

# Mennonite Observer

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

I Cor. 2:2

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## The Cause of Foreign Missions



Dr. and Mrs. Peter J. Block and daughters Barbara Gail 2 years and Karen Louise 5 months.

Dr. and Mrs. Peter J. Block of the Saskatoon Church in Saskatchewan have been appointed for missionary medical service. During this school year they will be in Fresno, Calif., for Bible training at Mennonite Brethren Biblical Seminary. Tentative plans call for their entering a period of Spanish language study and orientation in Latin America beginning around mid-1961. Their place of service is still to be determined. The son of John J. Blocks of Saskatoon, Brother Block was graduated from the College of Medicine of the University of Saskatchewan in 1958. His first year of internship was served at the university hospital where he spent an additional year as senior intern specializing in several fields. The daughter of Carl D. Weickers of Saskatoon, Sister Block also attended the University of Saskatchewan after which she served as a registered laboratory technician. The Blocks have actively served in their home church, in young people's work and in Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship.

Brother and Sister Lawrence Warkentin (Alexander, Man.) have taken up work in Wels, Austria. Their first Sunday morning service was conducted on August 28 and they planned to begin Sunday school on September 4. They are encouraged by the reception they have received and are grateful to God for leading them to Wels. They are settled and anticipate a full program of activities. On September 1 they attended the last evangelistic service in Linz con-

ducted by Brother A. J. Neufeld (Steinbach, Man.) and Brother and Sister C. L. Balzer (Winnipeg, Man.). God's presence was evident. People were convicted and several made decisions.

Brother and Sister Sam H. Krause and family arrived in Japan on August 5 after a pleasant restful voyage across the Pacific. Their return marks the beginning of their second term of missionary service in Japan. They report that our missionaries are well and that the Lord has blessed their labors during the past year. For the present the Krauses will be engaged in further Japanese language study. They are making their home during this period of study in the General Conference Mennonite Church house in Kobe which is near the language school.

The Krauses attended the Hirano church the first Sunday they were in Japan. They were thrilled to see the Christians and to see how the Lord had been working in their hearts and through their efforts. Four believers were baptized recently, which makes a total of 15 baptized by this church during the past year. The Hirano church is supporting its pastor and hopes to increase its monthly payment on the loan for their building.

The camping program in Japan has been rather successful this year. The average attendance of about 180 has been a record. The main speaker was Rev. Joseph Carroll, whom the Lord has sent to Japan with a special ministry in deeper life conferences. His ministry was used of the Lord to the blessing of many lives and decisions for the Lord. One of the thrills and accomplishment at this year's camp was the music. One of the missionaries indicates there is a great deal of work to be done in developing good church music in evangelical circles in Japan.

Two Japanese Christians who have connections with the Hirano Church planned to migrate to Brazil early in September. One of the young men will be stationed at Campinas, where our Brazil missionaries have been studying Portuguese and which is several hundred miles away from our work at Curitiba. One of our missionaries



These missionaries and children left for Spanish language study in Costa Rica from New Orleans on August 25. The adults are, from left to right, Elsie Kroeker (Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont.), the Eugene Janzens (Fairview, Oklahoma), the Herman Bullers (Fresno, Calif.) with daughter Joyce and Ann Klassen (Marquette, Man.). The girls standing in the front row are, from left to right, Lynette and Susan Janzen, daughters of the Eugene Janzens, and Carol and Linda, daughters of the Herman Bullers. This group had a good flight from New Orleans, have settled in San Jose and entered into their studies.

suggests that this immigration might be the means of beginning a work among Japanese who are migrating to Brazil. A concern of our church in Japan has been that it would reach out with the Gospel beyond its own shores. Pray that the Lord's guidance and blessing may be upon these Japanese Christians migrating to Brazil to the end that a gospel witness might be begun in Brazil among Japanese people.

The Japan Bible School was scheduled to re-open September 1. During the summer months the 12 students have been helping in the various evangelistic campaigns and house-to-house tract distribution. With the world in unrest, our missionaries sense the importance of training men and women for the work of the church among their own people. One of them indicates that many hearts in Japan are hardened more by pleasure than by Communism.

Many individuals have heard the gospel this past summer through the evangelistic meetings in Japan. A total of 30 were definitely reached in the Amagasaki church. In Nagase a good number responded and were on the follow-up list. At Min-

ato the tent was nearly full every night as people wandered in and sat through till the end of the meeting with many coming back for succeeding evenings. Pray that decisions for Christ may be lasting and for the follow-up work.

The building of the Nagase church in Japan is to be completed in October. It is situated next to Kinki University which is a school of 3,000 students only a 10-minute walk from our station. This past June this little congregation enjoyed the blessings of receiving eight newly-baptized believers into its fellowship. Among these converts was a couple who received a tract at the train station just a month after their wedding, attended the services and were saved.

### Farewell Service for Pastor and Family

Regina, Sask. — The Regina M. B. Church gathered on the afternoon of August 14, 1960, to bid farewell to their pastor and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Helmut Klassen.

Mr. Peter Klassen led in the general singing including some of the Klassens' favorite songs: "Oh Master Let Me Walk With Thee," and  
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# EDITORIAL

## The Question of Mennonite Origins

When the Mennonite Brethren Church came into being a hundred years ago, the impetus came largely from outside the Mennonite Church, and eventually the question was raised as to whether the new group was Mennonite, Baptist, or something else. The answer was that the Brethren re-affirmed the faith of Menno; they were Mennonites.

For the Mennonites, Menno Simons is Augustine and Thomas Aquinas rolled into one, but he was not the initiator of any movement. Our spiritual heritage is more rightfully traced back to his short-lived predecessors in the Switzerland of the 1520's.

Mennonite scholarship, led by historians like H. S. Bender, has in the past thirty years uncovered sufficient material to bring about a general re-evaluation of Reformation Church history. What eminent historians referred to as a movement of "enthusiasm" has been shown to be an attempt to realize without compromise the spirit and pattern of the New Testament Church. The new position, still moderate, is stated by Dillenger and Welch (*Protestant Christianity Interpreted Through Its Development*) as follows:

"During the very period in which Luther was thinking through the implications of the newly discovered faith, there appeared other men and movements who thought of the reconstitution of the Church in ways much more radical. Many of these groups arose independently of each other. But common to them was the conviction that the presence of the Spirit of God in the lives of believers called for a drastic return to the church as it existed in the New Testament period. These groups sometimes disagreed sharply on the meaning of the Spirit's presence, and occasionally some engaged in excesses which gave a "bad" name to the rest. Most of the groups, however, were of a more stable nature and in the course of approximately fifteen years there developed a common Anabaptist tradition."

Much excellent material has recently appeared which sheds detailed and scholarly light on the beginnings of Mennonitism. Monographs—some of them doctoral dissertations—have been published, dealing with Conrad Grebel, Felix Mantz, Pilgrim Marbeck and Georg Blaurock, among others. Grebel, a "cultured" language scholar, studied Scripture with Zwingli and Mantz, until Zwingli, for "practical" reasons, took the path of expediency. In all probability it was Grebel who in 1525 baptized Blaurock who in turn baptized the rest, to initiate the Anabaptist movement. Grebel was a student of Greek, Mantz of Hebrew. The dramatic story of Mantz is the subject of a dissertation entitled: *Leben und Sterben des Zuericher Tauferfuehlers Felix Mantz* by Ekkehard Krajewski. Two years after the first baptism Mantz was executed. The verdict, approved by Zwingli, stipulated:

"imm sin haennd binden, in ein schiff setzen, su dem nideren huetly fueren und uff daem huetly die haend gebunden ueber die knuew abstreyfen und ein knebel zwueschent den armen und schenkeln durhin stossen unnd in also gebunden inn das wasser werfen und in dem Wasser sterben und verderben lassen."

"Der starke Georg" (Blaurock), characterized by a blunt approach, was at the time of Mantz's execution whipped out of Zurich. At the city gate he shook the dust from his feet. Pilgrim Marbeck was one of the few Anabaptist leaders who was allowed to live long enough to set down in writing the beliefs of our earliest forefathers. Marbeck led the movement into southern Germany and by various means it was carried into France and Tyrol before it took root in the land of Menno Simons.

Many names have not been mentioned here which deserve attention; names of mystics, scholars and men of the soil. There is an abundance of material available for historical novels and plays, but also for comparison with the state of Mennonitism today. Just as it was long overdue that church historians should credit the Anabaptists within the whole Reformation, so it is incumbent upon each generation of Mennonites—and perhaps especially of Mennonite Brethren—to examine afresh the heritage which is our gift and our responsibility.

Guest Editorial by Victor Doerksen, Winnipeg

## DEVOTIONAL

### Can We Today Have a Real Experience of Jesus Christ?

Travel all over the world and you will find individuals who have received a new life through receiving into their hearts the Lord Jesus Christ. Men of all nationalities; of all conditions: high and low, rich and poor, educated and illiterate; of all temperaments; wise and foolish, impetuous and cautious, hopeful and despondent, pliable and obstinate, credulous and sceptical—all sorts and conditions of people have known what it is to pass "from death to life" by being born again by the power of God. Let us think it out together.

In his moral supremacy, Jesus is universally acknowledged to stand absolutely alone. Herman Newmark was nominally a Jew, but when in Japan, he started to read the New Testament. He says, "I was now face to face with the personality of Jesus Christ. His life charmed me. In the presence of His perfection I realized my own sinfulness." To His apostles, Jesus said, "You call Me Master and Lord, and you say well, for so I am."

This Man, so strong, so brave, so radiant with goodwill, so bold against wrong, so tender to the penitent and the helpless, so loyal to the will of God—this Incomparable Man acted and spoke with the clear, uniform consciousness of being more than man. He was utterly unlike the best of men in that He never confessed sin and never repented, but always pleased God.

Spotless Himself, He laid bare to others their past history and inner life, and discovered the deepest need of the heart. Those who came to examine Him found Him examining them.

He was the Master of every situation. At His royal command disease fled. He calmed the storm with a word. He replied instantly and finally to every question put to Him by friend or foe. On His own authority He spoke on the profoundest subjects with majestic assurance. This dominant Personality makes claims which are in full accord with His whole life and character. He is the Supreme Authority.

He declares Himself the Light of the world, the Bread of the soul, the Judge of all men, the Omnipresent and Eternal One. He speaks of Himself as only God can speak. His "I" is the I of Deity. He is Emmanuel, God with us.

Why did He die? He taught and His apostles taught, and everyone who has received Him knows that He died as Sin-bearer. Divine justice demanded the atonement, "love so amazing, so divine" provided it.

At Calvary the great victory was won over human sin and the power of darkness. The expiring Saviour's

cry, "It is finished," was a shout of triumph. He knew His sacrifice was efficacious.

When He entered the grave it was not in defeat, but as a conqueror. His resurrection is as much a fact of history as His crucifixion.

After Christ rose He stayed on earth for a while in order to renew His commission to His apostles, and to encourage their faith in His unseen and spiritual presence. He then returned to the unseen world.

From the unseen world He continued to teach and direct His apostles by His Spirit. And all down the centuries He has been changing human hearts and lives. And, today, every true believer realizes that the Jesus of Whom He reads in the New Testament is the same Divine Person Whom he knows and loves and trusts as an actual, directing, energizing Presence. The Christ of history is the Christ of personal experience.

Only a person can satisfy the heart. It is wonderful to have a divine Friend Whom you can utterly trust, and to Whom you can give all your heart. To everyone who knows Him, the name of Jesus is a strain of heavenly music; He is "Jesus, my Saviour, known, loved, worshipped, served and enjoyed."

"I have no use for religion," said one, "but I do want that Christ you speak about." God makes you an amazing offer. He offers you true and eternal wealth: pardon, a new life, power to enjoy Him, new hope and enthusiasm, the beginning of inner character that pleases Him, assurance about the endless future. Do you want God's gift? You cannot have it apart from Christ. Do you want it enough to be willing to receive Him?

By E. A.

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## DVBS in Ontario

by Rev. John Unger

**Hamilton, Ont.** — "For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised" (I Chron. 16:25). It was on Sunday, June 26, that the Home Mission Board of the Ontario M. B. Conference conducted a DVBS workers' conference at Virgil. In faith, over 30 schools had been arranged for a course. We did not know who the workers would be, but we were confident that the Lord was speaking to many individuals. Now that the services have been rendered we can look back and give praise to God.

There were 120 teachers who volunteered to serve. Although 17 of these could only serve for one week, others gave up to seven weeks of their time. We had 85 teachers who served for two weeks, five who served three weeks, ten who taught four weeks and one each for five, six and seven weeks. Of the workers we had seven couples who went out together. This is highly commendable. Of the teachers who served, 37 were married and 83 were single. This shows that marriage does not disqualify the worker, but rather that it might make him more diligent. There were a total of 33 men and 87 women who taught. What should be said about this? We cannot discourage the ladies, but I believe we should encourage the men. During the apostolic days the best men were called to go forth. We thank the Lord for all who obeyed and went forth.

The workers served in 19 schools and eight churches, totalling 27 different areas. The number of teachers working in each area varied with the enrollment of children. In some places more workers were needed, while in other schools only two teachers were required. The response of the children varied in a similar way. In one rural school 14 children were enrolled. In another area the enrollment was 218. In all we were able to reach 1,767 children. To the north we went beyond the Orillia area, where Brother and Sister Herman Kroeker are serving as missionaries. We went as far east as Welland. In the south we encompassed the Port Rowan area along Lake Erie to Leamington and Windsor, while in the west we served in Puslinch in the vicinity of Guelph. This year for the first time we were able to conduct a course in the metropolitan city of Toronto, where Brother and Sister Herbert L. Swartz are missionaries.

It would be impossible for us to evaluate fully the success of the work. We have the names and addresses of 31 children who made decisions for Christ, and we heard of one girl who was under conviction of sin and with the help of her parents came to know Christ as her personal Saviour a week after the workers were gone. We are thankful if the children we reach

come from Christian homes, but the majority of them do not have this. How many unexpressed decisions were made in response to the faithfulness of the teachers who sowed the seed which the Spirit of God used to accomplish that whereunto it was sent.

Over 200 homes were entered by way of house visitation work. During the course of the term 145 Bibles and 100 Testaments were sold to the children. Where there is evidence of a real need and no means of purchasing a Bible, we make a contribution. We feel that

a Bible or Testament in the home can serve as a witness and be of help in time of need. The children are encouraged to read the Scriptures daily.

To do this work successfully we solicit the support of the entire Ontario M. B. Conference. We need prayer support, workers and financial assistance in order that all responsibilities might be met. Some who could not go themselves offered their services to the representatives in the churches, stating that they would take the teachers to the places of service. Such an attitude is encouraging. God has taken the talents we have offered for service and used them for His honor and glory. "For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised."

## Sod-Turning Ceremony



Brother Jacob Klassen turns the first sod at the corner of Hill Avenue and King's Road, site of the new Regina M.B. church.

**Regina, Sask.** — The Regina M. B. Church realized a desire of long standing when they gathered on August 28 to turn the sod for their new church at Hill Avenue and King's Road. A large representation was present to invoke God's blessing on this undertaking.

Mr. Peter Klassen read from 1 Kings 8, Solomon's dedicatory pray-

er for the temple, and applied this to the church which is to be erected at this place. Brother Jacob Klassen, a senior member of the congregation then turned the first sod. After the dedication prayer by Brother Peter Suderman, Sr., the congregation joined in singing "Gott ist die Liebe."

## Spiritual Refreshing at Blumenau and Saltobach, Brazil

(Board of General Welfare and Public Relations)

Six persons were baptized and received into the fellowship of the Mennonite Brethren Church, Blumenau, Brazil, August 21. In a report of this blessed occasion, Brother Hans Kasdorf, Board worker in Blumenau, also reports of the opportunity and need to extend the gospel witness in that area. One or two Sunday schools could be started in the suburbs of the city if there were workers. A gospel work is to be started among Brazilian people in the near future. Two German colonies have repeatedly called for spiritual help.

God blessed a week of services in Saltobach, Brazil, in which Brother Hans Kasdorf was the guest minister. Saltobach is a mission outpost of our Brazil churches. In the mornings Brother Kasdorf conducted services on the subject of

the return of Christ. The evening meetings were evangelistic services. Attendance was good. A number of individuals accepted Christ as their Saviour.

## Membership Increased by Five

**Arnold, B.C.** — The Arnold M. B. Church held a baptismal service on Sunday, September 11, at 2 p.m. in the Abbotsford M. B. church.

There were five who were baptized and accepted as members in the local Arnold M. B. Church, namely: Linda Doerksen, Helen Pankratz, Martha Doerksen, Elfrieda Goerzen and Arnold Peters.

The following brethren had an active part in the service: Pastor Gustav Ratzlaff led in the invocation; Rev. Peter Penner presented the baptismal message; Rev. Peter Dyck performed the baptismal rite, and Rev. Peter Janzen officiated at the communion service which followed.

Ruth Schmidt

## Construction of New South End M. B. Church Begun

**Winnipeg, Man.** — "And all the people shouted with a great shout, when they praised the Lord, because the foundation of the house of the Lord was laid" (Ezra 3:11).

Approximately 100 members of the South End M.B. Church turned out Thursday evening, September 15, to witness a significant moment in the history of the church: the official ground-breaking which signalled the construction of a new, modern church building on Portage Avenue, near the new shopping center of Winnipeg.

Rev. J. P. Neufeld, pastor of the church, officiated at the ceremonies, and read the very appropriate Scripture passage, Ezra 3:10-13. In his brief comments Rev. Neufeld stressed that we should give all praise to Him to Whom it is due Jesus Christ. Rev. G. D. Huebert and Rev. J. Neufeld then prayed, dedicating the grounds on which the structure is to be erected and the church building to be built to the service of God.

After the prayer, Rev. Neufeld broke the sod, whereupon a caterpillar and a crane gave a convincing demonstration of just how powerful they are, clearing brush and trees with such ease that an on-looker felt very small and weak indeed. Construction had officially begun!

The site chosen for the building is really lovely, and from reports the church building also will be a beautiful structure, as it should be. The prayer of the South End M.B. Church is: May God be glorified in our midst!

Frank Froese.

## Three Added to the Church

**East Aldergrove, B.C.** — A baptismal service was held at the East Aldergrove M. B. church on Sunday morning, Sept. 4, when three believers, Marlene Friesen, Esther Willms, and Ruth Nikkel followed the Lord in this step of obedience. The Pastor, Rev. Herman Voth officiated at the service. The three baptismal candidates were received into the fellowship of the church at the evening communion service.

## P. J. Hoepfner Loses Hand

Peter J. Hoepfner who farms 2½ miles south of Morden had the misfortune to lose his left hand in a feed cutting machine recently. Mr. Hoepfner was trying to shove some loose straw into his machine when his left hand was drawn in accidentally and severed completely. He was taken to the Morden Hospital for treatment.

## 400th Anniversary of Geneva Bible

(Canadian Bible Society, Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society)

This year marks the 400th anniversary of the printing of the Geneva Bible which was the first English Bible to be printed in Roman type and to have the complete system of division into verses with which we are familiar.

The division of the Old Testament into verses was found in the ancient Hebrew Bible, but in the Greek New Testament there was no similar division. From earliest times the Greek New Testament had been broken up into paragraphs of various lengths. The first person to attempt a division into verses was Pagninus, who introduced into the New Testament verses similar to those now in use but of greater length. R. Stephens in 1551 published the Greek New Testament with the present division into verses and it was this division that was adopted in the Geneva version in English published in 1560.

The Geneva Bible was so named because the major work of transla-

tion was done during the reign of Queen Mary by Goodman, Coverdale, Bilby, Sampson, Cole and Whittingham when they were living in exile in Frankfurt and Geneva. At the time of Mary's death the work of translation was not completed and Whittingham, Gilby and Sampson remained in Geneva for one and one-half years to complete the task. The cost of the work was defrayed by members of the church in Geneva who urged the translators "not to spare any cost for the furtherance of such a benefit and favour of God."

At a time when many new translations are appearing in English it is well to remember the debt that is owed to the Geneva Bible which made a significant contribution to the King James Version of 1611 and to all later revisions in English.

The Canadian Bible Society has copies of the Geneva Bible on display at several of its Bible Society stores across Canada and is urging a study and promotion of interest in the Geneva Bible on its 400th anniversary.

### David J. Reimer †



It has pleased the Lord to take my beloved husband and the father of our children unto Himself. He was the son of Jacob and Emilie Reimer and was born in Grosswoldemfuerst, Kuban, Russia, on November 2, 1905. Here he received his training at home and at school under the Christian influence of his parents and teachers. At the age of 15 he accepted Christ as his Savior after which he was baptized and received into the membership of the M.B. Church.

In the year 1926 our father parted from his parents, brothers and sisters in Russia and came to Canada. Here he worked and studied first at Gretna and later in Winnipeg until he received his teacher's certificate in 1931.

On July 2, 1930 David and I were married. With courage and devotion my husband entered

and continued in the teaching profession. Seven years he taught at Osterwick, south of Winkler, and another 6½ years at Rosewell, near Kronsgart. He found much joy in the work, but circumstances caused him to discontinue in this profession.

In 1943 we moved to Morden, where the church gave us a hearty reception. With God's help and blessings we started and operated a hatchery.

The Lord entrusted to us a family. Often my dear husband and our sons have played musical instruments and sang together. Our silver wedding anniversary in 1955 was a highlight in our family life. Last fall he asked the choir to sing the hymn, "Du redest Herr zu mir", without knowing what was awaiting him.

On December 3, 1959 my husband was operated in Winnipeg. The operation seemed to be a success. As time went on, however, another operation became necessary which was performed in Winnipeg on July 10, 1960.

After four weeks of many treatments, the doctors realized their inability to help and we brought my dear husband home. Joy filled his heart when he was again with his family. Many inward struggles were fought, but God gave victory and my husband became submissive to Him Who never makes a mistake.

The many letters, visits and intercessory prayers were a great consolation to us. Often David has said, "We are not worthy of this." Patiently he bore his suffering. Christ Jesus and His shed blood were his strength.

On Wednesday, September 14,

my husband went home to be with the Lord. He has reached an age of 54 years, 10 months and 11 days.

A word of gratitude to all those who have extended help to us in these trying times, especially to the doctors, to my sister Susie and to many others.

Thirty years we have shared our joys and sorrows. The Lord entrusted to us four sons and one daughter, all of whom are saved by God's grace. To us as a family the deceased has been a good father and adviser. We have had many hours of joy, but also of deep sorrow. The last few months were especially trying, but we felt drawn closer to each other and to the Lord. Praise be to His name!

Even though our hearts bleed, yet we wish our departed one his heavenly rest and we rejoice in the hope of seeing each other in the glory of heaven. We also confess that God has done all thing well.

Brother Reimer leaves to mourn, his mother and three brothers and sisters in Russia; two sisters in Canada, Anna, Mrs. W. Dyck of Niverville and Maria, Mrs. A. DeFehr of Kildonan; me, his wife and children, Dave and Esther, Kildonan; Albert and Evelyn, Morden; Corny and Margie, Winnipeg; Alvin and Irene, still at home and many relatives and friends.

The bereaved Mrs. Reimer and children.

### Historic Conference at Bienenberg

A most significant and historic conference took place at Bienenberg from July 28 to 31 when the EMEK partners (Mennonites of Holland, Germany, Switzerland and France) met in a four-day missions conference, the first of its kind in European Mennonite history. Bienenberg was filled to capacity and some of the visitors were given accommodation in nearby Liestal and Basel. The theme of the conference was, "Ambassadors in Christ's Stead."

Erland Waltner, president of the General Conference Mennonites and of the Mennonite Biblical Seminary, who had come to Europe on World Conference business, gave the Bible lectures every morning. Brethren of the four participating countries gave various messages which were eagerly received and discussed in small groups.

The high point of the conference was perhaps the testimony given by two young people, one a nurse and the other a teacher, who have responded to the call and are preparing themselves for full-time mission service abroad. The mission offering at the conference was nearly DM 3,000. EMEK is exploring new fields to enter and is taking up contact with American mission boards with a view of perhaps entering some mission field cooperatively.

### Six Follow the Lord in Baptism

**Kelowna, B.C.** — Early in the summer one soul applied for baptism. Thereafter Rev. J. A. Sawatsky brought a series of messages on baptism. Six more applied for baptism. Due to illness one girl was not baptized.

Monday night, September 5, was a blessed evening. The Church listened to the testimonies of the six girls.

Elenor Wiebe said that she had been saved during the evangelistic meetings of Rev. Schultz.

Marlene Sawatsky realized her lost condition and could not sleep one night knowing that Christ could come any moment. Her mother prayed with her and she found peace with God.

Helen Wiebe had said at home one day that she was going to be saved at the evangelistic meetings that night, and so it happened.

Olive Pauls was saved when she was quite young. She loves the Lord and wants to go on with Him.

Ruth Epp had had an experience early, but she realized later that she had done it to please the preacher. One night last month she took her Bible, read in it and found salvation through Christ.

On Sunday afternoon on September 11, at the shores of Lake Okanagan, we had the baptism. Brother Abe Janzen led in the congregational singing and Brother George Pauls led in the opening of the service. He pointed out that the candidates had all indicated that they had wanted to take the step of obedience. If Jesus had to be baptized, how much more is it necessary for us to do the same.

Rev. John Klassen of Oliver read a few verses from Romans chapter six and spoke on "The Meaning of Baptism." Baptism is not conversion but an outward sign of what has gone on inwardly.

That evening the candidates were accepted into membership of the church. Rev. J. A. Sawatsky spoke on the responsibility of the church to its new members. May we live up to our responsibility.

G. G. Fast.

### 66 Enrolled in DVBS at Linden

**Linden, Alta.** — Daily Vacation Bible School was held in the M.B. church, August 22-26. The classes began at 9 a.m. and closed at 2:45 p.m. with one hour off for lunch at noon. There were 66 boys and girls enrolled. The teachers were Joyce Brown, Mrs. Allen Toews, Verta Ratzlaff and Sylvia Ratzlaff. Two helpers were Mrs. Walter Toews and Jeanie Eitzen. Rev. W. E. Thiessen was the leader. The week concluded with a very good program. The theme for the week was, "Thinking through God's Word."

## FOREIGN MISSION NEWS

General information regarding the Congo situation is contained in the article of last week calling attention to the need for special intercession at this time. Recent developments include the following: Sister Henry Brucks and children Florence, Paul and Joanne (Yarrow, B.C.) were scheduled to leave the Congo by plane on September 9 for Canada with Brother Brucks remaining in Leopoldville. On the same day the brethren Henry Derksen (Boissevain, Man.) and Orville Wiebe (Wichita, Kans.) were scheduled to fly to the Congo from Europe. Sister Derksen and sons John, Henry and Gerhard are scheduled to arrive in Canada shortly, while Sister Wiebe and daughter Dawn will return to the States in October.

Brethren George Faul (Sawyer, N.D.) and Harold Fehderau (Kitchener, Ont.) flew from Leopoldville to Luanda in Angola on August 20 to return several mission vehicles to the Congo. There are now several vehicles in Leopoldville for use by the missionary staff which as of September 9 included Henry Brucks, George Fauls, Harold Fehderaus, and Bob Kroekers (Reedley, Calif.) These brethren have been making visits to Kikwit and Kafumba in the interests of the work. They have learned that Djimbo Timothy, pastor at Kafumba, has been seriously ill, but that in the providence of God he has been restored to health. (Correspondence with these folks can be addressed as follows: %Union Mission Home, B.P. 658, Leopoldville, Republic of Congo.)

Representatives from all of our stations in the Congo have been met by our missionaries who have thus received a picture from all of the stations. As far as the property is concerned, it appears that little if any damage has resulted. The missionaries report brotherly fellowship with the Congo church leaders who express interest in having missionaries return to help in the work of the church.

The school program is being arranged, and the government has indicated that funds will be made available for the 1960-1961 school year.

The Fehderaus plan to continue their work in Leopoldville until October.

Plans are that part of the Congo missionary staff be returned from North America for work after conditions are more settled. The missionary program, however, will need to be adjusted to the new circumstances. Conditions do not promise the possibility of returning all missionaries to the field. Some of the missionaries will need to be rehabilitated for continued service at home or on other mission fields.

Hillsboro — The members of the Board of Foreign Missions and administrative secretariat were in session in Hillsboro from August 24 to 27. Major considerations included the following: the formulation of tentative plans for the work in the Congo in view of the political upheaval; the preparation of the budget for 1961 to be presented for approval by the General Conference in November; the formulation of plans to meet the growing opportunities for the Gospel in South America; preparation of recommendations and report to the General Conference, and the acceptance of new missionary personnel. Members of the KMB Foreign Missions Committee participated in the sessions to regulate administrative matters in view of the coming merger of the foreign missions interests of the two conferences. The Board accepted in principle 9 new missionaries whose names will be announced after responses have been received from them and their home churches. This was considerably short of the present personnel needs which were established at 12 new couples and one nurse. The Board of Foreign Missions herewith shares this concern with the churches so they may pray that workers will be provided to man the many missionary posts.

Walter Pastres, studying Portuguese in Campinas, Brazil, hope to master the language in one term. Then at the beginning of next year they hope and pray that they will be ready to move to Palmas, where property has been purchased to serve as their base for evangelistic work in that area. When the Pastres visited Palmas, they were impressed by the opportunity for evangelism in the area.

Evangelistic services are to be conducted at Piedras Negras, Mexico, in October. Brother I. M. Alaniz is seeking to secure an evangelist to preach during these services. Pray for the Lord's blessing upon this evangelistic effort.

The work of the Mexican chapel at Premont, Texas, is being transferred to the home missions interests of the (Old) Mennonite Church. A couple from that denomination assumed responsibility for the work around the middle of August. This work has been transferred to the (Old) Mennonite Church since it has other work in the area and Premont is quite a distance from our other churches in southern Texas, which are being organized into a Latin American Conference.

Daniel A. Wirsche (Fresno, Calif.) is serving as a teacher on the staff of El Faro school in southern Texas and as pastor of the Chihuahua Church while serving the interests of the Latin American work.

G. B. Giesbrecht, representative of the South American Conference visiting North America for the Centennial Conference, is scheduled to visit churches in Canada during the coming months as fol-



A retainer wall has been erected around church property purchased in Asuncion.

lows: September 15 to 28 British Columbia, October 2 to 12 Manitoba, October 14 to 19 Southern Saskatchewan, October 21 to 30 Alberta, and return to British Columbia November 1.

In Asuncion, Paraguay, land has been purchased on which a church building is to be erected during the coming year. Recently a retaining wall has been built around this property with considerable assistance from brethren who came from the Chaco to do this work under the direction of Brother Albert Enns.

The radio program in India which is beamed to the Telugu people of India by the Far East Broadcasting Company in the Philippines, is prepared by the Mahbubnagar Mennonite Brethren Church people under the direction of missionary H. G. Krahn (Abbotsford, B.C.). This program is entirely in Telugu and is prepared by national Christians and students who are especially concerned that all of their fellow countrymen may hear the gospel, even the higher caste people. It is now estimated that India has more than three million radios with an average of seven listeners per set. The number of Telugu listeners runs into the hundreds of thousands of people. This gospel outreach therefore constitutes one of the modern avenues of bringing the gospel into many homes which might not be reached otherwise.

A food shortage is a possibility in our church area in India, according to correspondence from missionaries Ted Fast (Dallas, Ore.) and J. J. Kasper (Chilliwack, B.C.). They indicate that the monsoon rains have failed this year and that the crops are almost entirely gone by now. The water tanks are empty and many wells have turned dry. The situation threatens to become desperate. At the Gadwal station all wells are dry except one. The missionaries report that if the Lord sends rain now, the people would be able to put in another crop of rice which can be sown in the middle of September. Prayer is requested so that the Lord might send rain to provide food for the suffering multitudes in that part of India.

The elementary Bible school at Narayanpet in India has 15 students enrolled. The day school enrollment is 51, of which 16 are in boarding and 35 more caste and Mohammedan children come for classes during the day and go home for the night. Bible is taught to all the children in the elementary schools, which is a wonderful way to bring the story of salvation to the caste and Mohammedan children.

Brother and Sister P. J. Funk were welcomed to Hillsboro by the conference offices staff at a brief fellowship meeting on Tuesday afternoon, August 30. Brother Funk has taken up the treasurership in the Board of Foreign Missions office.

Several missionaries have enrolled in Tabor College for the 1960-1961 school year. They include Margaret Dyck (Winkler, Man.) and Mary Toews (Clearbrook, B.C.) of the Congo, Edna Gerdes (Bingham Lake Minn.) and Katie Siemens (Gem, Alberta) on furlough from India, and Hugo Jantz (East Chilliwack, B.C.), on furlough from HCJB Ecuador, whose family is residing with him in Hillsboro.

Among the Congo missionaries who have made plans for the coming year are Ernest Dyck (Abbotsford, B.C.), who has accepted a position in the Mennonite Brethren High School in Coaldale, Alta., and Brother Ben Klassen (Morden, Man.), who will be teaching in the Coaldale Bible School.

Brother and Sister John N. Klassen (Winnipeg, Man.) have arrived safely in Neustadt, Germany, and have taken up the work. May we remember the Klassens in prayer in a special way as the work in Neustadt is not easy. With the arrival of the Klassens, Brother and Sister G. H. Jantzen (Fresno, Cal.) have transferred to Kalkar, Germany, to assist in a Bible school and minister spiritually to Mennonite Brethren members living in that general area. Plans are that several young people from our Mennonite Brethren Churches in Europe will attend this independent Bible school in Kalkar.



### Hello, Girls and Boys

Have you noticed that the days are getting shorter and shorter? The nights are quite cool now, and often we have the furnace on to take away the chill. At this time we must say good-bye to most of the birds we have enjoyed all summer.

Today, I would like to tell you about one type of swallow called the purple martin. The bird is about eight inches long. The male is a beautiful dark purplish-blue color. The martins arrive here in April and stay with us until September. Then they fly south—all the way to Central and South America.

Purple martins usually build their nests in large bird houses which people make especially for them. They nest in large colonies or groups. Martins will return to the same bird house year after year. How do they know the way to South America? How can they possibly find their own bird house again when Canada is so big? God takes care of each tiny bird, and gives it the instinct, the feeling, when to leave us and where to go. He cares and provides for each creature.

The martins' flight is swift, easy and graceful. These birds are helpful to man because they eat ants, flies, beetles and other insects. They don't really sing a song. They just twitter all day long and it reminds me very much of a canary.

We have a bird house fastened to a pole in the backyard. It is quite high so that cats can't molest it. In spring three pairs of martins came to our yard. I enjoyed their twittering, but most of all I enjoyed watching them fly. We were quite sure that they would nest here again, but then the sparrows came. Often we saw angry bird battles. When the martins would fly away the sparrows would quickly enter the nest. Finally the martins went away to nest some other place.

The graceful swallow was forced out and pushed away by the unkind, unfriendly sparrow. Boys and girls, our heart is like that bird-cage. There is only room for one Master. We must choose to do the good, and not let evil in. "Choose ye this day, whom ye shall serve."

Love, Aunt Helen

## Stanley's Promise

By Jean Eash

Stanley was so excited he could hardly wait for lunch time to come. It was his first day in the first grade. Last year he was just in kindergarten. Every day he had wished he could bring his lunch and eat with the first grade. And it was finally noon. The children went running to get their lunches. Stanley didn't have to hunt for his lunch box when he reached the shelf. His was the only one shaped like a bright red barn, with a round silo for a thermos.

"What do you have in there?" asked Larry.

"I bet it's full of hay," said Jim. The boys laughed. Stanley laughed, too. He knew that his lunch box wasn't full of hay. It was full of good food that Mother had packed.

The boys took their lunches and went out into the schoolyard where the grass was long and green. Stanley took out his sandwich and was just ready to take a big bite when he remembered something. He remembered what Mother had said when he left for school that morning. "You won't be here for lunch with us any more," she had said. "So you and Brother can't say your prayer together at the table. But

you can pray at school and Brother can pray at home. And God will hear both of you. You won't forget, will you?"

"I won't forget," he had promised as he waved good-bye to Mother and Little Brother and Baby Sister.

Now it was lunch time, and Little Brother would be asking the blessing at home just as always, and he had almost forgotten his promise. Mother might not know if he forgot, but God would certainly be disappointed. Right then he bowed his head and prayed:

"I fold my hands, I bow my head  
To thank Thee for my daily bread.  
Amen."

The boys stopped talking when Stanley bowed his head. Nobody laughed and nobody said a word. Then Lennie said, "We don't pray at school."

"I'm going to," Stanley declared. "My brother and I always prayed for lunch at home, and Mother said God can hear me at school, too."

"My daddy says that God can see us all the time," said Davey. "I suppose He can hear us, too."

"Our teacher prays before she

eats her lunch," Larry said. "My brother said so."

"My daddy even prays when we have a picnic," said Stanley. "It almost seems as if God can hear us even better when we're outside."

"I feel more thankful when I'm outside," Jim said. "Sometimes I wish I were a bird, so I could just stay outside."

Stanley was chewing on his carrot. He was thinking hard.

"How would you like to learn my prayer?" he asked. "It isn't hard to learn, then we could all pray together tomorrow."

"Say, that's a good idea," Lennie agreed.

"I know a different one that I say at home," put in Larry. "We could learn mine too and take turns saying them." The other boys nodded their heads. They were busy munching the good sandwiches from their lunch boxes.

Stanley was quiet as he took a big yellow banana from his lunch box and began to peel it. He was

thinking how glad he was that he had remembered to keep his promise. Now all of the first-grade boys were going to pray together every day. Stanley was sure that God was pleased. And wouldn't Mother be surprised and happy when he told her?

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### A Prayer

Dear Lord, please bless me as I go  
To school today.  
And help me learn to read and write  
The proper way.

Lord, help me with each schooltime  
task—

Help me to spell,  
To sing, to draw, and let me learn  
Each lesson well.

Lord, bless and help my teacher as  
She works with me.

My schoolmates, too. In Jesus'  
name

I ask of Thee. Amen.



### New Boy at School

This morning when we went to  
school

There was a new boy in our grade,  
He didn't know a single rule,  
He just sat still and looked afraid.  
Our teacher smiled at him, and then  
He smiled right back at her again.  
She asked the older ones to stay  
When school was finished for the  
day;

She had us learn the new boy's  
name,

And distant town from which he  
came

Because his people had to flee  
From their old home across the sea.  
She said, "We'll teach him games  
and songs,

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And on this class I shall depend  
To help him feel that he belongs—  
That Canada, for him, will be  
A land of promise, kind and free.

## Strait is the Gate

By MARJORIE BUCKINGHAM

(4th Installment)

"David!" protested the family, in a horrified chorus.

Maxwell Brandon held up his hand. "No, little David is quite right," he said, impressively. "I'm quite sure you had no intention of using the Lord's Name lightly, Robert, but in the minds of many people the expression you used is associated with 'Jesus.' In fact, I believe that originally 'gee' was just a careless contraction of our Saviour's Name."

"Then you mean it's a kind of swearing, daddy?" It was Pauline who put the question this time.

"Yes, to me it is almost blasphemy," Maxwell Brandon declared with conviction. "Some people call that sort of talk 'sugar-coated' swearing."

"Phew!" Robert gave a low whistle. "That's a new one on me, Dad. I'll have to tell the boys at school about that."

"But you're going to a new school on Monday, Robert, don't forget," his sister reminded him.

"Yes, that's right." The boy did not sound quite so enthusiastic at the prospect. "I wonder what it's going to be like."

"That's what I'm wondering, too," said Pauline, who was to commence in the Sixth Form at the Southdown High School on the same day. That was the only part they hadn't liked about the move—leaving their friends and school-mates.

"I think you would find things very much the same in any school today," their father told them. "You are bound to meet girls and boys who have not been taught the things that you have been taught and they will try to bring you around to their way of thinking and speaking and acting. But you want to take a firm stand right from the beginning and let them see that you try to honour God in your lives, and they will respect you for your convictions, and what is more, you may be able to help some of them to know the Lord."

"One of the girls at church this morning was telling me that there is a Christian Fellowship at our school, daddy," Pauline announced.

"Good!" Maxwell Brandon voiced his approval without any hesitation. "My advice to you would be to join up as soon as possible, Pauline. The Fellowship should be a great help to you, and you would be a big asset to them, I'm sure."

Pauline laughed. "If they wanted someone to give them a sermon, daddy, I'd be able to recommend you!"

Her father's eyes twinkled. "That's very nice to know, my dear, but they may not like my sermons."

"Oh yes, they would, daddy!" The girl sounded quite definite. "That sermon you gave this morning was really wonderful. It just made me feel—"

"Yes—?" prompted her father, as she hesitated—more eager to hear what she had to say than she could possibly have guessed.

But the girl only shrugged her shoulders. "Oh, you know, daddy," she said, vaguely. But the quick smile that she gave him warmed his heart.

"Yes, it was a good sermon, dad," echoed Robert. "I liked it."

"There now, father," put in Mrs. Brandon, encouragingly, "you made an impression on your family. They all liked the sermon."

"I didn't." The bombshell came from little David, and for the second time the baby of the family became the centre of attention.

Oh, David!" remonstrated his mother in surprise.

The little fellow had been forgotten for the moment in the general discussion, and his intrusion into the conversation was as unexpected as it was decisive.

"You shouldn't say things like that, David," his big sister reprimanded him.

"He's not old enough to know anything about sermons, anyway!" scoffed Robert, with a very superior air.

But the little boy was not to be moved.

"I didn't like it, either," he maintained, stolidly.

"Well," interposed his father, looking very grave, "I'm very sorry to hear that, David." He paused. "Why didn't you like it, I wonder?"

"'Cos—" David Brandon's big blue eyes looked up into his father's face. "'Cos you didn't tell a story, daddy."

"Didn't I?" Maxwell Brandon seemed to be taking the criticism very seriously. "Are you quite sure, David?"

David nodded vigorously. "Yes, true, daddy! I listened all the time—"

"Well, that's just too bad!" His father's face broke into a smile. "I'll have to do something about it, won't I?"

"When?" queried David, hopefully.

"Right now, I guess," Maxwell Brandon held out his arms in an inviting gesture. "Come along, old chap—we'll have a story now!"

The little boy needed no second bidding. In a flash he had slipped down from his high chair and was climbing up on to his father's knee.

Maxwell Brandon gathered the child into his arms and pressed the little curly head close to his cheek. "What kind of a story?" he asked, softly.

Two little chubby arms stole around his neck. "A story about Jesus, daddy, please!"

So it was that the family reading was taken from the eighteenth chapter of St. Matthew's Gospel, where it is recorded that "Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them, and said, Except ye be converted, and become as little children..."

Then with his own heart strangely softened, Maxwell Brandon began to tell again the old, old story of the little children who wanted to gather at the Saviour's knee, of the disciples who would have held them back, and of the kind and loving Lord Who said, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

And little David, safely installed in his favourite spot and listening to his favourite story, was quite content.

### CHAPTER III

#### Mrs. Norwood Speaks Her Mind

"Well, what do you think of him?"

It was Mrs. Norwood who put the question as the family sat down to dinner, and it seemed to be taken for granted that she was referring to the new minister; but her husband, for one, was non-committal.

"Oh, it's rather early to say, isn't it, Thelma?" he said, tactfully, well aware that her aggressive tone of voice indicated that she was not in a very happy frame of mind.

"H'm, he's said quite enough already—or at least, it's what he hasn't said that's the trouble!" she maintained, vehemently.

Nancy looked surprised. "What's the matter, mum? Didn't you like the sermon?"

Thelma Norwood drew a deep breath. "I wasn't referring to the sermon, Nancy—"

"Then, my dear, what in the world—?" demanded her husband, in astonishment.

"My dear Charles," Mrs. Norwood sounded quite exasperated, "don't you realize that this is the first in the history of the Women's Guild at Southdown Grove that our 'afternoon' has not been announced from the pulpit?"

"What 'afternoon', mum?" Nancy seemed quite in the dark.

"Our card party, of course," answered her mother, sharply. "And that just proves my point, that unless a thing is announced from the pulpit nobody knows anything about it!"

"Oh, I see—it wasn't mentioned at all?" The light was beginning to dawn on Charles who, truth to tell, had not even noticed the serious omission.

"Not a word from the new minister—not a single word!" fumed his wife. "And after all the work



we've put into it, and all the money we've raised for the church—"

"Oh, I suppose he forgot it, Thelma, with all the official welcomes—"

Charles was trying to play the role of peacemaker, but without much success.

"No such thing!" declared Mrs. Norwood, emphatically. "All the announcements were written out there for him—he didn't forget! In my opinion he had no intention of saying anything about it."

"Perhaps he doesn't approve of that sort of thing, mum," ventured Nancy, thoughtfully.

"Indeed!" Thelma Norwood bristled. "And who is Pastor Maxwell Brandon to approve or disapprove of what the Southdown Grove church does, I'd like to know?"

Nancy laughed. "Well, he is the minister, mum!"

"Yes," agreed her mother, firmly, "but he won't be a very popular one if he doesn't look out."

Nancy looked thoughtful. "That mightn't worry him very much, either," she mused, almost to herself. She was thinking of the warm handshake he had given her at the door, of the earnest enquiry she had read in his penetrating gaze, of the challenge in the message he had given....

Mrs. Norwood swung round on her daughter. "It seems as if you can't see anything wrong with the new minister, Nancy!" she said, sharply.

The girl forced a smile. "Oh, I don't know about that, mum—but it was a good sermon, wasn't it?"

"Too long!" put in Mr. Norwood, critically. "Far too long—he'll have to be told, I'm afraid, if he keeps it up."

"But it was well worth listening to, dad!"

"It didn't exactly appeal to me!" Mrs. Norwood tossed her head. "All this talk about being 'saved'—he sounds a bit of a 'ranter' to me."

Mr. Norwood nodded grimly. "I shouldn't be surprised, my dear."

Nancy flushed angrily. "Oh, you are awful—both of you!" she cried, hotly. "After all, you've only heard him once!"

Thelma Norwood nodded sagely. "Oh, yes, I know all about that, but 'first impressions'—that's what I say. And you mark my words, Pastor Brandon is going to cause a lot of trouble in the church before he's been there very long!"

(To be continued)

## New Facilities Dedicated at Brook Lane



The barn at Brook Lane which houses the recently renovated Occupational Therapy shop and auditorium.

Dedication services for a new administration-clinical building and other facilities at Brook Lane Farm Hospital, Hagerstown, Md., were held Sunday afternoon, Sept. 11.

The new building has business and professional offices and the board conference room. Also included in the dedication was the recently remodeled occupational therapy shop and auditorium on the second floor of the barn.

Contributions from the Ford Foundation and local businessmen, and voluntary labor from the community made it possible to dedicate

the new building free of debt. It cost less than \$43,000.

Grant M. Stoltzfus, professor of sociology at Eastern Mennonite College, Harrisonburg, Va., brought the main address, "Toward a Greater Ministry in Mental Health for Brook Lane Farm." In reviewing the purposes of the Mennonite Mental Health program, Stoltzfus pointed out that the history of the Christian church reveals a deep concern for the cure of the soul and the well-being of the entire man. "It is a doctrine of the church that by origin and nature man is

fundamentally a unity," he said. "Brook Lane was founded in the conviction that Christianity and psychiatry cannot be separated."

In conclusion, Stoltzfus spoke of the future: "To carry forward the concern of Mennonite Mental Health Services—that of relating the Christian faith to psychiatric service—calls for humility and much work. We need to learn a lot from the professional leaders in the field. We thank them for their patience. We need an informed constituency. We need a chapel building to give reality to our main concern. We need an oncoming group of younger people to fill the posts of responsibility that are here.

"Above all as we dedicate this building we need to rededicate ourselves to God. We need to deepen our Christian and scientific understanding of the nature and needs of man. We need to renew the wells of Christian love for the task ahead."

D. C. Kauffman, administrator of the hospital served as chairman of the service and introduced the speakers. The building and financial plans for the administration-clinical building were reviewed by board member Amos Baer, Maudsville, Md. R. Paul Smith of Hagerstown expressed gratitude and promised continued support to Brook Lane Farm in behalf of the

community. Delmar Stahly, coordinator of Mennonite Mental Health Services in Akron expressed appreciation for contributions by the Mennonite constituency and the local community, and emphasized thankfulness to God for the opportunity of working together in this way.

Howard Musselman, Fairfield, Pa., chairman of the Brook Lane Farm Board of Directors, presented the symbolic key to the new facilities to Dr. Gilles Morin, medical director.

The facilities dedicated Sunday represent a step in the total plan for expansion at Brook Lane. In construction at the present time is a badly needed staff dormitory, which will provide housing for 20 single girls.

### Facts of Interest

**Tractor Fuel**—A single tractor with 150 horsepower consumes an average of 8.5 gallons of petroleum fuel for every hour it is in actual operation.

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**Dangerous Hours**—Most dangerous period for accidents on farms is from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays, a Pennsylvania survey showed, and most mishaps involved younger workers and teenage boys.

## 43 Workers Complete Orientation



First row: Nelson Good, Donald Hedrick, John Arn, Jr., Gary Weitkamp, Allen Brooks, Edward Regier, Gerald Dyck. — Second row: Carol Hastings, Paul Hastings, Sieglinde de Jong, Eleanor Schulz, Charlotte Graber, Alice Dueck, Susan Voth, Melva Lehman, Martha Richard, Martha Epp, Esther Regier, Dora Jantzen, Erica Janzen. — Third row: Irwin Voth, Dwight Esch, Robert Shaak, Lois Deckert, Marion Deckert, Agnes Thiessen, James Delp, Gilbert Friesen, Ervie Glick. — Fourth row: Richard Cromwell, Hielke de Jong, John Klassen, Merrill Hunsberger, Merle Brenneman, Bill Ediger, Paul Myers, Harold Weaver, Bill Leatherman, Merlin Schrock, Gerald Schrag.

Akron, Pa. (MCC) — A commissioning service for 47 outgoing workers was held at the Neffsville Mennonite church on Sunday evening, September 11. Orrie O. Miller gave the commissioning message on the topic, "We Send You Forth."

The 47 workers attended orientation school at Akron headquarters August 31 to September 13. The group was composed of 12 foreign relief workers, 16 Paxmen, 18 Voluntary Service workers and one Menno Travel Service employee.

### Foreign Relief Workers

Assigned to work with Mennonites in Bolivia are Hielke and Sieglinde de Jong of Vineland, Ont. Hielke will aid in the agriculture development program and Sieglinde will work in the area of community nutritional improvement.

Alice Dueck, Coaldale, Alta., will go to Asuncion, Paraguay, to do secretarial work at the South America MCC headquarters.

Four of the relief workers are going to Jordan. Irvin and Susan Voth of North Newton, Kans., will be responsible for material aid distribution; Martha Epp, R.N., of Chilliwack, B.C., and Erica Janzen, R.N., of Morris, Man., will go to Jordan as nurses.

### Paxmen

Eleven of the 16 Paxmen attending the orientation school will serve with the Pax program in Europe. John Klassen, Homewood, Man., is one of these Paxmen.

### Voluntary Service Workers

Five of the 18 Voluntary Service workers are Canadians. Agnes Thiessen, R.N., Winnipeg, Man., will complete the unit at St. Anthony, Newfoundland, where she will work in the St. Anthony Grenfell hospital. Dora Jantzen, Vancouver, B.C., is working in the kitchen at the Akron MCC headquarters. Eleanor Schultz, R.N., Winnipeg, Man., will serve as a nurse at Kings View.



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**Farewell Service**

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"Trust and Obey." He then read Philippians 1: 1-7 and outlined briefly the four years that the Klassens have so faithfully served this congregation.

Various members of the congregation expressed appreciation and best wishes to the Klassens. Jimmy Suderman was spokesman for the children as he fittingly sang "Away far over Jordan we'll meet in that Beautiful Land." Superintendent Jake Wiebe represented the Sunday School; Victor Friesen, the choir; Youth leader, Peter Thiessen, the Youth Fellowship; President Martha Suderman, the Ladies' Aid; and Mr. Peter Suderman, Sr., the congregation.

A mixed quartette consisting of Malinda Schmidt, Iona Wiebe, Bert Adrian, and Walter Harder sang "Each Step I take just leads me nearer Home. Soloist Hans Sapinsky sang "When I come to the End of the Road," and Miss Mary Klassen recited a German poem "Past, Future, and Present."

Both Mr. and Mrs. Klassen then spoke brief words of farewell and upon request sang with their four-year-old son Jimmy in three part harmony "Trust and Obey." The service ended with a fellowship lunch served by the Ladies' Aid.

As the Klassens leave to study at Tabor College they are accompanied by the appreciation, good wishes and prayers of the congregation here.

**News from Here and There**

**Russians Brought Two Dogs Back Alive**

Soviet Russia claims the honor of being the first to have brought living beings back alive after they had circled the earth in a space ship.

Not only were two dogs successfully sent up and then safely returned, but the space ship itself was recovered, the Soviet news dispatch said. The animals made 18 revolutions around the earth in the rocket.

**Bodies Litter Streets of Congo Cities**

What many had feared came to pass in the Belgian Congo, anarchy and civil war.

Streets of many cities, including Bakwanga, the diamond mining center, were littered with dead bodies. One UN official said he counted at least 270 dead in Bakwanga. Many of the dead remained unburied for days. Pestilence threatened the area.

There are prospects, however, that conditions will improve now.

**Crusade in Europe**

Evangelist Billy Graham was scheduled to begin meetings in

Germany the third week in September following a series of crusades in Berne, Zurich, Basel, and Lausanne.

Meetings were slated in Essen from September 10 through 16. To accommodate the campaign, the largest tent ever erected in Germany was raised in the big West German industrial center. The tent was made to seat 20,000. Following the Essen meetings, Graham planned to go to Hamburg and Berlin.

**Security Council Approved New Applicants**

The US Security Council approved eight new nations who applied for membership in the Council. All are small nations that have become independent recently.

They are: Dahomey, Niger, Upper Volta, the Ivory Coast, Republic of the (French) Congo, Chad, Gabon and the Central African Republic.

**Pennsylvania Railroad Strike**

America's biggest railroad—the Pennsylvania had a strike lately of 20,000 employees. It was the first strike in the Pennsylvania's 114-year history.

Normally, the railroad operates 722 passenger trains daily, and nearly 850 freights. Its 136,000 daily passenger load was taken over by buses, autos, and planes at that time.

As usual, the reason for the strike was higher wages.

**Molotov Transferred to Vienna**

Vienna. — Vyacheslav Molotov, former Soviet foreign minister who was sent in disgrace to a minor ambassadorship, in 1957, arrived here to take up his post as permanent Soviet representative to the International Atomic Energy Agency. Molotov, 70, arrived under a veil of secrecy while Sterling Cole, an American who is director-general of the agency, was addressing the opening session of a technical conference of 250 atomic experts from 40 countries.

**Future Subscribers**

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Penner, 27 Taylor Ave., St. Catharines, Ont., a daughter, Wendy Lynn, on August 21, 1960.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Klassen of 3 Neville Close, Potters Bar, London, England, a daughter, on August 12, 1960. They named her Tanya Mary. Mr. Klassen is the son of the late Mr. C. F. Klassen. Mrs. Klassen's maiden name was Maureen Harvey.

Born to Rev. and Mrs. J. Bergen, Hepburn, Sask., a son Daniel James, on September 7, 1960.

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

John Russel had the privilege of spending his 16th birthday in two countries, Ecuador and Colombia. We all enjoyed a delicious chocolate birthday cake for dinner, thanks to the thoughtfulness of Mrs. Wiebe of HCJB in Quito. Usually our midday meal is a picnic lunch taken along in the morning, as it was also this day. It was cold in the mountains and we stayed close together in the car to eat.

In Pastos, our first overnight stop, we met a very interesting Brethren missionary, Mrs. Katherine Morgan, whose hobby is guests and whose second love is Paraguay. As in many of the missionary houses, we found scores of rooms, upstairs and down. Here the meeting house and school connected with the mission is downstairs, as well as the patio and the garage where we could put our car for the night. Many of the little children attending school as well as some teachers stayed in the downstairs rooms. Upstairs Mrs. Morgan and her family and another missionary girl had their home. She invited some German-speaking friends with whom she is having Bible classes to see our slides. Mrs. Morgan is a most energetic person who does medical work in connection with mission work, and has experiences that would fill a book.

All along the way after Pastos we met only villages with no place to change money. By the time we would get to the next large town it would be night and we had no local money left. We used the last bit to buy three bottles of soft drink, for it was hot and we were all very thirsty. We did the next best thing, which proved a real blessing to us; we camped out for the night. With mountains all around, going up or down, it seemed like it might be hard to find a suitable place. Just before dark we came upon a pasture plot next to a river, a perfect spot to camp. The full moon added to the beauty of this haven of rest. It was one of the rare things we will never forget.

At Cali we were privileged to see the work of the Mennonite Brethren mission. We arranged our time so as to spend six days here and, allowing for possible delays, still catch the boat we had reserved at Buenaventura, our point of embarkation. The mission in Cali works in different parts with different classes of people. In the Cali church we worshipped and had communion with both Negroes and Spanish, or whites, as they are called. Here in Colombia was the first place where we encountered the Negroes, and we found them in great numbers, especially in the valley of the hot jungle area. They are, as a rule, very poor. In La Cumbre, an area with much persecution, we found the

school for nationals. Colombia has had and still has the most severe persecution of any South American country. At the time we were there, the Ernst Friesens were just leaving on furlough and they had had a series of conventions with the national Christians. Here, as in other missions, much of the work is in the hands of the nationals. During and after the Friesens' departure all the missionaries from the surrounding areas were in, and before they left for their respective places, we had the privilege of having dinner with them at the W. Quiring's home. We certainly treasure the fellowship which we enjoyed with them. They have been through severe testings, but their homes and lives have been protected from fire and bombs by divine intervention. The work in the Choco, an area where only Negroes live, is especially difficult. The weather is hot and sultry the year round. Missionaries are allowed in the Choco for only three years in succession and they go out to another area for three months. Everywhere there are sincere believers, but many, many do not want to accept the free gift of salvation. Praise the Lord, many are hearing the Word through these faithful workers. We thank God for each one!

In Cali the time went fast. We stayed at the boys' dormitory on the grounds of the church and seminary, which was not in session at the time. We did our own cooking and had time to catch up on some writing and do the laundry. From here we telephoned Mary and Hector Valencia in Bogota, whom we would have liked so much to see. They are well and busy in their work; they could not understand why we didn't stop to see them. True, we were only a day's mountain travel from them, but since we had to meet the boat on a set day and laundry etc. to catch up on, we could not make it. We had visited them on our way to Paraguay previously. The nurses of the Choco, who have no doctor to work with, also urged us to come and see them. We would have been very happy to see them, but the return trip would have taken three days by plane. It was on this flight that the Duecks were killed several years ago in a plane accident and the memory of that tragedy is still alive.

Staying at Buenaventura would have presented a real problem if it hadn't been for the local pastor and his family of the Alliance Church there, who took us in. They have close connections with the Mennonites of Cali and the Cali pastor had called here to let them know that we were coming. For two nights and almost two days we lived in their large Sunday school room adjoining the church and the

humble pastor's home. Everything was clean in contrast to the rest of the environment in Buenaventura. Stealing is widely practiced here. The pastor had lost many things. While they are in a meeting next door people just come in and carry off anything. After showing slides to this Negro congregation, we missed a color slide. The pastor questioned some of the boys who had been near the projector whether they knew about the slide, but he obtained no information. The next morning we found the slide under the door.

There is no road from Buenaventura to Panama and probably will not be for some time to come. It is difficult country in which to construct roads. The area is populated with Indians who object very much to the idea of building a road through the jungle and are a danger to anyone coming into the area. On Sunday, July 17, we boarded the Italian steamer, Vespucci, leaving South America on schedule.

It has not seemed long. We have travelled over 6000 miles and have travelled over 6000 miles of difficult

road through interesting country, and with the help of many new and old friends we enjoyed the trip to the full. The countries are similar in some respects but they also differ widely. In each country we had to become accustomed to their currency. The U.S. dollar is the equivalent of 123 Guarani in Paraguay, 80 pesos in Argentina, 12,000 bolivianos in Bolivia, 27.50 sols in Peru, 18 sucres in Ecuador, and 6.80 pesos in Colombia. We have not been stopped by any landslides or closed roads, though we have passed innumerable places where this could have happened. We have had practically no car trouble, no sickness or tragic experience. We were greatly blessed through visiting the missions in the different countries and are thankful that so many are with us in the work of the Lord. Yet, the need is great and more workers are needed everywhere to bring the gospel to the many who have not heard.

(The end)

"Loyalty (to rules) is with me an essential branch of religion."



### Redekopp — Schertz

The Mennonite church in Metamora, Illinois was the scene of an impressive ceremony, when Waldemar A. Redekopp of Winnipeg, and Jean Carol Schertz of Illinois were united in marriage. Jean is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Schertz of Lowpoint, Illinois, and Rev. and Mrs. I. W. Redekopp of Winnipeg are the parents of Waldemar.

Rev. Roy Bucher of the Metamora congregation officiated, while Rev. Redekopp, the grooms father, performed the wedding ceremony. Attending the bride were Vieta Schertz and Barbara Imhoff, while the groom was attended by Harold Redekopp and Neil Krahn, both of Winnipeg. Mr. C. W. Nesman was at the organ, and the soloist was Mr. Ira Zook. The guest were

ushered by Joy Schertz, Merle Sauder and Jack Pauls.

After the reception in the lower auditorium of the church, the young couple left for their wedding trip to Canada, and since have taken up residence in Winnipeg. Waldemar, a Goshen College Arts graduate is employed by the Redekopp Lumber and Supply Company. Jean, a Goshen graduate in Home Economics, will take up a teaching position in Winnipeg.

### My Prayer

Let me be a little kinder,  
Let me be a little blinder,  
To the faults of those about me,  
Let me praise a little more.  
Let me be when I am weary  
Just a little bit more cheery,  
Let me serve a little better,  
Those that I am striving for.

## Schools and Colleges

### Studying in Chicago

Rudolph Heidebrecht of Box 293, Coaldale Alta., Canada, enrolled as a student in the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary of Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. Heidebrecht is currently working toward the B.D. degree, according to Dr. James D. Mosteller, dean of the seminary.

Mr. Heidebrecht is a graduate of the Mennonite high school at Coaldale and the Mennonite Brethren Bible College in Winnipeg. He is a member of the Mennonite Brethren Church in Main Centre, Sask., the dean said.

### Farewell to Students — Leaving Clearbrook

A number of students said farewell to the Clearbrook M. B. Church recently. Although we are sorry to see them leave, we wish them all the best in their studies this year. Attending the M. B. Bible College this year are: Erna Block, Betty Doerksen, Clara Thiessen, Werner Heidebrecht, Ethel Brandt, Irene Doerksen, Irene Kopp, Allan Guenther, and Dave Rempel. Others going to various other places of training are: Harry Doerksen, Bernie Konrad, Pete Thiessen, Inge Doerksen, Lydia Toews, Zena Giesbrecht, Ed Fast and Harold Redekop.

A student night service was held on the evening of September 11. The invocation was led by a student, Wern Heidebrecht. Serving with the message was Rev. G. Konrad. A group of girls brought two special numbers in song. Testimonies were given by students, Betty Doerksen, Harry Doerksen and Lydia Toews.

At the close of the service the young people gathered in the lower auditorium for a fireside. After some good singing and a piano solo by Helen Guenther, the students, who were leaving, were tested on their Bible knowledge. The quiz dealt with men of the Bible who went away. Participating in a short skit called "Lieske geit tom College" were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Friesen and Kathy Peters. Following a special number by Mary Anne Friesen, Ingrid Sawatzky, Vic Thiessen and Hartmut Doerksen, everyone joined in the fellowship around the table where pie and coffee were served.

Ruth Enns

### Bethel College Plans Tour

North Newton, Kans. — The names of the 44 students who will sing in the Bethel College choir have been released by its director, Walter Jost.

A six-member committee, headed by Gerhard Klassen, was elected by the choir at its first rehearsal, to assist the director in scheduling

appearances and deputational work and establishing a criteria whereby individual choir members will be graded.

Canadian members named to the choir are: Katie Penner, Leamington, Ont.; Mary Thiessen, Leamington, Ont.; Gerald Loewen, Altona, Man.; Gerhard Klassen, Laird, Sask.; Peter Letkemann, Waldheim, Sask.; Cornie Rempel, Glenbush, Sask.

### Two Isbister Scholarship Winners

Gretna, Man. — Two grade 11 students at the Gretna Mennonite Collegiate Institute last year have been named Isbister Scholarship winners for district 6.

They are Margaret Irene Enns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Enns, Gretna, who receives \$155 first award, and Alvira Louise Friesen, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. P. L. Friesen, Morris, who receives the \$105 second award.

The awards, which are given on entrance to the University or an affiliated college be deferred for a year, which both girls are doing. They will be taking their grade 12 at the M.C.I. during 1960-61.

Miss Enns, besides taking her grade 11 last year, also studied and passed her grade 10 piano exams and taught piano to several pupils.

## Teachers Have an Unusual Gathering

Betusen Park, near Lynden in Washington State, was the scene of an unusual gathering one sunny September day. More than 40 teachers and teachers' wives had assembled to pool their problems, experiences and ideas on education in private institutions. Represented in this group were teachers from four Mennonite schools: Bethany Bible School, Mennonite Brethren Bible Institute, Mennonite Educational Institute and Sharon Mennonite Collegiate.

The balmy Indian Summer air proved to be an invigorating atmosphere for serious discussion of weighty problems, while the stately evergreens formed a background of quiet solemnity. Ancient cedars here and there imparted a spirit of stability and permanence.

In such surroundings, the conference progressed quickly and profitably. Three sessions seemed too short for the energetic group. Many would have prolonged the study of practical and vital problems which would be confronting them so soon.

The morning session began with an analysis of current objectives for Christian education. Mr. W. Wiebe, principal of Mennonite Educational Institute, pointed to the need for such a study in view of the increasing number of religious schools—some 190 institutions within the National Union of Christian Schools alone. He then proceeded to list 46 specific objectives

She will continue to study piano this year under Mrs. Armelle Molin in Winnipeg and teach piano to local pupils. Her plans are to study medicine.

This is the third time in recent years that students at the Gretna M.C.I. have taken both Isbister Scholarships in their district.

### 22 Canadian Students at Bethel College

North Newton, Kans. — Twenty-two Canadian students have enrolled at Bethel College for the coming school year. Fifteen of these are in the senior class.

The students coming from Ontario are: Louise Dick, Ruthven; Katie Penner and Mary Thiessen, Leamington. Manitoba: Tina Block, Steinbach; Linda M. Krueger, Gretna; Gerald Loewen, Helen Loewen and Robert Loewen, Altona; John Martens, Sanford; Esther Toews and Edith Wieler, Gretna. Saskatchewan: Wilmar Boschman, Carrot River; Gerhard Klassen and Rudolph Klassen, Laird; Peter J. Letkemann, Waldheim; Cornie Rempel, Glenbush; Gertrude Warkentin, Superb; and Margaret Wiens, Herschel. Alberta: Margaret Regehr, Tofield. British Columbia: Lois E. Epp, Vancouver; Larry Kehler, Abbotsford; and David D. Reimer, Vancouver.

Mennonites followed the invitation to our services despite the introduction of English services? The group felt that these and many other questions needed thorough and unbiased study.

The evening service was devoted to a study of the relationship between Christian philosophy and the current curriculum. Three reports showed how various fields within the curriculum could be used very effectively to develop the Christian philosophy of our pupils. Mr. E. Andres indicated how science, through the marvels of cellular life, the exactness and perfection in the sciences, and the complexity and variety of creation, could contribute toward our appreciation and understanding of our Creator. Mr. J. Isaac illustrated how inextricably interwoven history and Christian philosophy actually are. And Mr. J. Toews showed that literature and philosophy deal with common themes: life and death, hopes and fears, successes and failures, faiths and doubts. He proceeded with ample illustrations of how literature could effect a deeper grasp of spiritual truths.

The day ended as it had begun—with a devotional study of Paul's letter to the Philippians. Rev. N. Willms again challenged us with Paul's great exhortation: Let Christ have pre-eminence in your lives!

Weary and yet refreshed, the teachers wended their way homeward. But before doing so, they made arrangements for another conference of a similar nature for next summer.

Jacob Isaac, Yarrow, B.C.

### Bursaries to Winkler Students

Winkler, Man. — Five Winkler students have been awarded a total of \$2,800 in bursaries ranging from \$950 to \$100.

Waldo Dyck has been awarded \$950 in bursaries including the Queen Elizabeth and Manitoba government bursaries. Ted Redekop has received the Manitoba government, Queen Elizabeth and University of Manitoba Alumni bursaries for a total of \$850. Walter Funk has received a bursary of \$500. All three will enrol in the faculty of Science at the U of M this fall.

George Sawatzky has been named winner of a \$400 Manitoba government bursary, and will study engineering at the University.

John Friesen, who has been named winner of a \$100 Manitoba government bursary, will attend Manitoba Teachers College.

Is a dollar worth just 100 cents? Is a day just 24 hours? One dollar buys a weapon of death; another feeds the hungry. One day is spent in evil doing; another to high purpose. We determine value by our use.

## Of Course You Can Do It

By Fannie Bontrager, R.N.

Grande Riviere du Nord, Haiti Haitian roads, at their best, are no throughways. During the rains most of them are impassable.

In a mood for adventure so necessary in pioneering, we packed up for town. Forging the first two rivers was not too bad. Some landslides had almost buried the mud road, and in other spots part of the already narrow road had been washed into the river. We made it—with a few less heart-beats and a few extra chills in our spines. The ruts were deeper and the mud stickier than ever. We congratulated ourselves for getting this far, but the final test lay ahead. There was an alternate route, but it was longer and not much better.

Seeing some Haitian men leaning against an old French ruin, we asked in crippled Creole if we could make it. One fellow answered spontaneously, "Of course you can make it. You have a jeep, haven't you?" His answer was both embarrassing and humiliating. We were under-

estimating our abilities. In his opinion we had the ultimate in power. Encouraged by his confidence we made the attempt come through fairly easily in four-wheel drive.

This can be applied to spiritual resources. That's what Paul meant when he said, "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me." God's strength is greater than any four-wheel drive. His power gives victory in any tense situation. It gives calmness in the confusion of impolite intrusions and in the misunderstandings so common when people speak different languages. It gives power to control tongue and hands in the clinical work when the mob is pressing; power to smile when patients are straining for attention; power to be kind when a T.B. patient accidentally coughs in your face; power to love the loud-mouthed woman who pushes ahead of the emaciated old man; power to control your emotions when you are exhausted and a severe tetanous patient is brought in just when you are ready to go off duty.

"As many as received him, to them gave he power." The resources are there constantly, but in our finiteness we fail to utilize them. We limit His abilities by our lack of trust.

The assignment in Haiti is not an easy one, and too often we have looked at the mud instead of relying on four-wheel drive. But constantly there is the reminder that "of course we can do it; we have God, don't we?"

### Announcement

A cordial invitation is extended to all desirous to study the Word of God, to enrol at the Winkler Bible School for the coming year. The regular four year course will again

be given. Registration will be on Tuesday, October 11. Classes begin on Wednesday, October 12.

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In behalf of the School,  
John H. Goossen.

### Mennonite Teachers' Conference, October 1

The Mennonite Teachers' Conference of Manitoba extends an invitation to all teachers, members of the Educational Committee, trustees, ministers and friends of education to attend a conference on Saturday, October 1, in the Altona Collegiate auditorium.

Sessions begin at 2:30 and 7:00 p.m. Vital questions concerning religion, singing and the German language are to be discussed during the afternoon.

The evening session features a panel discussion on "Die Bedeutung einer christlichen Erziehung im Berufsleben." Persons of various professions will take part. This is to be followed by a talk on "Religion in Our Public Schools."

During the 5 to 7 o'clock intermission supper will be served. Sports have been arranged for during this time for those who are interested.

We hope to have a good attendance and that the Lord will bless us in our deliberations.

The Committee

### Change of Address

All correspondence to the Regina M.B. Church should be directed to the pastor, Reverend George Dyck, 4416 Grant Road, Regina, Sask.

Former Address: Rev. Cornelius Wall, 302 South Adams, Hillsboro, Kansas, U.S.A.

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Former address: Mr. Harvey Gossen, Tabor College, Hillsboro, Kansas, U.S.A.

The present address of Mr. Har-

vey C. Gossen is: 234 Queens Ave. East, Brandon, Man.

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Former address: Mr. J. Duerksen 604 S. Sumas Prairie Road, R.R. 1, Sardis, B.C.

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### 1900th Anniversary on Malta

This year the island of Malta is celebrating the 1900th anniversary of the landing of the Apostle Paul. Among Maltese it is a matter of pride that about A.D. 60 the apostle found refuge on the island when a Rome-bound ship in which he was travelling as prisoner wrecked in fierce winter storms (Acts 28). Paul remained three months, ministering to the sick and preaching Christian conversion. He left an indelible imprint on the island.

Even today, half of Malta's men and boys seemingly are named Paul, the National Geographic Society says. Church after church bears his name. So does a nearby islet, said to be the actual place where the Roman ship, with Paul aboard, ran aground. The main island of Malta, which has been a British Crown colony since 1814, covers about 95 square miles. Most of Malta's 319,000 residents are Roman Catholics.

### ON THE HORIZON

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

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

**October 8-11.** — Central District M. B. Conference sessions at Mountain Lake, Minnesota.

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

**October 20.** — The Annual Missionary Meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliaries of the Mennonite Brethren church of Manitoba to be held in the Elmwood M.B. church, Winnipeg, at 7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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