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

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This picture of the P. J. Esau family was taken on the steps of the recently-dedicated chapel in Blaine Lake, Sask. The Esaus are working under the Canada Inland Mission. The children on the picture are Daniel, Dwight, Dorothy and Daphne. The oldest son, David, is not on the picture since he is attending the high school at Prairie Bible Institute.

Impressive Dedication Service at Blaine Lake

By Linda Froese

Blaine Lake, Sask. — Over 600 attended an impressive dedication service held on Sunday, June 3, in the Baptist and Mennonite Union church here.

Under the leadership of Rev. Peter J. Esau, who has served here for one and a half years, this new church has been built with the cooperation of the congregation and friends from other districts. It is a striking testimony to what a united effort can do.

After a word of welcome from the pastor, Rev. P. J. Esau, Mr. Matika from Arlee, Sask., opened the morning service with Scripture reading and prayer. Speakers

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M. B. Church in B. C. Convenes

By P. C. Tilitzky

Yarrow, B.C. — Despite the rain, delegates from the Mennonite Brethren churches in British Columbia met in the South Abbotsford M.B. church for the semi-annual conference on June 9. Representing over 4,000 church members, the delegates heard of an increased and expanded missionary program, coupled with new and larger responsibilities.

Rev. John J. Stobbe, pastor of the host church, which is located

four miles southwest of Abbotsford, welcomed the delegates and visitors and led in the invocation. He read Rev. 3:7-13, stressing, "Behold I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it." The open door of the M.B. Church in B.C. is a gift of God. Precious souls are entrusted to it, and all church members should be thankful, faithful, obedient and prayerful in winning these people while the door remains open, he stated. A number of brethren then led out in prayer, asking for God's guidance and blessing.

Installation Service for New Pastor

By Marjorie Wiens

Hepburn, Sask. — Installation services for the new pastor of the Hepburn M.B. Church were held on Sunday morning, June 3. Rev. Walter Wiebe has consented to serve as pastor.

The former pastor, Rev. P. R. Toews, who is taking up duties as pastor of the Fraserview M.B. Church in Vancouver, B.C., delivered the charge to "The Minister and the Church", using II Tim. 4:1-8 as his text. Rev. H. A. Willems of Hepburn gave the special installation message in the German language, basing his address on Acts 20:28.

After the special messages directed to Rev. Wiebe and his wife, Rev. Wiebe spoke briefly in an informal manner, expressing his appreciation of the warm response of this congregation. He felt that this special service was an indication of their support. He related what the church had meant to him in the past. At the time when he was teaching school in the Hudson's Bay school district he used to drive five miles to preach at the Sunday morning service in Hepburn. This church was also important to him because it had ordained him to the ministry. Their call to the pastorate was a further seal that God has led them. He answered the charge with I John 1:3.

The local church choir sang at the service.

The moderator, Rev. H. Lenzman, pastor of the Yarrow M.B. Church, officially opened the conference deliberations by reading Acts 1:8, "Ye shall be my witnesses..." We can do this if we are filled with the Spirit, if we go the way of the cross and serve Him who went before, the Lord Jesus Christ. The encouraging words prepared the conference for the day's work of organizing the great and diversified mission of the churches in B.C. The presence of the Lord was felt as the deliberations started.

The first item on the agenda was the election of the executive for the next year. The present moderator, Rev. Lenzman, and the assistant moderator, Rev. G. Thielman, were re-elected, with Rev. David Friesen returned as secretary.

Rev. Paul Wiebe, chairman of the city mission committee, reported on the work being done by Rev. Henry Klassen and the staff of the Pacific Grace Mission. The work is progressing and fruitful, with souls being saved and the Sunday school increasing. The \$27,000 Pacific Grace Mission hall is nearing completion. The home for girls is also operating with visible blessings. The conference accepted the recommendations and pledged themselves to further support the work.

The largest single project of the conference, the West Coast Children's Mission, was described in

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Graduate 20 at Tenth Commencement Exercises

"We have passed from the classroom of preparation to the altar of service," declared Lawrence Warkentin in his valedictory address at the commencement exercises of the M.B. Bible College held on Sunday evening, June 10, in the Elmwood M.B. church. "Since the Lord has answered our requests, and has shown us His will for us, we are commissioned to leave this fountain of blessing and convey its life-giving waters to thirsty souls."

Parents and friends had come from the five provinces of Canada represented at college for this week-end of closing exercises. A large representation was also present from churches outside of Winnipeg to hear the baccalaureate address by Rev. J. H. Quiring on Sunday morning and to see the graduates receive their diplomas Sunday evening.

The festivities commenced with the graduation banquet, held in the lower auditorium of the Elmwood M.B. church on June 8. The charge to the graduates by George Block was replied to by P. Hamm.

A program by the graduating class, presented in the North Kildonan M.B. church, was notable for the original contributions of the graduates. Under the theme, "A Vessel Unto Honor", the songs,

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EDITORIAL

A Potential For the Church

From the editor's window may be seen the regular trysting-place of youths on their way to a nearby city high school. Singly or in groups they linger for a cigaret on their way to school. This morning a young man, possibly a graduate this year, walked back and forth in the alley, obviously ill at ease in his stealthy "enjoyment" of a cigaret. A look down the street this way, another look the other way—and then a quick puff.

This and similar scenes present a sharp contrast to the general behaviour in our private Christian high schools. Even though many rules may be parallel in the two types of schools, the basic attitude revealed by the students is different. Whereas in one school habits of stealth developed in the teens may be carried over into adult life, habits of frankness and openness are developed in Christian schools that result not only in law-abiding citizens, but in co-operative church members. The contrast is especially obvious in city schools.

When totalled, the number of graduates from our Christian high schools is the largest ever. They represent a tremendous potential for Christ and the church. Since the majority of them have personally experienced salvation, the impact that they can make upon a godless world is unlimited. They have a two-edged sword: academic training and a basic knowledge of Scripture.

It will be conceded by almost everyone, however, that the spiritual edge is in most cases, duller than the academic one. Most graduates of our schools know more about the historical development of democracy than about God's dealings with Israel. Most of them know more about protoplasm and the earthworm than they do about the Psalms praising God's creative handiwork. They know more about Newton's three laws of motion than about Joshua and his conquest of Israel. They know more about electricity than about the plan of salvation. This is to be expected in the nature of the school.

God has, however, wonderfully provided the Mennonites with schools where the comparatively sharp edge of spiritual knowledge can be made a keen edge. There is a Bible school within reasonable distance of every Mennonite family in Canada. And there are two Bible colleges in a central location. These institutions have been founded and are being maintained to sharpen the "sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God".

The alarming fact is, however, that a majority of parents and young people apparently do not see the value of sharpening the sword of the Spirit. Too many Christian parents are advising their children to take the quickest course to easy money. And they are prepared to sacrifice to help their children down the road to material gain. And short-sighted young people see the gold that glitters—a job, a car, prestige, a home, academic degrees—but do not see the soul-winner's crown, which can be gained only through wielding a sharp sword of the Spirit.

Young people, before you decide what to do next year, consider the challenge of preparation in a Christ-centred, Bible-teaching, church-related school. High school graduates, the business and academic world is beckoning you, but why not take off a few years to get to know God and His Word better? You will then realize that they have not been wasted years, even though academically you are behind young people your age, but that the years spent in Bible study only multiply your effectiveness in later life.

The challenge for the church is to recognize the potentialities and achievements of young people and to direct their activities into the church and church-related service. If we fail to do that, we not only forfeit the possibility of expansion and service, but we also aid and abet the enemy.

Devotional

God Wants Us to Live!

By John Boldt*

In Titus 2:11-12 we read: "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared unto all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world." Our meditation centres around three words of this portion: "we should live."

It is stimulating and invigorating to know that God wants men to live, not to die. This was His original intent and purpose, and it remains so. We are to live. God wants us to live. Therefore, in spite of all about us that endangers or discourages life, it must be possible to live.

Most Christians will admit that the real difficulty of the whole Christian experience lies in living. We recall with joy and gratitude the wonderful moment when the Lord Jesus Christ found us and life began. We also look back upon hours when, together with the great throng of believers, we were lifted to heights of glory in our spirits, when we heard a great message from God, or joined our voices in praising Him. Then we may also remember hours of crisis, when we took special hold of God, and found Him near. At such times we felt that we realized the Christian life in its fullest measure, but when the glory faded, and the routine of daily duty returned, we found it difficult to live. The thrill was gone. Circumstances annoyed us. We became irritable and therefore ceased to radiate Christian joy. We found that we were not equal to the task of living.

The sphere in which we do our living does not ease the task. We live in "this present world," and it is useless to hide from it or in it. The world of men—of men bound to material interests, indifferent to the things of God, at heart opposed to them—is all about us, present with us. It cannot be ignored, because it possesses a very real force, a force that sweeps along everything in its path. It demands conformity, and threatens to ostracize those who refuse it. The Christian does his living in an environment to which his actions are foreign and his principles hostile. And yet it is in this very world that God wants us to live.

In view of our difficult surroundings we need power to live. This power is readily available to every Christian. If we read on in Titus 2 we see these words in verse 14: "Who gave Himself for us." In His death for us the Lord Jesus Christ broke the sin which is the root of weakness and

failure in our lives. In His resurrection He made available to us the wonderful power by which God raised Him from the dead. He lives, and we too can live. Do we realize this resurrection power for our daily living? There are other sure sources of power for us. When the Lord Jesus was about to leave His disciples, He knew that they would have to live in a hostile world, so He promised them a Comforter who would never leave them. Do we realize the power of the Holy Spirit for our daily living? Do we allow Him to open to us daily the living Word of God? Surely the Christian has strong helpers to help him to live.

But he needs direction also. It is so easy to waste strength and time in futile actions. It is bitter to know that we have lived in vain. The Christian need not taste this bitterness. His efforts are made under the direction of the One Who sees the future as clearly as the present. Perhaps another reason for futile efforts is the fact that men are out of touch with reality and busy themselves with things that are unreal. When Christ healed the Gadarene demoniac He left him "clothed, and in his right mind." He restored him to the realm of reality, and reality is only found in life which God directs. Enoch and Noah lived successfully in a world about to be judged because they "walked with God."

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SUMMER SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Waterloo, Ont. — The Ontario Hospital at London, Ontario, has requested that MCC supply them with 12 male and 15-20 female volunteers for a term of Summer Service. To date nine persons have been appointed to the Unit at London.

This is the largest mental hospital in Ontario with some 1,600 patients. It is also the first location for MCC Summer Service personnel in Canada. This Unit was opened in 1948 and volunteers have distinguished themselves for their excellent service and testimony.

Volunteers serve as ward aides and attendants. Wages are \$50.00 per month plus maintenance. The Unit begins from June 15 to July 2, and continues through July and August.

Write to H. W. Toews, Mennonite Central Committee, 10 Union Street East, Waterloo, Ont.

Discusses Responsibilities to Community

By Audrey Wiebe

Chilliwack, B.C. — The "Question Box" is a new feature of our Young People's activities. A little wooden box located in the church basement invites all young people to submit their questions, which are later discussed.

At our last meeting a panel of young people answered the questions submitted. One of the five questions was: "Is it all right to play ball or to go swimming on the Lord's Day?" A Bible school student in answering the question referred back to God's commandment concerning the Sabbath. Personally, she was in favor of playing ball on Sunday, that is, for enjoyment, but ruled out professional sports and swimming. Another Bible school student gave a clear reply to the question, "What should you do if you are a person who very often loses his temper?" Basing his comments upon Scripture, he emphasized the importance of prevention in losing one's temper.

Mr. Harold Dyck, teacher at the Sharon Mennonite Collegiate, Yarrow, B.C., was the speaker for the evening. He discussed the important question, "Does the Christian have responsibilities toward the community other than those which are spiritual or related to church work? If so, which are the services and activities that are most suited for him to participate in?" Asserting that the Christian has a definite responsibility toward his community, Mr. Dyck enlarged upon three points which should guide the Christian in his selection of the activities outside of the church. The three points to con-



This is the head table at the farewell banquet of the Elmwood M.B. Church choir for Rudy Boschman and family. Mr. Boschman, who graduated this month from the Sacred Music Course at the M.B. Bible College, has directed the choir for one and a half years. On the picture are, left to right, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Neufeld and Mr. Jacob Wedel (Mr. Neufeld and Mr. Wedel are members of the church's music committee), Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Boschman and family, and Rev. I. W. Redekopp, pastor of the church. A variety program of singing, a quizz, and speeches followed the meal. The choir gave both Mr. and Mrs. Boschman gifts.

The Boschmans are returning to Yarrow, B.C., where Mr. Boschman will teach at the Sharon Mennonite Collegiate next year. The position of choir director in the Elmwood M.B. Church is being filled by Helmut Janzen, formerly of Chilliwack, B.C., and a graduate of the Sacred Music Course at the M.B. Bible College.

sider are: 1) the source: What are the beginnings and aims of the organization that I wish to join? 2) motive: Is my motive for joining this organization Christ-centered? 3) effect: Will my Christian life and witness suffer if I participate in the activities of this club?

To substantiate his views, Mr. Dyck read Galatians 6:9-10, emphasizing, "...let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith."

The girls' trio from the Sharon Mennonite Collegiate sang three songs during the program ending with, "Living for Jesus".

ENJOY EVENING OF FELLOWSHIP

By Hilda Janzen

Abbotsford, B.C. — Instead of their regular young people's meeting, the youth committee of the South Abbotsford M. B. Church decided to have a wiener roast on Saturday, June 2.

The location chosen was on one of the farms in the district which had a fairly high hill. At the top of the hill a pond surrounded by trees and situated near a large pasture, provided a very good setting, with room for games available.

About 100 young people gathered there at 8 p.m. to play games. After an hour's play, the fire was started and everyone enjoyed roasting their wieners. As darkness gathered all participated in a sing song. Special musical selections by a mixed quartet and a male quartet with guitar accompaniment were enjoyed by all. Two of our group had just returned from a three-week tour of

Mexico. They gave a delightful report concerning Texas, Mexico, and the many other interesting events on the trip. After a short period of devotion the meeting ended.

We are thankful to God for the evening of enjoyment we had together as young people.

Annual Spring Rally in Meadow Lake

By David Nickel

Compass, Sask. — Ten churches were represented at the annual Spring Rally of the Evangelical Churches in the Meadow Lake area on May 27. Rev. Wittenberg, missionary to Europe, was the speaker and the Lord used the Word to bless all those who took part in this united time of fellowship.

Much time and planning had gone into the preparatory work of the Rally Committee, which consists of a president who is elected at the business session at the rally, and the Young People's leaders of the various churches. The churches participating were: the Mennonite Church at Dorintosh, where Rev. David P. Friesen is the Pastor; the Mennonite Church at Beaver Dale, where Rev. Peter B. Friesen is the pastor; the Mennonite Church at Compass, where Rev. Jacob Esau is the pastor; the Mennonite Brethren Church at Compass, where Dave Nickel is serving; the two Canadian Sunday School Mission groups, one at Loon River and another at Blue Bell, with Bill Murray shepherding the two groups; the Bible Baptist Group at Radiance, which is served by Rev. Arnold McIver from Loon Lake; the Pentecostal group

from the town of Meadow Lake, headed by Mr. Ness; the salvation Army, where Lieutenant Reid is serving; and the Christian Missionary Alliance, also from Meadow Lake, where Rev. Grant Hastie is the pastor.

On the day of the Rally the skies were overcast and a drizzling rain had been falling since four in the morning. Surely, we thought, all plans would be in vain, but by 11 a.m. the clouds had lifted, the sun shone through the clouds, and a good drying breeze swept over the muddy roads and fields.

By one p.m. the roads were sufficiently dry to travel and cars were seen heading for Meadow Lake from all directions. All the districts were represented. The afternoon meeting commenced at 2:30, with Abe Hoepfner, who is working in the printing department of the Northern Canada Evangelical Mission, leading in a grand sing song. Marshal Calverly, pilot for the same Mission, was the chairman and opened the meeting with Scripture and prayer. The following groups served in song: the Compass choir sang "Walking Still with Jesus"; a girls' chorus from Beaver Dale sang, "Pray, Give, Go"; the Dorintosh group favoured us with a duet; and Miss Bradley of Meadow Lake sang the solo, "I'll go where you want me to go, Dear Lord". The children's story was brought by Mr. Reg. Bennet of Compass. Rev. Wittenberg spoke on "The life of Jona".

A short business meeting followed, with Herb Friesen of Dorintosh elected president for the next year.

At six the hall was filled for the evening's service. The time was arranged this way so the farmers could stay in town. Bill Murray from Loon River was the chairman and Rev. P. B. Friesen from Beaver Dale led in a hearty song service. Several groups again served in song and Lieutenant Reid called for testimonies from the congregation. Rev. Wittenberg spoke on "The Four Stations in a Christian's Life", and challenged us to a closer walk with God.

It was a day well spent. Eternity will reveal its spiritual values. We are looking forward to another rally this coming fall.

Lone Male Nurse Graduates

Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont. — Alvin Voth from here was the only male nurse in a class of 11 that graduated from the Ontario mental hospital at Whitby, Ont. All graduates received diplomas and pins for completing a specialized nursing course. Mr. Voth was first inspired to take this course through Voluntary Service with MCC in a mental hospital.

HERE AND THERE AND EVERYWHERE

Visited by Institute Quartet

Foam Lake, Sask. — Mr. Edgar Olney and a quartet from the Briercrest Bible Institute of Caronport, Sask., held a service in the M.B. church here on Thursday evening, May 31.

The group presented a program of songs, testimonies, slides and a message. The slides presented the different phases of school life.

In his message Mr. Olney spoke on the theme, "That I May Know Him", taking his text from Philipians 3:10.

Missionary Society Convention in Plum Coulee

Plum Coulee, Man. — The fourth annual convention of the Southern Manitoba Missionary Society was held here from May 31 to June 3. The main speakers were Rev. Don P. Schilder, president of the Gospel Missionary Union and Rev. Charles R. Sarginson, field director in Brazil for the Unevangelized Tribes Mission.

Slides were shown and reports were given at each service of the work being done in the various fields, including a first-hand report by Rev. Shidler on the martyrdom of the five missionaries in Ecuador.

At the present time five foreign missionaries are being supported by this Missionary Society.

Annual Sunday School Rally

Hepburn, Sask. — The annual Sunday School Rally, which in other years was called Children's Day, was held in the Hepburn M.B. church on Sunday afternoon, June 3. Mr. Norman Schultz, Sunday school superintendent, was chairman for the afternoon.

Recitations, dialogues and songs were presented by every class from the Nursery Class to the Adult Class. Many of the children had improved over last year, and parents and teachers alike were thrilled to hear their pieces. A lunch was served after the service.

Kindergarten Successful

New Westminster, B.C. — The kindergarten classes held during the month of June at the Queensboro Mission Chapel were well attended and have given increased opportunities for extending the influence of the Sunday school. Miss Bergen and Miss Epp, both graduates of the East Chilliwack Bible School, directed the classes.

The Sunday school picnic of the Strawberry Hill M.B. Church was held on June 2 at the Peace Arch Park. The Intermediate classes of the Queensboro Chapel were also along.

Ordination services for Mr. A. Willems and Mr. J. Suderman as deacons have been set for June 17 in the Strawberry Hill M. B. church.

Farewell at Waldheim

Waldheim, Sask. — About 80 people gathered at the Waldheim Town Hall on Tuesday evening, June 5, to bid farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Janzen and their three children, Carol, Grant and Ward.

The Janzens, who have been residents of Waldheim, are moving to Beryn Athyn, Pennsylvania, where they will be working on the farm of the Fred Klippensteins.

The shower held in honor of the Janzens was led by Rev. Zacharias. A quartet and trio from the high school served in song. Words of farewell were spoken by Mr. Ed Wendland and Mr. Jake Mierau.

Dr. R. D. Neufeld, physician at the Waldheim hospital, and at whose office Mrs. Janzen has worked for the past few years, presented the Janzens with a purse of money.

Engagement Announced

Leamington, Ont. — Mrs. Katharine Driediger of here announces the engagement of her daughter, Tina, to John Bartel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Franz Bartel of Leamington, Ont.

Miss Tina Driediger is presently employed at the H. J. Heinz Co., Leamington, and John Bartel is a construction worker at Kingsville, Ont. Mr. Bartel is reporter for this paper.

Evangelistic Services at Waldheim

Waldheim, Sask. — Rev. Jacob H. Epp, principal of the Bethany Bible Institute, served as guest speaker at the evangelistic services held in the Waldheim M.B. church from June 3 to 7. On Sunday night, June 3, the choir of the Saskatoon M.B. Church served in song.

Children's Day Program

Walheim, Sask. — The Sunday morning service at the Waldheim M.B. Church was given over for the Children's Day program. The first four classes in Sunday school chiefly participated, with a quartet composed of Sunday school teachers serving with songs.

The guest speaker, Rev. Frank Kroeker of the Brotherfield M.B. Church, stressed the great potentialities of today's children and young people. He faced the parents and Sunday school teachers with the importance of giving the growing generation sound Bible teaching.

Alumni Receives Graduates as Members

Winnipeg, Man. — The Alumni Association of the M.B. Bible College received the 1956 graduating class of the college into the Association at a banquet on Sunday afternoon, June 10, in the college chapel. This raises the Alumni membership from 170 to 190, spread round the world in service for the Lord.

In conjunction with the banquet the Manitoba branch of the Alumni held its annual business meeting. It recommended the adoption of the new constitution for the general alumni organization and voted to continue the visits in the churches in the interests of the college. Mr. Jake Friesen, Winnipeg, vice-president, was chairman, while Mr. George Enns, president of the group, gave the report.

Newly-elected executive officers for the Manitoba branch of the Alumni are Bert Loewen, Steinbach, president, and Leslie Stobbe, Winnipeg, vice-president. Miss Anne Voth, Winnipeg, was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

Principal New President of Cooperative

Abbotsford, B.C. — Mr. I. J. Dyck, principal of the Mennonite Educational Institute at North Clearbrook and a veteran member of the Pacific Co-operative Union, is the new president of the union. He was appointed by directors when they met following the annual meeting of the co-op recently.

Mr. Dyck succeeds J. G. Neufeld, who declined renomination as director, to devote more time to his office as Matsqui municipal councillor.

The large 23-year-old Pacific Co-operative Union receives, processes and markets fruits from the Mission, Matsqui, Sumas and Abbotsford area.

Dies Following Unusual Accident

Coaldale, Alta. — Mr. Gerhard Martens, 88, a long-time resident of Coaldale, passed away last week as the result of a chain of incidents.

Mr. Martens was first hospitalized because of shock and broken ribs received as he fell off his stool when he collapsed after seeing his son-in-law, Mr. Henry Schmidt, fall from the roof while painting. He incurred pneumonia while recovering from the fall and this led to his death.

Funeral services were held Saturday, June 9, in the M.B. church, with Rev. J. J. Siemens officiating.

Mr. Henry Schmidt also suffered injuries to his left side as the result of his fall when a gust of wind caused him to lose his balance while painting the roof.

CONFERENCE OF M. B. CHURCHES IN B. C.

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a report given by the chairman of the committee, Rev. P. P. Neufeldt. This work, too, is steadily enlarging. To the six stations with full-time workers, another one was added at Queensboro, where the Frank Koops are serving. The stations Harrison Hot Springs, Oliver, Terrace, Vanderhoof, McConnel Creek, and Country Line have proved to be fruitful and prosperous, with steadily growing attendances. The budget for the mission now stands at nearly \$27,000.

At noon the delegates and visitors were served a tasty meal in the lower auditorium by the ladies of the South Abbotsford M. B. Church. It was a welcome intermission, during which the body was strengthened and the mind refreshed for another four-hour session.

The afternoon session continued from where the conference left off before lunch with the Sunday school work in the churches. The music committee and the budget also received the attention of the delegates.

Mr. Wm. Neufeld of Abbotsford reported on the youth work being done by the youth committee. He pointed out the aims and fears of the committee with the responsibility for such a large number of young people. Their objective is to help train young people to become men and women who are serving the Lord Jesus Christ. Many fall by the wayside because the work is not effective enough.

Chairman of the youth committee for the next year is Mr. Henry Unger of North Clearbrook, B.C., also a teacher at the Mennonite Educational Institute. No new projects were proposed for the next year, but the schedule of youth rallies and conferences will be maintained.

Rev. P. S. Thiessen, treasurer, presented the financial report to the conference. Over \$158,000 had passed through the treasury for the various projects in the province and on a Canadian Conference and General Conference level.

Rev. Thielman closed the conference by reading I Samuel 12: 24 and leading in prayer.

May everyone be faithful and fulfill the duty entrusted unto him by the conference and the Lord.

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Studying Medicine in Belgium

(Sarah Peters of Winkler, Manitoba, and Nettie Berg of Coaldale, Alberta, are Mennonite Brethren Board of Foreign Missions workers studying in Belgium in preparation for service in Belgian Congo. Their address is 84 Avenue d'Amerique, Anvers, Belgium.)

Dear friends in the homeland:

Again a week has passed which was mainly filled with lectures and studies. Tonight the boarding house is very quiet. Most boarders are out for the evening. Only the patter of the rain and an occasional passing tram disturb the stillness of the fast-approaching night. Thus almost a perfect peace surrounds me — a quietness which is a desired atmosphere for good, concentrated studies. Nevertheless, tonight I have put my books aside a bit earlier than usual to visit with you.

However, instead of my coming to America, I would like to take you with me to the Tropical Medicine Institute in Antwerp, Belgium, and introduce you to some of our subjects. For instance, here we learn how to prevent as well as how to diagnose and treat the dreaded malaria fever; how to differentiate between the leprosy and tubercule bacillus; how to build a house in the Congo; how and where to dig or drill a well. One learns to distinguish the various normal and abnormal blood cells; the morphology and life of mosquitos, lice and snails, for each plays a significant part in the medical field, especially in the tropical countries.

Oftimes it seems the smaller the creature, the longer the name. For example, the "trypanosome Gambiense," a worm too small for the naked human eye to see, is powerful enough to cause sleeping sickness, which leads many a person to a slow but sure death. With the aid of the microscope, many a disease can be detected in due time to save a precious life. How thankful we missionaries are to take a course like this, which will certainly be a tremendous help in the great work for the Lord.

Sunday, however, is a day of rest — a day set apart from books and studies when we are ready to receive the blessings which the Lord has for us, be it at the French service or in our intimate missionary circle. As you at home, so we too have set aside Wednesday night for prayer. Our verse this last Wednesday read: "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding" Proverbs 3:5. We know that we have to work and pray to conquer. We thank all of you for your support, especially in prayer.

Yours in Him,
Sarah Peters and Nettie Berg.



These are scenes from the Manitoba Mennonite Brethren Conference, held in the Elmwood M.B. church on June 1 and 2. The scene at upper left shows Mr. Isaak Dyck of Winkler and Rev. A. J. Froese, chairman of the Manitoba Youth Committee, in active discussion with Mr. J. J. Riediger, center, the treasurer of the conference. In the next picture may be seen an informal discussion being carried on during the noon hour. — At lower left Mr. J. D. Friesen, Winnipeg, a former worker with the "Randmission", is talking to Rev. P. W. Martens, formerly active in mission work at Winnipegosis, but now colporteur for the conference. The next scene shows a discussion on the church steps between Rev. Wm. Schroeder, Steinbach; Jacob Wall and Abr. Enns, Elm Creek.

New Tribe Reached With Gospel

Several generations ago through God's goodness and love the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, was brought to our fathers and us and this saving Gospel was carried into our ranks by a foreigner. What a change the Gospel, the Word of God, made in many things, yes, indeed in everything, from what had prevailed had we remained without it, without a personal Savior!

In the course of those of our generations who had learned to know the Savior and in whose brotherhood He lives the Lord of the harvest has entrusted much Kingdom work. We think of the Christian education program, the Publishing House that constantly produces books and church papers filled with superior reading material; we think of the Welfare program that has comforted many a hopeless heart and even kept many people alive; we think of the home missions and then, to be sure, of the extent of the foreign mission endeavor that has spread to every continent on the whole face of the earth. There those sent of God, our missionaries, seek the different races of mankind, the millions who are dying without God and without light, for they have no Shepherd to lead them to the water of life and to the green pastures. So our missionaries go seeking after them to offer them the Lord Jesus, Who is the Bread of Life.

Many, many have been reached — recently again a new race of men on the west coast of South America. Missionary Jacob A. Loewen, who traveled in search of additional tribal connections with the Choco Indians of Colombia,



wrote about it from Panama. On this journey he carried with him a few Gospel tape recordings in the Sambu language or dialect, which he played for these Indians. The news spread rapidly. Hundreds of Indians came and begged that they too might hear the voice of God in their own language. Many said: "We believe the message. We want to take Jesus as our God." And so we observe the heavenly Father in His mercy holds our brotherhood worthy of carrying out the command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

During the summer months the M.B. mission treasury experiences a great setback. The mission collections in the churches do not keep step with the daily needs. For example, there is lacking in the treasury for the second quarter of this year including April, May and June: \$15,000 for Africa, \$4,000 for Brazil, \$10,000 for Colombia, \$825 for Ecuador, \$2,900

for Europe, \$11,000 for India, \$7,500 for Japan, \$900 for Mexico, \$3,750 for Paraguay and \$2,000 for the Indian Mission here at home. Altogether the sum lacking at present is \$57,875. In July \$76,000 will be due for the third quarter of this year.

We read in Matthew 7:7-8, "Ask and it shall be given you." ... "For every one that asketh receiveth." Likewise in Philippians 4:6, "Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." And so we herewith place this need in prayer and supplication with thanksgiving before God and before our churches here at home. Let us not be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap unceasingly.

In the interest of those who are yet without salvation,

A. E. Janzen,
Executive-Secretary,
M. B. Board of Foreign Missions.



THE Young Observers

Let's Visit a Minute

Dear Boys and Girls,

One day I was watching some children play ball. Ricky was just as eager and on the spot as the others, but somehow he wasn't getting along too well. When he finally did make a hit, the ball didn't go very far. It arrived at first base when Ricky did, breathless and pleased. Everyone looked to the umpire. After a moment's hesitation the word was "safe".

There was a gasp of surprise and disagreement from the pitcher after the umpire announced his decision, but no argument. All the children remembered that Ricky had had polio. He was eagerly working his way back and needed consideration and encouragement.

We cannot play alone. We need kindness and thoughtful regard from our friends for our weaknesses. We must also be ready to give it in return.

This is true in the big game of life as well. We cannot play it alone. We need friends and helpers, but above all we need a friend who is strong and sure. Such a true, strong friend is Jesus. We can always count on Him. If we lose all and have Him, we still win. He always wins. He never loses and we are His friends, for He himself has said —

"I have called you friends."

Aunt Selma.

Cross-Bearers For Christ

By J. H. Janzen

(24th Installment)

THE ANABAPTISTS ESCAPE

Menno awoke with a start, seemingly without any reason. When he opened his eyes he tried to pierce the darkness outside, but he could see nothing. But look! he saw a few faint sparks and a short flicker of light in the direction of Pinjum.

Now Menno was wide awake. A gentle knock on the partition warned his weary guests. They jumped to their feet, quietly and quickly put their room in order, and left.

"Thank you, Menno, and may God protect you," was their salutation in parting.

"And you also!" responded Menno. "May the peace of God accompany, protect and comfort you!" — And the two were gone.

They found the hidden boat, and when the guards arrived they had already passed through the village and were marching in long strides over the meadows toward the boundary of the province of Groningen.

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Klaas and Jan stole to the cabin.

"No shutter is closed," whispered Klaas. "The preachers have slipped away."

But they proceeded as agreed before, and when Jan shone the light through the window he saw Menno quietly resting on his bed.

"Come on, Klaas!" he called. "Nobody has been here, or we are too late."

"Let us first search the house," said Klaas, coming around the corner. He banged his fist against the door and after a short pause Menno opened it.

"Peace be with you," he saluted the men.

"What peace?" bellowed Jan. "Show us the Anabaptists which you have hidden here!"

"If they are here, you should be able to find them," answered Menno calmly. All he wanted was to detain the guards as long as possible in his cabin to allow the fugitives to gain a good lead before the pursuers started after them.

Swearing and tumbling things about the guards searched the premises, but could find nothing.

"His Eminence will not decorate us for the achievements of this excursion," remarked Klaas gloomily.

"I wonder why the governor does not burn this foxy priest at the stake," growled Jan.

"Because he has not yet accepted re-baptism, that's why," replied Klaas.

"What do you know about that?"

"I don't, but the Bishop knows, and he also knows how to deal with an apostate Black Coat when he accepts re-baptism."

Menno kept quiet all the while. To his greetings of peace in parting, they replied with profanities and scornful laughter. They mounted their horses and rode off

toward Bolsword to face whatever was in store for them.

They were rough warriors, but Menno's calmness and unshakeable composure impressed them, and after a while they stopped their swearing and rode on in silence. They approached the city at daybreak, and Klaas remarked pensively, "I wish I could be as calm before the governor today as he was when we molested him this morning."

Jan felt like swearing, but he stifled the oath, and they rode quietly through the gate.

(To be continued)



God Answered Johnny's Prayer

(Conclusion)

"No, not my father," Johnny said quickly. "He wouldn't let a thing like that happen. My father is big and strong and clever."

"Aye, that he is. But this time he didn't get away fast enough."

Johnny was dazed. His father was trapped in a mine! Was he still alive? Would the men get to him in time? Had he been hurt?

He walked off to one side and sat down on one of the boxes lying there. What would happen if his father was dead? Where would they go? What would they do? These questions and many others whirled through his mind.

Then suddenly, as though someone was speaking to him, he heard a voice saying, "He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him."

There was that verse again. Was it really true? If he called to God now, would God answer? There and then Johnny started praying.

"Oh God, if you will save my daddy, I will believe that you do answer prayer. Bring my daddy out of the mine alive. We need him so badly. Mom and I can't get along without him."

All of a sudden he felt so different, as though someone else had taken his worry from him. Johnny stood up and went to the man to whom he had last talked. He found out from him that a part of the rock roof had fallen down and either killed the men or trapped them. All the men were taking part in the rescue, digging in turns.

Johnny waited and waited. His friend from the town took him to the kitchen for a little bit to eat, and still there was no news from underground. It was getting quite dark when all of a sudden a light started coming down the tunnel. Out came a miniature train with a stretcher on it.

Johnny ran to see who it was. "Daddy, are you still alive," he cried, when he saw that it was his father.

"Yes, son, but a rock hit me and I am hurt. You'll have to take care of mother for a few weeks," his father whispered.

Suddenly it struck Johnny. God had answered his prayer! He did answer when you called upon him! And when he came home one of the first things he did was to thank God.

The next Sunday at Sunday School the teacher concluded the lesson by saying, "And boys and girls, just as God answered Johnny's prayer to bring his father out alive, so he will answer your prayer if you ask him to come into your heart. All you need to do is tell him that you are a sinner and that you believe that Jesus died to save you from sin. Then when you ask him to come into your heart, he will do it."

An that is exactly what Johnny did.

Boys and girls, have you let Jesus come into your heart? If not, you can do it just like Johnny did. Just ask him to come in and He will do it. If you don't know exactly how to do it, ask your mommy or daddy, and they will be glad to help you.

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THE MAN IN BEARSKIN

By J. Keuning

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(19th Installment)

If these things had all sprung from the misdeed of many years ago, why had it been done? What motive had prompted him to commit the crime? He remembered distinctly that he had done it primarily, not out of greed for gold, but in order to spite his brother whom he disliked for his continual rantings. Now, when he looked back upon the deed, he felt how weak had been the motive, and he questioned sincerely the grounds upon which he had founded his dislike for Gerrit.

Could it not be, after all, that Gerrit had been right all the while? Could it not be that the God of the household Bible was really God. Might it not be that the Christ of whom his dominie preached and for whose salvation his father prayed was indeed the Saviour of his soul? Was Jacob right when he insisted that it was the providence of a watchful Father that had delivered him from impending death? The "Man in Bearskin" felt constrained to answer as Gerrit would have answered had he been there.

Through the whole Sunday afternoon these thoughts coursed through the stream of his consciousness. He had not known a period of such keen introspection for a long time. The relation of events and of people seemed to stand out with preternatural clearness. Obscurities through which he had been unable to penetrate now became remarkably comprehensible. He became better acquainted with himself and the world about him than he had ever been before.

Before, he had felt sorrow for his misconduct, because it bore with it such doleful consequences. He had felt remorse because he knew that he had wronged his brother, and he had been moved by an awareness of his injustice to make amends for the crime. But this afternoon a new and a stranger feeling came over him. It was not a sorrow for a wrong done to a brother. Neither was it a remorse for any one breach of conduct. No. It was a unique and wholly unprecedented experience.

Dirk Kolf, sitting alone on the grass-covered hillock, thinking upon his life and its meaning, came to a realization of sin. Sin—a transgression of the inviolate law of God! Sin—a wandering upon the heaving sea of life without a chart, without a compass, without a pilot—a drifting toward the ice-fields and storm zones of a Divine wrath and an eternal punishment!

The realization brought a violent, tumultuous change in his thinking. He no longer was concerned with making amends first of all to his brother. No! His first thought now was of God. He had scorned Him first of all, and Him, first of all, must he appease. But how was he to accomplish so great a task? He felt his utter weakness, his entire inadequacy to do anything to atone for his misguided life—for his youthful indifference, for his capricious deviltries, for his blasphemies and his hostility to all that hinted at religion or the service of God.

He remembered what his father had read in the great Book, what his mother had told him often during his childhood, what he had mockingly heard the dominie say during the sleepy afternoon sermons, he remembered that Christ, the Lamb of God, was He, who took away the sins of the world. Almost he felt constrained to pray. But he had never done it before in the real sense of prayer, and he could not bring himself to it now. For a long while he sat staring into the aisles of the forest, wondering, and knowing not what had come upon him.

The sun of October had touched the further reaches of the Western sky. The chill that comes at evening had nourished the dainty white clouds of the afternoon until they had grown in volume and in number as if to do honor to the disappearing monarch of the day. Gathering in disordered array, they piled themselves about the reddening orb as it dipped toward the tree-fringed horizon. With the reddening of the sun and the gathering of its cloudy mists, came the full tints of an autumnal sunset. Amassed in great, fleecy arches, scalloped with delicate silver, the majestic piles took to themselves the brilliant colors of the fading sun, and decked themselves, as light hearted masqueraders, in hues of crimson, and pink, and beaten gold. The forest was aglow with the lavish sheen of dying sunlight, the very air seemed to be tinged with the fanciful colors of a secret art. With the dying of the day came a hushed silence throughout the woodland. No tree stirred, no squirrel chattered; even the screaming jay lost its harsh voice in reverence for the retiring king of nature.

The "Man in Bearskin," who had been filled with far-reaching thoughts, drank deep of the splendor about him, and felt awed by

the manifestations of a glory that was Divine.

Faint, at first from the distant village, came a swelling sound. The ear of the man became alert. What was it that he heard? Growing in volume and distinctiveness, carried through the still air of the fresh afternoon, arose the solemn refrain of a Dutch psalm. It was the last psalm of the afternoon service in the log church of the colony. It was lifted from the throats of several hundred sturdy, devout Christians who had gone through a great crisis, and who now were worshipping their Everlasting God in gratitude for His providential care. The lone man in the forest heard its stately strain and knew it at once. His memory helped him hear the words as they floated with dignity across the open spaces.

"How blest is he whose trespass
Hath freely been forgiven,
Whose sin is wholly covered
Before the sight of heaven.
Blest he to whom Jehovah
Imputeth not his sin,
Who hath a guileless spirit,
Whose heart is true within.

"While I kept guilty silence
My strength was spent with grief;
Thy hand was heavy on me,
My soul found no relief;
But when I owned my trespass,
My sin hid not from Thee,
When I confessed transgression,
Then Thou forgavest me.

"So let the godly seek Thee
In times when Thou art near;
No whelming floods shall reach
them,
Nor cause their hearts to fear.
In thee, O Lord, I hide me,
Thou savest me from ill,
And songs of Thy salvation
My heart with rapture thrill."

The straining ears of the man caught the familiar sounds and took them in eagerly. When the last note had died away, and the impressive stillness of the woods only remained, he felt a great tumult in his soul. It was as if the stout limbs of the nearby oaks had bent down and lifted him up, holding him suspended in the airy spaces between the earth and the setting sun. In his bosom an uncontrollable emotion, swelling within his heaving breast, seeking an outlet, yet finding none through his twitching throat, stopped with a strange choking.

To his eyes came copious tears, scorching his sun-tanned cheeks, burning their way through the thick black beard, running unheeded down his great, rough face. The flood could not be checked. The pent-up feelings of the man, once the dam of hardheartedness was broken, poured out in a mighty torrent and washed before them every obstacle, every obstruction which the reserve of the man

tried to set up. His whole body was abandoned to the force of his emotion. His frame shook and rocked like a small boat on the open lake; his head dropped upon his chest as if too heavy for his rugged neck. There was no help for him. He must yield himself to inevitable power. The ancient voice—the oracle of the past—the quiet suggestions of his early training worked upon him with relentless insistence. They were too much for him.

When the last yellow ray had given up its gold to tinge the tree-tops of the horizon, and the grey softness of dusk had crept through the forest, the man had gone through a transformation. It was not yet complete. Only the first great change in thought and direction had been made—only the first step had been taken, but to the "Man in Bearskin" this meant everything. Henceforth, his path was clearer before him, henceforth his step was surer, his course more certain. The warmth of a new sentiment had begun to live in his bosom. The heart that had been frigid and hard felt a glow uncommon, and a softness and tenderness that had been hitherto foreign.

When night fell over the forest a new man arose and entered the hut.

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The transformation which had been effected in the "Man in Bearskin," while it was entire in germ, was nevertheless but a beginning. It was to be some time, before the whole world took on its new attire, as it was cut and colored by the changed attitude. For some time after the Sunday afternoon of introspection the hunter changed but little in his demeanor and in the course of his daily routine. It was plain that something still hidden must be revealed before the spiritual metamorphosis could be complete.

In the meantime he had prepared himself winter quarters by digging out a cave in the side of the hill, and building in it a small, cozy dwelling of pine logs and hemlock boughs. To this new abode he moved his meagre household equipment and settled himself with Wolf for a seemingly long hibernation.

The weeks immediately succeeding the recovery of Gerrit Kolf brought with them a decided change for the better in the condition of the Dutch settlement. The medicine of the real physicians, the tireless work of Dominie Van Raalte and his corps of volunteer workers, the continued fair weather, and the invigorating freshness of autumn all combined to bring about the stamping out of the plague and the return to pre-epidemic solidarity and industry.

(To be continued)



Violin students of Mr. Emmanuel Horch of Winnipeg gave a concert of sacred and classical music in the North Kildonan M.B. church on Sunday night, June 3. The 35-member violin orchestra is seen above during a practice session, with Mr. Horch at lower left. The program also included violin solos by Gloria Kroeker and Wanda Konrad of Winkler, and violin duets by Richard and Leona Toews, Morden, and Wanda and Martha Konrad of Winkler. Albert Siemens, a boy soprano and pupil of Mrs. David Falk, sang several solos.

The large church was almost full for this first concert of the violin orchestra, which in addition to the Winnipeg musicians had nine from Morden and four from Winkler, also students of Mr. Horch.

Ordained for Service

By Hans Wiens

(Brother and Sister Albert Enns are workers in Asuncion, Paraguay, under the Mennonite Brethren Board of Foreign Missions.)

Filadelphia, Paraguay. — On April 11, Albert Enns and Miss Anne Eckert were married in the M.B. church here, while on April 22 they were ordained for service.

The wedding took place the afternoon of April 11, with Missionary Franz and Rev. Nicolai Wiebe speaking. Rev. G. Balzer performed the marriage ceremony. After the reception in the church basement there was a short program.

The churches here joined on April 22 for the ordination service of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Enns. The church filled with visitors. Rev. G. Balzer welcomed the congregation, while Rev. Victor Toews led in the prayer service. Thereupon Rev. G. H. Sukkau delivered the ordination address, with the following passages as his basis: Isaiah 41:27; I Timothy 4:16; and I Thess. 5:12-13. He pointed out that God called His workers, but that the church recognized this call of God. Circumstances and events in the individual's life may corroborate God's personal call, but the church recognizes God's call through deep spirituality in the life of the respective person, through his interest in fellowship and the service in the church, through a sound doctrine and his willingness to serve, and through the gifts that God has given the person. The church affirms this call of God through ordination.

Rev. G. Balzer and three other brethren led in the ordination ceremony. Thereupon Rev. Nicolai Wiebe and Peter Wiens gave the greetings from the sister churches. Albert Enns followed with a personal testimony, relating that exact-

ly ten years ago to the day he had received Christ as his Savior in a concentration camp in Germany. After the testimony from Mrs. Enns, Brother A. Harder closed the service.

GRADUATE 20 AT TENTH COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

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messages and testimonies unfolded God's plan for every Christian: to be separated, to be consecrated and to serve. Theoretical and practical aspects of these truths were outlined by Gerhard Jantz, Margaret Enns, John Toews, Junko Matsuno, Hans Kasdorf and Daisy Martens. A poem written by John Toews was recited by Miss Margaret Warkentin, while the group sang "I Need a Vessel", the music for which was composed by Rudy Boschman. John Pauls sang a solo.

The necessity that the disciple of Christ be a servant to all, dominated the address given by Rev. J. H. Quiring at the baccalaureate service on Sunday morning, June 10, in the Elmwood M.B. church. In order to win "some", Paul was willing to become the servant of all. This means adapting oneself to the people the servant meets, not primarily in exterior matters, but feeling with the person—putting oneself in his shoes. Rev. Quiring spoke on I Cor. 9:19-23.

The A Cappella Choir of the M.B. Bible College sang at the morning and the evening service. Miss Holda Reimer sang a solo at the graduation.

"We have been called not only to say beautiful words or to have deep mystical feelings, but to serve in love," asserted Dr. A. H. Unruh, former teacher and president of the college, in his graduation address. Speaking on, "A Vessel

Unto Honor", he outlined the prerequisites for being a vessel unto honor and then portrayed the exalted position of the one who yields fully to God.

It is important that all Christians realize that they have been set aside for service by the Master Himself. He assigns the work and He has promised to keep His vessels in His hand, Dr. Unruh maintained. God will continually fill His own for the service he has set aside for them.

Rev. H. H. Janzen, president of the M.B. Bible College, conferred the degrees and handed the diplomas to the graduates. He was assisted by Rev. D. Ewert, registrar. Three received the Bachelor of Theology degree, eight the Bachelor of Religious Education degree, six the diploma for completing the General Bible Course and three the diploma for completing the Sacred Music Course.

For the first time, the Manitoba branch of the Alumni Association of the college presented two bursaries. Ben Doerksen and Frank Peters of Coaldale, Alta., each received a bursary of \$50 toward their expenses next year at college. The bursaries were awarded on the basis of spirituality and character, scholarship, participation in extra-curricular activities, need, and to those who expected to go into full-time service for the Lord.

The graduates are: Peter Hamm, Henry Martens and Bruno Mueller, Bachelor of Theology; Margaret Enns, Daisy Martens, Junko Matsuno, Victor Thiessen, Lawrence Warkentin, Margaret Warkentin, Anne Wiebe, John Toews, Bachelor of Religious Education; Martha Braun, Henry Dueck, Elsie Falk, Gerhard Jantz, Hans Kasdorf and Helmut Klansen, General Bible Course; Rudolph Boschman, John Pauls, and Frank Sawatsky, Sacred Music Course.

BANQUET FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

By Henry Bartel

Glenbush, Sask. — A banquet in honor of the nine graduates of the Glenbush High School was given in the lower auditorium of the M.B. church here on June 6. It was the first of its kind in the district and was well received.

Guests were the grade twelve students, their parents, the local teachers, the district superintendent, members of the local school board and several others. The good meal was served by the grade 11 girls. Short speeches by members of the school board and some parents followed. Then Mr. W. Hooze, principal of the school, invited everyone to the main auditorium, where many friends had gathered for the graduation exercises.

The motto for the evening was, "Launched, but not Anchored". Mr. Karr, district superintendent, gave a talk on "Making the Right Choice".

After the diplomas had been handed out, Victor Isaak, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Isaak, delivered the valedictory address.

Those graduating were: Margaret Arendt, Edith Harder, Katie Klassen, Irmgard Lowen, Anne Markowski, Phyllis Kulpa, Victor Isaak, David Isaak and Jake Bargaen.

GOD WANTS US TO LIVE

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If we are to live we must have a goal. This too is supplied for the Christian. Titus 2:13 tells us that the goal is "that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ." If we set our minds on this goal we rid them of undue anxiety. We realize that we will not be able to produce a complete change in the world about us. Christ will accomplish this at His return. So we look forward to His return because we know that then peace and righteousness will triumph, wickedness will be judged, and we will realize the final stage of our salvation: deliverance from the presence of sin in the transformation of our bodies into the likeness of His glorious body. With such a goal before us it is possible to live.

Fanny Crosby found it is possible to live. She lived in physical blindness for over 90 years, but her soul was full of light. She imparted light to others. Her own words show the secret of her success: "Take the world, but give me Jesus, let me view His constant smile, Then throughout my pilgrim journey light will cheer me all the while."

*Teacher and music director at the Winkler Bible School.

THE RELIGIOUS KALEIDOSCOPE

Able to Help Many

Harold L. Lundquist, executive director of the Evangelical Welfare Agency, at the group's sixth anniversary celebration held in Moody Memorial church, Chicago, said: EWA, "with the help of its many friends, has been able to serve children and families numbering into the thousands during its six years of existence. The agency provides care for unwed mothers and places children both for foster care and adoption in Christian homes, where they find security, love and care. The thrill of seeing needy, forlorn and neglected little children transformed by proper care and love into happy, healthy, well-adjusted boys and girls is the great reward for our labors." (Many of the foster and adoptive parents and their children were present at the dinner to share in the festivities.)

Dr. Barnhouse Moves Bible Study Hour to NBC Network

Dr. Donald Grey Barnhouse, widely-known Bible teacher and minister of Philadelphia's Tenth Presbyterian church, will begin broadcasting his *Bible Study Hour* over the coast-to-coast radio network of the National Broadcasting Company on July 1. The program will be released in all time zones at 8:30 a.m.

The shift of the *Bible Study Hour* broadcast results from the decision of NBC to make time commercially available for religious broadcasts for the first time in its history. (First to benefit by the new NBC policy was Dr. Billy Graham whose *Hour of Decision* was transferred from MBS to the NBC network last April.)

More Protestant Preachers in Spain

In Madrid, Bishop Zacarias de Vizcarra, spokesman for Spanish Catholic Action, has reported that "the Protestant danger in Spain is greater than ever." He said that there are now 477 Protestant preachers in Spain compared with 43 in 1928. (ERA)

To Debate Problems in Light of Bible

In Israel, less talk and more music will be the rule during summer State concerts starting June 3rd. Programs will also feature a Bible lesson, "Pro and Cintra", in which two sides will debate current problems in the light of Israel's ancient book. (ISI)

Claim Atheists Persecuted

In Poland, according to a report via the Warsaw Radio, a newspaper published by communists claims that children of atheistic

parents are being persecuted in the schools by the children of Christian believers. The paper says that "religious people ought to show more respect for the opinions of others." (ERA)

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CANADASCOPE

Freight Rates on Rails Rise

The board of transport commissioners announced on Monday that it plans to grant the railways shortly an interim increase in freight rates subject to review next fall. The amount was not specified.

Mr. Justice J. D. Kearney made the announcement at the opening of hearings on a railway application for a 15-per-cent general increase to offset wage boosts to employees. * * *

Watch Two Airmen Die

Thirty thousand spectators watched two young airmen drop to a fiery death at an airshow at Stevenson Field, Winnipeg, and most of them didn't get a bit excited.

It was the only Air Force Day accident in Canada this year and the first Air Force Day accident at Stevenson Field in 10 years. * * *

Gas Line to Start on July 1

Actual construction work on the prairie section of the all-Canadian gas pipeline will start about July 1 by Trans-Canada Pipe Lines Ltd., a spokesman for the company said in Ottawa last week. The pipeline should reach Winnipeg by December 1. But it will take time to make connections in Winnipeg before the gas is actually available for use in the Manitoba capital. * * *

Expect to Use Atomic Plants on DEW Line

Atomic scientists and the defence department in Canada are studying the possibility of using small atomic power plants at defence installations in the Canadian north. William J. Bennett, president of Atomic Energy of Canada, Ltd., last week told the Commons research committee that any plant developed for northern defence would be suitable for civilian use also. * * *

CANADIAN BEEF INDUSTRY

The most significant feature of the beef cattle industry in Canada is the remarkable increase in the consumption of beef. In 1955 Canadians ate 72 pounds of beef per capita. This is approximately 27 pounds or 37.5 per cent higher than the per capita consumption

figure for 1952, stated R. K. Bennett, Chief Livestock Marketing, Canada Department of Agriculture, at a Livestock District Supervisor's Conference held recently in Ottawa.

Last year the inspected kill of cattle averaged 32,733 head per week and the beef cattle export for the whole year for slaughter or for feeding was about two per cent of the cattle marketed in Canada. To date this year cattle marketings are about 9 per cent over the same period in 1955. The inspected kill has been up an average of 2,760 cattle more per week than a year ago.

The number of cattle and calves on farms in Canada at the present time is probably at the top of the present cattle cycle, and cattle numbers will likely soon begin to show a decline. However, for the first time on the North American continent cattle numbers have risen to a peak in the cattle cycle at a time when there are enough people to eat practically all of the beef at reasonably satisfactory prices. Therefore there is not the same necessity to make a downward adjustment of cattle prices.

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The World Today

Agrees to Help Support U.S. Troops in Germany

Chancellor Konrad Adenauer smoothed the way for his fourth visit to the United States Thursday night by announcing settlement of the long dispute over German financial support for U.S. troops in Germany.

West Germany has agreed to pay "quite a nice sum" to help maintain the American troops there. * * *

Revolt Crushed in Argentina

The first serious attempt to stage a counter-revolution and restore deposed President Juan D. Peron to power was crushed Sunday by the government of provisional President Aramburu in exactly 12 hours. * * *

AFL-CIO Move to Bust Racketeering

The AFL-CIO executive council Wednesday voted sweeping powers to the AFL-CIO Ethical Practices committee to conduct independent investigations to root racketeers and other wrongdoers out of labor's ranks. The effect of the vote was to put teeth into the generalized anti-racketeering sections of the new AFL-CIO constitution. * * *

Undergoes Surgery

President Eisenhower underwent emergency surgery last Saturday morning for relief of what his doctors called a non-cancerous intestinal obstruction. An official

bulletin called the operation "successful". The report also said that the president's "heart action was normal throughout" the operation, which lasted one hour and 53 minutes. * * *

Rockfall Wrecks Power Plant

The most destructive rockfall in the recorded history of the spectacular Niagara gorge took one life last week and left the huge power station on the American side in tumbled-down ruins.

More than 40 other employees of the Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. scrambled along the precipitous bank to safety as two of the stations three sections roared into the wild rapids behind them.

IMPRESSIVE DEDICATION SERVICE AT BLAINE LAKE

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were Miss Linda Froese of the Mission to Orphans in Cuba and Rev. Bill Kapitaniuk, missionary to Europe under the Slavic Gospel Association. Rev. Kapitaniuk's message had as theme, "True Dedication".

Rev. J. H. Epp, principal of the Bethany Bible Institute, also addressed the morning service. He spoke words of encouragement and commendation to the established church, basing his message on Matth. 21:13, "My house shall be called the house of prayer".

Dedicatory prayer followed, led by Rev. Epp in English and Rev. Paul Makaroff in the Russian language.

At the afternoon service Rev. Art Martens, pastor of the M.B. Church on Saskatoon, Sask., spoke from Luke 6:47-49, his theme being, "Building Upon a Foundation". Rev. N. Nesdole, also from Saskatoon, delivered a message in Russian.

The program throughout the day was varied by special singing. At the morning service the Arlee Russian M.B. Church choir sang two songs in English and two in Russian. Henry Rebuska is the director of this fine choir. During the afternoon service the M.B. Church choir of Saskatoon, led by Wilmer Neufeld, interwove the messages with inspirational singing. Others also took part by special vocal and instrumental numbers.

The ladies of the local church served two delicious meals between services to the approximately 600 visitors.

This day marked a mountaintop experience for the Blaine Lake Church. It was brought to a close by stirring messages from Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Snider, Saskatoon, superintendent of the Canadian Sunday School Mission in Saskatchewan, and by Rev. Kapitaniuk.

"The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad"

Weddings

REIMER — PENNER

Thelma Penner, daughter of Mrs. Peter Penner and the late Mr. P. Penner, and Ed. Reimer, son of Mrs. Alice Reimer, were married on June 2 in the Mennonite Brethren church at Vine-land, Ont. Miss Catherine Penner, Akron, Penn., had come to attend her sister's wedding.

Rev. H. P. Wiebe officiated and Brother John Unger spoke in the English language.

STOBBE — PENNER

Helen Penner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Penner of Arnold, B.C., and Victor Stobbe, son of Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Stobbe of Abbotsford, B. C., were married on May 31 in the Arnold M.B. church. Rev. J. J. Stobbe officiated, while Rev. C. D. Toews delivered a message in English.

GOOSSEN — WILLMS

Agnes Willms, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Willms of Arnold, B.C., and Henry Goossen, son of Mrs. Goossen and the late Mr. Goossen of Yarrow, B.C., were married on June 2 in the Arnold M.B. church. Rev. Isaac Toews officiated, while Rev. H. H. Nikkel spoke in the English language.

KLIEWER — LOEWEN

Elizabeth Loewen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abram Loewen of Arnold, B.C., and Peter Kliewer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Kliewer of Arnold, were married on May 19 in the Arnold M. B. church. Rev. Gustav Ratzlaff officiated.

A special item was a violin duet by Erich Ratzlaff and A. Harms, a cousin of the groom.

EPP — JANZEN

Bernice M. Janzen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter A. Janzen of Waldheim, Sask., and Rupert K.

Epp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Epp of Waldheim, were married on June 1 in the Waldheim Zoar church. Rev. Art Friesen officiated.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Epp, grandparents of the groom, had come from New Westminster, B.C. for the occasion. The bride and groom will reside in Saskatoon, where both of them are employed.

BLOCK — SCHMIDT

Lois Schmidt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Schmidt of Waldheim, Sask., and Ernest Block, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Block of Main Centre, Sask., were married on June 8 in the Brotherfield M.B. church, Waldheim, Sask. Rev. Henry M. Willems officiated.

The young couple will make their home on a farm at Main Centre, Sask.

Obituaries

Mrs. AGANETHA THIESSEN

On January 6, 1872, I, Aganetha Dueck, was born in the village Schoenau, Molotschnā, South Russia. When I was one year old my father, Gerhard Dueck, passed away. My mother remarried and in 1876 we moved to Sagradowka. When I was ten years old, my mother died. At 16 I began working for other people.

By God's grace I received forgiveness for my sins when I was 22. The following spring I was baptized in the river by Elder Isaac Regehr, joining the Mennonite Brethren Church, of which I have remained a member.

On March 24, 1902 I married the widower, Rev. Henry A. Neufeldt, taking up my duties as mother to three children. We lived in various places, coming to the United States in 1909 and settling in South Dakota. In the spring of 1912 we moved to a farm near Herbert, Sask., from where we moved into the town of Herbert in 1920.

My dear husband and father of my children, H. A. Neufeldt, passed away on May 13, 1936, our marriage lasting 31 years, 2 months and 11 days. The Lord blessed this union with 7 children, 4 daughters and 3 sons, all of whom are still living today.

I was remarried on December 28, 1939, to widower Brother Johann Thiessen.

(Thus far Mother's own writing, except for a few dates.)

During the beginning of May she had acute pains that medicine could not relieve. While trying to arise during the night of May 3, she collapsed and was unable to walk anymore. Dr. Buirs ordered complete rest and she remained in bed until May 8, when

she was taken to the hospital. She grew worse steadily, passing away quietly into her heavenly home on May 17 at 7:30 p.m. The last words I could understand were, "I'm going home."

She leaves to mourn from her first marriage nine children with their families and from my side 11 children with their families, for whom she took over the duties of mother after our marriage. Our marriage, during which we were able to share joys and sorrows, lasted 16 years, 4 months and 19 days. She became 84 years old. We are glad to know she is resting in heaven and hope to meet her there.

Outside of the children she leaves to mourn her husband, Johann Thiessen, and one brother, residing at Rosthern, Sask.

We wish to thank everyone for the sympathy and kindness shown to us; the Ladies' Aid for their services; the Brethren A. Konrad and Henry Klassen, city missionary in Vancouver, for the words of comfort and admonition.

May God reward all of you.

H. H. Neufeldt,
Matsqui, B.C.

CELEBRATE 25th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Neufeldt of Yarrow, B.C. celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on Sunday, June 3, in the M. B. Church, Yarrow, B.C. By two p.m. the auditorium was filled almost to capacity.

The honored couple, led by their youngest daughter, Carol, and followed by Alvin, Ronny, Waldo, Leonard, Laura, and Victor, marched quietly to the front and took their seats. Victor then assumed the leadership and opened the service with a portion from God's Word. The program of choir songs, special numbers in song and music, good wishes, recitations, an English message by Rev. A. Wieler of Abbotsford, and a German speech full of reminiscences by Rev. J. A. Harder of Yarrow, was enjoyed by all. Rev. H. Lenzmann, the pastor, made closing remarks and presented the couple with a concordance as a token of appreciation for their service in the church.

The Word of God had its rightful place in the entire program and God received all honor and glory for having led the family so graciously through 25 years of joy and sorrow. This was especially evident in the short talk by Mr. H. P. Neufeldt.

The large congregation was invited to partake of a lunch in the basement. The members of Mrs. Neufeldt's Sewing Circle served the many guests. Many valuable presents were showered upon the very happy and healthy couple.

Mr. Neufeldt, a graduate of the M.B. Bible College, is widely known as a choir director, member of the M.B. "Gesangbuchkomitee", M.B. Bible Institute teacher, director of the German radio broadcast over CHWK, and various other church and conference activities.



BERLIN REFUGEES AIDED

Distributions of food and clothing continue in Berlin by the J. K. Klassens.

Food and New Testaments were given in the Kreuzberg district in the West Sector. The families had been selected and invited by the German Red Cross. The majority of these people were old and feeble. "Many seemed to be greatly impressed by the food and even more thankful for the New Testaments," the Klassens said.

Approximately 70 poor families of the East Zone and the East Sector received food, clothing and bedding. The quilts are being "admired and appreciated enormously," the Klassens said.

"The great influx of refugees into the camps demands much, material aid," they said. "We cannot begin to assist all the camps with clothing but we do help a few."

Pax men Wayne and Lamoine Epp and Brother Klassen reported on work of the Mennonites in Europe at the invitation of a Quaker group meeting in a neighborhood center. The audience had quite a few questions and was "very much impressed with the work of MCC and the Pax program," reports said.

Menno-Heim occasionally conducts special services for visitors from the East Zone. A group attended on Ascension Day and another on Pentecost. Pastor Erich Schultz, German pastor of Berlin Mennonite Church, is recuperating this summer from pneumonia. Brother Klassen will help out in pastoral duties.

RELIEF WORKER TO GERMANY

John Bohn of Pandora, Ohio, sailed June 8 on the SS Arosa Star from Montreal to Germany where he will supervise material aid distributions in MCC centers.

John is a graduate of Bluffton College and the past year taught sixth grade at Lebanon, Ohio. He is a member of Grace Mennonite Church at Pandora and the son of Pastor and Mrs. E. J. Bohn.

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COLLEGES

CANADIAN MENNONITE BIBLE COLLEGE

We were richly blessed through the visit made to us by the choir of the Grace Bible Institute, Omaha, Nebraska. They presented us with a program which consisted of various numbers from their repertoire, a solo by Henry Wiebe and a message on faith by Dr. Schmidt. The program was followed by a fellowship meal in the dining hall.

On Saturday evening, June 9, the graduates brought a program before the College family and a few outside guests. They had prepared a panorama of the development of education among the Mennonites which included five scenes. The first scene was of a school in Russia prior to the time of Johann Cornies (1843); the second, Johann Cornies' reform; the third, a school in Russia when the educational system was at its peak in the early 20th century; the fourth, the contribution of Henry Ewert in southern Manitoba; and the fifth a modern school taught by a Mennonite girl who had graduated from the MCI. Also at that program John Neufeld as representative of the graduating class presented Rev. Lohrenz with a gift for the library — a set of commentaries, "The Interpreter's Bible". Rev. Janzen closed off the meeting with some fitting remarks about the development of education and a final challenge.

We had various visitors for chapel services. On Monday, June 5, Mr. Gerhard Peters, former teacher of the MCI, and at present a teacher at the MBCI in Winnipeg, gave a message based on the experiences of the Lord Jesus and the disciples in night and storm. Dr. Mitchell, pastor of the Elim Chapel, Winnipeg, spoke the following Wednesday, counselling us to know Christ better than we know anyone else and to know the Bible better than we know any other book.

Standing at the end of another year of College and looking back, one impression that one immediately receives is that the year has again flown by very quickly. Another prominent impression is that the Lord has richly blessed us during this year in giving us this beautiful new building in which to study, in giving us dedicated teachers who have been able to prepare us for better Christian service, in giving us the opportunity for Christian fellowship. In not many days hence the final choir program, the Baccalaureate service and the Graduation Exercises will take place. Following that the students will quickly disperse to various points of the continent. What does the future hold? For

some, it will be a return to these halls once again next fall to resume their studies; for others, it will be an ushering into a new place of studying or of service. May God grant that each will be found faithfully serving in that place, where He would have us!

Margaret Voght.

TABOR COLLEGE

Tabor Dormitories Being Remodeled

A repair crew, supervised by Mr. Henry D. Ens, Supt. of Buildings and Grounds, has begun extensive remodeling in Tabor dormitories. All of the inside walls on the second floor in North Hall have been removed and the whole building is being rewired. New interior walls, interior decorations, and plumbing fixtures will be installed during the next few weeks.

New central heating systems are scheduled to be installed during the summer in South Hall and California Apartments. The yards of these three dormitories and the adjoining California Hall yard will be re-landscaped. Except for a few single openings, all the rooms in these four dormitories have already been reserved for next year.

Californian Will Teach History and P.E.

Mr. Marvin E. Kroeker of Ukiah, California, has been appointed instructor in history and assistant in physical education at Tabor for the coming year, the president's office reports.

Mr. Kroeker received his A.B. degree from Tabor with the class of 1950. In 1954 he received the Master of Arts degree in history from Oklahoma University. His appointment to teach in the history department will fill a partial vacancy created when Dr. L. J. Franz accepted the presidency.

At present, Mr. Kroeker is an instructor and basketball coach at Pomolita Junior High School of Ukiah. Prior to taking his present position he served for two years as director of the I-W. service unit near that city. He has had previous teaching experience at high schools in Levant and Atwood, Kansas.

GOSHEN COLLEGE

Paul Mininger, president of Goshen College, awarded a total of 193 degrees to 188 graduates at the 58th Commencement Service at Goshen College June 4.

Degrees awarded were: A.A.—11, B.S. in Nursing—18, B.S. in Education—71, B.A.—63, B.R.E.—2, Th.B.—2, Th.B.—9, B.D.—17 and M.R.E.—2. Requirements for 62 degrees will be completed by Aug. 3 and three by Jan. 27.

Dr. Wilhelm Pauck, professor of Church History at Union Theological Seminary, New York, delivered the Commencement address.

Pauck characterized our time as one of historical change. Within this transition are forces which have potential for good or destruction. He stated that most of us tend to objectify history. We see it as "a complex of forces that play upon us" or "a chain of past events that holds us prisoners."

Although we are linked to mankind in a chain of being and do not live unto ourselves, each of us chooses from the past and molds what we take from it.

Pauck then questioned, how can we be certain whether or not our historical decisions are right or wrong? We cannot escape from our historical situation, so many go to history itself to find solutions. Historians have attempted to discover a design or plan or purpose to history.

Historian Pauck then asserted that none of these philosophies of history are safe guides. All can be contradicted. He referred to the optimism of Hegel and the pessimism of Schopenhauer as inadequate guides for life.

An objective guide to truth is impossible, he firmly asserted, but we do have a subjective certainty. Faith is then the key to certainty. "We are sure by faith that God wills in the end only good."

In all action he urged the graduates to daringly, with bold surrender, seek to link themselves to God. History alone does not enable us to act wisely. "Subjectively persuaded of truth, we must trust in the objective actuality."

Pauck's final challenge to the graduating class was to act out of a knowledge that we are not our own but God will work all things together for our good.

HIGH SCHOOLS

MENNONITE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE

Graduation

Thirty-four students marched up the auditorium aisle on Sunday night, June 3, to begin the eleventh graduation exercises of the Mennonite Educational Institute. To date 308 students have graduated from the school.

Valedictorians were Sig Polle, in German, and Agnes Wiebe, in English. Charlotte Janzen, of grade 12, represented the student body in the farewell speech to the graduates.

Mr. Wm. Neufeld, teacher, and Rev. Henry Unrau, B.C. superintendent of the Canadian Sunday School Mission, were the guest speakers. Mr. Neufeld spoke on the importance of a Christian education, while Rev. Unrau gave an address on God's plan for the Christian's life.

Mr. I. J. Dyck, principal of the school, presented the diplomas to the 23 boys and 11 girls. For their farewell song the graduating class sang, "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah." Art Wiebe and Lily Toews, grade 13, sang, "The Lord is My Shepherd". The grade 11 and 12 choir also sang.

After the graduation ceremony, the graduates and teachers were invited to a luncheon by the grade 11 girls.

The following evening the grade 12 class presided at a graduation banquet. After the opening by Mr. V. Thiessen, teacher, the hot meal was served.

A highly amusing skit, an adaptation of the proverb, "One man—one word; one woman—a dictionary", was presented in the Low-German language. In another

skit four members of the faculty were represented as discussing the future of various graduates. During the discussion, a curtain was raised on one side of the stage, and the audience was able to see a "glimpse into the future."

A male octet, a ladies' trio with guitar accompaniment, a piano solo by Louise Rempel, a vocal solo by Anita Koslowsky, and a duet by Mr. Wiebe and Mr. John Ratzlaff provided the music.

Karl Janzen led in the devotional, giving a talk on the theme that all that we have is given by the grace of God.

Friday, June 11, was the last day of school for many of the junior students. Those that were not exempt from exams will have to write on June 11, 12 and 13.

The grades 11 to 13 are studying for the departmental examinations, which will begin on June 18 and end on June 25. Both students and teachers have mixed feelings about these exams.

ONTARIO M. B. BIBLE SCHOOL

For several weeks we have been reading about the various Bible School graduations across the country. Now, finally, it is our turn, but we are somewhat sad that our institute had to shut its doors for the summer months. For seven and one-half months we have experienced the "goodness" of our Lord; we have had the privilege to sit at His feet and to hear His voice.

During the course of the last semester it was decided that we should have a missionary conference in conjunction with the graduation. The Lord answered our fervent pleas for a suitable speaker in Dr. G. W. Peters, the present Dean and faculty member

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The picture at the top shows the graduates and teachers of the Ontario M.B. Bible School. Front row, left to right, the teachers: A. J. Block, I. T. Ewert, principal, J. J. Toews, Henry Goertzen. Second row, Kaetie Duerksen, Tina Wiebe, Mrs. Anne Dueck, Olga Unger, Agatha Block, Martha Wall, Martha Klassen, Agatha Klassen. Third row, Ben Falk, Henry Jantz, Walter Fast, Ernie Friesen. — The center picture is of the whole school with the teachers. — Below is the Bible School Committee. Left to right, front row, J. Kliewer, H. G. Thielman, I. T. Ewert, K. P. Penner, chairman, J. Andres. Back row, P. Reimer, A. Wall, N. Enns, treasurer, F. Bartel, W. Willms, secretary, and G. J. Epp (absent).

ONTARIO M. B. BIBLE SCHOOL

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of the Mennonite Brethren Biblical Seminary, Fresno, California.

Unfortunately, Dr. Peters could not attend the graduation banquet given by the first class on Thursday evening. But commencing on Friday evening, May 25, he began a series of messages which realistically portrayed Christ as the ideal missionary. We noted immediately that Dr. Peters, as a member of our Foreign Missions Board, was an extremely experienced and widely travelled man (having visited some 27 countries).

On Friday night Dr. Peters spoke on the "Visions of Christ as the Master Missionary" (Mark 6:34). On Saturday afternoon his topic was "The Burdens of Christ", with the same text; on Saturday evening he showed us "The Provisions of Christ to make World Evangelization a Possibility"; on Sunday morning he changed his text to Luke 24:44 and spoke on "Christ's Duties (or Orders) He left for us." Throughout these sessions we could experience God's nearness and we were made to see that it is our task to evangelize the world and bring lost souls to Christ. Among other statistics that Br. Peters quoted, he mentioned that only 1 person out of every 11 is Protestant, and that only one out of 100 is a Christian! The school choir, as well as the trio and quartet served at the services.

Dr. Peters was also the guest speaker at our graduation service, Sunday evening, May 27. The Kitchener M.B. church was filled to capacity and we were thankful for the interest shown in the school. Out of a total enrollment of 28, we felt proud to acclaim 12 as graduates. They were: Agatha Block, Agatha Klassen, Olga Unger, Martha Wall, Martha Klassen, Mrs. Anne Dueck, Tina Wiebe, Katie Duerksen, Ben Falk, Ernie Friesen, Henry Jantz and Walter Fast, of which 11 received their E.T.T.A. diploma. Brother Walter Fast gave the Valedictory address and the reply from the First Class was made by Brother Victor Koop.

Brother Peters addressed the graduates with a sermon entitled "Vessels for the Master's Use" (2 Tim. 2:19-21). Of course the sermon applied to all of us as well. We were reminded of the origin, the purpose and the evident end of a vessel and were told how to appropriate these thoughts to our own lives. May all of us be useful vessels this summer, that we might reflect our Maker, create joy for those observing us, store up God's love and grace, and lastly, pour out God's message of salvation.

Edmund Janzen.

On the Horizon

June 16. — The Canadian Mennonite Bible College will present a song program in its chapel at Tuxedo, a suburb of Winnipeg.

June 16 to 17. — Annual Young People's Retreat sponsored by Ontario Youth Organization of the United Mennonite churches, to be held at Chesley Lake. Guest speaker will be Rev. C. Dyck of the Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Chicago.

June 16 to 18. — The annual provincial conference of the Mennonite Brethren Church in Alberta at Gem, Alta.

June 17. — Baccalaureate address at 10:30 a.m. in the college chapel of the Canadian Mennonite Bible College. The graduation exercises will begin at 3:00 p.m.

June 24 — The new old folks' home at Winkler will be formally dedicated on Sunday, June 24, at 2:30 p.m.

June 29 to July 2—The Youth Retreat at the Lake Winnipeg Mission Camp, Arnes, Manitoba. Peter Dyck is the director.

June 30 to July 4. — Annual meeting of the Canadian Conference of Mennonites, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont.

June 30 to July 5. — Annual conference of the Canadian Mennonite Brethren Church, to be held at North Clearbrook, B.C.

July 3 to August 2—A series of three children's camps for boys and girls 7 to 14 at the Lake Winnipeg Mission Camp, Arnes, Man. Rev. A. H. Kroeker is director. For information write D. E. Redekop, 966 Portage Ave., Winnipeg, Man.

August 15 to 22 — Triennial meetings of the General Conference of Mennonites in North America in Winnipeg, Man.

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