides very limited buying power, since textiles and

foodstuffs are usually high in price.

Another Menno-Heim visitor, Herr S., commented that even if one has the money, such "luxury" items as butter, cheese and coffee are unobtainable. "We have to save every Pfennig," said the "East Zoner", whose meager earnings as a baker must provide for his wife and six children. "But we are very thankful for the little that we have."

Originally a joint project of MCC and the West Berlin Mennonites, Menno-Heim recently became the charge of the local Mennonite congregation, but MCC continues to provide facilities and relief supplies. With local members now responsible for Mennonite aid, MCC personnel can give more attention to the city's great problem—providing for unrecognized refugees.

Plight of Unrecognized Refugees

Of the many thousands of refugees who have funneled through the Berlin bottleneck, most were able to pass the government screening procedures and qualify as "political" refugees. To get this recognized status, each defector to West Berlin must convince the screening panel that he was actually imperiled by the East German regime. Some common reasons accepted as legitimate grounds for seeking asylum in the West: 1) unwillingness to join the "Volkspolizei" (People's Police) or the recently organized East German army; 2) inability to meet excessive work norms, and 3) parents' objection to having their children trained in the Communist way. (Any one of these charges would brand an individual as an enemy of the Eastern state.) After a relatively short stay in one of West Berlin's 20 "Durchgangslager" (transit camps), these recognized refugees—102,725 in 1955—are flown from Tempelhof airport to various cities in the West German Federal Republic.

But many others, who perhaps came merely to seek a higher living standard, are not given permission to go to the West. For fear of punishment they cannot return to their former homes. These are the unrecognized refugees. More than 40,000 of them are today stranded on the "island" of West Berlin.

The city's reduced commercial life, cut off from its former markets and supplies can offer no jobs to these "left over" refugees. Therefore, about 25,000 are on social relief. Receiving a meager government stipend, they live in some 56 crowded camps or reside privately, often with relatives. The remaining 15,000 live "black", wandering the streets, existing on what they get by begging.

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COLLEGES

MENNONITE BROTHERS BIBLE COLLEGE

On Tuesday, March 20, we were privileged to have Rev. Harold Sherk with us. He is the director of the Peace Section of the MCC, with headquarters in Akron, Pa. At sessions in the morning and in the afternoon he spoke on the MCC and its opportunities in Voluntary Service; on the biblical position of non-resistance; and led in a discussion period wherein the students participated in large numbers. We are beginning to realize more of the implications of Christ's statement, "Love your neighbour as yourself."

Rev. Abe Taves gave a very interesting report on his work in French Equatorial Africa on Wednesday morning. On Thursday afternoon he returned to show some films which realistically portrayed the life of the African native and the work of the missionary.

John Pauls of Coaldale, Alberta, gave the graduate testimony on Thursday, March 22.

On Friday morning Miss Kirby, the founder of the Missionary Health Institute, Toronto, Ontario, explained the purpose of the institution and pointed out the necessity for missionary medical training.

Friday brought with it a number of musical events. In the afternoon a recital featured some visiting talent, while in the evening the A Cappella Choir presented a sample program of their Ontario tour, which begins on March 30 in Leamington.

The A Cappella Choir left for Ontario early Wednesday morning in a new scenic-cruiser operated by the Thiessen Transportation Co. Ltd.

Henry Warkentin

CANADIAN MENNONITE BIBLE COLLEGE

As the prayer meeting on Saturday, March 17, was the last one for the winter term, it was held in the form of a testimony meeting. As we shared our experiences with one another, rich blessings were received by all. Following the prayer meeting, a farewell social was held for all the students who will be leaving at the end of the winter term.

On Sunday, March 18, the College Choir went by chartered bus and some private cars to Winkler and Altona in order to sing the oratorio "St. Paul". Both Rev. D. Janzen and Rev. G. Lohrenz accompanied the group. Besides singing the Oratorio, the choir sang as their opening number "Der Herr ist gross", the male octet brought a number, several testimonies were given and Rev. Jan-

zen brought a message based on Paul's Damascus road experience. On Friday, March 23, a group will be leaving for Ontario to present the "St. Paul" oratorio to the churches there. Rev. Lohrenz will be going with the choir.

We had two visitors during the last week. On Friday, Rev. Esau was with us all day and also spoke to us in chapel. On Monday, Rev. Harold Sherk, representing the MCC, was in our midst.

Final examinations for the winter term were held from March 20 to 22. The spring term will commence on April 3.

TABOR COLLEGE

Business Course Strengthened

Tabor College will be offering a strengthened major in business next year with the return to the campus of Emil A. Thiessen. Mr. Thiessen has been continuing his graduate studies at Colorado State College of Education at Greeley this year.

Thiessen began his college teaching career at Tabor in 1950 after two years in the Leoti, Kansas, High School, and taught at the College until the spring of 1955. In 1951 he received a Master of Science degree in business at Kansas State Teachers College at Emporia.

Mr. Thiessen will be returning to his Alma Mater when he comes to the campus, having graduated with the class of 1948. He has been elected to the national honorary business education fraternity and is a member of business educators' groups in Colorado and Kansas. Originally from Buhler, Kansas, he is married and the father of two children.

Completes Work for Degree

On Monday, March 12, Professor Herbert C. Richert, for the past twenty years chairman of the music faculty at Tabor College, completed requirements for the degree of M.S. in Music Education at Kansas State Teachers College of Emporia. He will formally receive the degree in May.

Professor Richert's name appears in the fifth edition of *Who is Who in Music*, a listing of prominent musicians in this country and abroad. He is the editor of *The Mennonite Brethren Hymnal*, *Young People's Sacred Songs*, and has written and published many other choral works and hymns.

Arbor Day at Tabor

Tuesday, March 20, was celebrated as Arbor Day on the Tabor campus. Students and faculty forgot their books in favor of rakes, hammers, and shovels as they scattered over the campus and around the dormitories planting trees, landscaping the lawns, and preparing the new library site for the

coming ground-breaking ceremonies.

The day was begun with a hearty breakfast at the cafeteria and early chapel exercises in the college auditorium. Among special projects undertaken this year was the staking off of the parking area south of the administration building.

Another project was the laying of walks between buildings of the dormitory composite on South Washington known as the Quadrangle. This four-unit housing area—consisting of South Hall, North Hall, California Hall, and California Annex—will become the centralized housing area for all college girls next year.

GOSHEN COLLEGE

Two foreign student teams will present programs in churches in Ohio, Indiana and Michigan. Members of the Ohio team include Ernesto Suarez, Argentina, and Taki Tanase, Japan. Michigan team members are Raul Garcia, Argentina, and Toshio Inoue, Japan.

Several groups of students have also taken weekend tours of various sections of the church. Three gospel teams visited churches in Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois, March 15 to 18. The A Cappella Chorus spent the weekend of March 10 and 11 in Ohio and southern Indiana. The 20-voice Seminary Men's Chorus with Director Paul Brunner spent the weekend of March 9 to 11 in Ontario. In its first year, the Seminary Chorus has also filled a number of local appointments.

In a recent student election, Dean Kuhns, a junior elementary education major, from Shickley, Nebr., and Fran Stieglitz, a junior English major from Milford, Ind., were chosen to head the YPCA for 1956-57 as president and vice-president respectively. Other top officers are Rosemary Wyse, Archbold, Ohio, secretary, and John King, Goshen, treasurer. The new officers will be installed in April, along with commission chairmen who have not yet been chosen.

Blanche Sell, missionary on furlough from India, placed first in the twenty-first annual Women's Speech Contest held March 16 with her speech entitled "Our Reputation Abroad". Second and third places went to Celia Gerber, Orrville, Ohio, with "It's a Privilege" and Ida Arnone, Cannanore, India, who spoke on the subject, "And This I Believe". Other contestants included Sharon Kraybill, Elkhart, Ind.; Montana Heiss, Stuttgart, Germany; and Rosemary Stieglitz, Milford, Ind.

On March 29, Karl Robinson, one of the country's outstanding film lecturers, will appear on the current Lecture-Music Series with an illustrated lecture on Brazil

In this film, the culture, economy and international significance of this important South American neighbor are blended into a fascinating film-story.

The Tudor Madrigal Singers presented a program of Madrigals and other numbers including songs by Brahms, Renaissance motets and familiar British folk songs on March 19.

HIGH SCHOOLS

MENNONITE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE, NORTH CLEARBROOK, B.C.

An Evangelist's Testimony

One of the young people in her testimony said, "During this Spiritual Emphasis Week God has shown me how small I really am." If this teenager will permit me, I would like to use her thought in summing up how I feel about what God did at the MEI. God showed all of us how small we really are and how great He is. Frankly, I have never before seen the Lord work in such a wonderful way. To see literally hundreds of young people break down because of conviction of sin makes one feel very small. We do not feel that we have done anything, but thank God for the privilege of being a channel only.

The Lord has also given us a greater burden for souls and especially for young people. We do not know how many souls have been saved during these two weeks (God keeps the books), but we do know that many were saved and also many lives have been saved from sin and degradation. Our burden for these precious lives cannot be easily removed and our prayer for everyone of them is John 2:5, "Whatsoever He (Jesus) saith unto you, do it."

Rev. Henry Unrau (Rev. Unrau was the speaker at the Religious Emphasis Week held from March 5 to 15 at the Mennonite Educational Institute, North Clearbrook, B.C.)

BIBLE INSTITUTES

WINKLER BIBLE SCHOOL

The third class of the Winkler Bible School presented a program in the M. B. church here as the closing feature of their Teacher Training Course. Rev. H. H. Redekop, the Bible school principal, was chairman of the program.

Mr. Henry Krickan led in the opening, reading Deut. 6:1-9, 20-25 and praying. Then Rev. H. H. Redekop introduced the program and the guest speaker, Dr. Paul Rees of Minneapolis, Minn. A dialogue entitled, "Train

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WINKLER BIBLE SCHOOL

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Up a Child", was presented by Adina Goertzen and Allan Labun. It was a moving story of the significance of Bible teaching, a story that described 17 years of life for

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The alumni and the ex-students of the M.B. Collegiate Institute, Winnipeg, are having

A REUNION

April 5, 1956. This will be in the form of a banquet held at the Llentrad Harbour Restaurant, Assiniboine and Carlton, beginning at 7 p.m. There will be a short business meeting and an interesting program is also being planned.

Tickets may be purchased from Miss Katie Isaak, 30 Martin Ave., Winnipeg. Phone 50-3185. Please buy your tickets before April 3.

MEI ALUMNI MUSIC CLUB
presents
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written by Schiller and set to music by Romberg
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The choir will also sing several German "Naturlieder". The evening's program is to focus attention on our German heritage and to pay tribute to Rev. Franz C. Thiessen, who introduced this type of music into the community at Abbotsford.

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two boys and their parents.

Dr. Paul Rees spoke on "The Soul of a Teacher", using I Timothy 4:12-16 as his Scriptural basis. He elaborated on: exemplification, the example of the teacher; communication, the teacher giving out the Word of God; meditation, the teacher nourishing his soul and the souls of others; and continuation, enduring in giving oneself with a high heart to a noble cause.

Between the various items and the dialogue June Enns played the organ. Both of the items, the dialogue and the speech, had been brought from the Sunday School Convention at Spokane, Wash., where the speech had been recorded.

Rev. J. Quiring closed the evening's program.

Elizabeth Unger

ANNOUNCE CLOSING CONFERENCE

Hepburn, Sask. — The Bethany Bible Institute at Hepburn, Sask., has announced that their annual Bible and Missionary Conference will convene from Thursday, April 12, to Sunday, April 15. The graduation exercises will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 15.

Speaking at the conference will be Rev. David Ewert, instructor at the M. B. Bible College, Winnipeg, and missionaries from the Evangelical Alliance Mission and the China Inland Mission.

Services will be held in the local M. B. church, with the gradua-

tion exercises and the singing of the oratorio in the evening slated for the M. B. auditorium on the grounds of the Bethany Bible Institute.

The times of the thrice-daily services are 10 a.m., 2 p.m., and 7:30 p.m.

TO SING "THE HOLY CITY"

Hepburn, Sask. — The Oratorio Choir of the Bethany Bible Institute and community will present the second annual rendition of "The Holy City", by A. R. Gaul, on April 8 in the Rosthern First Mennonite church and on April 15 in the Hepburn M. B. auditorium.

The choir, under the direction of J. K. Schroeder, includes singers from Brotherfield, Waldheim, Laird, Salem, Dalmeny, Saskatoon and Hepburn. Their repertoire will also include the two choruses, "Worthy is the Lamb" and "The Hallelujah Chorus", from "The Messiah", by Handel.

The soloists are: Erna Krahn of Rosthern, soprano; Marina Schultz of Waldheim, alto; Albert Lepp of Dalmeny, tenor; and Walter Unger of Dalmeny, baritone. The pianist is Marjorie Wiens of Hepburn and the organist is Myrl Neufeld of Waldheim.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS FOR B. H. KLASSENS

The Ben H. Klassens of Morden, Man., at present missionaries in the Belgian Congo, Africa, report that their address has been changed. They write:

"We were only temporarily stationed at Lusemfu during language study and orientation. Our real work, that of teaching in the Monitor's or Teacher Training school, is at Nyanga. We expect to stay here until the end of this term."

Their new address is: B. H. Klassens, Nyanga via Tchikapa, Congo Belge, Africa.

TO SING CANTATA

Yarrow, B.C. — The choir of the Sharon Mennonite Collegiate, under the direction of Mr. Harold Dyck, will sing the Easter cantata, "The Resurrection and the Life", in the surrounding churches during the Easter season.

The schedule includes: Yarrow M.B. church, March 31; Chilliwack M.B. church, April 1; Greendale M.B. church, April 2; Vancouver M.B. church, April 15.

Soloists taking part are all students at the school.

The Alumni Association of the Sharon Mennonite Collegiate is preparing a drama, "Steadfast in Hope", which will be performed in the new school gym on April 13 and 14. This will be the first program held in the new gym, which was completed in January.

On the Horizon

April 1 — A new German radio program, sponsored by the M. B. city mission in Winnipeg, will be broadcast over KFNW., Fargo, North Dakota, at 8 to 8:30 a.m. every Sunday, beginning April 1.

April 2 and 3 — The Winkler Philharmonic Choir, under the direction of Dr. K. H. Neufeld, will sing "The Messiah" in the auditorium of the Winkler Collegiate.

April 5, 6 and 7 — Dr. K. H. Neufeld will lead in a choir school at Altona, Manitoba.

April 6 to 8. — The annual closing Bible Conference of the Herbert Bible School will have Rev. Frank C. Peters, president of Tabór College, as guest speaker. Graduation exercises will be held Sunday, April 8, at 2:00 p.m. in the M.B. Church auditorium. Guests will be accommodated by the school.

April 8 — The Oratorio Choir of the Bethany Bible Institute and community will present two choruses from "The Messiah" and the complete "The Holy City" in the Rosthern First Mennonite church at 7:00 p.m.

April 12 to 15. — The annual Bible and Missionary Conference of the Bethany Bible Institute will be held in Hepburn, Sask., with Rev. D. Ewert, instructor at the M. B. Bible College, Winnipeg, the main speaker. Missionaries from the China Inland Mission and the Evangelical Alliance Mission will be present.

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April 15. — A repeat performance by the Oratorio Choir in the M. B. auditorium at Hepburn, Sask.

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