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minutes of July 29 to August 3, 1950, Abbotsford, B.C., North. Dist. Conference.

1. Brother J. J. Derksen, Clearbrook had the audience sing: "To the work," and read a few passages from Nehemia 2:17-18; 4:13-14; 3:38 and made hearty remarks on the text read and extended an invitation for prayer. Several brethren prayer.

Brother J. A. Harder the chairman took the podium and proceeded in welcoming the delegates and the guests, and urged the brethren to participate in the discussions and to assist in the coming days of the conference.

The brethren from Oliver, B.C. recommend to the conference a brother Magnus from Oliver and requested that he be welcomed as a guest to sit in on the conference. The conference grants the wish and welcomed brother Magnus.

2. Election of the assistant secretaries. The conference, in good faith, leaves it to the secretary to appoint his own assistants.

3. Appointment of committees:

Ballot: Peter Rempel, Ontario, H. H. Enns, Elm Creek, Manitoba, H. F. Klassen, South Saskatchewan, John C. Willms, North Saskatchewan, Peter Regehr, Alberta, J. C. Wiebe, B.C.

Resolution: Peter Funk, Saskatoon, Is. W. Redekopp, N. Kildonan, and D. D. Derksen, Leamington.

"Motion" committee: D. K. Duerksen, Winnipeg, Jakob Epp, Neoburn, Abr. Toews, Coaldale, Alberta.

4. Nominations: Vice-chairman: J. F. Redekopp, Abbotsford, Is. Thiessen, Ont., J. A. Toews, Winnipeg, and H. S. Voth, Winkler.

Result of the election: J. A. Toews, vice-chairman.

5. Arrangement of the time for the conference days: The host church submitted the following:

Saturday from 9:00 A. M. to 11:45.

Sunday from 9:30 " " to 11:45; 2:00 to 3:40; 5:00 to 6:00.

Working days from 9:00 to 11:45; 1:30 to 4:00; 5:00 to 6:00.

Evening worship: 7:30.

6. Reception of new churches:

The B. C. provincial conference recommends the newly organized church to be received into the Northern District conference.

The leader of this church, brother H. Nickel gives a little history of the origin of the church. The present membership is 213.

The provincial conference from Alberta recommended the Grassy Lake church to be received into the Northern District Conference. Thus far this church was affiliated with the Coaldale M. B. Church.

The following were announced, was announced:

a) The dissolution of the churches: Rosemary, Alberta, New Hamburg, Ontario, and Oliver, B. C. the latter belongs to Kelowna and New Hamburg to Itichner.

b) The Sperling M. B. Church exists as an affiliated church to Elm Creek.

c) At Ashern and Lindal at present are mission stations, not churches.

d) Also in North Saskatchewan similar changes have been made. the complete report will be submitted later.

e) The North Abbotsford will be called Clearbrook, B. S. from now on.

7. The conference program is submitted and accepted.

8. Submitted questions to the conference: The following question were submitted to the conference:

1) The church at Holmfield, Manitoba, N. Kildonan, Manitoba and Black Creek, B. C. request permission to collect among the conference churches for the purpose of building or adding an addition to the house of worship. ---The conference gladly grants the churches the permission.

2) Position toward the responsibility of the resolution committee. The committee of Reference and Council submits the following recommendation:

The responsibility of the resolution consists therein: In principle questions, and especially in cases of the conference motions made, to formulate the motions clearly and exactly without changing the intent of the one who first

3) Who may submit questions to the conference? (See Year Book 1949, page 96). The committee on Reference and Council takes the position that the local church should direct the question to the provincial conference. Only then when such a question is not solved or cannot be solved in the provincial conference, or when the question relates to the confession of faith, then such question can be submitted to the Northern District Conference, Canada.

- 4) Questions concerning defenselessness accept as a church rule.
- 5) Mimeograph church rules and send them to the churches.
- 6) A debt of \$162.00 of the station (mission) Lindal, Manitoba.
- 7) Voluntary service of M.C.C.
- 8) Gospel and service in M. B. churches in South America.
- 9) Sanitarian service in case of a war.
- 10) request of the Province B. C. concerning the release of a debt of the amount of \$1326.00.
- 11) Recommendation from the Alberta Province concerning our conference debt of \$58,000.00.

The committee for Reference and Council is requested to study and answer these question and then bring recommendations to the conference.

The question is posed how in the future the decided time of convening the conference shall be taken care of. Two Provinces come with the definite plea to hold on to the time as is, as we have had it up to now, that is, at the beginning of July. Reference was then made to the constitution, and then decided to stay with the decision.

#### 9. Arrangements for the Festival Sunday:

Concerning the Sunday services, we are obliged to have services in the different churches due to space. The ministering brethren were requested to meet again in the afternoon for the purpose of dividing the ministries for the festival Sunday.

The offerings were planned as follows:

For Home mission here and in the churches at home with consideration of all the branches of missions.

The afternoon offering: Foreign Missions.

Saturday afternoon and Sunday evening for youth work.

Saturday evening for the Bible College.

10. Announcement concerning the North End chapel, Winnipeg (1949, Page 9). The last Year's resolutions of the conference concerning this matter have been carried out, and brother D. D. Derksen reported in the name of the committee concerning the purchase of the chapel on the part of the north end Church, Winnipeg. Brother C. A. DeFehr reported further concerning the purchase of a mission chapel for the city mission in Winnipeg. Consequently, the matter for the Canadian conference is finished, and it must be considered as such.

11. The chairman read the rules of order for the business sessions. He J. A. Harder urges to observe these rules of order.

After some announcements brother H. S. Voth led in the closing prayer. This ended the preliminaries to the conference.



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The Youth Service of the M. B. Churches 7/29/50.

This service was led by brother H. F. Klassen, the chairman of youth committee of the Canadian conference which convened in Abbotsford, B. C. on July 29, 1950. Brother Kerm. Voth, B. C. greets the delegates and the guests and welcomes them. He read a portion of the Holy Bible and offered prayer.

Brother Klassen presented the leaders of the youth work from the different Provinces and expresses his joy over the lively participation and the large audience.

The youth choir sang during the evening the following hymns: "Awake, awake! Your Word is the right teaching, Wonderful grace of Jesus, work for Jesus, and I Love the Lord, because He hath heard my voice and my supplication.

Reports of the individual Provinces concerning activities in the youth work in the Province. Alberta speaks of the musical branch, Saskatchewan speaks of the practical mission work, Manitoba speaks of the conference of the youth workers, Ontario speaks of the working together of the different branches of the work in the churches and B. C. speaks of the Bible week that is conducted for youth.

While two sisters were serving with music the offering was taken which netted \$332.00.

Message by brother A. H. Unruh: "The Positive influence on our youth." He stressed the necessity of these influences: Youth has that need; the danger of negative influences is great; opposing evil influences is not child play; it is in the interest of the church.

The content of influences is of great significance: The faith of our fathers and mothers; harmony between dogmatics and ethics.

The responsibility of the youth workers lies on these areas: To influence youth to see the lower influences and reject them, to open up to the constructive influences.

Brother H. Baerg spoke the closing prayer.

Report of the Sunday School workers Conference on July 29, 1950 Clearbrook.

Brother A. A. Kroeker was in charge of this phase of church work. Brother P. D. Loewen, Yarrow, B.C. opened the meeting with the reading of Exodus 3:12a and led in prayer.

A large group of children were present and ministered in beautiful songs. The children rendered the following song in the course of the evening: "On a Gree Hill far Away," "Open Your heart early for the Lord," and "The dying Gypsy Boy."

The statistical report was read persuasively concerning the Sunday school in Canada among the M. B. churches by brother Is. W. Redekopp.

In a persuasive way brother Redekopp developed the status on the basis of the information yielded by the questionnaires. Overall the report shows that the Sunday school is on the move doing good work by willing sacrificial talent. However, it also manifests large gaps and necessities. We are surrounded with possibilities: Should we not take advantage of them?

One of the main difficulties still is the language question. In Saskatchewan only is the problem solved. The other Provinces are still struggling, but still a little weak. Here are some data: a) In B.C. 2/3 (1215-501) receive no German instruction in the German language; b) In Alberta 2/3 (545-200) no instruction in the German language; c) Manitoba 2/3 (923-300) no instruction in the German language; d) In Ontario 7/8 (594-77) no German instruction; Saskatchewan--totally English.

Result: Either we save the language for the children or we older people who still may live 15 years, learn the English language.

The offerings increased: The total of \$25,094.00, up \$1822.39. One S. S. produced \$7.50 per child. God bless this and the other schools.

Teachers with preparation, about 25% of the total of 10,887 teachers. About 1/3 have no special preparation. The general problem: Lessons are too difficult.

Concerning the singing in the S. S., 2/3 of the S. S. do sing.

In a very warm fashion, brother Toews (C. D.), presents the great possibilities which are at our disposal to influence the child through the song. May God grant us His grace to treasure these opportunities we have in the home and in the Sunday school.

A declamation: "The Power of Singing," spoken by Abe Konrad.

To the joy of all present, the College quartet sang: March on! March on!

While the hymn: "Savior like a Shepherd Lead me," the offering for the College work was lifted.

Treatise: "The Teaching of the Word of God in our Churches," by brother A. H. Unruh. On the basis of Matthew 28:18, brother Unruh answered the following questions: a) Because the Lord Jesus Christ commended it; b) Because the apostles gave us that example; c) Because its need was recognized by Christendom. Where do we teach? a) From the pulpit, the sermon; b) From the lecturer's chair, the instruction in the school; c) The Sunday School. What do we teach? a) The history of the word of God; b) The dogmatics of the Word; c) The ethics of the Word; d) The mission of the word. For what reason do we teach? a) Unto salvation. b) Unto Baptism; c) For reservation; d) To stimulate unto mission activity.

Declamation by David Nachtigal.

Closing remarks by G. H. Sukkau. He had hearty word forth the children. After the remarks, he closed the service with prayer.

On Sunday the services were conducted in the different churches. For that reason no notes were made for the conference records.

Service for Youth on July 30, 1950 in the evening.

It's leader: brother H. F. Klassen.

The theme for the evening: The Return of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The mass-chior consisting of four youth chiors sang several songs at the outset and during the course of the program. The songs were well prepared and were well delivered and sung spirited.

The chairman pointed to the fact that the Mennonite Brethren youth has received a charge: Working together for the good of the South America youth.

Brother B. B. Janz who spent a few, rather many months, in S. A. that a large percentage of those churches are young people who emigrated from Russia. These especially need are in need of instruction. It is our responsibility to create the possibility for them to attend a Bible school. The offering lifted this evening shall be used for that mission. Following this announcement by brother B. B. Janz, the offering was lifted.

Brother J. A. Toews delivered the message on the text: 1 John 2:18; "Children, it is the last hour."

How risky, if an individual does not recognize the time in which he lives. There are many people today who are blind to the pending judgment of God and unreceptive of the grace of God. Signs of the time indicate that we live in the last time.

Such signs we have generally in the areas, such as: war, pestilence, famines, earthquakes which appear more frequent as time goes on. We also have special signs in the nations world, in the kingdom of Israel and in the religious world.

The "last hour" is also dangerous for believers among the young people. For that reason our attitude for this last hour should be a concern for us, that is, a) exercise watchfulness; b) purity; c) more faithful in our service and in our fellowship with the Lord.

The brother spoke warmheartedly and convincingly; the audience listened very attentively. We pray that the word might bear fruit. After a few songs by the chior, the service was closed with prayer.

Simultaneously, a youth service was going on in the large Yarrow Church which was led by Rev. Hermon Voth. Brother B. J. Braun, Dinuba spoke there.

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The Second Business Session Monday afternoon.

After the singing of a few hymns by the congregation, brother A. H. Unruh was requested to deliver the conference message. He read 2 Corinthians 10:3-6 and stresses the following thoughts:

There is a struggle going on in the world today. The church cannot stay neutral, but it too has its struggle. The watchword in this struggle is found in verse 3: Spiritual struggle with spiritual weapons.

Thema: "The intellectual struggle in our conference."

We have to defend positions that we as conference have assumed concerning the Communion Table, building the church in the expression of the spiritual life, and concerning our assertion among the Mennonites.

Our spiritual weapons are: our personal witness, the prayer (both public and closet), also the Word. We want to use these weapons to the advancement of our personal faith life and that of the church.

(P. S. Later the conference requested to publish that message in our church journal.)

Memorial service for the departed conference workers who passed away in the last conference year. Brother A. A. Toews served at this memorial.

He had the congregation sing the song: "Come, Brethren, Let us Hasten," and read Hebrews 13:7. The brethren whose memory we celebrate today are: Abram Nachigal, F. C. Thiessen, David Hooge, Jakob Kroeker, Wernigerode, Jakob Hiediger and J. P. Sudermann, Morden, Jakob Schellenberg, Brasil, brother Krawscherko of the Russian conference and sister Frank Wall who worked in the hospital in Muntau. (Likely, in Russia.--translator).

Brother Toews made a few remarks on each of the individuals and then requests that the brethren D. D. Derksen, Jakob Siemens and A. D. Rempel lead in prayer. This memorial service was closed by singing: "Beyond Celestial Orbs of Light."

12. The delegates were requested to take their assigned seats. The list:

**Ontario:**

Vineland: Jacob K. Janzen, Heinrich P. Penner, Heinrich P. Wiebe.

Niagara: J. D. Reimer, J. P. Dyck, J. Derksen.

Kitchener: P. J. Rempel, N. J. Fehderau, C. J. Rempel, Dv. Dyck.

St. Catharines: Gerh. Epp, Klaas Enns, Jacob Unger.

Virgil:

Port Rowan:

Leamington:

**Manitoba:**

Morden: F. H. Friesen, A. H. Voth, D. J. Reimer, F. G. Kehler, Sam H. Janzen.

Gnadenal:

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List of delegates continued.

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Dalmeny: John Voth, Jacob Bär, Frank Bartsch, Jacob Lepp,  
H. G. Bär.  
Borden: Isaac H. Block.  
Laird: D. B. Wiens.

Alberta:

La Glace: A. H. Konrad, N. Siebert, H. Siebert.  
Gem: P. P. Dörksen, Gerh. Friesen, John Van Bergen, David  
Rogalsky, Jacob Löwen, David Löwen, H. H. Siemens.  
Vauxhall: B. P. Epp, J. Reimer, D. Bär.  
Lindbrook: Peter Götz, Peter J. Warkentin.  
Nanaka: A. Martens, G. Dirks  
Grassy Lake: David Dyck.  
Linden: Gustav Ratzlaff, Bern. Ratzlaff.  
Coaldale: Jac. Siemens, B. B. Janz, A. Willms, H. Rempel, H.  
Kornelsen, Jac. Dyck, P. J. Dyck, P. Töws, A. Töws, Jac. B. Janz  
Sr., P. H. Regier, Nic. Thiessen, P. D. Thiessen, P. Regier, Gerh.  
Wall, A. Nickel, B. Dick.  
Pincher Creek (Filiale von Coaldale) D. Dürksen.

British Columbia:

Arnold: J. P. Friesen, C. F. Töws, H. B. Falk, J. J. Klassen, J.  
P. Braun, I. P. Görtzen, P. P. Wiens, N. Dyck.  
Strawberry Hill: Henry D. Friesen, John J. Neufeld, Abram H.  
Töws, Jacob Friesen, Paul J. Wiebe.  
East Chilliwack: N. A. Rempel, D. K. Janzen, G. Thielmann, Jac.  
Penner, P. S. Thiessen, H. A. Kröker, J. C. Willms, P. Esau, Ed.  
Riediger, Jacob Dick.  
Kelowna: P. J. Janzen, J. Wiebe, P. Enns, J. Unger.  
Matsqui: A. D. Rempel, Joh. F. Klassen, Willie Wiens, Johann  
A. Janzen, H. H. Neufeld, Abram Fröse, Franz A. Peters, G. A.  
Konrad.  
Clearbrook: J. J. Derksen, G. H. Dörksen, A. A. Töws, G. Gies-  
brecht, J. J. Rempel, H. Braun, J. Janzen, D. Schmidt, Joh. Su-  
dermann, J. Reimer, Gerh. Wiens.  
Sardis: H. G. Dyck, Jac. B. Harder, Corn. Penner, John P. Wiebe,  
Franz Wiens, Peter Epp, Abram Bartsch, Johann Fröse, Heinr.  
P. Hooge, Peter, C. Penner, Isaac Bergen, Jac. Neumann, Corn.  
Friesen, Corny Fröse, Johann Siebert, Corn. Driediger.  
East Aldergrove: Peter Heide, W. Redekop, Jak. Warkentin, Her-  
man C. Klassen, Heinr. Classen, Gerh. Warkentin, Fr. Dörksen,  
P. Nickel.  
Black Creek: John A. Görtz, Heinrich Unger, Jakob Wedel.  
Chilliwack: S. Hodel, H. Töws, P. Epp, H. Fast, J. Wiens, J.  
Klassen, N. Siebert, J. Is. Bergen.  
Abbotsford: N. N. Nickel, J. F. Redekop, A. H. Wieler, Jakob  
Marten, Heinr. Kruhn, J. H. Lepp, W. G. Wiebe, Peter Sperling,

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Elm Creek: H. H. Enns (Filiale - Sperling - Gerh. Neufeld.)  
Kronsgart: B. D. Enns.  
Manitou: Gerh. Klassen, H. Goossen, Joh. Lepp.  
Grossweide: J. J. Neufeld.  
Holmfild & Lena: Peter Sawatzky, Abr. Martens, Jac. Poetker.  
Osborne - La Salle: Philipp Wiebe.  
Arnaud: H. H. Sukkau, I. I. Töws.  
Boissevain: D. D. Derksen, H. Derksen.  
Winnipeg: Gerh. Dueck, Wilhelm Dyck, Bernhard Falk.  
Winnipeg, Südende: Jacob Fröse, Gerh. F. Warkentin.  
Winnipeg, Nordende: A. H. Unruh, D. K. Dörksen, B. B. Fast,  
C. A. DeFehr, H. F. Klassen, J. A. Töws, Jacob Quiring, Peter  
Dueck, Victor Martens, H. Regier, H. P. Töws, Jacob Pankratz,  
A. C. DeFehr, Ar. Janzen, A. A. Kröker.  
Steinbach: Jacob P. Epp.  
Springside: P. P. Dyck.  
Newton Siding: A. A. Löwen.  
Gnadenal: .  
Nord Kildonan: I. W. Redekopp, H. M. Janzen, A. P. Dirks, C. C.  
Warkentin, John Unruh, Corny Unruh, Corny Balzer, Heinr.  
Neufeld, Is. Dyck, sen. Peter Dyck.  
Winkler: H. S. Voth, G. D. Fries, H. H. Redekop, C. B. Enns,  
H. H. Penner, K. H. Neufeld.  
Marquette: John Bock.

Süd-Saskatchewan:

Greenfarm: J. J. Thiessen, Lorenz Redekop.  
Gnadenau: Vertreten durch J. J. Thiessen.  
Pridenahelm: Vertreten durch J. M. Neufeld.  
Bethania: Vertreten durch J. D. Görtzen.  
Herbert: B. F. Redekop, Fr. F. Braun, Isaac Schröder, J. M.  
Neufeld, Corny Braun.  
Reinfeld: C. C. Penner, H. F. Klassen.  
Main Centre: John Siemens, John E. Klippenstein, J. D. Görtzen.  
Woodrow: Art Martens, Albert Lautermilch, Edw. Lautermilch.  
Swift Current:

Nord-Saskatchewan:

Waldheim: Ed. Wendland, Wm. Goossen, John Ratzlaff, A. Frie-  
sen, H. Bär.  
Bruderfeld: H. A. Willems, Jacob H. Ratzlaff.  
Saskatoon: H. S. Rempel, P. J. Funk.  
Glenbusch: N. H. Pauls, J. J. Klassen.  
Watrous: P. D. Janzen, Paul Rogalsky, H. J. Thiessen.  
Hepburn: J. H. Epp, J. C. Willems, D. K. Dyck, Peter Harder,  
F. F. Fröse, F. P. Kröker, J. H. Gossen.

David Friesen.

Vancouver: Heinrich Klassen, Jak. G. Thiesen, H. P. Neufeld, P. C. Langemann, Joh. J. Neufeld, Jac. Giesbrecht, John Gossen, Dav. Vogt, V. Töws, Jacob Voth, Abram Kröcker, Joh. Klassen, Süd-Abbotsford: J. J. Stobbe, Is. Janzen, Herman Voth, Alex. Bauman, Wm. Neufeld, H. J. Willms, Joh. Friesen, Is. Sawatzky, Corn. Klassen, Walfred Klassen, Abr. Stobbe, Nick Töws, H. Epp, H. Müller, P. Stobbe, Heinr. Warkentin.

Yarrow: Andrew Töws, Joh. Kiewer, Heinr. Harder, Franz Töws, Corn. Neufeld, Jac. Klassen, Gerh. J. Derksen, Heinr. Enns Sr., Jac. Sudermann, H. P. Klassen, Joh. Dahl, David Rempel, Isbr. Riesen, Joh. Köhn, A. A. Wiens, Aron Klassen, Heinr. Enns, jr., Heinr. Janzen, Abram Rempel, Aron Rempel, David Klassen, Gerh. Sukkau, Peter Riesen, P. P. Neufeld, P. D. Löwen, C. D. Töws, Heinr. Giesbrecht, Pet. Martens, Heinr. Bartsch, Joh. Peters, H. Lenzmann, C. Regehr, Gerh. Regehr, Gerh. Reimer. (Es sind 307 Delegierte auf der Konferenz anwesend.)

### 13. Begrüssung der Gäste:

Br. J. F. Redekop, Leiter der Provinzialkonferenz, begrüsst die anwesenden Gäste mit dem Worte: Die Gnade unseres Herrn Jesu Christi, die Liebe Gottes, des Vaters, und die Gemeinschaft des Heil. Geistes sei mit euch, 2. Kor. 13, 13.

Folgende Gäste werden der Konferenz vorgestellt und willkommen geheissen: Br. J. B. Töws, P. E. Schellenberg, A. E. Janzen, B. Braun, H. J. Wiens, Br. C. Kiewer, J. Richter, G. Schröder. Auch mehrere Missionsgeschwister sind anwesend und werden abends, in der speziellen Versammlung, der Konferenz vorgestellt werden.

Einige Schwestern dienen in freundschaftlicher Weise mit einem Liede.

Das Protokoll der Vorberatung wird gelesen und angenommen.

Für den Punkt "Zeitbestimmung" wird eine Veränderung bekanntgegeben: Die Versammlung heute abends beginnt um 8.00 Uhr statt 7.30.

Die erbautlichen Vorträge können nicht alle gebracht werden. So wird nun beschlossen, dass wir Donnerstag morgen statt dessen gemeinschaftlich das Abendmahl unterhalten.

14. Grüsse an die Konferenz. Es sind einige Grüsse eingegangen und werden der Konferenz übermittle: mündlich von den Brüdern H. H. Janzen, C. N. Hiebert und J. G. Wiens.

Schriftlich von den Geschw. C. C. Peters, H. Thielman und Br. C. F. Klassen und Ver. Menn. Gem. B.C.

Die Konferenz dankt herzlich dafür und beauftragt das Resolutionskomitee, diesen Dank in Form einer Resolution zu verfassen:

### Resolution:

Wir als Konferenz danken unserm himml. Vater für das Band

der Liebe und des Friedens, welches uns alle verbündet, ob nahe oder fern.

Die Konferenz hört mit Interesse die schriftlichen Segensgrüsse an, die von Geschw. C. C. und Anna Peters, Paraguay, Br. C. F. Klassen und Geschw. H. G. und L. Thielmann, eingegangen sind. Auch etliche mündliche Grüsse werden übermittleit von den Brüdern C. N. Hiebert, H. H. Janzen und J. G. Wiens.

Gern würden wir mit allen diesen Geschwistern auf dieser Konferenz Gemeinschaft pflegen.

Wir gedanken ihrer aller fürbittend, empfehlen sie in ihrem Dienste dem Segen und dem Schutze Gottes und grüssen sie herzlich mit 2. Kor. 13, 13.

Die Konferenz nimmt den Gruss von der Konferenz der Vereinigten Mennoniten-Gemeinden von B.C. dankbar entgegen.

Das christliche Wohlwollen und das freundliche Bibelwort stimmt uns dankbar gegen Gott, den Herrn der Ernte, und gegen die Konferenz der Ver. Menn. Gemeinden von B.C. Möge Gott das Wort aus Apg. 19, 20 von der Arbeit unserer beiden Konferenzen wahr machen.

Die Schwestern dienen noch mit einem Liede.

### 15. Äussere Mission. Foreign Mission.

Die anwesenden Glieder des Äusseren M.Kom. nehmen auf der Plattform Platz: Board members present.

A. E. Janzen, J. B. Töws, H. S. Voth, G. D. Pries, als Kassierer für Kanada und Br. J. A. Harder als Stellvertreter für H. H. Janzen.

Br. H. S. Voth leitet ein mit Matth. 9, 37-38 und Gebet.

Nach dem Liede — Auf zum Werk, wird Br. A. E. Janzen gebeten, den Bericht über Äussere Mission zu geben. Br. Janzen empfiehlt etl. Literatur im Interesse der Äusseren Mission und gibt folgenden Bericht.

Äussere Mission, Bericht an die Kanad. Konferenz der Mennoniten Brüdergemeinde von Nord Amerika, 1. Juni 1949 bis 1. Juni 1950.

### 1. Allgemein:

Teure Deleguten und Freunde der Äusseren Mission!

Gruss mit Jesaja 55, 10-11: "Denn gleichwie der Regen und Schnee vom Himmel fällt und nicht wieder dahinkommt, sondern feuchtet die Erde und macht sie fruchtbar und wachsend, dass sie gibt Samen, zu säen, und Brot, zu essen: also soll das Wort, so aus meinem Munde geht, auch sein. Es soll nicht wieder zu mir leer kommen, sondern tun, was mir gefällt, und soll ihm gelingen, dazu ich's sende."

Wiederholt bitten unsere Missionare auf dem Felde, und auch die Behörde für Äussere Mission, um innige Fürbitte und Gebet für die Arbeit der Äusseren Mission. Die Gebetsbürde für 1950 ist besonders

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Greetings received from brethren in service outside of U. S. A.

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I. General:

(First paragraph the addressing and greeting with a Bible Passage.)

Repeatedly our missionaries on the field request the Board of Foreign Missions for fervent prayer and intercession for the work of foreign missions. The prayer burden for 1950 is especially centered on a large soul harvest. Many of the churches, as well as smaller groups and individual members, joined this group in their supplication to the heavenly Father and many others will. The Lord of harvest is at answering the prayers of His children with reference of the redemption of lost souls. The revival fire is spreading here in the land and the missionaries report of large numbers of conversions in the foreign land. One station reported, that 78 souls were baptised in one day upon their confession of their faith. Reports of this nature make the hearts rejoice (Acts 15:3). It remains to be seen what fullness of the harvest the Lord will yet bring to pass, if His children unitedly and untiringly step in the gap in behalf of lost man. Man has no hope apart from the faith in the death of Christ on the Cross. The proclamation of this redemption by His messengers of the gospel in this land and in foreign lands, brought to pass by the Holy Spirit and supported by a praying group of His children here at home is able to put a wave of regeneration into action against <sup>which</sup> the powers cannot prevail. The promises according to Isaiah 55:11, the Lord has not withdrawn. Today it is still our privilege to claim this promise and by prayer and sacrificial activity on the part of the conference, we will see the promise working at the fulfilment.

Even though it is not within the area of this report to mention individual things of the activities on the different fields, it could be of good service to state in short paragraphs to give the churches an insight into the work.

II. Report concerning the fields:

Africa: The number of workers on the two fields has risen to 25. The four stations: Kafumba, Matende, Kipungu and Djongo Sanga are well supplied with workers, only at Kipungu and Djongo Sanga more help is needed. As soon as brother and sister Henry Brucks, who are still in Belgen will be arriving in Africa this summer, and brother and sister Arnold Prieb will arrive in fall at Djongo Sanga, the working force will be improved. However, the term of brother and sister Frank Buschman and Anna Enns expire at the end of this year, that means that we have to consider the furlough.

In the Kasai District field, the new station Yassa will be opened by brother and sister W. G. Baerg. Yassa is very favorable for a man station in its geographical position. The school and the hospital work can easily be covered from Yassa. On the Kwango District field, the school for missionary children will not be liquidated. The school is in its first year and is conducted in a temporary building at Kipungu. The Africa missionaries are casting about for a favorable place, where the school can conveniently be located, which should not located on a station where work with the natives is done. The school for missionary children in Africa, as well as for the missionwork, as such, is of great blessing for it, for it relieves the parents of concerns to train their children in a heathen country.

China: Due to the occupation of the land by communists, the work is greatly limited in China. We are, indeed, very thankful that communication has been restored between the missionaries and the home office. At present it is possible to communicate the financial support to the missionaries. Connection was broken for a year with the west field, and year or more. The inclination toward the gospel on the part of the Chinese people is encouraging, and repeated baptismal services would indicate that the Lord is adding to the church who have been saved.

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India: Politically, India is more stable today than before, in the past years. The situation in the Hydreabad State where our mission field lies is largely favorable, except that the communistic element is stirring up trouble,, that in the Amrabad Mountains. These elements attempt to make the native christians fearful in threatening them and thus discourage them. On the whole the work is going ahead, including the Evangelistic in the villages, the schools on the stations and in the villages, the hospital work among the sick and the upbuilding of the native church. More favorable crop conditions have lifted the material situation of the poor in the land.

The return of brother and sister J. H. Lohrenz to the field and Helen Warkentin also, has strengthened the workers force, and through the employment of Herbert Krause in the school at Kodaikanal, the boardering house is supplied with supervision, that is, supervision for the massionary children. The place in Kodaikanal that the Mission Board bought last year is already a great blessing to the mission. The children of the missionaries now have a place to live and the missionaries who during the summer rest in the mountains, are also supplied with living quarters. Even though the purchase cost made a great demand on the mission treasury, the savings through the years will repay the treasury. Above that, the place will save the missionaries the discomfort and the costs to look for living quarters every summer in Kodaikanal.

The spiritual of the work in India is encouraging. Missionaries report of blessings with the native churches and also of conversions and baptismal services. Of special significance for the mission and the Kingdom of God are the conversions among the students at the mission schools, for much depends on the influence and life of these young christians of the spiritual health of the future native church of India.

Although we wish to encourage each other to intercede for all the native christians, it would be of special interest or significance that we remember the young christian who teach in the mission schools and trained that we inwardly pray for these teachers.

Japan: At our last committee meeting of the Mission Board, Osaka and community was sanctioned as a beginning point of mission work. As is known to the conference, brother and sister H. G. Thielman, Kitchener, Ontario are at present in Japan in the MCC service, "Relief Station" as managers. The report of opportunities to do mission work there, and they could serve in the capacity of receiving new missionaries and be of help to them, bring them under cover which is not so easy in dense populated country. A recently arrived cablegram from the Thielmans assures living quarters for Ruth Wiens, who will be sent by the mission committee the end of July or the beginning of August. Beginning next year two couples can begin work in Japan.

Because the work in Japan is new, and because these young couples go to that needy and pressing field, we would like to request the churches at home, to pray earnestly for much wisdom and the right fulness of the Sprit from above to do work in that land. According to the newest reports concerning Japan, much can be accomplished in a short time, but to accomplish the right thing, the guidance of the Holy Spirit so that under His guidance or the guidance of the Lord and His blessing, the message of redemption through repentance and faith on the Lord Jesus Christ full fruit can be attained among the Japanese.

#### Mission in North America.

Indiahoma: One could inject here, that the work in Oklahoma is being done on two places. Joining the little town of Indiahoma there is the school for the Indian children. At this time the school is conducted in the new basement upon which a school house will be built as it is planned. Last year the enrollment had to be limited to 55 pupils and seven classes taught. Brother D. J. Gerbrandt, sister Ruth Wiens and brother Max Pahcheka were the teachers. For the next year the sisters Dorothy Kopper and Martha Kroeker have been employed. Sister Ruth Wiens, as stated above worked in the schoo for two years,

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Indiahoma report continued.

The school work enjoys the blessings of the Lord. The children were not only given the knowledge through the instruction, but they were also taught the way of salvation and the living of the christian life.

The other station of this mission is Post Oak whi lies some 5 miles north-east of Indiahoma. Sister Anna Gomez and her husband Joe are still active at Post Oak mission. Besides all other work at that station, sister Gomez looks after the health of the Indians. The new workers at Post Oas are brother and sister Herman J. Neufeld supervise the total which includes the leadership of Indian Church and other spiritual work. An important phase of the work is to visit the Indian homes. As the result of these visits and the Evangelistic meetings on the station, may who had become lukewarm in their christian lives have found their closer fellowship with the Lord, and others found peace in and through the Lord Jesus Christ by faith in Him.

The Lawton View Mission: This mission lies at the southwestern corner of the town. The missionaries work there among the white, Indians and Mexicoan people, and also negroes. As the result of intercession, the Lord blessed the church at Lawron View Mission, the Sunday school, prayer services, house visitations and the evangelistic meeting. Soul accepted Christ by faith and were added to the church there. A special phase of the work consists in the prolonged summer Bible schools and the various parts of the town. Brother and sister FrankP. Nickel who supervise the Lawton View Mission are doing an extended work among the spiritually neglected children. The seed of the gospel has been planted in the hearts of the children and shall not return void, according to the Word of God.

Mexico: A brief word concerning the mission work in Mexico which is only in its beginning stages. The attention of the mission board for foreign mission was directed in a number of ways to the necessity of the Mennonites who live in Durango, Mexico, as well as among the Mexicoans. Two brethren from Kansas and one from Oklahoma went there upon the advice of theboard of foreign missions. These brethren returned with the report that somthing should be done there, if it were possible to get a foothold. The law of Mexico does not permit the entrance of missionaries. But it is possible tomove there as a farmer or of some vocation. After one has settled as farmer or some other vocation, there is religious freedom. The brethren recommended for that reason that the Mission committee casts about for a doctor, a dentist, a nurse and a few farmers who would be willing to move to Mexico for the sake of the gospel. The doctors would draw their business from the Mennonites there, 25 in number, and from the Mexicoans living near by. The farmers would cultivate the land four miles north from Est. Patos. According to all reports, the land there is fertile and productive and market for the products good.

A conference was arranged from representatives of the kirectors of the M. B. Conference, Foreign mission boar, board of home mission of the southern district and a number of other brethren. The representatives were in agreement to buy 1300 acres of land in order to initiate a beginning for a mission. A piece of land for this prupese was contracted in a way which could be bought for cash only. The Board of directors decided to buy that piece of land to give famers an opportunity to some farmer. At the same time a medical doctor offered to sell a building foroffice in the town of Nuevo Ideal. It could be use for a double purpose, a dwelling and an office. The place is ideally situation for a medical doctor and a dentist. The place was available on May 18 for a reduced price and was purchased by the mission treasury. At present the Mission Board is looking up to God and to the young brothers and soters of the conference to find workers for the property. "The harvest is large . . . therefore pray to the Lord of harvest that he send workers into theharvest."

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## South America:

**Brazil:** The reports from the orphanage are encouraging. Although the work has suffered as the result of lack of workers, and the repeated changes of help, the Lord blessed the work visibly. A number of the older children were saved. This change of heart expresses itself positively, not only in the life of the individual child, but also in the spirit and in the discipline of all the children. The M. B. Church at Curitiba manifests a warm interest in that project of mission work, and the leading brethren stand by with advice and assistance in the planning of the work in general. The Foreign mission board is thankful, to announce that brother and sister Ervin Thiessen, Reedley, are responding to the call of the Lord for this work. The Lord willing, they will proceed to that field in Brazil in this summer.

**Columbia:** After the political improvement in Columbia, our missionaries were again able to assume and continue the work in all its departments. The evangelistic meetings in La Cumbre as well as in Istmina were fruitful. Through the visits in the homes and personal work among the people in the homes and larger groups served to prepare the people. At Noanama, the youngest station in Columbia, conversion took place among the Chocoanos. Also the contact with the Indians at Noanama is proceeding well. Besides the learning of the language through the contact with the Indians our missionaries serve the people with medical help and with personal discussions. In this way, we win the confidence of the Indians.

At LaCumbre the missionaries are still busy building the school house. Since labor is high and also the material, and since primitive methods are employed in the building industry, the building process requires much time and money. With the finishing of the building, more students can be accommodated and accepted. The building offers also living quarters for a missionary couple. In Istmina there is a lack of funds to build a gathering center for the church body.

As a whole, we have many reasons to thank the heavenly Father for keeping the missionaries through the political unrest, but thank Him also that the work could continue in spite of the unrest and persecution of the native Christians, the work could be carried on. Sustained intercession is very important for Columbia.

Brother and sister Daniel A. Wirsche and David Wirsche at present on furlough in North America. The brother and sister Bennie J. Fadenrecht, a new missionary couple shall leave for the field in August, the Lord willing.

**Paraguay:** The missionaries from Paraguay report of a new baptismal service among the Lengua Indians. Consequently, the believers in this tribe has risen and with it the little church on the mission colony. Among Chulupies there is at present much restlessness and conflict, division, struggle and blood shed. Instead to live together in peace, this tribe has broken up into splinters who mistrust and fear each other. The mission work among them is at present impossible among the Chulupies. The missionaries seek their best to unite these little groups and show them to the Prince of Peace who is able to give to them a new heart by which they can find peace of heart and peace among them. Spiritual instruction in little groups and instruction to children in Philadelphia is going on. On top, the missionaries naturally are busy deciphering the Indian language, that is, of the Chulupies, and they work at translating the language of short passages of the Bible, the New Testament, respectively. The Indians are taught christian songs, Bible verses, prayer in the hope that the Holy Spirit will use this means to open their hearts and minds.

### III. Die Arbeiter: (The workers, missionaries)

(a) Auf Urlaub heimgekommen seit dem 1. Juni, 1949: on Furlough .

Afrika: Schwester Susie Brucks (British Columbien)

China: Geschwister P. P. Baltzer (Kansas)

Geschwister Harold E. Baltzer (Kansas)

Columbia: Geschwister D. A. Wirsche (Saskatchewan)

Bruder David Wirsche (Saskatchewan)

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Kanada Kasse:		
Laufende Einnahmen:		
Alberta .....	7,206.06	
Br. Columbien .....	26,490.47	
Manitoba .....	23,394.61	
Ontario .....	8,558.20	
Saskatchewan .....	18,400.66	84,050.00
Verschiedene Einnahmen:		
Zinsen erhalten .....	675.00	
Rückzahlungen .....	86.00	
Reserv. zurückerhal. ....	11,000.00	
Weiterbefördert .....	2,025.00	
Andere .....	110.27	13,896.27
	97,946.27	278,367.31
		286,144.12

Ausgaben vom 1. Juni, 1949 bis 1. Juni, 1950:

U.S.A. Kasse:		
Laufende Ausgaben .....	162,098.88	
Anlagen:		
Kodalkanal Platz ....	6,648.89	
Indianoma Schule ....	10,941.02	
Mexico Platz .....	7,250.00	24,839.91
Kanada Kasse .....	176,938.79	
	104,011.80	280,950.59

Kassenbestand am 1. Juni, 1950:

U.S.A. Kasse .....	3,850.58
Kanada Kasse:	
Zur Weiterbeförderung .....	575.00
"Checking" Konto .....	767.95
	5,193.53

Bericht der Ausgaben (nach Feldern)

I. AFRIKA	Kanada	Total
Evangelisation, Schulwesen, Hospitalarbeit, Gehalt für Missionare auf dem Felde und Bauten .....		23,505.06
Gehalt für Missionare Zuhause:		
Geschw. W. G. Bürg .....	200.00	
Geschw. Henry Derksen .....	1,000.00	
Schw. Clara Redekop .....	100.00	1,300.00
Spezielle Gaben für Missionare:		
Schw. Susie Brucks .....	2.00	
Geschw. Henry Derksen .....	25.00	
Schw. Clara Redekop .....	31.35	58.35
Ausstattung, Schw. Clara Redekop .....	900.00	25,163.41

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(b) Ausgegangen seit dem 1. Juni, 1949:

Indien: Geschwister J. H. Lohrenz (Kansas)  
 Schwester Helen L. Warkentin (Manitoba)  
 Geschwister Ernest E. Schmidt (Saskatchewan)  
 Geschwister Herbert Krause (Aufsicht in Un. School)

(c) Im Plane auszugehen:

Afrika: Geschwister Henry Derksen (Manitoba)  
 Schwester Clara Redekop (British Columbien)  
 Geschwister Arnold Prieb, K.M.B. (Kansas)  
 Indien: Geschwister Ted Fast (Oregon)  
 Dr. Jake Friesen, M.D. (Kansas)  
 Schwester Frieda Neufeld, R.N. (British Columbien)  
 Schwester Regina Suderman, R.N. (Californien)  
 Brasilien: Geschwister Erven A. Thiessen (Californien)  
 Colombien: Geschwister Bennie J. Padenrecht (Kans. u. N.Dak.)  
 Schwester Edna Thiessen, R.N. (Californien)  
 Geschwister Samuel H. Epp, K.M.B. (Saskatchewan)  
 Japan: Geschwister Ruth Wiens (Minnesota)  
 Geschwister Harry Friesen (Kansas)  
 Geschwister Harold Güde (Kansas)  
 Indianoma: Schwwestern Dorothy Kopper (Californien)  
 Schwester Martha Kröker (Süd Dakota)

(d) Liste der Arbeiter.

Die ganze Liste der Arbeiter, so wie sich diese auf den verschiedenen Feldern zerteilen, findet man auf dem Blättchen "Foreign Missioners" Juni, 1950.

Jährlicher Finanzbericht, 1. Juni, 1949 bis 1. Juni, 1950.

Kassenbestand am 1. Juni, 1949:		
U.S.A. Kasse .....	368.33	
Kanada Kasse .....	7,408.48	7,776.81
Einnahmen vom 1. Juni, 1949 bis 1. Juni, 1950:		
U.S.A. Kasse:		
Laufende Einnahmen:		
Kanada Dist. ....	452.05	
Mittlerer Dist. ....	37,130.16	
Westlicher Dist. ....	50,638.29	
Südlicher Dist. ....	50,905.11	139,125.61
Verschiedene Einnahmen:		
Zinsen erhalten .....	8,963.77	
Rückzahlungen .....	4,032.81	
Bonds verkauft .....	14,294.99	
Reserv. zurückerhal. ....	13,500.00	
Andere .....	503.86	41,295.43
	180,421.04	

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B. Weiterbeförderung		
An U.S.A. Kasse .....	12,000.00	12,000.00
Total Ausgaben in Kanada .....		\$104,011.80
Einnahmen:	Übersicht	
Laufende Einnahmen, U.S.A. ....	139,125.61	
Zinsen erhalten, U.S.A. ....	8,963.77	
Rückzahlungen, U.S.A. ....	4,032.81	152,122.19
Laufende Einnahmen, Kanada....	84,050.00	
Zinsen erhalten, Kanada .....	675.00	
Rückzahlungen, Kanada .....	86.00	84,811.00
Total Einnahmen .....	236,933.19	
Reserven beansprucht .....	5,024.77	241,957.96

Ausgaben:		
Total Ausgaben .....	280,950.59	
Weniger Anlagen (Kodai, Indiana, Mexico)	38,992.63	241,957.96

Report of Disbursements (by fields)

I. AFRICA	U. S. A.	Canadian	Total
Evangelization, Education, Medical, Salaries paid on the field, and Buildings .....	15,602.35	23,505.06	
Salaries paid from home office ...	444.47		
Rev. W. G. Baerg ...	200.00		
Rev. H. Derksen .....	1,000.00		
Miss Clara Redekop ..	100.00		
Special gifts to missionaries .....	920.79		
Miss Susie Brucks ...	2.00		
Rev. H. Derksen .....	25.00		
Miss Clara Redekop ..	31.35		
Supplies and freight .....	6,008.90	58.35	
Equipment, Miss Clara Redekop		300.00	
Trucks and freight .....	277.34		
	23,253	25,163.41	48,416.96
II. CHINA			
Evangelization, Education, Medical, Salaries paid on the field, and Buildings .....	6,150.00		
Traveling from the field .....	1,594.55		
Salaries paid from home office ...	5,833.24		

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III. INDIEN

Evangelisation, Schulwesen, Hospital- arbeit, Gehalt für Missionare auf dem Felde und Bauten .....	50,572.07
Reisegeld, Schw. Helen Warkentin .....	400.00
Gehalt für Missionare Zuhause:	
Geschw. J. J. Dick .....	2,700.00
Geschw. E. E. Schmidt .....	400.00
Schw. Helen Warkentin .....	400.00
Spezielle Gaben für Missionare:	
Geschw. J. J. Dick .....	25.00
Schw. Helen Warkentin .....	85.54
Vorräte und Fracht .....	93.10
	54,675.71

V. SÜD-AMERIKA:

Brasilien

Evangelisation, Schulwesen, Hospital- arbeit, Gehalt für Missionare auf dem Felde und Bauten .....	3,285.56
	3,285.56

Paraguay

Evangelisation, Schulwesen, Hospital- arbeit, Gehalt für Missionare auf dem Felde und Bauten .....	5,614.59
Gehalt für Missionare Zuhause:	
Geschw. B. P. Epp .....	526.64
Geschw. J. H. Franz .....	1,000.00
	1,526.64
	7,141.23

VIII. AN ANDERE GESELLSCHAFTEN  
UND PERSONEN

Juden Mission .....	10.00
Western Children's Mission .....	75.00
Individuelle Gaben:	
A. H. Dück, re C. B. Wiens .....	300.00
E. E. Schmidt .....	75.25
Board of Trustees, re P. P. Isaac	50.00
	425.25
	510.25

XI. VERWALTUNG

A. Verwaltung, Allgemein	
Geldwechsel und Bankdienst .....	349.93
Bürovorräte .....	4.59
Postgebühr und Akzise .....	23.25
Druckarbeit .....	10.26
Depeschen, Telefon .....	13.85
Reisegeld .....	384.76
Gehalt .....	400.00
Verschiedene Ausgaben .....	49.00
	1,235.64

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Special gifts to missionaries ...	711.32		Car .....	300.00	
	14,289.11			2,621.70	2,621.70
<b>III. INDIA</b>			<b>V. SOUTH AMERICA</b>		
Evangelization, Education, Medical,			Brazil		
Salaries paid on the field, and	8,754.11	50,572.07	Evangelization, Education, Medical,		
Buildings .....	6,474.54	400.00	Salaries paid on the field, and	1,050.00	3,285.56
Traveling to the field: .....			Buildings .....	4.50	
Helen Warkentin .....	5,183.28		Passport pictures, Er. Thiessens	699.96	
Salaries paid from home office ...			Salaries paid from home office ...	100.00	
Rev. J. J. Dick .....	2,700.00		Special gifts to missionaries ...		
Rev. E. E. Schmidt ...	400.00	3,500.00		1,854.46	5,140.02
Miss Helen Warkentin .....	803.57		<b>Colombia</b>		
Special gifts to missionaries .....			Evangelization, Education, Medical,		
Rev. J. J. Dick .....	25.00	110.54	Salaries paid on the field, and		
Miss Helen Warkentin .....	85.54	93.10	Buildings .....	30,825.24	
Supplies and freight .....	1,745.84		Traveling from the field .....	1,591.33	
		54,675.71	Salaries paid from home office ...	4,043.48	
(Kodalwanal property \$6,648.89)	22,961.34		Special gifts to missionaries ...	303.97	
			Supplies and freight .....	70.30	
<b>IV. NORTH AMERICA</b>				36,834.92	36,834.32
Post Oak			<b>Paraguay</b>		
Evangelization, Education, Medical, Salaries			Evangelization, Education, Medical,		
paid on the field, & Traveling	1,108.33		Salaries paid on the field, and		
Salaries paid from home office	2,529.08		Buildings .....	2,205.00	5,614.59
Building and repairs .....	800.00		Salaries paid from home office:		
Trucks and car .....	3,104.58	7,541.99	Rev. B. P. Epp .....	526.64	1,526.64
			Rev. J. H. Franz .....	1,000.00	
			Supplies and freight .....	10.00	
<b>Indiana</b>				2,215.00	9,956.23
Evangelization, Education, Medical,			<b>VI. JAPAN</b>		
Salaries paid on the field, and	2,121.20		Photos, health exam. passport...	18.69	
Traveling .....	4,413.35		Equipment allowance .....	150.00	
Salaries paid from home office ...	33.00			168.69	168.69
Special gifts to missionaries ...	100.00		<b>VII. OLD MEXICO</b>		
Building and repairs .....	2,321.87		Traveling .....	596.55	
Trucks and car .....				596.55	596.55
(School for Indians \$10,941.02)	8,989.42		(Property \$7,250.00) .....		
<b>Lawton View</b>			<b>VIII. TRANSFERS TO OTHER</b>		
Evangelization, Education, Medical,			SOCIETIES AND INDIVIDUALS		
Salaries paid on the field, and	337.53		British and Foreign Bible Society	25.00	
Traveling .....	1,749.96		Conference Sunday School Work	89.60	
Salaries paid from home office ...	59.21				
Special gifts to missionaries ...	175.00				
Building and repairs .....					

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Traveling, Domestic & Deput.	3,798.88	384.76
Salaries .....	5,655.78	400.00
Home for Miss., Maintenance	786.29	
Tax, Inheritance .....	73.32	
Miscellaneous Expenses .....	65.88	49.00
	<u>15,948.10</u>	<u>1,235.64</u>
B. TRANSFERS between Treasuries		16,583.74
To U.S.A. Treasury .....		<u>12,000.00</u>
		<u>12,000.00</u>
From Canad. Treasury ...	188,938.79	
	<u>12,000.00</u>	<u>12,000.00</u>
Totals.....	176,938.79	104,011.80
Total Disbursements .....		\$280,950.59

#### Summary

Receipts:	
Current receipts, U.S.A. ....	139,125.61
Interest receipts, U.S.A. ....	8,963.77
Refunds, U.S.A. ....	4,032.81
	<u>152,122.19</u>
Current receipts, Canada .....	84,550.00
Interest receipts, Canada .....	675.00
Refunds, Canada .....	86.00
	<u>85,311.00</u>
Total receipts .....	<u>237,433.19</u>
Reserves spent .....	<u>4,524.77</u>
	<u>241,957.96</u>
Disbursements:	
Total disbursements .....	280,950.59
Less investments .....	<u>38,992.63</u>
	<u>241,957.96</u>

#### Missionsgelder erhalten in Kanada nach Provinzen und Gemeinden:

Alberta	
Alberta Gemeinden .....	350.00
Coaldale .....	2,471.59
Coaldale Konferenz .....	563.61
Gem .....	641.06
Grande Prairie .....	100.00
Grassy Lake .....	592.43
La Glace .....	540.00
	<u>\$7,206.06</u>

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Home Missions .....	135.00
Jewish Mission .....	231.00
Minneapolis City Mission .....	300.00
Paraguay, Var. Purp. & Indiv. ...	2,194.90
Relief Work .....	191.84
Sudan Interior Mission .....	2,084.03
Tabor College .....	4,089.60
Western Children's Mission .....	
Individuals .....	
A. Dueck, re C. Wiens	300.00
E. E. Schmidt .....	75.25
Board of Trustees re	
P. P. Isaac .....	50.00
	<u>425.25</u>
	<u>510.25</u>
	<u>9,400.97</u>
	<u>3,870.96</u>
	<u>3,870.96</u>

#### IX. THE PENSION TREASURY

Pensions to missionaries .....

#### X. INVESTMENTS

##### A. INVESTMENTS, Reserve

Furniture & Equipment for	39.50
Home for Missionaries .....	49.61
Interest Cost .....	
Loans:	
Board of Trustees .....	4,000.00
First National Bank .....	9,500.00
Office Equipment .....	563.61
	<u>14,152.72</u>

##### B. INVESTMENTS, (Field, during the year)

Kodakkanal, India ...	6,648.89
School, Indiahoma ...	10,941.02
Old Mexico property	7,250.00
	<u>24,839.91</u>
	<u>38,992.63</u>

#### XI. ADMINISTRATION

##### A. ADMINISTRATION, General

Affiliation with other Societies	907.60
Auto Fund .....	897.00
Educational Aid to Miss. Cand.	760.50
Exchange and Banking Serv.	50.73
Office Supplies .....	357.75
Postage and Excise .....	217.25
Printing and Publicity .....	1,667.25
Telegrams, Phone, Cablegrams	109.87
	<u>349.93</u>
	<u>4.59</u>
	<u>23.25</u>
	<u>10.26</u>
	<u>13.85</u>

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The Third Business Session Monday afternoon.

A duett and general singing.

Brother A. E. Janzen opened the session and continued with his report and discussion followed on Foreign Missions. The question was posed what the committee shared concerning, concerning Japan as a mission field, and that it was recognized as such by the mission board and the first missionary on her way.

Another matter came up namely, if some of the reserved should not be applied to foreign work. Finally, this question was left to the board and the trustees to consider in the light of the discussion of the question posed.

The conference expressed its joy over the fact that so many brothers and sisters are willing to serve on the foreign mission field and thanked God for the work that we were privileged to do. Greetings to the missionaries were sent and on the field with the verse in Isaiah 12:24. (?)

The contributors were encouraged to strengthen their contributions and not grow weary to provide schooling of the natives and that we can continue to send missionaries out.

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**British Columbia**

Arnold .....	1,244.69	Kelowna .....	175.05
Abbotsford, Nord .....	3,716.06	Matsqui .....	1,654.67
Abbotsford, Süd .....	3,473.78	Oliver .....	272.75
Abbotsford Bibelschule ..	249.50	Sardis .....	1,534.80
Aldergrove, East .....	1,590.04	Strawberry Hill .....	934.91
Black Creek .....	681.39	Ungenannt .....	192.00
B.C. Gemeinden .....	323.20	Vancouver .....	3,557.65
Chilliwack .....	1,842.49	Yarrow .....	2,932.27
Chilliwack, East .....	2,115.22		\$26,490.47

**Manitoba**

Altona .....	15.00	Marquette .....	312.84
Arnaud .....	301.50	Morden .....	2,308.07
Ashern .....	110.00	Newton Siding .....	1,242.46
Bible College .....	720.28	Niverville .....	600.00
Boissevain .....	773.37	North Kildonan .....	1,002.35
Elm Creek .....	1,188.21	Sperling .....	111.03
Gnadenthal .....	243.12	Steinbach .....	307.04
Griswold .....	244.50	Springstein .....	556.64
Grossweide .....	586.49	Wingham .....	41.00
Justice .....	297.00	Winkler .....	4,017.00
Kronsgart .....	2,293.97	Winnipeg, N.E. ....	1,690.01
La Salle .....	176.30	Winnipeg, S.E. ....	613.53
Lena & Holmfield .....	605.49	Winnipegosis .....	63.20
Lindale .....	118.32	Ungenannt .....	1,390.30
Manitoba Konferenz .....	361.92		\$23,394.61
Manitou .....	1,203.67		

**Ontario**

Hespler .....	19.75	Ontario Jugend .....	94.47
Kitchener .....	1,034.66	Port Rowan .....	391.00
Leamington .....	871.65	St. Catharines .....	851.96
New Hamburg .....	76.00	Ungenannt .....	130.00
Niagara .....	3,205.44	Vineland .....	1,525.47
Ontario Gemeinden .....	367.80		\$8,558.20

**Saskatchewan**

Aberdeen .....	398.28	Lashburn .....	94.40
Aralee .....	300.00	Lucky Lake .....	67.49
Bethania .....	177.02	Maidstone .....	15.00
Blumenort .....	20.00	Main Centre .....	900.56
Borden .....	606.27	Mullingar .....	37.55
Bruderfeld .....	1,167.60	Regina .....	75.10

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Compass .....	13.50	eRinfeld .....	122.40
Dahmeny .....	3,390.97	Sand Beach Camp .....	18.78
Engel, Jake .....	10.00	Saskatoon .....	362.75
Elim .....	314.96	Speedwell .....	18.25
Eyebrow .....	10.00	Swift Current .....	182.13
Foam Lake .....	223.87	Tabor Bible School .....	75.00
Friedensheim .....	133.37	Watrous .....	564.11
Glenbush .....	1,168.44	Waldheim .....	1,384.58
Gnadenau .....	281.47	Warman .....	71.00
Greenfarm .....	271.33	West. Child. Mission ..	251.47
Hephurn .....	1,899.33	Woodrow .....	97.00
Herbert .....	349.92	Ungenannt .....	1,422.56
Laird .....	1,904.20		\$18,400.65

Nach ethlichen Bekanntmachungen leitet Br. J. B. Töws im Schlusssgebet.

Brother Janzen was thanked for the distributed literature, for the clear and factual report and takes it to mind.

The conference thanks all the workers in the committee and recommended that intercession is made in behalf of the in the work.

Brother H. J. Wiens, Dinuba reports in the interest of the fund treasury: Worthy delegates, brothers and sisters in the canadain conference,

In Matthew 16:18, Jesus to Peter: "You are Peter and on this rock I will build my church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." He, Jesus, is the rock, the cornerstone upon which He builds the church, He Himself is the Master-builder. On pentecost the visible church came into existence through the Holy Spirit. Jesus made no further arrangements, excepts give the diciples the commission to build on.

As the individual churches, and General Conference build at this great work. It was our privilege in the last years to visit 56 churches of our brotherhood in the U. S. in the interest of our mission fund and to visit the individual homes that is as far as it was possible, then also 8 churches in Ontario and 16 churches in B. C.

The participation was good. In the churches in Ontario they participated almost 100%, also in B. C. the churches manifested great interest. In the churches in Ontario, they contributed close to \$25,000.00 and here in B.C. some over \$39,000.00.

We build on a good foundation of which Christ himself is the cornerstone, and because He is also the Master-builder, the work of the Lord will continue so long until the building is completed.

In the name of the confere\_nce Board of Directors, H. J. Wiens,  
Field secretary.

A brief discussion period ensued pertinent questions were asked and clearly answer.

With appreciation, the conference approves the report.

Quartett: "I want my Life to tell for Jesus."

#### 16. Publication:

a) Report from the Publishing House in Hillsboro, Kanaas is read by H. F. Klassen.

Dear conference delegates and friends,,  
Greetings with Psalm 127:1.

We are thankful to God, that we were permitted to participate. The building we had undertaken is almost completed. A 32 feet long, one-story addition on the west end of the original building is now completed. The bookstore was built 15 feet into the main building and renovations were made.

We are thankful to God that we could do that. It is now our sincere wish that the improvement would work out to the glory of the Lord, and that it should possible to do greater services in the Kingdom of God.

With the exception of three newspapers, The Hillsboro Journal, The Christian Leader and the "Zionsbote" our receipts have been greatly increased. Against those receipts, we have increased the expense account. The storage in the bookstore has been considerably enlarged. We hope that members of our brotherhood will avail themselves of the opportunity to secure their need of christian literature and other helpful books from our own Publishing House. We will endeavor to be prompt with the services and upon request, we send out statements.

In order to develop earnings, it will be necessary that we give more support to our own Publishing House as has been in the past to subscribe to one, or the other, or to all three papers. The "Zionsbote" has maintained its readers more or less so. At present we produce 2575 copies, but we assume that there are more brothers and sisters in our conference who would subscribe to the "Zionsbote" but they have neglected to send in an order.

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Publishing House, Hillsboro, Continued.

The subscribers list for The Christian Leader has decreased a little so that at this time only 1765 copies are sold twice a month. This paper should have at least 1000 readers to bring it up to a satisfactory financial basis. Would you not help us? Our suggestion would be that every individual church should undertake the responsibility so that it would reach every home in the church family, that is where the english language is read. That indeed would help to stimulate the interest of the young people in our own conference.

We are conscious of the fact that the Hillsboro Journal is not the most popular paper in many homes and that the content of it lacks a certain stroke of journalistic flavor, but it is our aspiration to bring to the home news from the community and other valuable materials. We cannot compete with the local or the general paper, because the Journal attempts to serve in both of the capacities. We solicit correspondents from Mennonite areas who would be interested to send in reports now and then punctually.

To help to circulate the newspapers and thus enlarge our list of subscribers, one can order them for the, for a friend or relative, or send in their names who should or would be subscribers. Competent commentaries of the National Sunday lesson are printed in both the Journal and the "Zionsbote". The cooperation of every member of the conference to increase the list of readers is highly appreciated and it will help to build up the conference institution together.

The Sunday school pamphlet for adults, we believe, speaks for itself for all our churches in U. S. and many in Canada use in their Sunday schools, we distribute 10,160 pamphlets.

Brethren have been willing to contribute to this quarterly, which is just as good or better than other helps for teachers for the National Lesson. The German pamphlet takes care of the need of the German Sunday school classes, 11,170 copies are distributed.

As further teaching material, we have the National Lessons is the Evangelical Commentary which we can also supply for S. S.

Beginning with the last quarter of this year, 1950, we are printing an English pamphlet for the teachers of the little children classes in order to meet the need for such in Canada who use their own graduated lessons according to the Scripture Press, that is, that text.

We are thankful for your prayers in behalf of our work here and plead for your further intercession for the work and the total personnel whose wish it is through serve the Lord in this work. The following is the financial report:

The M. B. Publishing House Oct. 1, 1948 to Sept. 30, 1949.

**Financial Report and Statement of the M.B. Publishing House  
October 1, 1948, to September 30, 1949  
Income for the Current Year**

Books and Stationary .....	\$ 7,766.69
Bookstore .....	\$7,316.69
Scripture Press and Higley Press Orders....	450.00
Advertising .....	5,190.47
Job Work .....	10,399.78
Zionsbote .....	4,247.13
Hillsboro Journal .....	3,741.77
Christian Leader .....	2,037.20
Sunday School Quarterlies .....	7,391.50
Rent .....	695.00
Interest .....	235.73
Total Income .....	\$41,705.27



## Financial report of the M. P. Publishing House.

## Disbursements and Depreciations

Building, Depreciation .....	\$ 200.00
Furniture and Fixtures, Depreciation .....	67.50
Machinery Depreciation .....	225.00
Repair .....	791.68
Paper and Material .....	9,603.4
Expense: Light, Heat, Power, Tabor College Donation, Taxes, etc. ....	4,984.90
Postage .....	1,362.43
Salaries .....	23,650.15
Net Gain .....	1,320.17
Less Tabor College Donation .....	(500.00)
Total .....	\$41,705.27

## Financial Statement

Capital Account .....	\$30,000.00
Surplus (\$25,283.08 and \$820.17) .....	26,103.25
Building .....	\$ 7,387.18
Furniture and Fixtures .....	700.00
Machinery .....	7,217.28
Merchandise Inventory .....	8,068.64
Sunday School Quarterly Inventory .....	794.02
Advertising Inventory .....	650.42
Job Inventory .....	1,910.70
Paper Inventory .....	4,270.35
U.S. Bonds .....	6,240.00
Building and Loan Shares .....	1,000.00
Bank Time Deposit .....	3,500.00
Book Accounts Outstanding .....	3,543.17
Cash on Hand .....	450.20
Bank Account .....	10,371.29

\$56,103.25    \$56,103.25

A. J. Voth, Treasurer.

A greeting from brother P. H. Berg; letter as follows:

I do regret that it is impossible for me to be in attendance at the Canada conference. It is not that one does not want to, or not because one does not love and respect the conference contrarily, I feel deeply the the editor of our official conference paper should be in attendance at such conferences, that is, to report of the spiritual aspect of the work. It is not my fault that I am not in attendance, for that reason I beg that the conference be greet from me.

In spite of all the other work, I have tried to edit the "Zionsbote" according to the wish of the conference. I did not shorten the reports much.

The brotherhood like to read what happens in other churches and rejoice in the blessings of others. According to the many encouragements, that we receive, the "Zionsbote" is a welcome guest to the readers and its contents is a blessing to many brothers and sisters and is a strength to their faith, especially those who are lonely.

I regret that we must bring many things in the english language, such as: obituaries, because the contributors can neither write nor read the german language, therefore, their wish to print that in english. I hope that the elderly brothers and sisters in Canada will understand. The paper still enjoys a modest number of readers which could be enlarged. We are especially rejoice that the canadian brothers and sisters are so faithful to the "Zionsbote", our brotherhood paper. May God bless them.

--P. H. Berg.

The conference thanks for the report and takes note of it. In a friendly fashion the remember the personnel in the publishing house and is thankful for the work done up-to now. Thanks is expressed to H. P. Toews for his service in writing the exposition on the J. S. lessons.

The adoption was expressed that one of our people read the "Zionsbote".

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b) Report from The Christian Press.

The Board of Directors are requested to take the platform, the brethren: C. A. DeFehr, J. Janzen, B. B. Janz, B. Redekop, F. P. Kroeker, F. H. Friesen, C. C. Warkentin, John Wall (not present) and H. F. Klassen, the latter reports:

The difference between our publishing house and the Hillsboro, Kansas is that Canada, that is, the Northern District Conference owns only a part of The Christian Press (400 shares), but owned by brethren of our conference. For that reason we are given the opportunity to report here. For a detailed report on the business, however, I will not take the time, for it belongs on a business meeting of the corporation.

Our main responsibility consist in the publication of the "Mennonitische Rundschau" and "Christlicher Jugend Freund." Besides other, 9 in number, others are printed in seven languages, and S. S material, books and brochure in small forms, for instances, recently we finished a larger work, "Der Mennonitische Maertyrer".

The german bookstore business is going on well and german Bibles are again available and New Testaments and there is a good market for them.

The property of The Christian Press has a worth of \$38,000.00 today. The last year's turnover amounted to about \$47,000.00 resulting in a net profit of \$4800.00. Since taking over the business about four years ago, we have paid out \$25,000.00 to the seller and for the subsequent charge of income tax. If all the shares would be sold, what we expected, brought by our brethren to cover the purchasing price, we would have out of the turnover of the business enough cash to build the much needed building and we could have punctually the dividends. I mention the above in order that it can be understood, why we still are in this old small house and not already have a new building with new machines.

"Die Mennonitische Rundschau" is consistently gaining new readers, and at the same time old subscribers must be cancelled, because they do not pay their subscriptions on time. We have enlarged the size of the paper and plan to add more as soon as we have more working space. The paper goes to mail one day earlier so that the readers in Ontario and B. C. receive it before Sunday. A weekly paper with 7000 subscribers may expect that about 15,000 people read it, in many areas of the world and on most of the mission stations. Because we had focus on paying the debt as fast as possible to get out from under, we were very conservative, especially on the editorial end of the work. However, we have all the reason to make improvement in that area, namely, to draw in more editorial assistance and enlarge the framework of the "Mennonitisch Rundschau." To that end we are working.

The printed page is a strong weapon of a christian conference against the power of Satan, the prince of the world. The more His servants push with its printed page or poison, the stronger and the more aggressive must our offensive be, not only a passive defense. At one time there were mistones (disagreements) caused by the action of the conference through the buying of the 400 shares. The more insight I gain in the spirit-struggle of today that a spiritual and firmly standing conference as ours, is becoming more and more conscious power of the printed word and get behind it sacrificially. I am not saying that our publication house has arrived there, but there are great possibilities in that area, but our hands are bound, because the brethren invest their means somewhere else, but it is urgently necessary that we build.

If we want to proceed with small means on a new building, then think of us, please, so that we do not have to borrow from the outside. It is your house. And if we move toward the end times, we should not forget that we will take along and that the service to man, on his soul, is the best capital investment for them and and count for the eternal promises.

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This business should continue to grow in the future, if God can bless it, and we would like to pay interest and dividends to the shareholder. However, incomparably more important is the main purpose of a christian publishing work: nurture the mind in Christ in us, send out good messages, report of the guidance in life of the Mennonite associations, provide insight into the pending judgment on the world situation, share comfort and assistance that all is far more important and cannot be calculated with dollars and cents.

That we do not lose sight of mission work, the new settlers in S. A. and the refugees in Europe to whom the paper is sent at gratis, they will be in better position to evaluate. Our M. B. Conference pay 300 prescriptions of the "Rundschau" and the "Christian Friend for South America. The western assistance committee pays for 50 prescriptions for the homeless in Europe. The Ontario conference paid twice for 50 prescriptions, but private funds come in for this cause and from the publication we send 100 prescriptions free. New settlers receive the "Rundschau" three months free.

Whenever brethren do not agree with the content of the paper or suggests improvements, we gladly take note of that. We do not forget that we have the responsibility to serve the wide layers of the Mennonite people and need your intercessory prayers and support.

Shares are still available from brother C. C. Warkentin. --H. F. Klassen.

The conference thanks brother Klassen for the report and approves it. The conference is happy concerning the intertwined work that was accomplished under the present conditions, but it also wishes that more shares could be sold.

The conference wishes the publication work in the future God's blessings including the personnel.

In connection, it was pointed out that the assumption of The Christian Press should not be looked as a business, but as a mission for the printed word is of great significance.

The minutes of the previous session was read and approved. Concerning the conference message, it was decided that it be published in the "Zionsbote".

#### 17. Sunday School Committee of the General Conference.

Brother A. A. Kroeker, a member of the General Conference Committee, reported: Worthy conference,

I regret that brother A. A. Schroeter, Reedley, California, the chairman of the General Conference Committee, who had intended to be here, but because of eyes problem, he was hindered in his intention to be here.

Brother Schroeter greets the brethren. Even though the letter we received was not addressed to the conference, we nevertheless would like to quote some statements to the conference. In German, according to the contents as follows: "I would like to make known to you, that I rejoiced in the hope, to be with you, when you brethren plan concerning the S. S. material and about the building up of workers. It was our mutual agreement up to now to work as independent of each other due to the language problem. However, we all see very clearly that the general interest of the brotherhood is of greater importance than the language problem. That shows that it is very desirable that a united front be established."

As it was stated on former conferences, we as the committee have the purpose that our S. S. workers should receive appropriate and similar training, and seek to produce S. S. material in the German and in the English languages, teach all of the Word of God in the mind and in the spirit of our Mennonite Brethren perception, and the material should be produced in that pattern and fitted to the children in the different age groups.

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Report of General Conference Committee--continued.

At the occasion of the previous conference we had to report, that the mutual production of S. S. material at present was out. The conference expressed its regret with reference to that and expressed the wish that the work should be assumed again.

We have the good news for the conference that that has happened. The debt that was caused through the pause the General conference committee has assumed and the lesson for the lower grades, beginning with the last quarter of this year, will again appear in both languages. We regret that we cannot report further progress. There are many and large hindrances there. We are deeply convinced, if our conferences in the future should build a unified program, that this must happen on the level of training our children. We do not want to disturb our objective.

We request the conference to remember us in accordance of Colossians 1: 9  
 "Befilled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding."  
 Your representative in the Church S.S. Committee,  
 A. A. Kroeker.

The report is received with much appreciation, but the discussion was postponed to the point: The school matter.

18. Tabor College: Brother J. Quiring, representative of Tabor College in Canada made introductory remarks and requested the brother P. E. Schellenberg to give the report concerning Tabor College.

The special responsibility that concerns us in the school matter and in that we work is this: To serve the conference to give to our youth which is anxious to learn and demands more knowledge and education.

Our youth demand Bible and theological knowledge. More and more youth is demanding a general education which includes studies as: language, literature, history, philosophy, science and the arts. This circumstance is the result of the competition with the youth in the land where we have nested in a homelike way and a result of a continuous higher demands of the professional callings to which our youth is turning more and more. Our young people prepare for the ministry, the teaching profession, missions, medicine, nurses and so on.

At the same time, we the church, are under the charge to offer our young people the opportunity to attend school, where their life of faith and their walk need not suffer, but where our youth is permitted to live its christian life according to the pattern of our churches and according to the perception of the conference to which they belong. It happens too often, that youth visits the schools outside of the conference, are lost to the conference.

Here is our conference school, Tabor College. To the best of our abilities, we seek to offer youth education opportunities according to the individual need. Again as week to nurture their christian faith and their christian life so that youth grows in faith and in the grace of God and man.

To this work 280 students of last year identified themselves as students. They came from 15 States of U. S. and four Provinces in Canada. Others came from Germany, Italy and Paraguay. 18 students came from Canada: (B.C. 4; Sask. 6; Manitoba 1; Ontario 7). With this youth group 19 teachers worked in the school with the help of God and of many brothers and sisters who participate on this work.

The expenditure for the school year was \$175,000.00. Half came from tuition the other half from the offerings from the churches and person gifts for that purpose.

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The Canadian conference contributed during the first nine months, September 1, 1949 to May 31, 1950, \$1811.48 (B.C. \$338.61; Alberta \$296.86; Sask. \$176.41; Manitoba \$621.51; Ontario \$378.03). We are greatly thankful for that assistance. That sum we consider as an investment for our youth and in our churches.

At this opportunity, I would like to express my appreciation for your favorable acceptance of our field worker, brother John K. Siemens, in the homes and in the churches of B.C., Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba. Likewise, we would like to thank you for reception of our choir and listening to it, so well received into the homes and churches in Ontario. For us that reception was a great encouragement.

For the next year, the 43rd, we made arrangements that will give us a strengthened instruction personnel. We are again prepared to receive young people and serve them.

We again request for your prayers and your contributions, and let us in fellowship together with the help of God continue to build and work.

And the Lord our God establish the work of our hands upon us in His kindness and tender mercies. Psalm 90:17.

--P. E. Schellenberg.

Discussion: The expressions were favorable concerning the college and expressions of appreciation were uttered referring to the visit of the college choir during the summer and for the visit of brother Siemens, the field worker. It was stated that that gave them a greater insight into Tabor College. The students who studied there recommend the school to our young people and invited them to attend Tabor College.

It was decided to receive the report of the President of Tabor College with appreciation and approval and wish that work God's blessings. We as conference greet the church at Hillsboro, and thank them for the understanding and participation that the Canadian students were shown.

The conference renews the early resolution to lift an offering twice a year in all the churches of the Provinces, that is, offerings for Tabor College.

After a few announcements, brother D. D. Derksen, Leamington led in the closing prayer.

Monday evening devotional Service.  
was conducted in the hall of M.E.I.

The quartet of the Mennonite Brethren Bible College and the Vancouver and Matsqui served the vocal music on this evening.

The representatives of the British and Foreign Bible Society directed a few brief words to the congregation. He spoke of their ministry that is done in the whole world. He also points to the fact that our missionaries translate the Word of God into the different languages which our society prints, that is, the society prints. Thus a mutual cooperation has developed.

Brother A. E. Janzen, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Committee of Foreign missions, had the leadership of that service. After a few introductory remarks, he presented the missionaries that were in attendance and then called on them one by one to give the testimony.

Henry Paul Poettker: He read John 20:21 and briefly speaks of the responsibility that Jesus had in this world and as we also have the responsibility to go into the world to proclaim the gospel in their case to the people in India.

The Columbia Missionaries:

D. Wirsche quoted God's Word and speaks on the seeking of souls--also in the country of Columbia, S. A.

Sisater Wirsche gave a brief testimony which she centered in her faith and in her trust in God who so wonderfully helped in the work. Sister Wirsche and two children sing a chorus in the Spanish language.

Africa missionaries:

H. D. Derksen a new missionary pleads for intercessory prayers.

Sister Derksen stated that the Lord has worked in them that they have the joy to go into the missionfield to carry God's message there.

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The Monday evening devotional Service continued.

Africa- Sister Clara Redekop expresses her joy concerning her personal redemption and has the longing to share this redemption with others. That deep desire motivates her to go to this work.

Susie Brucks who was home on furlough quoted Luke 19:20 in the African language. She expresses her appreciation to the brothers and sisters in the Lord for the intercessory prayers and relates a few incidents of wonderful answers to prayer. She pleads for further intercession in behalf of the mission work.

The India missionaries:

Brother J. J. Dick and their children sing a hymn in the Telugu language.

Sister J. J. Dyck read Revelation 3:8 and relates of experiences in the eight year of service and especially of the departure of a number of missionaries; missionaries she miss very much. She pleads for the intercessory prayers.

Frieda Neufeld read Matthew 9:37-38 and speaks of her call into mission service. Comfort and strength for her is Matthew 20: 28.

Brother J. J. Dyck thanks for the Foreign Mission Board and for the participation of the conference. That encourages him.

After some closing remarks by brother A. E. Janzen, the leader of the program, the choir from Vancouver, B.C. sang a hymn.

Brother J. P. Redekop presents the the worker of the Jewish mission, brother Jacob Pankratz and calls on him to give his report (it was not handed to the secretary, so it does not appear here). Brother Redekop then offered the closing prayer.

The fourth Business Session Tuesday forenoon.

After singing a few hymns by the congregation and female quartett sings a song.

Brother J. Quiring, Winnipeg gave a treatise. After a few introductory remarks, he read 1 Corinthians 10:1-13.

Theme: Warnings and comfort in the history of God's People."

History does not service as model only, but also as warning. Israel experienced many blessings; a people of miraculous redemption out of the land of slavery. These blessings reached into all areas. And in spite, verse 5, "and with many of them God was not pleased." Spiritual blessings are not sufficient in order to please God. Judgment came upon them.

There are many persuasions today who also had spiritual blessings and yet they have departed from an intimate relationship with God. The Lord has also blessed us. Will He be pleased? Also in our churches we find lust graves, the idolatrous who tempt Christ, the dissatisfied. For that reason the warning applies to us also.

But we also have comfort in our history of Israel: The faithfulness of the surveillance over His own, verse 13, in the redemption, for he had a way out.

A number of brethren pray.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

City Mission and General Conference Mission:

This consists of both branches: City mission in Minneapolis and the Jewish Mission in Winnipeg. Brother J. A. Toews, a member of the committee, read the report of the city mission work in Minneapolis:

Worthy delegates and brothers and sisters!

We greet you in the words of 1 John 4:4: "He that is in you is greater, than He that is in the world." This encouragement has become precious to us.. recently, we experienced how the enemy works about us. In the face of of the many sins about us, we look to our God and pray, that he work within us and use us in His power.

We are thankful to God that he called us into this work. People, the work is not easy, but we see souls about us who are lost: in their faces we see the unhappiness. We are happy to present the gospel to them: peace and salvation.

We do appreciate the many opportunities to proclaim the gospel. We have a variety of children meetings. While you are in session, we are beginning the vacation Bible School. We expect a large number of children. Pray for us, that Lord may save children: save them from a wayward life and a wasted life. Then there is the work among the girls and the mothers, in the Sunday school and other variety of service. It is all the work of the Lord.

We see this work as a part of the great work in the Kingdom of God. With many others in our city, we are praying for a revival in this city. We appreciate the spiritual fellowship that we can have with other christians. The churches in the city work together and plans are being made for September 17 for a city-wide revival services with Billy Graham. May our community experience the power of God.

We hope that you will sense the presence of God in these conference days. As servants of the conference and our God, we commit ourselves to your intercessory prayers.

--with christian love, Chester and Elfrieda Fast.

The report from the Jewish mission, Winnipeg was already given on Monday evening. The conference received the report with appreciation and sends greetings to them that are in the work of the Lord.

With reference to the Jewish mission the committee submits to the conference the following recommendation which was supported by a second. The conference recommended that we give our first attention to the mission that has been accepted by our conferences.

With reference to the Minneapolis Mission, the conference recommends that an annual offering be lifted for the General conference mission on a set Sunday perhaps on Easter Sunday.

With reference to the work under or among the Jews, an offering should be lifted once annually for this mission.

After the discussion, the following recommendation was offered: In principle we as conference accept the recommendation of the committee. If for some reason a church does not find it possible on the conference Sunday to lift that offering, it should be lifted as soon as possible thereafter. The churches that have neglected to lift the offerings in the past year, are urgently requested to catch up somehow, that is, lift two offerings in one year for the city mission.

The plan of the Canadian representatives in the Foreign Mission Board:

Dear brethren,--

After I conferred with brother H. S. Voth by chance at our Foreign Missions Committee in Hillsboro on the 27-29th of April, we as your representatives in the Foreign Mission Committee, we submit for your consideration and evaluation the following thought: With reference to the fact that the number of brothers and sisters from Canada who are sent to the Foreign Mission is progressively increasing, and

With reference to that, that many missionaries of these dear brothers and sisters return on furlough from the field, and

With reference that many of them have no property in the homeland, nor have they a dwelling place, and are concerned about the education of their children and would like to live in a place where the different instruction institutions are within reach,

We would like to suggest whether the Canadian conference would not purchase a house where our dear missionaries could live during their furlough period and the children could visit the schools, yes; even the missionaries themselves who could learn some things that they have not had and that would be profitable in their ministry; have access to an appropriate institution.

In the deliberations of the location and climate came into consideration, maybe three Provinces came into focus: British Columbia, Ontario for the sake of the climate, and for earning possibilities, Winnipeg came into focus, because of the man schools

May the grace of God lead us in this and in all questions that were raised. I, your representative in the Committee of Foreign Missions, H. E. Janzen.



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The Discussion on the suggested thought of H. H. Janzen.

During the discussion, it became evident that there was interest for the cause of buying a home for missionaries to live when on furlough, but it was suggested that it should not be tied to a definite place, in view of the fact that the home-coming missionaries out of the different Provinces and for different sake of the different circumstances, like to live in different places.

In the light of that, it is decided, to care for the missionaries coming home on furlough, that in every individual case the Foreign Missions Committee would contact the Provincial leadership in order to regulate the matter. The churches should take that into consideration and strengthen the offerings.

Another song was sung by the sister.

The Mental Institution, Besthesda. The committee for this institution takes place on the platform, the written reports are distributed, and Is. Thiessen, chairman of the Committee, was asked to guide in the matter. He offers prayer and submits the following report:

Worthy conference,

In his opening paragraph, he quotes 1 Peter 4:10 and 11 verses.

As committee, it was our privilege that in the past year, we had the opportunity to be stewards of the grace of God which reveals itself in the home and and through the Bethesda institution. We are conscious of our great responsibility before God and the conference. If in this branch of service anything has been accomplished, it surely was out of the fact that moves. All the honor to Him.

Apart from the sessions, the committee held in connection with this conference, there was a session of all the members of the committee in the beginning of February. All the representatives from the Provinces were present, except brother Abr. Toews, Alberta. The brethren C. C. Warkentin and D. D. Derksen represented the directory. Of the brethren in the conference no one appeared. On that session the Lord was sensibly present. In brotherly love one for another and in believing confidence to the Lord, much work was done. The circumstance that we now have representatives from the Provinces is definitely an advantage. The committee is thereby in better view of the position of the churches and the representatives can be better informed concerning the institution.

The past year was rich in experience. The work in the home went its normal course. The house parents together with the help served faithfully. At times it was difficult to secure enough help. A valuable help were the M.C.C. workers that were involved. For the future, whenever the work in the new building begins, we have the offer from M.C.C. that they would send us a voluntary group under very favorable circumstances, or rather conditions, which we accepted. One problem is to find a nurse for the future. We believe that the Lord will answer our prayers in this matter. The committee has set the salary at \$100.00 with living quarters and board at gratis above the salary. The Main R.N. we would be willing to pay more after negotiating with that individual.

In the past year the largest portion of the building on the new addition has been completed. The house is now ready, and the Lord willing, it will be dedicated shortly. Through the gracious help, we have succeeded in the building. The building committee worked ambitiously. The workers in the home together with brother Wiebe as foreman, did a lot of work above their regular work, spent much and and effort on the building. Also the church in Vineland helped, especially at the pouring of the cement work, that is, completing the foundation. All that helps to keep down the costs down as much as possible. In comparison

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other similar buildings, \$7500.00 to \$10,000.00 per bed (?) our house come to \$2600.00 per bed. In spite of that, the cost price has gone a little higher than anticipated, that due to the rising prices of materials. We are thankful to the Lord for the extended possibility to help in this area. It is apparent that it increased the responsibility, the work and the expenses.

With means the treasury was filled with collecting from or in the churches and through borrowing, a loanour conference made for this purpose from our conference through the committee. In some of the churches the recommendations relative to collecting were carried through. We are thankful from the bottom of our hearts. The furnish the new area of the institution much has been done; many things are still missing. In the month of December of last year brother J. K. Janzen visited the churches in Saskatchewan in the interest of the institution. Almost in all the churches it was possible for brother Janzen to bring his reports and clarified many questions.

For everything what the Lord has done we would like to bring Him honor and glory. He so wonderfully manifested Himself in this project. We agree with the Psalm writer: "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it." The sacrificial services of the house parents and the other servants, we gladly recognize with great satisfaction. May the Lord equip them for the necessary work with power. The churches we thank for the noble support of this work in prayer and in means. Let us not grow weary. Yes, let us become more perfect in this work that the Lord has committed to us that we reach the mentally ill a helping hand and praise God through the Lord Jesus Christ.

In the name of the committee, Isaak H. Tiessen.

Brother J. K. Janzen read the report of the building committee and spoke a favorable word for the institution.

Dear conference brothers and sisters,

It was one day in the month of April 1949, when we had ground-breaking service on the spot this building is now standing. Many visitors were present. The bulldozer were on the spot. At once the work was begun; since then we were continually working at the building. In full we started on May 3. Not as we planned at the beginning that we would get a construction firm to build this house, but we as the building committee agreed to undertake the building ourselves. Our building plan was sanctioned by the Province Health Department. So we sought and found a building master and found him in C. P. Unrau, a contractor. The material we secured and hauled in, the professional workers were found. We supervised the building process.

The building was built as follows: A full basement in which are the spaces are found that such an institution needs. On the first floor are the spaces for patients of about 30 of them. The second floor that does not cover the total building, but over the middle part only, constitute the living rooms for the personnel who serve in the home. The walls are build of red brick on the outside and from within the walls are covered by haydite blocks. The floors are of steel and cement and the middle partitions are fire-proof. The window frames are of iron.

Until November of last year, the building from the outside were finished. During the winter the interior work was done, like painting the walls and other arrangements were finished. As building committee we were always concerned to build a solid and strong with the minimum cost, as far as possible, and we believe that by the grace of God we succeeded.

In retrospect, we must say that all went well. There was no accident on the job. The good hand of our great God was with us all through the construction and over us as written in Nehemia 2:18. —The building Committee.

The report from the house father followed:

He introduced his report by quoting: "The eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show Himself strong in behalf of them whose heart is perfect to Him." (II Chronicles 16:9).

In retrospect over the past year, we must say that it was a very stirring year for us in the Bethesda Home, and an eventful year. A year in which we needed strength from above upon which we were so utterly dependent. Again and again it becomes great and important that the Lord delivered us from accidents. Often I quivered inwardly and called on the Lord to keep away accidents, when 5, 6 and 7 patients were busy at building; where even the healthy had to be most careful. For some time I could not decide, if I should take out insurance for those working on the building. Since that was a complicate matter and bound up with expenses, so I decided to trust the Lord and save the expenses.

We experienced what is written in Psalm: "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most high shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty." "I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God in Him will I trust." Also in general, we look at it as a special grace from God need not report an accident at the close of a year. Honor to the Lord for His grace.

The number of patients in the home tottered between 21 and 23. Our norm as it is known is 22 patients. If at times we did not hold to that norm, the reason was not that we did not have patients, because we did not know which of the many we wanted to accept. Often we did not hold to the sequence, but we determined on the basis of the necessity and on the basis of circumstances. On the waiting list, there are 30 people whose application and reception, we have not given our consent, that is, we hesitated for substantial reasons. Whether they all still would come, when the new department opens its doors, is a question. Then there are a number that have inquired, but we did not put them on the waiting list, because they did not request it. At present we have 23 patients in the home between the age of 70 and 80 years. According to Provinces, they divide as follows: B.C. 5; Alberta 3; Manitoba 5; Ontario 10 (5 Mennonites and 5 english speaking). In the course of the year 4 patients died all at a high age. One was dismissed.

The help was difficult to get for a while, but it has recently changed to the better. Of great support was M.C.C. workers in the home, voluntary service proved to be of great help. At present three M.C.C. workers work in the home: 2 men and 1 woman. For the summer months several are in prospect. We appreciate their work, especially the efforts of these voluntary service people. Besides 5 others are employed: four women and one man. One Vic. Order Nures, Margret Janzen, comes to the home every day and takes care of certain responsibilities. The names of the present workers are: Sister Marg Willms, Peter Klassen, Tina Hildebrand, Ag. Neufeld, Maria Friesen, Helen Neufeld (V.S.), Peter Olfert, (V.S.), and Gerh. Wiebe, a former patient.

Dr. Lahtam or his associate, Dr. Russel appear twice a week, that is, one at a time, and examine the patients. If needed they would come more often.

The farm produced last year quite well which helps so must to keep expenses down. The financial will show the amounts. At present the institution's farm has the following inventory: 11 cows, 19 beef cattle of different size, one horse, 15 hogs (small and large), and 125 chickens. To the 94 acres which belong to the institution, are 43 acres are added in order to raise enough feed for the cattle. The four acres of young vines which was purchased two years ago, has developed to a promising garden so that we expect of the 10 acres good grapes.

The new addition cannot very well be excluded, for daily a number of the personnel and a group of the patients were at work and helped along in the work. In that way much was saved in the building of the project that will serve the general purpose. Not always were the patients inspired to work. Now and then they had to be encouraged. It did not work very well, when it was said to them: go. But it works much better when it is said: Come let us go and do that and that. The work did not harm them. Several the doctor used the following expression: "A happy and healthy bunch." I should mention at this opportunity that business works relaxing on them, is a training and balances the unsettled spirit. From the medical perspective, it is considered occupational Therapy. For me it was a personal joy to observe and help along to realize a long planned project.

For the reason that there is no money in the budget for the furnishings of the rooms, ways had to be found to equip the rooms with appropriate furniture. The committee charged me with the responsibility to send a call to the different organizations in the churches of our conference for such means. A number of organizations and individuals answered the call. I would like to express my sincere inner appreciation for the responses we received.

I am convinced, that the ranks in the churches have supported us in their entercessory prayers others spoke words of encouragement. If we had not had that support, we would not have accomplished what has been accomplished. May the Lord reward you! Yours bound in Christ, H. P. Wiebe.

<b>Farm:</b>			
Milch und Cream .....	2,235.88		
Schweine .....	1,106.53		
Kindvieh .....	230.00		
Geflügel .....	378.15		
Eier .....	602.68		
Weingarten .....	1,595.73		
Verschiedenes .....	150.94		
Patienten .....		6,299.91	
Kostgelder von Edw. und H. Wiebe .....		10,463.67	
Anleihen:		405.00	
Can. Bank of Com., Beamsville .....	\$ 5,000.00		
Imper. Bank of Can., Vineland .....	5,000.00		
Dom. Bank of Can., St. Catharines .....	5,000.00		
Konferenzkasse (Board of Col.) .....	15,000.00		
" (Missionsfond) .....	5,000.00		
" .....	5,000.00		
" .....	2,500.00		
Privatanleihe .....	2,000.00	54,500.00	
Durchgehende Gelder .....		102.00	
<b>Totale Einnahmen.....</b>			<b>\$104,740.44</b>
<b>AUSGABEN:</b>			
Küche .....	\$1,731.62		
Anstalt .....	512.91		
Gehälter an Pflegepersonal .....	5,716.75		
Arzt .....	1,489.00		
Medizin .....	60.69		
Büro (Vervielfältigungsmasch.) .....	267.50		
Elektrizität .....	287.28		
Beheizung .....	846.34		
Telephone .....	84.35		
Tax .....	243.25		
Versicherung auf Truck .....	19.00		
Sicherstellung (Bond) .....	10.00		
Rechtsanwalt .....	197.65		
Rente für Land (43 Aker) .....	301.00		
<b>Fahrten:</b>			
H. Wiebe zur Konferenz .....		432.70	
J. K. Janzen nach Sask. ....		597.10	
Gas .....		2,176.70	
Farmausgaben .....		20.83	
Banknoten einlösen .....			
Schulden abgetragen:			
Bank of Can., Beamsville .....		5,000.00	
Imper. Bank of Can., Vineland .....		5,000.00	

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Kassenbericht vom 1. Juni 1949 — 1. Juni 1950.

In der Kasse am 1. Juni, 1949 ..... \$ 20,704.91

Einnahmen:

In Spenden:	
Brit. Col. ....	\$ 2,411.59
Alberta .....	1,858.50
Saskatchewan .....	818.49
Manitoba .....	2,807.60
Ontario .....	4,266.77
Unbekannt .....	45.00
U. S. A. ....	57.00
	*) 12,264.95

\*) Siehe Anmerkung: Gehen für "Bethesda" in Kassenrechnung der Kanadischen M.B. Konferenz

Disbursements continued.  
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Royal Bank of Can., St. Cath. ....	5,000.00
Privatschuld .....	2,000.00
Zinsen auf Schulden .....	17,000.00
Verschiedenes .....	359.57
	357.03

\$32,711.27

Neubau: New building.

Ziegeln und Blöcke .....	8,731.03
Sand und Steine .....	1,233.02
Eisen .....	10,903.86
Elektrische Einrichtung .....	2,773.10
Heizeinrichtung und Plumbing .....	13,320.75
Holzhandel (Türen, Fenstern, Bekleidung usw.) .....	5,678.11
Bulldozerarbeit .....	575.40
An professionelle Arbeiter .....	6,171.05
Gewöhnliche Arbeiter .....	2,917.16
C. P. Unrau 5% Kommission .....	3,500.00
Pläster .....	4,215.00
Dach .....	2,405.66
Architect .....	750.00
Fussbödenmaterial .....	2,903.27
Fensterarbeiten .....	390.00
Kalk und Cement .....	2,554.29
Verschiedenes .....	672.79

Total disbursements    Totale Ausgaben ..... \$69,754.49    \$102,465.76

Balance ..... 2,274.68

Farmprodukte in der Anstalt im Werte von ungefähr \$1,695.00 verbraucht. Income from farm products.

In der oben angegebenen Summe der Spenden sind \$1,447.00 enthalten, die für Ausstattung bestimmt sind. For furniture.

Wir bestätigen hiermit, dass wir die vorhandenen Quidungen für einkommende und ausgehende Gelder geprüft und als richtig befunden haben. Da sich dieses Werk sehr vergrößert hat ist es beinahe notwendig mit dem Gedanken, einen vollständigen Buchführer anzustellen, umzugehen.

Vineland, Ontario  
Juni 28, 1950.  
Revisionskomitee  
John Wall  
C. J. Rempel

Erklärung zum Kassenbericht.

Der Neubau Bethesda wird der Konferenz etwa \$80,376.00 kosten. (Die Ausstattungskosten sind darin nicht eingeschlossen.)

The new building of Bethesda will cost the conference \$80,376.00. The amount for the furnishings are included in this total.

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Diese angegebene Summe übersteigt den Kostenvoranschlag auf \$2,530.00. Die Ursache ist die Erhöhung der Holzpreise in den letzten Monaten. Above the estimated cost—prices rose. Von der angeführten Summe ist die Konferenz noch \$41,524.00 schuldig.

Davon sind etwa noch unbezahlte Rechnungen für \$ 4,024.00 Geborgte Gelder, in 6 Jahren abzuzahlen .....\$37,500.00 Das Bethesda Komitee schlägt folgendes Budget für das Jahr 1950-51 vor:

Ausgaben — Disbursements.

Küche .....	\$4,000.00
Ausgaben in der Anstalt .....	1,500.00
Gehälter —	
Arzt .....	\$3,000.00
Hauseltern .....	2,400.00
3 Schwestern .....	3,900.00
8 Arbeiter .....	4,880.00
5 V.S. Arbeiter .....	800.00
Wirtschaftler .....	750.00
Buchführer .....	900.00
Medizin .....	16,630.00
Office .....	500.00
Elektrizität .....	930.00
Beheizung .....	500.00
Steuer .....	1,500.00
Versicherung .....	300.00
Fahrten .....	600.00
Farm .....	500.00
Abzahlung auf Neubau .....	2,700.00
Unbezahlte Rechnungen .....	12,000.00
Verschiedene kleinere Ausgaben .....	4,024.00
	340.00
Total .....	\$46,024.00

Das Komitee denkt sich die Deckung dieser Unkosten, wie folgt:

Einnahmen — Receipts	
In der Kasse .....	\$ 2,274.00
Von der Farm .....	6,000.00
Von den Patienten .....	20,220.00
Von den Spenden .....	3,780.00
Von der Haus zu Haus Sammlung .....	13,750.00
Total .....	\$46,024.00

In der Besprechung werden nun viele Fragen gestellt und von dem Komitee und dem Hausvater sachlich und zufriedenstellend beantwortet. Questions asked were answered.

During the discussion man questions were posed. The committee and the house father answered factually and satisfactorily.

The conference reveals the following disposition:

- a) We thank for the clear reports and take notice of it.
- b) We are thankful to God that He entrusted the institution to us, and the the work there is gaining.
- c) A special of commendation the conference expresses for the service of the building committee that led in the project in an unselfish and prudent way and saved the conference much expenses.
- d) A word of commendation the conference expressed for the house parents who manage the Mental Institution, also for the services done by the other workers of the institution.
- e) The conference thanks also the provincial committees who helped in making the payments and thus alleviate the work for the institution.
- f) With reference to the furnishings, the conference recognizes that there is much to be done and the assistance from the churches would be welcome.
- g) The conference is willing to contribute further to the development and sustenance of the institution.

After several announcements, brother Abr. Toews led in the closing prayer and the session was adjourned.

#### The fifth Business Session Tuesday afternoon.

BEfore the opening of the session, a male quartett sang several songs.

Brother J. K. Janzen opened the session by having the audience sing and he made the opening prayer. Bethesda business was continued.

The constitution for Bethesda were sent to the churches earlier. The chair-man of the conference now gives opportunity to reveal the dispositions. Upon that the North and South Saskatchewan churches announce their resolution; the content is as follows:

We the provincial conference of the North Saskatchewan depose herewith our disposition toward the constitution of the institution.

1. To finance: We remind of the conference resolutions at Delmeny, that the same is on the basis of voluntarism, and we wish that it remain that way. We want to support the work energetically.

2. we cannot accept the thought that the standing committee has the right or shall have the right to release an individual from the committee. That right should be exercised by the respective Province in agreement with the canadian conference.

#### Resolution of the South Sask. Province.

The postition toward the institution and to the prepared constitution brings the resolution of the South Saskatchewan provinical conference before this conference:

1. Concerning our position toward the Bethesda Home, as the Southern Saskatchewan Province the following clarification: we wish the Bethesda Mental Institution God's blessing and are prepared to contribute to through offerings and collecting for the development and sustenance of the institution. We do not want definite taxation be imposed.

According the decision at the Dalmeny (Year Book 47, page 76), the conference in Ontario renewal or affirmation, the institution shall be support with voluntary contributions developed and maintained. We stand on that resolution that also in the future no demands shall be made on the conference treasury neither for development nor for maintainance. We would like to register our position in the minutes.

2. Point 6 of the constitution: "The administration of the Institution" South Saskatchewan holds to this position: We believe that each Province knows its brethren the best. Consequently, the Provinces should have the right to elect its representatives into the various conference committees and present them for acceptance. Therefore, we wish that the change be made in the constitution to that effect.

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The Resolution of the South Sask., Province continued.

Also some further changes were wished for and called for further discussion. The Conference feels led to request the committee and the Reference and Council to take the constitution into further study and in the light of what had been pointed out by the delegation, effect the changes and bring the constitution in the changed form back to the delegation for observation.

#### Recommendations of the committee.

1. We recommend for the purpose of maintaining the Bethesda Mental Institution the following: a) Lift no less than two offerings a year in the churches for sustaining the institution. b) That the mission-minded organizations within the organization of the church think of Bethesda when they plan their financial contributions.

2. That in the future, according to the previous mode of collecting, for the liquidation of the debt on Bethesda, that that mode be carried through. For that reason we set the goal at \$13,750.00.

3. That the churches and the organizations within the churches, participate in contributing toward the furnishing of the home, Bethesda.

#### Budget for Bethesda<sup>24</sup> for 1950-1951.

<b>Ausgaben — Expenses:</b>	
Küche ..... kitchen	\$ 4,000.00
Ausgaben in der Anstalt ..... Expenses	1,500.00
Gehälter → wages	
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Medizin .....	500.00
Office .....	930.00
Elektrizität .....	500.00
Buchführer bookkeeping .....	900.00
Beheizung ..... heating	1,500.00
Steuer ..... tax	300.00
Versicherung ..... insurance	600.00
Fahrten ..... trips	500.00
Farm .....	2,700.00
Abzahlung auf Neubau ..... payments new building	12,000.00
Unbezahlte Rechnungen ..... accounts payable	4,024.00
Verschiedene kleinere Ausgaben ..... misc.	340.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$46,024.00</b>
Das Komitee denkt sich die Deckung dieser Unkosten, wie folgt:	
<b>Einnahmen — Receipts for expense coverage</b>	
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Von den Spenden ..... contributions	3,780.00
Von der Haus zu Haus Sammlung ..... collecting	13,750.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$46,024.00</b>

The budget is approved.

The individual points of the recommendation came to focus. Discussion follows, and the recommendation is approved with the additional statement that the money over the set goal should also go toward the liquidation of the debt.

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Bethesda still under discussion.

The chairma of the committee shares that on August 20 the dedication of the house will be effected, and extends the invitation for that service and requests that the churches should send representatives for this event, at the least, send one.

The conference accepts that and appoints the chairman of the conference as representative for the festival event.

The election of the members can take place, then only when the constitution is approved by the conference, however, the resolution of last year is affirmed, that the committee for Bethesda should be a standing committee. That change should be made in the constitution.

Brother J. K. Janzen shares that the interest in the institution he had found good: he found also understanding. He is of the confidence that the promises given will be honored. --A male quartett sang a song.

#### Board of Directors of the canadian Conference.

After the committee members had taken place on the platform, the chairman G. D. Fries made detailed opening remarks, after which he requests brother C.C. Markentin to read the report.

Dear conference,

A. Last year at Coaldale the committee was charged with the responsibility to make a \$40,000.00 loan on the new Bethesda building of the Mental Institution to provide finances to pay for it. This responsibility was solved as follows:

1. From the mission fund, we obtained \$10,000.00 at 5% interest.
2. From the Mennonite Board of Colonization we received \$15,000.00 at 3% interest. Annual payments \$2500.00 and interest.
3. From the Imperial Bank of Canada, we opened a credit of \$15,000.00 at 5% interest. Up to today, we used \$12,500.00 credit. We obligated ourselves to repay the sum of \$7500.00 by December 1950 and the rest of the debt in December 1950.

As indicated above, in the interest of the Bethesda Mental Institution, we made accessible \$40,000.00 of which up to today \$37,500.00 have been spent.

B. A further responsibility the committee was charged with: the purchase of a house which has been planned for a dormitory for the College, Bible College. We remind you of the minutes of the Coaldale M. B. conference of 1949, year book page 49 and 52. Instead of arranging living quarters for the male college students with the cost of \$8000.00 or more, a house near the Bible College was purchased at the cost of \$7500.00. We would request your affirmation. All the directors were asked by letter for that purchase, that is their consent, the all gave their consent. The purchase was settled and a week before the conference the house became the legal property of the Northern District Conference. We do not expect further problems.

The Bible College gave \$1500.00 as down payment on that property. The rest of the purchase price was borrowed, \$6000.00, from the conference treasury and it shall be restored to the college after a mortgage on the house was effected. The college in good faith, gave the hope to the conference that the arrangement of the quarters should be paid out of the savings from the rent money; pay it in small payments month by month. That should not be a burden to the conference. But in the final analysis, the conference is responsible for that debt since it is signed over to the conference.

C. The conference property stands thus:

In Ontario: The Mental Institution, including the new building represents a value of some \$165,000. The loan against it: \$37,500.00 and \$4000.00 or \$41500.

In Manitoba: The Bible College, including the newly purchase house for dormitory \$67,500.00 thus evaluated, loans against \$18,000.00 and \$6000.00 mission fund money a total evaluation.



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In The Christian Press we own 405 shares in value of \$4050.00. Obligations against it: \$2400.00. Payments of \$400.00 are made annually.

The total value of the conference property amounts to \$236,550.00 minus the debt against the property of the sum of \$67,900.00.

We intend to pay off \$10,000.00 and interest annually. We have promised first to pay the debt to the bank, that is, liquidate that first, above all else. In order to make that possible, we intend to pay the interest to the conference in the next two years, that only and from there on principal and interest, that according to our understanding with the conference board.

D. For clarification, in order to avoid all misunderstandings in the future, we in the Board of Directors agreed on the following point of the constitution: Page 48, point 2, a, b, c, (were read).

E. The brethren G. D. Pries, Manitoba; D. Derksen, Ontario and J. B. Janz, Alberta their terms had expired. The Provinces presented their candidates, the results: J. B. Janz, Alberta; G. D. Pries, Manitoba; D. D. Derksen, Ontario.

The Conference Sunday School Work.

Chairman A. A. Kroeker of the committee introduced the other brethren in the committee and requested brother Is. W. Redekopp, the secretary to read the report. The report as follows:

Dear worthy conference,

In retrospect of the work in the S. S. of last year, we are thankful that the Lord was so gracious. There are S. S. operating in every church of the Provinces every Sunday. The way of salvation through the Cross of Christ is being taught to our own children and to children living outside of the realms of our churches. We thank God for our 81 S. S. with its enrollment of almost 12000 children and for the 19 mission S. S., and we also thank God for the almost 1200 teachers who without any remuneration spend their time and strength in this work.

We regret that the growth is not larger than 500. That is the natural growth and shows very little mission success.

The S.S. material for the lower, intermediate and upper grades has been produced in the course of the year as the wish was expressed last year. The lessons for the intermediates has been completed earlier. The teachers Journal for the lower grades that brother B. J. Braun, Dinube, California wrote is 2/3's produced. Only one year is left to be written. For the teachers Journal for the adult or upper classes, brother G. D. Hbert is writing. One year of that remains to be written. This provides the happy prospect that in the near future we will not have to pay out the high cost of producing the materials. For the workers it will be a joy that they no longer need to wait for the material. God shall have the glory and the thanks for the grace He extended to complete this undertaking. The writers of the S.S. material are willing to complete the work.

We also believe that the S. S. Workers Conference and courses at the Bible College will work out well; the committee would like to thank the conference for that arrangement. In order to share the mind of the participants of the indicated conferences, I would like to read the resolutions of those conferences:

"In retrospect to the blessed days in the workers conference and courses at the Bible College (M.B.), Winnipeg, with a thankful heart to our heavenly Father and give Him thanks and praise for the rich blessings which we have His representatives received in such a friendly way through the grace of our conference which we also thank in the making possible the courses. We believe that this opportunity we had will work out to the general blessings for the S. S. Workers. The brotherly spirit that prevailed, the instructive offerings in which especially the unity of religious training was emphasized and the frank and open discussions of our problems added much to the unified thinking of the S.S. leaders and workers.

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### Sunday School work continued.

The longing in the prevailing unity in the work of training, educating was to perfect the work in general. Represented were S.S. leaders and a number of Bible school teachers of the provinces which was a successful mixture under the guidance of the Lord."

We believe that we have gained a better understanding of the problems in the different Provinces. We also believe that we have a clearer vision of the circumstances in the S. S. matter of the S. S. ministry of the Provinces. It can be determined that practically all the Bible schools have similar courses of studies as far as S.S. program is concerned. In this unity the growth of harmony in the teaching program for the Sunday Schools on the conference basis.

It also gives us great pleasure to report that our General Conference Committee plans a S.S. conference workers for next year in order to develop a greater understanding for the needs on the General Conference level. The General Committee recommends a strong representation.

In all of the Provinces, teacher courses are offered. If externally they appear to be different, they aim inwardly on unity.

The statistics for the S.S. were taken by the conference secretary this year. You will find the tables exposed on the wall in the rear. There you will see the different phases of the work. Sunday schools can be compared in the different phases of the S.S. work. Fingers should not be pointed to the weaknesses.

We again remind of the resolution that each S.S. gathering money for the pension fund annually; 5¢ per pupil. This fund should be sent to G. D. Pries, Winkler, Manitoba.

We greet all the workers who participate in the S.S. work with the words of Jesus to Peter in John 21:15-16: "Feed my lambs and feed my sheep."

We thank the conference for its friendly disposal and help in this great work with our children. May His Kingdom come in us, through us, and about us.

In the name of the committee.

The conference expresses its appreciation for the report and approves it. It commends the committee for the unifying emphasis in the S.S. work.

### Recommendations of the S.S. Committee.

1. We recommend that the conference again undertakes the financing of the incomplete teacher Journal for the lower and upper age-groups of the S.S. material.
2. We recommend that the conference publishes the names and addresses of all the Sunday School leaders of our conference in the year book.
3. We recommend to the conference that it again arrange courses in the Bible College for the S.S. leaders and Bible school teachers under the direction of the S.S. committee.

a) That, that be done preferably done through the following representatives:

- 1) The S.S. leaders of the Provinces.
- 2) Two Bible school teachers of each Province.
- 3) S.S. leaders who come on their own costs or on the costs of the provincial conference, are welcome.

b) That the S.S. committee again has its annual meeting at the time of the convening of the annual Northern District Conference in order to save funds.

c) That the traveling expenses for these three brethren, one of each of the Provinces, can come to the conference be paid. The compensation for the time the brethren need, if, should be paid by the provincial conference.

The recommendations were accepted.

Elect two representatives into the General Conference S.S. Committee.

The results: A. A. Kroeker, Winnipeg and J. M. Lepp, Dalmeny, Sask.

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I. Bible College:

The brethren of the committee were invited to the platform and H. P. Toews, chairman of the committee, gave the following report:

Worthy Conference,

Since I am to give a short (?) report of the work and the status of the college, I shall do it in the light of Psalm 93:4, "The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their waves." In the midst of ever growing water waves, the Church of Jesus Christ stands; it stands and is being built up on the unshakeable Rock. We see both, the dangers, but also the Lord of the church. We see and hear how Satan in his cunning satanic power come nearer and nearer from without and also in the area of the anti-Christ sneaks into the church, and attempts to pierce the ship of faith. Our security consists in looking upon Jesus, the author and the finisher of our faith. In His name, we wish to operate.

Six years ago, we broke the ground for arranging the Bible College in Winnipeg. "Day by day, the Lord has gone before us, Wondrous victories His arm has Won."

For the sixth time the Bible College comes before the conference with an account report. The first account was given five years ago at the British Columbia conference. At that conference, we presented the motives, necessity, and the possibility with plans and recommendations thoroughly investigated and tested. The conference extended the "green light" to the committee; the assurance of its support. We express our appreciation for all the support with contributions, but especially for the prayers and good will which it extended to this theological Educational Institute up to now. We appreciate the confidence that the conference extended to the committee and the teachers.

In the first place, we are thankful to our Lord and Savior for His faithfulness and wonderful guidance in the implementation of the project in the past year. It is a great satisfaction to us to know that the Lord did not withdraw His protecting and guiding hand over the work that was dedicated to Him. That consciousness, that the Lord is near with His hands of blessings, encourages and urges on to greater responsibilities and sacrifices for the Bible College.

We thank the conference also for the financial support and for the increasing interest that is manifested. However, whatever the reports are, the results will show that the height has not as yet been attained. You dear brothers and sisters, do not withdraw your hands, be it in intercessory prayer or financial support. Again and again questions are raised, if the institution does not support itself. We strive toward that end, attempt according to possibilities to shrink the disbursements in order to increase the income, but if the college shall operate without an financial support, it will sacrifice its purpose and character as mission institute. That would then be a heavy taxation to the students. The costs of tuition, room and board stands at the same range as when it was set at its beginning; not raised, in spite of the inflated prices.

But now we are forced to raise the living quarters of the singles from 8 to \$9.00 and board from \$24.00 to \$26.00. We have been disappointed in the last year with reference to gifts. But it was a special joy that one brother contributed \$1100.00. Has one made the beginning, why not wait for such brothers? How the free or unsolicited contributions flow in, the financial report will indicate. We trust that the visit of the quartet to the western Provinces will leave a lasting impression to the good of the work of the college and that many will pay their vow.

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During the fall of the year, it usually was difficult to find living quarters for those who applied during that time or prior to it. For that reason we found it necessary last year to purchase a house of which we informed the conference a year ago. A very reasonable opportunity presented itself for a comparatively good price, \$7500.00, so we decided to buy it. From the house treasury, we drew \$1500.00. For the rest a mortgage shall be made. The rest we intend to borrow which we intend to pay from the contributions that will come in. The house is set on McIntosh Avenue a little higher than those which were flooded and it stayed dry. We are thankful that our four buildings did not suffer any damage. During the flood, the instruction in the Bible College was shut down for weeks during the flood period.

A change in the college occurred this last year. Brother H. H. Janzen felt led of the Lord to go to Europe on an evangelistic tour. Since the urge became stronger and the call on the part of the mission board, we felt finally that it was wink from the Lord. After a long discussion and prayer, the committee agreed to extend brother Janzen a furlough for one year with the understanding that he then will assume the work as president at the Bible College. Brother instructor J. H. Quiring who held the position of registrar accept our call to serve temporary, that is, acting president. Brother Janzen was extend a furlough. There will be recommendations on this matter. Brother Janzen did not go to Europe under MCC, but under the M. B. General Conference.

We are convinced that this temporary change will not cause any disturbance or stoppage in the work of the college. The committee had two business sessions and the executive had had several where everything was regulated internally and outwardly, this all took place in a brotherly and manly way.

The objective we set, we have not yet attained. The purpose of our solicitation is not for money only, but also for more students. Insofar as concerns the institution, it has moved into the place in line with other religious recognized educational institutions. Concerning the accreditation, brother Quiring will report.

Year after year the college wins more friends. Seventy have left with the appropriate credentials and they are the dependently credentials that they don't regret, time, money and energy invested. To that group belong some of the brethren who appropriated themselves of the courses.

That strengthens our aspirations, if at all possible, lure our believing youth of our conference who have decided or will decide to attend a theological institution and meets the set qualifications of our college to prepare for our conference institution. There are many in other schools where they are not trained in mind and spirit and influenced according to our conference. The reason for that is the German language that appears to some as a ghost. Later the acknowledge its worth.

The Bible and the Christian high school students can be of great help as also the parents can. It is astounding how many of our converted youth are in other schools, even if in Christian institutions.

Concerning the relationship to Tabor College, we thank God for the good relationship they have between themselves. Five of our teachers, shorter and longer terms, studied there. Brother A. H. Unruh taught there at one time and was the chairman of the conference college committee. At present is brother J. H. Quiring active in the Tabor College committee. Many of our students go there to complete and round out their education.

Let it be said in manly openness, we recommend the graduates only, the rest belong to the Mennonite Brethren Bible College.

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Furthermore, the college recognized the teachers responsibility it that books should be written by the professors and as literature distributed. The book: "The Eternal Son of God" was printed by The Christian Press. Likewise, the song book: "Songs in Hours of Need" has come off the press very recently. These poems have been collected by refugees and by the student M. Foth. Available for \$1.00.

That music and singing play a great meaning in life need not be said. We are thankful to the Lord that he has guided in such a way that our chorus and music director, Ben Horch who had already resigned, has promised his service. We look upon it as a blessing, if spiritual songs whose melodies meet the art of the tune, and made into orput on plates to be played on phonographs. These then can be sold to the public. Some time ago such a series appeared on the market. The A Copella choir of the college under the direction of brother Ben Horch, out of the new song book not yet published, such songs as: "How Sweetly Chime the Sabbathbells", "On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand", "When Life's raging Winds and Waves Surround us", etc etc. These records offer something special. Brother Quiring will report on that.

Brother A. H. Unruh is in the process of writing a booklet: "An Exposition of Revelation," that in two parts. We appreciate the riches found in such books.

Thus we are enjoying for 6 years already the glorious fruit of the blessings of God. As a united people of God, <sup>let us</sup> constitute a firm front against the misleading, the shallowing, the intemperate and unspiritual forces.

We commit ourselves, the teachers and students and all the workers on this great work to your intercessory prayers. --H. P. Thews.

A report by H. H. Janzen read by brother Unruh.

Dear conference,

This year I cannot be with you in person to give you the report of the work in the college, I have to be satisfied to be present in writing and have brother Unruh read it, that is, read it to the conference. I assume that in the hour this will be read, I will find myself in Europe somewhere, serving the Lord proclaiming the Gospel of salvation.

Before I get to the work in the college of last year, I cannot do otherwise than point to a Word of God, namely, Psalm 92:4 and 6. The work of God is also our college. It has been in operation for six years and that under the visible blessings of the Lord. It experienced storms and tests, but God preserved it. Changes took place, but the course of the school has not been affected. We could complete another school year, and as we would like to say in all modesty, completed well. Not even the water flood could change anything, although we did lose two weeks of school time. God built a wall around us and preserved us. Now could we do otherwise but worship Him whole-heartedly. Honor and glory to Him! Permit me to give you and overview of the work of the college:

1. The teachers:

The same teacher who taught last year dedicated their ambition, their faithfulness and their energy to the college. <sup>led</sup> If I think of the faculty, I am very thankful that the Lord so faithfully <sup>led</sup> in the choice of them. Each one possess a good knowledge in his area and the talent to share his knowledge his knowledge with the students. In a school as ours a mature christian personality is important and determinative. In influence of the teacher on the students is of long range, really incalculable, not only for themselves, but also for the churches and conference.

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Brother H. H. Janzen continues his report.

Five teachers gave their full time to the school. Prof. J. A. Toews gave part of his time in the first two terms, since he continued his studies in the university in Winnipeg to acquire the B.D. degree. We rejoice therein that our dear teachers that our teachers endeavor to increase their knowledge in one way or another and share it to the good of the school.

Besides the five teachers, five taught half time and or quarter time. One doctor gave one term a valuable medical course. Besides these, special teachers for instruction in music and gave a few hours of instruction.

In the course of the school year we experienced that Prof. Horch took seriously ill. After recovery, he submitted his resignation to the administration. He believed to be thus led of the Lord. We took the matter up with him but he insisted that he was led that way, so we had to accept his signature. We tried to find some one for the work, but it seem hopeless. We had made certain plans for the next year so that the music department would not have to be closed for next year; with a heavy heart we faced the future. How happy and thankful are we to announce that the Lord has led brother and sister Horch that the stay in the college work this coming year, fully work along with us.

A new teacher who will come to us next year, Kornelius Wall, who is in Germany at present working for MCC, ministering to the beguist. Brother wall has had a lot of experiences and has had a good education. On top of that he has been in this work in Europe for one year. We believe that the Lord is giving us an able instructor in him, that to the good of the school and the churches. For teaching German, we employed a brother Heinrich Wiebe. The brother emigrated a year ago, he has the education and the experience.

We have the staff for next year and now we wait for a neat number of students.

What I stated above of the teachers did not include me. As you all know, I receive a furlough for a year from the school committee whom I have promised to return to the Bible College after the year, after spending a year in the area of evangelism in Europe, if it still is the wish of the committee and if I do not receive other directions from the Lord. In the course of my furlough, brother J. H. Quiring will occupy and I am satisfied that the college is in good hands. I definitely hope that he enjoys the full confidence and the full support of the conference.

## 2. The Students:

In the light of the number of students as it was conveyed to me, than there were 147 students. Of that number 17 take piano lesson only. According to the Provinces, the enrollment is as follows: B.C. there are 30 students; Alberta has 15; Saskatchewan had 16; Ontario has 12; U. S. has 2; Paraguay 3; Germany 1; newly immigrants 3. Classification according to churches: M.B. 126; General conference 7; E.M.B. 4; Baptists 3; Mudererweide 1; Bergtal 1.

A Japanese from Japan had inquired concerning enrollment. The Canadian government refused to give him the entrance visa. Recently, Ottawa sent the permission. If they have not changed their minds, they may be with us at the beginning of next year.

This year 31 one students graduated from our college, 11 with the B.Th. degree, 9 with the B.C.R. title, 7 with the music diploma and 1 graduated from the mission course with a diploma. Most of them are involved today somewhere in the work of the Kingdom of God.

This year again, we had students whom we had to help financially also. From Paraguay, Gerhard Wall. The youth organization of our conference contributed \$200.00 annually for that cause. We are thankful for that contribution. To cover the rest of his expenses comes out of other sources, college treasury, etc. etc. This dear brother makes good progress in his studies and will remain with us a number of years, if he aims to complete the theological course.

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Willy Janz also from Paraguay, finished the college with the B.Th. degree. During the two years he was with us, he received \$100.00 from our youth organization, but that only once. The college covered the rest. Brother Penner, Paraguay, was financed by the college fund. He came to us after New Year for a few months to take a few Bible subjects and after that he will return to U.S. where he is studying dentistry. The refugees student three in number worked their way through on their own. We cancelled the tuition and gave them the opportunity to earn something. It will be clear to the conference in saying that we are thankful it budgeted \$500.00 each year to support such who need it assistance.

Much work has been done by students in the various branches of the school. Much mission work has been done in Winnipeg. This kind of activity has varied good aspect. In the first place the students have the opportunity to do practical work for the Lord and contact many untouched areas that have no opportunity to hear the proclamation of the gospel. Through the song and through proclamation of the gospel, the message gets to these people. Besides it helps the city mission much which the Northern District Conference via the mission in Winnipeg.

While I am speaking of the students, I would like to mention the gratis work that each student must do during the school year. During the quarter, each student must do 12 hours of gratis work for the college. One would be astounded if one could see how significant that work is to the college compass. Almost without exception, every student gladly participated, and we believe that the work all around is good therapy for the students. In the course of 3 quarters 3090 hours of work had been done. Calculating at the lowest wages, 50¢ per hour we arrive at the fair sum of \$1545.00. That is a good contribution for the support of the college. We are very thankful to the students.

As a whole the life in the college among students went on without any disturbance. It is special grace when a large school family goes on for nine months without anything happening of negative nature. That did not thus happen without God's surveillance.

3. The Instruction:

No significant changes in the course of study were undertaken. The instruction continued according to plans and pattern that had been laid out at the outset of the first term. We submitted an application with an accrediting Association in the U. S. That is a union consisting of positive Bible colleges and Institutes for the purpose of preserving and strengthening christian education in our lands. The officials from the U. S. visited us in April. They spent one day with us and investigated the work and the built up of the college and left. The result of the investigation will be announced in the fall on the annual business meeting of the Association when our application will come under consideration, when the investigation of the two gentlemen will be presented with the recommendation be either accepted or rejected. We hope for the positive.

4. The kitchen:

On the average, we have 75 persons at the tables. Among them are 22 high school students who dine with us. The females in the college by and large do their own cooking. That is considerably cheaper to do that. However, we will have to raise the cost for the board, because the products are not decreasing, even rise higher. That is true of meat. The new catalog which is out shows the increase of \$2.00, that is, per month. Board costs are still low and it would be very difficult to find a place in Winnipeg that would match this price. The food is good and nutritious at that.

5. Living quarters: With the help of God, we succeeded in lodging all the student close to the college. That was not easy and in the course of the year there were necessary changes taking place. The most difficult time is the end of the second term when so many men leave school to work on the farm somewhere.



The owners of the living quarters are disappointed and we have to satisfy them somehow. In some cases we had to pay the rent, although the students were no longer there. Why should that happen? Because it might be the student's intention to stay for the full year, but later changes his mind. At the last conference, we were given the authority that we could build on the college campus living quarters. At the time, we estimated that the building cost would be \$10,000.00. In view of the rise in material prices, we would have to have \$12,000.00. We had the hope that we could save out of the budget enough to help build living quarters and also receive donations, but the situation took a different course. We set our budget too low. Donations came, but not the amount that we had expected. There were not enough responses on our Jubilee cards. Toward spring a house was for sale for a reasonable price: a house close by at 166 McIntosh Avenue. The house is well built, is old, has 12 rooms that promised enough space for 21 male students. That there is enough room for a couple that would supervise the house. The price was \$7500.00, all cold cash. The transaction was made on August by the directors of the conference. We paid \$1500.00 out of the college funds, for the rest we hope to make a loan. The rest had to be secured some where. If the conference would help us in this project? We hope that the mortgage would be paid by the rent. We raise the room rent a little, from \$2.00 to \$9.00. That will give us a little larger income than before. The room money that was paid out previously, now stays in the college treasury; the money we paid out to other formerly.

#### 6. A special course at the college.

We joy we are able to report that the two special courses, that were offered at the college this year went through very smoothly and under great blessings from the Lord. The ministers course that we offered after New year was well attended and we believe that it definitely filled a purpose for which it was intended, and could be substituted by nothing that is aspired to in the Provinces. Also the S.S. teachers course was a success. The S.S. committee will report of that phase. Without any question both of the courses or similar ones should be given next year and even more developed and better attended. For 24 weeks, we offered a college course in the evening. That was not on the college level, but more elementary, that is, in its nature. In the most part consisted in the introduction into the Word of God. The enrollment to this course consisted mostly of the immigrants. As we note, the interest of this course was very lively. Undoubtedly there will be a large number next year that will enroll in this course. Outside of this course, we plan to open a class in the evening in which college courses will be given. Thus far this was difficult to arrange, because was not yet strong enough. But now with a few able teachers the Lord gave us, that should be possible this coming year.

#### 7. Publication:

For a number of years, the school committee has set as its goal to have books printed. They were to be written by our brethren and published by the college. For that purpose efforts were made to record mechanically certain lectures then write them out and prepare them for the press. Up to now the one book appeared: "The Eternal Son Of God," and exposition of the first six chapters of the book of Hebrews. A number of them are sold, the rest we turned over to the bookstore of The Christian Press to sell them. The book was produced by the brethren H. H. Janzen and A. H. Unruh. There are also dispositions on the book of Daniel by the same authors and another: "The working of the Holy in the Believer" by the same authors which is in the process of being written. We hope that this will be printed in time.



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In these days a book appeared in print under the title: "Songs Out of Distress," which are poems that were written by our refugees on their flight from Russia. It reveals of the pain and agony these people had experienced on their flight and in a way now experience. One of our refugees, sister M. Roth, gather those songs and prepared them for the press. The college undertook its production and the book is our own possession.

You note that we also attempt to produce on the level of producing books written by our own people. There is a need of support from our own people. Our people buy too little in the area of books. We must train ourselves to read more that our own people produce and that which exposed our thinking. At present, Brother Unruh is writing concerning the book of Revelation. It is to be printed in the near future also from the college. What a precious will that be for our brotherhood. We hope that our people will develop interest in these books.

8. The Financial report: (It is found on a previous page of the translation copies.) It has been read by brother C. A. DeFehr which you will read with interest.

I now close this report for the past year. We attempted to pilot the ship, the college, so that the young people that came to us would win spiritually and really serve our churches. It was not always easy, but God extended His grace. To you, dear brothers and sisters, we <sup>give</sup> thanks for the patience which exercised with us and request the same for the future, as well as for your gracious intercessory prayers. We wish so much that the Lord be honored through the Bible College.

Yours in service of the Master, H. H. Janzen.

Brother H. P. Toews spoke the closing prayer.

Evening at Clearbrook Tuesday Evening.

To begin with brother Aron Toews, the chairman of the Welfare work in B.C. explains the purpose of this evening: Report concerning the Mennonite Welfare assistance and the work of the Board.

The chiors from Street Hill and East Aldergrove were present and served with songs. First the chior from Street Hill with the song: "Master the Tempest is Raging!" Then the East Eldergrov Chior sang: "Make me Rejoice."

Brother B. B. Janz the chairman of the Canadian Western Welfare, begins his report with the words of Jesus: "Blessed are the merciful." In few words and in brief statements, he portrayed two episodes from his experiences in Paraguay where two widows in their greatest need received help and how they thanked for that help. Then he read the report on the welfare work:

Dear conference,

It is the grace of God that we are permitted again to hold this conference in peace in our land. <sup>have</sup> It is the gracious guidance on the part of our Father in heaven that up to now ~~the~~ permission to exercise in all the lands out there mercy where there is so much need and we can do that in peace and while they are in peace. It is for that reason, this report from the committee of the activities of this past year; do this before two conferences, and I gladly do it.

As always and as it is known, our assistance runs in connection with MCC., that is, up to the special gifts of the churches which go direct to the party it was meant for by the contributor. In the 1949 annual account was made known to both churches the the weekly newspapers audited by both of the brethren: Isaak Friesen and Frank Janzen, Winnipeg. Our quota for South America, including the natural way of doing. It was a great success.

The last two years, especially 1949, there were serious crop failures. The old settlers in Paraguay could hardly take care of themselves. The thousands new immigrants who had not yet time to cast roots, shortly stated, lived through a very difficult period of existence. The poorest group of the new settlers were the lonely women and many other difficult cases, were entirely dependent upon our gifts. Unfortunately, even this assistance could not cover their need completely, and direct visitors from here, among them brother M. Boese from Ontario found great needs even then, needs that touched their hearts. Our special gifts for bread and clothes under the divine guidance became a blessed help, far beyond comprehension. These special gifts for other needy levels were so highly welcome for that reason, because help could not come in any other way. At this point, something should be said of the little industry from Canada that gave really gave their life redemption. Concerning the planned larger industry for Paraguay, which was to give the people independence, to get on their own feet, I will speak of later. I must remark that MCC according to firmly established rules or principles will carry through the development of the new settlements in the general framework, as far as the means reach.

Before our churches rises the question, whether with good crops special assistance will be necessary as previously? Would families have to suffer, if no special assistance is contributed? Concerning this, we have reports from our two church leaders: elder J. Isaak and Rev. G. Balzer, as also from the committee of Reference and Council from Neuland. These reports have a similar unanimously written message, namely that assistance will be necessary, unconditionally so. Permit me to quote a few sentences from the confidential committee from Neuland: "In spite of the good crop, well over 1/3 of our families are not able to take care of themselves, and ride through the conditions. There are hard pressed families: sickness of all descriptions, widows, aged and lonely, cripples etc.etc. Than there unforeseen cases of accidents." From brother comes the most recent report, May 26. Here a short quotation: "According to my thinking, in Neuland, and much more in Volendam, will not get through without outside assistance. There are any number of families who crops turned out very poorly: cotton which gives us the exchange is missing almost altogether. The reason? The ravens took over. If you intend to help help and if you can then you ought to think of these spraying that are missing to kill these destructive ravens. They must be subdued which is the only way. In the new settlements these sprayings have not been applied. They must be provided with them. If they are there, the ravens can be controlled with Parisgreen. If you want to help think of the spraying. At Volendam the situation is especially difficult. The settlers are discouraged . . ." Dear conference, there lies need among our brothers in faith. Those are entirely dependent on our assistance. Insofar as the Lord blesses our crop here in Canada with rain, send parts to those over the sea, according to Nehemia 8:10. That will dry tears and comfort many.

Our total offerings amounted in the year 1949, \$101,211.00. The largest amount in U.S. money, the total of \$72,765.00 went to MCC treasury for S. A. The exchange shrank that a little. The cash was used as assistance to the development for Paraguay, Uruguay and some for Brazil. Apart from the assistance to the South, we supported the needs out there with \$8574.00. Of our natural gifts a part went to S.A., but the largest portion likely went to Europe. We mention 95 bales of clothing besides for the new settlements gathered and distributed.

In the MCC budget of the year 1949, contributed to our budget \$750,000.00 for S. A. The large industry was to be installed in Paraguay: Spinning and weaving and other things to bring those people to the point of independence and release them from their dependence from us. That was the very best, we could do for those settlers. This voluntary sum was to be collected from all the conference according to the quota. Some conferences were weak in giving so that only \$371,837.00 were collected. Through loans at 2½% interest in some conferences in U.S. \$143,897.00 were collected, in all for development \$515,732.00. \$332,071.00 were spent. That is why the project was dropped.

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B. B. Janz' report still continues.

In the year 1949, MCC spent \$648,136.00 or rather had that at its disposal for general assistance. The natural spending for the same purpose attained the magnificent sum of \$1,308,470.00. Adding the two, the sum of \$2,472,338.00, is the result. Besides MCC has other branches of work of the amount of \$232,678.00.

For the year 1950 MCC has budgeted for S. A. \$400,000.00 of which our committee is to contribute \$79,000.00. This contribution is divided into two parts: 2/3's (depending how much will come in) shall carry the needs in Paraguay and in Uruguay, some shall go to Brazil and a little to Mexico. In the best event, that is, if all comes in, we would have about \$260,000.00. The other is planned, that is, the 1/3, for the settlement of a larger group Danzig people in Uruguay (Mennonites) is meant for them in Germany, that is, \$150.00 per family beside clothing, food and cattle. Because of the shortage of funds, because of the great transportation costs and the high land price, a larger settlement cannot be assumed. It would be welcomed, if a larger group of these Mennonites could come to Canada with our help. We note that the applied assistance of the existing projects of the assistance in S.A., like development, school, help for the sick, etc. etc. must be maintained with respect to the ebb that exists in the treasury.

This year, 1950 MCC is doing general assisting in 16 countries, in some more in some less: China, India, Puerto Rico, France, Holland, Switzerland, Belgian, Athiopa, Italy, Germany, the Philippians Islands, Austria, Polen, Java, Japan, and Palestina.

After all this general far reaching overview, let us move closer in order to test what we here in the far west have gathered. In part that is discouraging, for from January 1 to June 20 the amount of \$33,081.00; that is \$21,664.00 less than at the same time last year. Of that the special donations were \$7452.00, for the general fund there is left \$25,629.00. Twice as much we need for the MCC fund. We wait for the rich Lord and the warm-hearted churches for the covered everything in the last few years that was needed for the 6 months. The special gifts for 1950, \$7221.00 were turned over directly some of the gifts of the previous year. In these last years, it was our great difficulty to send the money to foreign lands, because the government did not allow. Even today that still stands on \$10.00 per person per month. Thanks to God and the government that our assisting funds in 1950 by the exchange to U.S. money, the sum of \$25,000.00 were turned over directly. Both conferences may send over \$10,000.00 each. We appreciate that permission. MCC extended a good hand in this arrangement. However, we are not permitted to include the \$10.00 private funds.

Before I come to a close, I would like to underline a few thoughts. It was well understood in the MCC, that our conference in Canada can see and sympathize with the need of our brothers and sisters in faith and blood much better and it is therefore good that our lovingkindness draws to South America and not to the distant lands of the world. It will be understood, if we fill our quota of about \$79,000.00 and with our special gifts help to alleviate extra needs of others: direct bodily needs, then also other needs; spraying for the ravens, small industry, etc. etc. For the needs of the soul the conferences help in other ways. It really is not good when we in this period of the ebb take up entirely new projects that reduce our quota and become guilty with others, if MCC cannot not keep up what is already there. An other entirely new projects are not permitted to take out of this fund for help for the needy belongs to the need alone, especially in the period of the ebb.

Thus far, we have not been able to convince MCC that the general assistance in all the world to abbreviate to the good of those of our own household of faith as was our recommendation was last year, even though the suggestion came from others. Whether that suggestion should be repeated?

While listening, the delegates sense the burden of the conference for much lovingkindness and tender mercy. We well know that our conferences have not only help for the needy, but also our many and large missions at home and abroad, our schools, hospitals, nursing home etc etc. Everything shall be preserved, even extended. All that demands sacrifice, yes, many sacrifices, but also wisdom from above in the proper distribution of gifts. However, insofar the hearts of the churches are filled with the Spirit and fire from above, we will get along another year. Beyond that, we wish the Lord Jesus would come!

P.S. Recently we received a pressing call of need to enlarge the gifts, since the treasury cannot keep up the pursuit of the whole program. We then tried give occasion in all the Provinces that the rest of all the funds for this cause be sent in. The time before the harvest is the period of the greatest ebbe in all the treasuries: in mission, welfare and the business. On the one hand this should be an encouragement to strengthen the welfare aspect, on the other hand it provides the occasion for MCC to draw in its tangles in the area of welfare.

It is necessary that these offerings be continued in all the churches each month, or where the Lord puts his hand on this or that church to lift an offering and sent in with an appropriate remark.

The voluntary service of the young people worked out well in the mental institutions and hospitals, it was fruitful which we gladly sanction. However, the gifts must remain a totally voluntary matter of the persons or churches that send such gifts to the conference treasurer with the remark for what cause, according to the good judgment of the Reference and Council Committee of the Mennonite Brethren Conference in Canada.

Brotherly your servant in the committee per B. B. Janz, chairman.

#### Assistance for the Needy.

Beloved brethren in the Lord,

May God extend to us all much grace, peace and wisdom according to His promise.

I am a little disappointed today for I had hoped by the grace of God to be with you in these days to participate in the rich blessings, but that appears to be out. It has become necessary that I attend the executive committee meeting of MCC in Akron, Penn. Restlessness in the world and the threat of a third world war require adjustments before several of the members travel to Europe. For that reason I appear in writing before you. I want to report very briefly, because your time is limited and is occupied with many important matters. What might be missing, the brethren B. B. Janz and C. J. Rempel will inject.

The general assistance to the less privileged fellowmen goes farther than previously in the different countries. Much has been done, yet much need is still there and also much distress. The assistance that is done by us and others, even though significant, reaches only a small portion of those in need. The means that are at our disposal for different reasons are shrinking. You dear people in Canada, as well as those in the U. S. have given well, but in spite of the giving, most of the treasuries are low, because less money has come in than years before. Whether most of you contributed to other worthy causes or for special gifts which give more personal satisfaction, is not known to us. When we first heard of the sufferings of our brethren our hearts were softened. Could it be that the distress in the world is too well known to us or we have gotten used to it that we are not so sensitive to it any more? The need are still there and because the Lord is still giving to us, we cannot close our hearts and then appear happy before God and our fellowmen. Dear brethren don't become weary in well doing.

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The P. C. Hiebert's report continued.

The emmigration to Canada and to S. A. has not yet ended, even though the number has decrease somewhat. The needs of the new settlers are still great. It is true, the better crop has alleviated, rather, it has become more mild. More could be raised and therefore ate a little better, but in comparison to what the Lord has put at our disposal, the living standard is still very low. Kafir corn and some other products were harvested in a greater measure than is needed for their use, however, the problem arises: The market for the products that are for sale. The market in the country is very limited and seems to remain that. And because it is a bit difficult to proceed in unity in the work, through the process of changing or trading, could not be attained what should be and one would like to. A united exchange for the colonies obviously would be wished. A further problem which we must not overlook is the introduction of industry which would give the colony more independence and therefore become able to help itself. In this matter for which there is much interest in Canada, as we noticed, it is preferable to continue to work along that line, even if such adjustments cost considerable money.

The school system we have supported and we must not let up on it. Many things could be accomplished through sacrificial amotions on the part of teacher and students. In this area brother C. C. Peters made himself useful. I agree with his statement: "A central High School, in that connection a good teachers course in the center, then a two year high school in each colony and to that the very important Bible school. This is the minimum for the good of our brethren in faith in education and training.

The spiritual well-being of our brethren is upon all of our hearts. Details brother Janz will report in view of the fact that the guidance in this area was placed in his hands and he did not fail in his efforts, to give instruction, advice and direction. Happy results can also be reported. The Lord surely gave his blessings to the faithful ministries of our brethren who were sent there. Among those we should men ion brother and sister C. N. Hiebert and brother and sister Robert c. Seibel. Likewise, we have good reports on the work of the home brethren whom we support in part. Many souls have be led to the Lord, others were strengthened in their faith and established in faith. Baptismal service are almost monthly in the colonies, especially in the new settlements. The hunger for the Word of God and the deep longing, to make a saving relationship with the Lord Jesus is wide spread. Children are being saved, but also hardened sinners bow to the cross of Christ. For the coming year it has been planned to work more with the brothers at home there for the cost is less to do that than send messengers from here. On our list for the support are 13 brethren who served the Word to that list are a number of co-workers who serve without any support from here.

This applies to S.A., but we also seek to stimulate the work of the Lord in Europe. Of our acquaintances, C. F. Klassen must be mentioned who serves all the interests of the refugees; Brother Siegfried Janzen. who served a larger group for a number of years spiritually and physically faithfully; finally C. Wall who was sent by MCC who seeks the well-being of all also did for our church a worthy service. To the whole work it can be said, souls were saved and believers were affirmed in their faith and strengthened in their faith. The latter two brethren named are to come home directly. Much remains to be done. In order to stimulate evangelization, our well known brother H. H. Janzen was sent to Europe by the Board of Foreign Missions with the firm conviction that the Lord led us in that move. Brethren let us pray earnestly and not grow weary to pray for the lost sinners and for the growth and affirmation of the believers.

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All these undertakings required material support. During the winter your committee made the budget at the annual session. We as your committee are your servants only and may not go beyond that the means are at our disposal. Do we give and do what is in our power, and do we bring to the Lord offerings of thanksgiving gladly, than we can claim the promise in Psalm 50:14 and 15, and also verse 23. -- In love your servant in the committee of general welfare,  
P. C. Hiebert.

P. S. To P. C. Hiebert's report.  
In the service of the Gospel in S. A.

Dear worthy conference,

As it can be seen in all reports, MCC bears the general development of all the settlements in S. A., to which all the offerings go. On the other hand many churches bear the greatest need of the widow and orphans with special gifts, as for instance, the pressing help in the small industries. For the spiritual needs both conferences care. The conference of the M. B. church seven M. B. churches in S. A., larger and smaller, through poor, with one exception. The churches in the new settlements are bitterly poor, but heaven is the more nearer. They cannot help themselves, all bear heavily. Unfortunately, the three M. C. churches in the settlements each have one ordained minister. There is much responsibility. It is the question of youth everywhere as to which way they will go, the one they traveled in Russia or another worldly one, or the new living way. For that reason the pressing need of a Bible school everywhere, and evangelization into every corner. Today all doors are open. It will not stay that way.

The whole spiritual need the treasury of the M. B. church financed mostly altogether from here in the U. S. In Canada we have no funds for this very good mission field. Once we collected extra for places of worship. That was well done. Our M. B. youth helps the M. B. Youth there, especial with the Bible schools. The brethren in the States wish very much our energetic participation in the South. The question is whether we have a special fund for that, or whether one should be established. In the Reference and Council we agreed, because of the many funds that we have in the conference not create any new funds. But we recommend to lift two good offerings and label it "For the gospel in S.A." and send it to the treasurer of the conference. Brothers and sisters we are making this attempt and then see after a year's time, how we stand.

The choir from Str. Hill sang: "When the Lord redeems the prisoners of Zion."

Brother Peter Isaak, MCC worker in Paraguay. He sends a greeting from the churches and the MCC workers in Paraguay. In Paraguay there is much work and need. They are there, because they cannot go nowhere else. They will not have to stay long. He works mainly in Asuncion in 1) Post or mail connection, 2) custom work. Many packages came through well, other were not well packed and thus in bad shape. 3) Youth work in the Mennonite churches in Asuncion. 4) Make purchases for the Mennonite home and taking care of the sick when they come to Asuncion, that is, come to see doctors in Asuncion. 5) Helps the Immigrants to Canada.

The East Aldergrove sang while an offering was lifted.

C. A. DeFehr reported: He reported concerning the use of the special offerings money to be used to buy machinery: One-hundred milk separators and 50 sewing machines arrived there and that the people are very thankful. Somebody sketches maps of the settlement. Brother Peters sent 27 to be sold.

The congregation sings a verse standing for relaxation.

Then a short report from the Board. Greetings from the chairman elder J. J. Thiessen, Saskatoon, at present in Paraguay.

Mennonite Board of Colonization, -- The Motto: "Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak: for your work shall be rewarded." II Chronicles 15:7.



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Rev. J. J. Thiessen report.

Since 1922, we Mennonites of Canada, we are engaged in mercy work. After the first world war The Canadian Mennonite Board of Colonization was established for the purpose of assisting our people in their need and distress into which they were plunged. The work was connected with a lot of opposition, but we did not withdraw our hands and in the course of the years (1923 to 1930) some 21,000 Mennonites were brought to Canada. Really a great reward. After the second world war, the work was continued in a similar way.

Annually, reports from the Board were given at the conferences, and we would like to report on the continuation of that work.

At present the Board consists of the following members: B. B. Janz, Alta.; C. F. Klassen, Abbotsford, B.C.; A. A. Toews, Abbotsford, B.C.; C. A. DeFehr, Winnipeg, Manitoba; J. Wall, Beamsville, Ontario; G. G. Friesen, Gem, Alta.; B. F. Redekopp, Herbert, Sask.; Nic Fransen, Jordan, Street, Ontario; H. J. Janzen, Winkler, Manitoba; H. M. Epp, Mt. Lehman, B.C.; P. W. Dyck, Rosemary, Alberta; J. Gerbrandt, Saskatoon, Sask.; J. J. Thiessen, Saskatoon, Sask.; J. N. Hoepfner, Altona, Manitoba. The Old Mennonites were represented by J. B. Martin, Waterloo, Ontario and C. H. Snider, Guernsey.

Brother J. N. Hoepfner a very faithful worker in the vineyard of the Lord was called into eternity on April 16, 1950. His church and all of us lost a faithful co-worker through his passing. We preserve for him a faithful memory.

The executive of the Board consists of the following persons: J. J. Thiessen, chairman; B. B. Janz, vice-chairman; J. Gerbrandt, secretary-treasurer; C. F. Klassen a member of the executive Board and C. H. Snider a member of the executive Board.

The annual session of the Board was held on August 17, 1949 in Saskatoon and the extended session of all the representatives of the committee of all the Provinces met on February 7, 1950. On these sessions reports of the centrality as well as from the Provinces were given. Position was taken of the past work, and objectives were set by the organization.

Immigration continued in the course of the last conference year. 1253 immigrants came to Canada. In all for the last three years 6179 refugees were transported. Of those, 5222 came as relatives, as sugar beet workers 256; as farm workers 73; as domestics 35; as forest workers 41; as railroad workers 2; as mine workers 6. Among the 2000/share 544: Total 6179.

The financial Board: The Board tax are dues, those who immigrated since 1923 Mennonites apart from the transportation, had to pay in. In the year 1947 the financing of the Board was made to a conference matter. Every church member was to pay 50¢ per year for the support of the Board, whether they were immigrants or of the old settlers who emmigrante. In some of the churches the resolution was carried through promptly, in others not. In cases it even came so far that some of the immigrants who paid their dues previously to the district agent, paid no longer, because their church did not respect it, so the conference funds had to help. On one of the Board sessions the budget of the Board was put at \$8250.00. The Old-Mennonites were to pay \$250.00 and the other two conferences each paid \$4000.00. The Mennonites Brethren church sent their dues to the conference treasurer who transferred the sum to us. In the conference of the Mennonites in Canada the dues in most instances were sent directly to the treasurer of the Board. In the past conference year the dues came in as follows:

From the M. B. Conference	\$4071.00.
From the Mennonite churches	4100.00.
From the Old-Mennonites	250.00

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On the February 7, 1950 it was agreed to pay to each of the two Mennonite and M. B. bodies \$15,000.00 out of the reserve fund in a loan for financing conference undertakings of the conference. The conference of the M. B. church borrowed \$15000.00 for the development of the Mental Institute Bethesda and the Mennonite Conference borrowed \$ 7,000.00 to build the home for invalids. These loans were paid back in six years at 3% interest.

Recommendations from the Board:

1. To support the work of the Board with prayer and finances.
2. To be further helpful to find applicants for the bringing over Menno-- nites of the refugee groups out of Russia, Polen and Danzig.
3. At the election of the Board and Relief committees the above mentioned suggestions be respected..

I close the report with the motto quoted at the outset: "Be ye strong and do not withdraw your hands, for your work awaits a great reward." I am of the confidence that the Lord will give success to the honest, and continue with us in the future. --J. J. Thiessen.

Choir song and a closing prayer by A. A. Wiens.

#### The Sixth Business Session Wednesday forenoon.

After the singing of several hymns by the congregation, the College quartett sang: "Am I a Soldier of the Cross . . . ."

The chairman called on brother Jacob Epp, Hepburn, Saskatchewan to render the message on the theme: "Die Power of God in the Weak Workers of the Church."

As the basis of the message brother Epp read 2 Corinthians 12:9-10. In the striving for power that is surfaces in our day has its dangers. He gave the following points: 1) Is there danger in seeking for power in the external equipping? 2) It is dangerous to glory falsely in weaknessess and ignorance. 3) The danger of under estimating of self for less talented people.

Alone what the grace of God in and through us can produce has value, be the equipping great or weak. However, we must learn to take of this grace and place ourselves at the disposal of grace.

Several brethren prayed for the sharing of this grace for the deliberations of the day.

The quartett sang: "Stand up for Jesus."

The chairman reminded the congregation, if they have brought guests with them to inform the chairman of it, that is, guests who are not members of our churches.

Brother C. J. Rempel, Kitchner announces to the conference with the paper "The Mennonite" that the MCC publishes, the Mennonites in Germany and requests orders for the paper.

A book of the deliberations of the fourth Mennonite World Conference is also recommended.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved with a few dates.

#### The Continuation of the Bible College report.

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Kassenbericht vom 1. Juni, 1949 bis zum 31. Mai, 1950.

EINNAHMEN:

Kassenbestand am 1. Juni 1949:

An Hand .....	\$ 192.48
Netty Cash Fund .....	50.00
In der Bank .....	6,227.83
<b>\$ 6,470.31</b>	
Einnahmen:	
Umlaufgeld .....	\$ 5,892.50
Ankauf von Textbüchern .....	2,500.53
Ankauf von Schreibmaterial .....	211.48
Publikation "Der ew. Sohn Gottes" .....	83.05
Post und Quartier .....	13,209.41
an Mahlzeiten .....	8,808.75
an Quartierrente .....	22,018.15
an Unterricht und Verschiedenes:	
Lehrerkurse .....	194.15
Gehälter von Musikstudenten .....	2,186.50
Ankauf von Schallplatten .....	300.31
Situationsgelder .....	102.00
<b>2,782.96</b>	

Totale Einnahmen von Studenten..... \$33,488.68

Ausstehende Gelder, die noch nicht

bezahlt aber in den oben angeführten

Einnahmen enthalten sind: ..... 861.03

Totale Einnahmen von den Studenten ..... \$32,627.65

an:

anadische Konferenz der M.B. Gemeinde	
für Prediger-Kurse .....	\$ 500.00
anadische Konferenz der M.B. Gemeinde...	13,500.00
an verschiedenen Personen und Gemeinden .....	5,846.15

Totale Einnahmen durch das Bibel College ..... \$58,444.11

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an für auswärtige Studenten .....	\$332.29
anadium-Funds .....	275.00
anadische Versicherungsgelder .....	500.00
anadische Vereinigung-Fund .....	753.00
an Gelder (Income Tax) von Angestellten ...	92.85
<b>2,019.14</b>	

Totale Bareinnahmen durch das ganze Jahr: ..... \$60,463.25

SGABEN:

Unterricht:

Gehälter für die Lehrer .....	\$17,163.00
Ankauf von Textbüchern .....	2,647.11
Schreibmaterial .....	263.52
Bücher für die Bibliothek .....	710.07
Verschiedenes .....	341.87
<b>\$21,125.57</b>	

Lehrer:

Gehälter für die Angestellten .....	3,249.35
Esswaren (Groceries) .....	7,614.09

Verschiedenes .....	237.27	11,100.71
Dormitories:		
Gehalt für den Wächter .....	1,194.00	
Für extra Arbeit bezahlt .....	552.38	
Besondere Ausgaben für Waschräume, etc.	361.76	
Repaturen .....	2,022.01	
Rente für Privatzimmer bezahlt .....	2,626.50	
Verschiedenes .....	108.85	6,865.49
Musikabteilung:		
Gehälter für Musiklehrer .....	2,210.25	
Musikbücher für die Bibliothek .....	196.67	
Verschiedenes .....	64.28	2,471.20
Kleinere Ausgaben:		
Prediger-Kurse .....	334.75	
Schallplatten gekauft (Herstellung) .....	238.86	
Ausgaben für die Graduation .....	141.60	715.21
Ausgaben in direkter Verbindung mit dem Unterricht		\$42,278.18
Allgemeine u. Verwaltungsausgaben (Siehe Auszug)		\$10,967.46

Totale Ausgaben durch das College ..... \$53,245.64

"Trust and Students' Funds":

Schulgelder und andere Auslagen für		
auswärtige Studenten .....	\$ 432.11	
Stipendien .....	200.00	
Medizinische Aushilfe .....	166.00	
Studenten Vereinigung .....	759.00	
Steuer (Income Tax) für Angestellte .....	91.40	
Gerhard Wall Fund .....	34.50	1,683.01

Kapitalauslagen:

Möbel .....	383.16
Waschraum-Einrichtung .....	402.00
"Blueprint" .....	365.00
Anzahlung auf Haus, 166 McIntosh Ave....	1,500.00
Spezielle Anleihe .....	1,100.00
<b>3,750.16</b>	

Totale Ausgabe für das Jahr ..... \$58,078.81

Kassenbestand am 31. Mai, 1950:

An Hand .....	\$ 134.22
Netty Cash Fund .....	50.00
In der Bank .....	1,600.22
<b>1,784.44</b>	

Totale Bareinnahmen durch das ganze Jahr: ..... \$60,463.25

Allgemeine und Verwaltungsausgaben:

Gehälter für Büroungestellte .....	\$ 1,960.50
Bürousgaben .....	344.21
Drucksachen .....	293.38

Postspesen .....	173.54
Telephon und Telegramme .....	218.09
Heisekosten .....	318.77
Auto- und Truck-Spesen .....	348.20
Versicherung .....	290.70
Heizung .....	1,067.67
Wasser .....	1,746.91
Fis für das Dormitory .....	390.83
Taken .....	90.00
Herausgabe für "Olive Leaf" .....	2,227.78
Gehalt für medizinischen Unterricht .....	444.38
Radio Arbeit Mithilfe .....	300.00
Bibelkonferenz .....	175.00
Bibelkonferenz .....	478.80
Accrediting Association von Bibelschulen u. Colleges....	98.70

Totalen Ausgaben: ..... \$10,967.46

In der Besprechung über die vorliegenden Berichte vom Komitee und dem Präsidenten des College bringt die Konferenz ihre dankbare Freude zum Ausdruck über das rasche, gesunde Wachstum unserer höheren Lehranstalten, die wie ein Licht in das Dunkel hineinleuchtet.

Die Konferenz ist auch dankbar der Fakultät und dem Komitee für die revidierten Dienste. The conference is thankful.

Die Berichte werden daher dankend angenommen. Minutes approved.

Der Kassenbericht wird nun weiter besprochen: Nach Beantwortung mancher sachlicher Fragen, wird derselbe auch mit Dank angenommen.

Hr. J. A. Töws, als Dean des College, legt zur Informierung der Delegaten folgenden statistischen Bericht vor von den verschiedenen Missionsbetätigungen der Studenten:

#### Report on Practical Work done by the Students of the M.B. Bible College from Feb. 1 to June 12, 1950.

The figures given are No. of assignments filled/No. of students participating.

Sermons preached .....	157/32
Sunday School lessons taught .....	328/50
Stories told .....	128/37
Tracts .....	4158/48
Home visitations .....	255/45
Meetings led .....	97/20
Group Singing .....	105/32
Quartets .....	282/16
Trios .....	213/12
Duets .....	21/9
Solos .....	17/8
Choirs conducted .....	41/7
Professions of salvation .....	12/6
Socially with .....	106/38
School visitation .....	68/13
Street Meetings .....	7/a group

The two weeks of flood curtailed our practical work in the city for nearly three weeks. In spite of this the work done in the last four months compares favourably with that done during the first four of the school year. In the professions of salvation we have included souls led to Christ by our students during the "Children's Rally".

We are thankful to God for the opportunity He gave us to serve Him. Let us remember the seed, which has been sown, in our prayer for God's Word will not return void. Isa. 55:11.

Yours in His Service,  
The Home Missions Committee.

Das Budget für 1950-51 wird vorgelesen wie folgt:

Budget für das Jahr 1950-51.

#### AUSGABEN. — Disbursements

Gehälter: wages ..... \$20,780.00 \$20,780.00

Für die Lehrer for the teachers.

Administration: ..... 1,200.00

Sekretär ..... 1,000.00

Gehilfschreiber ..... 1,620.00

Wirtschaftler ..... 175.00

Postgebühren ..... 225.00

Telephone ..... 800.00

Druckarbeit ..... 350.00

Reiseausgaben ..... 5,970.00

Unterhalt der Anstalt: ..... 1,800.00

Heizung ..... 1,100.00

Elektrizität ..... 400.00

Wasser ..... 400.00

Papier, Handlucher, Seife usw. .... 350.00

Truck ..... 200.00

Feuerversicherung ..... 1,500.00

Unterhalt, Reparaturen, usw. .... 180.00

Unterstützen der Radioarbeit ..... 5,980.00

Bibliothek: ..... 500.00

Neue Bücher ..... 225.00

Technischer Arbeiter für Bibliothek ..... 2,800.00

Tragen auf vier Gebüde ..... 500.00

Unvorhergesehenes ..... 500.00

Unterstützung für bedürftige Studenten.... 3,300.00

\$36,105.00

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Budget Income of the Bible College.

EINNAHMEN. — Receipts.

In der Bank zum 31. Mai, 1950 ..Balance....	\$ 1,600.22	
Im Office in Bar zum 31. Mai, 1950 ..cash....	184.22	
Ausstehende Gelder am 31. Mai, 1950 .....	2,987.29	Accounts receivable.
Schulgeld zu erwarten ..tuition.....	5,000.00	
Quartiergelder ..living quarters.....	6,500.00	
Freie Spenden ..Voluntary contribution.....	5,500.00	
Aus der Konferenzkasse ..from conference.....	14,333.27	
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	\$36,105.00	

The report and the sanction of the official auditors are before us. The wish is uttered that our brethren should go over it for better informing of the conference. Before going into the deliberations of the budget, brother H. P. Toews first read the recommendations of the committee of the Canadian Conference.

Recommendations.

1. The conference sanction the furlough granted to brother H. H. Janzen.
2. To employ brother H. H. Janzen as the President of the Bible College and brother J. H. Quiring as the acting president.
3. The minister and the course for S. S. leaders be again held and budget \$500.00 for that purpose to be paid out of the conference treasury.
4. To confirm the buying the living quarters on McIntosh avenue.
5. To lift an annual offering in all the churches and when representatives visit the church for the support of the Bible College.

Discussion.

Remarks are made concerning the demands on the conference treasury. A detailed discussion ensues and finally leads to the motion that the \$13,000.00 account from the conference treasury should stand. The motion passed with the 2/3 majority, and raise the voluntary contribution in the same proportion.

The recommendations were considered one by one.

Remark to point 3, concerning minister courses. The courses in the Provinces were strongly defended. After throwing light from the various angles, the advantages and the disadvantages were seen on both sides. The churches were encouraged to make it possible for their minister to attend such courses, and of course, participate in them.

Brother J. H. Quiring, the acting president, expresses his joy for the opportunity to be a co-worker for several years already on the staff of the Bible College. In assuming greater responsibility, he requests the confidence and the intercession of the brothers and sister. It shall be our honest striving to justify the confidence of the conference and the contact with the churches through all the means that are at our disposal to keep them upright and strong, to strengthen them.

Brother A. A. Toews calls attention that too many of our young people are in other schools and appeals to the representatives of the conference to work to the end that more of our young people attend our own institution to the preservation and strength of our churches.

Election of the College Committee.

The three-year term of the representatives from North Saskatchewan, South Saskatchewan and Manitoba have expired.

The conference casts the ballots for the presented candidates:

for Manitoba -- J. P. Epp for three years (H. H. Enns, candidate).

for North Saskatchewan -- H. A. Williams for three years (J. P. Epp, cand.)

The College Quartet sang: "God's People should not grow weary."

A report concerning the Bible schools and christian high schools, that in the perspective of our conference by brother, H. H. Hedekop

Wortay conference,

"For the bodily exercise profiteth little; but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come."

Our Bible schools are stations where the biblical godliness is nurtured, young people were reminded of their lives in order that it become an example: "Let no one despise thee." (verse 12 of 1 Tim. 4.). They are taught to read and were admonished and taught. The Mennonite Brethren Church cannot think of its history in the last decade without the Bible schools. The worth of a Bible school is no more a question among us. Today we ask ourselves: How far shall we go? Or can we go far enough in this worthy work.

Our Bible schools stand there uniquely; there is none other that compares with it. We do recognize the worth of other schools that we have, but no other school covers the area like the Bible schools do. If that is tried, then a hard mistake reveals itself. God blessed the Mennonite Brethren Church visible through its Bible schools. The Bible schools have become the young backbone of the church. Undoubtedly, they must be strengthened.

God blessed our churches with school. It is that a sign of health and growth. Christdom means to teach the gospel. A teaching church will be a growing church. For that reason we have maintained the many Bible schools. There are the christians high schools, a monument of our history. It strives for real knowledge in the christian in the christian spirit. It has attained many things among our youth, although our high schools are still in the children shoes. It was difficult for our high school to serve two masters: The stipulations of the government and our own wishes that were large at times. The struggle of serving the two lords will remain. We admit that we need our christian high schools and from experiences we learn that we really need them in order teach the so-called secular material in the christian thought.

We have the Bible College the youngest child in the educational family of the conference. The objective of the school is clear and let us all unite to attain that objective. It is not meant to compete with our Bible schools as we have had them for many years. The Bible College was born out of a need. If we permit the Holy Spirit to lead us, all will be well.

Today we have people who have been in all the three schools at one time. They must have caught something from every school they attended: lasting impressions. We rejoice concerning the clear, valuable judgment of this last mentioned group.

The Bible school still expresses what the name implies. It does not invade any other areas, even though it has the opportunity, it remains with the Bible. Out of the mouth of the young people who have attended the Bible school we ought to say: There is no substitute for it. The Bible nurtures the spiritual life. The atmosphere was at times enough to force the decision whether the youth surrendered or whether he left the school. "Great is the mystery of godliness" also in this way. What joy the teacher and the students at times experience at times in the study of the Bible can only be mentioned, it must be experienced.

Our oldest Bible schools are 25 years old. They came through the boy's age. In these schools the young men and the young ladies have seen the light of God as a gift and as a responsibility. The Bible school serves one master only.

What is the future of the Bible Schools? They have a glorious future in a spiritual church. The writer calls attention that we should not permit any Bible school to suffer, but none shall have an unreasonable advantage. He contends that if all the schools closed, the Bible school will continue in some form. We need the Bible foundation to face the hazards of the future in the world.

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Continuation of The report on Bible schools and Christian H. Schools.

These Bible schools feed the Bible College with students. The more students that attend the Bible schools, the stronger our churches will become as well as the christian spirit of the christian high school. Those that attend the schools outside of our conference they rarely find their way back into the M. B. Church. We should endeavor to get our young people into the Bible school in order that they get a good biblical foundation.

We have 9 regular Bible schools and likely there are smaller Bible schools in the churches for shorter and longer courses. We have two conference schools, two association schools and 5 church schools. There were 486 students enrolled in the past year and 34 teachers employed. Many more of our young people should attend Bible school.

There are difficulties in the schools: Training for a deeper life in Christ, the german language, german songs books, german text books, lack of a good pre-Bible school preparation, shallowness of the students and others.

Wishes that were indicated: Intercessory prayers and support of the Bible schools; cooperation among the Bible schools; similar courses of study; better classrooms; stronger Bible teachings in the schools, etc. etc.

The teachers in the Bible schools are willing to work until the Lord appears. We say with the german poet something like this:

Precious Word from God in heaven,  
Full of blessedness to me,  
All my trust to Thee is given,  
And my springs all rise in Thee;  
I, in Thee find all I need,  
That my soul to God can lead;  
I in Thee find all I need,  
That my soul to God can lead.

H. H. Redekop.

The conference thanked brother Redekop for the report. Since it concerned itself mostly with the Bible school, some brethren underlined the great, far-reaching significance of our christian high schools.

After a few announcements, brother J. W. Vogt spoke the closing prayer.

The 7th Businessession on Wednesday afternoon.

After singing a few hymns by the audience, brother John Richert, Dinuba, California was requested to lead in the opening prayer.

A duett sang: "Rock of My Salvation."

It was announced that brother J. Wedel's wife died in Winnipeg. The conference expresses its condolences and charges the secretary to pass it on to brother Wedel.

For the purpose of completing and closing the point: Bible Schools and christian high schools, the resolution of the committee of Reference and Council was announced concerning the treatise from F. C. Peters.

At the last conference the council was charged with studying the motions given in that treatise and give concrete recommendations on the next conference. The individual points were read once more and discussed in detail. There was agreement to submit the following recommendations to the conference:

a) The conference considers it necessary to preserve the german language, and for that reason it pleads with the churches to arrange Saturday schools where the children learn the basic principles of the language and conduct religious instruction: it also pleads with the church leaders, B.S. leaders, teachers

and the German speaking teachers of the public schools to exercise the German with the children and urge the parents to speak German with the children. We urge the provincial conferences to support that practice.

b) The committee of Reference and Council recommends to the conference to appoint a committee to create a committee on: The nurturing of the German language. This committee of five members are to be qualified brethren who serve three years, and that one or two of the members be elected or newly elected each year.

The responsibility of this committee shall be to suggest to learn the German language by giving personal lectures or write articles to the German papers. And also help along in the securing of appropriate materials as guide lines for the Saturday instruction classes, also guide lines for the Bible and Christian high schools.

c) That 41000.00 be budgeted for this cause which will be returned in the selling of the guidelines into the conference treasury.

d) To budget money for traveling purposes of this committee for its annual meetings for conference and in the event of special events.

A discussion ensued concerning the recommendations that the committee submitted, and vote on its acceptance. That created the need of an election, as provided for in the recommendations.

The candidates were the following brethren: D. K. Duerksen, H. Regehr, G. Reimer, J. G. Thiessen, A. H. Unruh, H. S. Rempel, John Goertz, A. P. Dirks, H. H. Kornelsen and D. B. Wiens.

The results: Elected for three years: D. K. Duerksen and H. Regehr.

" " two " : John Goertz and A. H. Unruh.

" " one year : H. H. Kornelsen.

Acceptance of the constitution for the Bethesda Mental Institution:

The Reference and Council and the Bethesda Mental Institution committees have suggested that certain changes be made in the constitution. The committees presented them to the conference once more. The constitution in the changes were sanctioned and approved.

That made the election possible that was postponed in another session, because of the wishes of the committees to make the change. The Provinces submit their candidates as follows:

Ontario: The brethren J. K. Janzen, P. Derksen, Is. Thiessen, Jacob Dyck, J. Petkau and F. C. Peters.

Manitoba: D. D. Derksen and B. B. Fast.

S. Sask.: H. F. Klassen and John Siemens.

N. Sask.: H. S. Rempel and J. Krueger.

Alberta : H. H. Kornelsen and Abraham Toews.

B. C. : A. Wiens and Jakob Voth.

Concerning the brethren Abraham Toews and Is. Thiessen who have been elected into other committees: It is agreed that an exception be made in the event they are elected into this committee; they may serve in two committees.

Election results: For 3 years: J. K. Janzen, H. S. Rempel, A. Wiens, 1953.

For 2 " : Is. Thiessen, D. D. Derksen and A. Toews 1952.

for 1 year: Peter Derksen, and H. F. Klassen, 1951.

Brother Corny Balzer sang a solo.

#### Inland Mission of Canada.

Brother Jak. Epp, chairman of the committee, requests the workers to come and sit on the platform: Peter Schroeder and D. B. Wiens sat on the platform with the committee.

The chairman of the committee, Jak. Epp presents the other committee members: and asks the secretary brother G. Sukkau (secretary-treasurer) to read the report of the committee:

He extends a hearty greeting in the words of Hes. 3:17 to 19.

From year to year, we become conscious more and more that we as evangelical churches have a responsibility toward our careless and in many ways ignorant



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We thank our heavenly Father and the Lord Jesus Christ for the many possibilities at home and abroad on the mission fields. Every Province has its fringe missions, mission in the surrounding communities. Many in need of salvation were brought the gospel of redemption and we had many beautiful opportunities which were offered to our young brother and sisters to do practical work.

The Inland Mission of Canada feels itself into the large field with the help of the Lord. Several stations we had the privilege to occupy and minister among those people, and there is much to be occupied (Joshua 13:11). The first mission the Lord entrusted to us is the mission among the Russians.

The Grand Forks station and the surrounding community brother and sister P. Schroeder were employed for a whole year and brother and sister George Martens for 8 months. The Lord is blessing the work. Several young souls have been saved and the Sunday school attendance is growing. That is something to be happy about; certainly, a very good sign.

The sister Martha Braun and Helena Dyck had the joy a blessed work among the children for two months teaching summer Bible school, that too at Grand Forks.

Of the domestic work, let me briefly state, that our mission building were renovated. The brethren covered it completely with brick siding. A few repairs must still be made on the porch and on the windows. The barn will also be renovated.

At Arelee, Saskatchewan brother and sister David Wiens worked there in the past year for several months, but due to circumstances, they had to withdraw from the work. The Inland mission of Canada asked brother Wiens to do work at Blain Lake with the help of God in order to build up a permanent mission work there. Since the Saskatchewan River is not passable until the month of June and brother Wiens had assumed the church leadership at Laird, Saskatchewan in the L. B. Church, it was not possible for him up to now to visit Blain Lake. We believe that it is absolutely necessary to minister at that place.

Brother A. Hiebert ministered to the scattered Russian brothers and sisters in Saskatchewan and Alberta. The Lord blessed that ministry. Due to sickness the brother had to discontinue there. The Lord in His goodness gave him again health and strength.

Another field with which the Canada Inland Mission is concerned are the Indians in northern British Columbia. It is an area that the Lord placed upon our heart. The doors are open for christian teachers which Lord likely want us to enter. Six christian teachers were employed by the Department of Indian affairs in the Indian affairs. The teachers had the opportunity to plant many a kernel of the word of God into the heart of those children. Unfortunately, characters show up there who are an enemy of the Cross of Christ. Such an attitude make the work more difficult for the teachers. We hope that many more teachers will be willing to accept, that is christian teachers, will accept the offer of the inspector and be willing to sacrifice for the cause of Christ, and teach in this lonely, but needy field.

As committee, we have tried to get more information of that wide and open field. Since Prince Rupert is the center for the Indians, therefore we should be able to get a lot of information concerning the possibility of opening a mission station among those Indians. To Prince Rupert the Indians come far from the interior to work in the fish canneries during the summer months that located at Prince Rupert. The Indians come from the many islands along the coast per motorboat, which is their car on the water ways, to Prince Rupert to do the buying.

The mentioned factors contribute much to give to a mission worker the possibility to get into contact with the Indians for on those place one is on neutral ground, for the Indian has left that reversation.

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Another place that could be considered for a mission work is Hazelton, about 190 miles in the easterly direction from Prince Rupert. To this place brother and sister Cornelsen and brother George Stobbe have come to work out their inner urge and they are doing a good work which the Lord blesses in Sunday school, street meetings and hospital visitations.

Since the Indians here live mostly on the Reversation, they are more difficult to reach, because we cannot send into the Reversation without permission. An exception, teachers who are employed by the Department of Indian Affairs. Hazelton could be a good place for a children home, because many Indian children, we are told, have no parents and wonder about. Whether we do not have a responsibility toward these children?

May the Lord help us to see these possibilities in the proper perspective, examine them soberly and do the work out of love to the Lord and to the lost.

The committee.

Reports from mission workers.

a) brother P. Schroeder, reports.

"Commit thy ways unto the Lord and hope in Him; and he shall bring it to pass." Psalm 37:5.

How comforting. The Lord knows our ways, our struggles in our personal faith life, likewise knows the powers of darkness from inside and outside, we can fully commit ourselves to Him. If facing problem or seemingly unovercoming hindrances, we can put our hope in Him with whom nothing is impossible, and in confidence we say: "And He shall bring it to pass."

We are permitted to have Sunday school and evening services Sunday by Sunday when we minister. Sunday school's attendance has doubled; we teach four classes. The Lord was gracious unto us and sent a revival among the boys. This service and teaching was done by brother G. Martens in woodwork in the basement of the mission house. The work was begun by reading the Bible and prayer, and while that was going on the boys were saved, the wildest Duchoboren lad and few of his comrades.

Then the sister Helen Dyck and Martha Braun joined the work, and conducted kindergarten at two places. They were also active in the summer Bible schools they were with us. We wanted to keep them longer, for we appreciated their work. On Saturday evenings, street meetings were conducted and distributed tracts at those meetings in both the English and Russian languages.

We could respond to many invitations in the homes and minister to the Russian people with song and the Word. We are always thankful and invite again and again. The sick in the hospital we visited. We had the joy dear brothers and sister visited us on this station and ministered which the Lord blessed. We are very thankful and invite again and again. Brother and sister G. H. Sukkau and J. J. Doerksen, brother P. Pauls, brother and sister H. S. Rempel, the brethren Warkentin and Froese, the Russian brothers and sisters from Vernon, B.C., brother Poews, Rock Creek, sister Williams, Midway, B.C. and Mary Knelsen, Fish Lake with her mother. With several brethren we went visiting the Russians in the Kootenay Valley. The Canadian Band of the Russian Evangelical Christians for the first time included Grand Forks in the plan of their annual fellowship gathering. To these came several Russian minister brethren who have recently come from Europe. Their ministry was a blessing to us and many Duchobor could hear the gospel. The Molokans visited us, they come from the States and at that service there were 200 people who attended.

The mission house was renovated with roll brick siding. It is considerably warmer during the winter. After we finished, we dedicated the house on March 26 to the Lord.

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The P. and H. Schroeder continued.

At the end of July, the Duchobores celebrated their 50th Jubilee of their living or stay in Canada. Some 5 to 6000 Russians came to this celebration. To us was given the opportunity to sing a song.

The longing of the Duchobores is to return to Russia. The songs and their recitations brought that longing to the surface. The fanatics degraded their situation by arson and many sit in prison. Many children are without parents. It would be wishful thinking if someone would take care of them. A christian children home would be very good. Of course, a christian couple should be at the head of such. The Duchobore's house would be very fitting which can today be bought for \$1500.00.

To reach several distant districts, a trailer would be very helpful. We plan to produce one with little money. It should be large to accommodate 30 children. Brother and sister G. and E. Martens are a blessing to this work. Many children feel at home on the mission grounds. Brother Jakob Reimer helps at Brother and sister Woodrow in the Kootenay valley proclaiming the Word and distribution of tracts. Also at Grand Forks and community colportage is done.

In closing we recommend all the co-workers to your intercessory prayers of all the dear brothers and sisters. Pray also for a penetrating revival among the poor Russians. Thanks to all who remember us. \* Yours in the Lord,  
P. and H. Schroeder.

b) Brother D. B. Wiens in his oral report points to the necessary work among the Russians. Many have been prepared by the circumstances for the gospel: many see the confusion of their faith direction. Now many false doctrinaires confusing the people: bring them a false portrait of Christ. For this conference, this is the point in time to take an energetic hold of the opportunity and bring to these people the pure, the clear gospel.

In deliberating concerning these reports, the following resolution resulted: That we accept both of the reports with thanksgiving and approve them. We also thank the brethren for the faithful ministry and sacrificial work in the mission service among the Russians and we wish the missionaries God's special standoy and God's blessings in the future work.

The conference is thankful for the field God has opened for us among the Indians in that we can have our teachers teach in the reversations. The conference greets those teachers and encourages them to serve the Lord there in the future.

Recommendations and the Budget.

1. With reference of the great necessity of evangelists among the Russians the committee recommends:

- a) that brother and sister P. Schroeder be employed for another year with \$115.00 per month remuneration. Since brother Schroeder has the talent for doing colportage work and house visitation, he will dedicate his ministry for the future to those ministries especially, and that mostly among the Duchobores of B.C. and according to possibility work among the Russians in Saskatchewan and Alberta.
- b) Brother and sister George Martens be employed at Grand Forks for a full year with a remuneration of \$100.00 per month plus free house rent with heating in the mission house.
- c) Employ two sisters for 3 months in Grand Forks for kindergarten work at \$50.00 per month per sister.
- d) The employment of brother D. B. Wiens among the Russians in Saskatchewan at \$100.00 per month with free living quarters for a whole year.

2. That in the face of the mission possibilities at and around Prince Rupert to create there a station for christian work among the Indians.

and the employment of a couple for full time for a salary of \$100.00 per month with free rent.

3. Renovation of the mission house and barn to budget \$200.00. and \$65.00 for building a trailer for the S.S. work at Grand Forks and community.
4. The executive committee of the Canadian Inland Mission was charged by the conference to supervise the mission work, and the secretary is obligated to carry through the conference resolutions. To alliviate the work for the treasurer and to make it possible for him to do good book work in recording receipts and disbursements, the committee recommends that the treasurer of the canadian district conference pay out in lump sum in quarterly payments to the Canadian Inland Mission be paid three months in advance.
5. The committee requests the conference, in the next district conference give one evening to the Canadian Inland Mission; reserve one evening for this mission organization.

The recommendations and the budget were approved by the conference.

The suggested expansion of the mission among the russian people is warmly recommended by the committee. In the event of expansion the committee would like to appeal to the churches to continue the offerings.

The committee takes note of this.

#### The budget.

The individual accounts of the budget should be thus arranged:

Receipts: In Kasse Juni 30, 1949 .....	\$840.95	
Coaldale Konf. Kollekte .....	266.31	
J-vereins Kollekte in Provinzen .....	375.23	\$1,482.49
Ausgaben:		
An Student G. Wall, Paraguay .....	200.00	
Für Bücher nach Paraguay .....	32.23	
Für Bücher nach Brasilien .....	53.10	
Für Bibelschule Friesland .....	250.00	
Andere Ausgaben .....	6.79	542.12
Bleibt in der Kasse .....		\$ 940.37

#### Election for the committee of the Canada Inland Mission:

Jakob Epp, Hepburn-- Chairman for 3 years.

One representative of each of the Provinces:

Peter Rempel, Ontario; J. A. Toews, Winkler;

S. Sask. J. J. Thiessen; J. Dueck, Alberta;

(The candidates: John Andres, Ontario: A. A. Kroeker, Winkler, Manitoba; George Penner, S. Saskatchewan: h. Cornelsen, Alberta.)

A song by brother Corney Balzer: "O Child of God wait Patiently."

#### The Youth Work.

The report of the committee was given on the special gathering. Brother H. F. Klassen, Chairman of the committee requests brother David Reimer, treasurer to give the financial report from June 30, 1949 to June 30, 1950.

1. Br. P. Schröder, Vergütung .....	\$1,350.00
2. Br. G. Martens, " .....	1,200.00
3. Br. Dav. Wiens, " .....	1,200.00
4. Kindergartenarbeit in Gr. Forks .....	400.00
5. Arbeiter in Prince Rupert .....	1,200.00
6. Ausgaben für Quartiere für die Arbeiter .....	800.00
7. Reparaturen auf der Station Gr. Forks .....	200.00
8. Beheizung, Tax und Licht .....	355.00
9. Reiseunkosten .....	600.00
Total.....	\$7,305.00

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The Music Committee continued, finances.

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**Festgelegte Gelder:**

Für Student G. Wall, Paraguay .....	\$300.00	
Für Bibelschule Fernheim und Neuland .....	400.00	
Für J-arbeit auf neuen Siedlungen in Brasilien	175.00	875.00

Balance	In der Kasse, 30. Juni, 1950 .....	\$ 65.37
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This is approved:

Der Bericht wird mit Dank angenommen. Appreciated.

**Budget für J-arbeit 1950-1951.**

**Erwartete Einnahmen: Expected receipts.**

Konferenz Kollekte .....	\$800.00	
J.-ereins Kollekten .....	800.00	
der Kasse .....	65.37	\$1,665.37

**Ausgaben: Disbursements:**

**Für Jugendarbeit und Bibelschulen:**

In Fernheim und Neuland .....	\$600.00	
In Friesland .....	350.00	
Neusiedlung Brasilien .....	200.00	
Studenten vom Ausland .....	500.00	\$1,650.00

**Recommendations.**

1. If the conference is pleased with the way and kind, how the Saturday afternoon and the Sunday is regulated or were regulated, we request that the same hours in the days may assigned to this phase of conferenc work and both offerings reserved for the Canada Inland Mission work.

2. The committee appeals for allowance to lift one offering in the conference year 1950/51 of the youth of every church of this conference to be used in the budget.

3. In view of the present world situation politically, the teaching of the oath, defenselessness etc. etc. should be strengthened in the churches.

4. In order that the conference Youth Paper appear punctually, we want to appoint in Winnipeg an active assistant editor. (Brother Walter Wiebe has been under consideration.) To make it attractive for the younger young people the paper shall contain a special department in the english language. To fianance the editorial assistant and the secretarial work, we appeal that from \$400.00 to \$500.00 be allowed in the course of the year.

5. If the conference wishes, we are prepared to nominate the chairman of this committee. --This was read by the secretary of the committee, D. J. Reimer.

The recommendations were approved with the remark on point 5 that this recommendation also apply to the General Conference.

Election: The conference elects the chairman of the committee the others are elected on the provincial conferences in each Province of Canada, and presented to the conference here.

The elected serve only one year .

The chairman of this committee elected by the conference is H. F. Klassen.

Members of the committee: Hermon Voth, B.C.; B. Dick, Alberta; Art Martens, S. Sask.; Henry Baerg, N. Sask.; David Reimer, Manitoba; Henry Penner, Ontario.

Announcements were made and agreed that the offerings this evening will flow into the treasury of The Bethesda Mental Institution.

Brother David Reimer spoke the closing prayer.

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### Wednesday Evening General Worship service.

The large congregation was led by J. Hedekop who also led in the opening. Brother Peter Schroeder spoke the opening prayer.

The South-Abbotsford choir sang under the direction of Arnold Dyck. The choir sang the song: "Come let us worship."

Upon the request of brother Hedekop, brother Schroeder introduced the Russian brothers and sisters from Grand Forks who were on their way to the Russian Baptist Conference in Vancouver. Brother Kaplitch, Kudenchuk and Morobej who were on their way and were here introduced. Brother Kaplitch gave a message upon the introduction. One year ago, he was delivered from the Russian Poland where he went through hard testings, and now he thanks God for the miraculous way he was delivered from that land, but also delivered from sins and praises God for every thing. Thereupon brother Kudenchuk spoke in the Russian language. He is glad for the opportunity to witness for Jesus his Savior. He points to the fact that we are close to the time when Jesus will return to earth. He expresses his joy for the coming of that event. He also admonishes the children of God to be on guard that nobody robs us of the crown of righteousness.

The South-Abbotsford choir sang: "Make me humble, ever purer."

The suggestion was made that we send a greeting to the Russian brothers and sisters at Grand Forks. The chairman reminds the congregation that that could be done on the business meeting tomorrow.

Further brother J. B. Toews, Reedley, California served with a serious message: "Cultivating the deeper-life in our churches," according to Ephesians 3:14.

He stressed that we have to be clear <sup>was</sup> what we understand by "deeper" and how we can rise to a higher capacity. Christ <sup>was</sup> concerned that his disciples would come to a higher understanding and that was the greatest concern of the apostle Paul.

We have to consider four points.

- 1) The foundation of this spiritual deeper life in Christ.
- 2) The means to this deeper life.
- 3) The essence of communication of this deeper life; its expression.
- 4) The essence of transfer of this deeper life.

The brother spoke heartily and convincingly. The delivery of these points was a blessing to the congregation.

At the close of the message an offering was lifted for The Bethesda Mental Institution, Vineland, Ontario.

Brother H. R. Wiens, assistant leader in the M. B. Church, Reedley, Calif. was asked to make the closing prayer.

### The 8th Business Session on Thursday forenoon.

As previously agreed, the Lord's Supper was observed. It was a solemn and sober service. Brother H. S. Rempel, Saskatoon spoke on John 10:17-18.

Brother H. S. Voth led in the distribution of the bread and wine, and the following Ministers assisted: J. Lepp; G. P. Regehr; B. B. Janz; J. P. Wiebe.

In the closing the brethren J. Lepp and J. P. Wiebe offered prayers.

It was said that we are thankful that we can have fellowship communion cup.

The chairman, brother J. A. Harder, took the podium and called for the reading of the previous session minutes, both the forenoon and afternoon minutes were read.

Brother J. W. Vogt, Hillsboro, Kansas, the editor of The Christian Leader, explanations of this paper and also appeals for readers and reports for the conference paper: "Der Zions-Bote." He is prepared to receive subscription money; money for these papers.

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Music in the Church and Conference.

Brother C. D. Toews substituted for brother F. C. Thiessen whom the Lord called home. He read the report of the committee.

I greet the worthy conference with Psalm 101:1: "I will sing of mercy and judgment: unto Thee, O Lord, will I sing."

My precious brothers and sisters!

When the vocal music matter was committed to last year at Coaldale, we did not surmise that death would rob us of our chairman so suddenly, our brother F. C. Thiessen. He, who dedicated the last crumb of his limited time, has laid down his work for the conference for ever to rest eternally from his activities, with the Lord. He can now say with the Psalm writer (4:9) "I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: For Thou, Lord, only makest me dwell in safety." Him and his dear family this conference owes another memorial.

The delegates may well know that the vocal music phase at the last conference in Coaldale was transferred from Manitoba to B. C. The election results for the committee were: F. C. Thiessen the chairman of the committee, J. B. Harder and C. D. Toews. According to the resolution the representatives of the vocal music of the churches and the conference, belong to all the Provinces to this committee. This enlarged committee was charged with 3 responsibilities in the main:

2, to publish songs in the Conference Youth paper.

1. To encourage the organized church singing.

3. To order appropriate songs from Germany.

To carry through out the first responsibility is not so easy, because the committee cannot be in contact in person with all the churches. We reached to the only possible means and published an article in our Conference Youth paper, which carried some suggestions as to how the church music (vocal) can be improved. We hope that we did not only read the article, but that effort was made to carry out the suggestions in a practical way.

Responsibility no. 2: To send good songs through the Conference Youth paper to the churches, has also been accomplished as far as possible. I would like to state here that in this work we must exercise caution. It is not always allowed, because some books have the copyright and the authors are in the practice quite rigid in the area of copyright. Songs that are sung to the glory of God should not be forbidden fruit. If there is no copyright, it is a different matter.

The third obligation, the main responsibility of the committee consisted therein to find music organizations in the foreign lands from whom song books or songs can be obtained.

Our dear brother Thiessen succeeded before his going home to find such a source in Germany. Through the Christian singing society, Friedrich Haensler Music Publishing company in Stuttgart, he made connection to secure German sample copies of German good worship hymns. Those sample copies arrived a few weeks before his passing, that is, brother Thiessen's passing. After his death, the responsibility of the committee work became my responsibility. After the correspondence that brother Thiessen carried on, was turned over to me and after we as the provisional committee had examined a number of songs and chosen, I put in a larger order of these songs. At present I have 8 hymns, 500 of each in store and they can now be ordered by the music directors or directly bought. Catalogs have been sent to us from there, that is, a company in Germany, so that we can order other sample copies, copies for examination.

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With reference to the costs, permit me to state the following: At the last conference \$1000.00 were allowed for the music phase of the churches through the conference. We have spent in the neighborhood of \$250.00. With the exchange to Germany, we have no difficulties, or had no difficulties, because we found among the immigrants one who had money in Germany. We need only to exchange. As far as I know, the source is not yet exhausted. If in the future need to order more, we could continue the procedure.

Should I, dear brothers, give you a little insight into the music aspect, I can give you the following statistics: Our 6 Provinces consists 63 church choirs with a membership of 1648 singers: 14 Youth choirs with 520 singers; 6 male choruses with 116 singers, 4 female choruses with 116 singers, a total of 2500 singers. What a group of workers in the vineyard of the Lord! What a treasure for our conference. Let us be thankful to God for these singers.

In retrospect over the past year, we admit: We have done too little. But it is not simple to remain in touch with the Provinces. Something might be done that would be an improvement.

We thank you brothers and sisters for the financial assistance that you granted us to provide new materials. We thank you especially for your confidence and for the praying hearts and hands, especially, that bore us up. And we pray: God, bless our conference and with it the musical aspect of the work.

Greetings: The committee.

The report is clear and factual. It is worthy to recognize and think of the departed brother Thiessen. The conference charges the music committee to send the family greetings with Revelations 21:4.

The conference also thinks of the many young people in our choirs and is thankful for such activities. Likewise, the conference thanks the committee and approves the report.

#### The recommendations.

1. The committee recommends that for the coming year to continue to improve and promote the church singing in appointing a brother in each church to build up the church singing, lead out on it.

2. The committee recommends that in all the Provinces directors courses and singing courses be given. Besides it is recommended, that if in individual districts or churches the choir singing is weak or even fallow, such a district should invite somebody through the conference committee to do fundamental and upbuilding work. The expenses should be charged to the provincial treasury.

Remark: If we may, we would warmly recommend, that when appointing a Bible school teacher or christian high school teacher, singing and music be respected.

3. Song material: As your committee we recommend further that the song committee be entrusted with the creation of german song material whereby group singing: trios and quartets and also stronger materials for stronger choirs be kept in mind when providing music, by it at cost and the money flows back into the conference treasury. The more difficult material, such as, cantatas etc. etc. Have a limited supply in stock as a library from which the individual choirs could borrow against a nominal rent charge.

Remark: If circumstances call for the translation of songs from the english language into the German, if expense is involved, it should be paid by the treasury.

4. We recommend that if circumstances make it absolutely necessary that committees meet in the course of the year, we recommend to the conference to sanction such.

5. The directors recommend to the conference that it sanction the music committee to meet in the course of the year.

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Recommendations from the Music Committee con't.

6. The song directors recommend that the conference continue the music committee in the future on the conference level which should exist <sup>in</sup> an executive committee of three brethren of one Province and the representatives of music of the other Provinces. For the executive committee the directors recommend: The brethren C. D. Toews, J. B. Harder and H. P. Neufeld, B.C.

7. We recommend for the budget the left-over for us, \$750.00 be granted.

The recommendations were approved with the additional emphasis that point include also the Sunday Schools. Their Provinces representatives are:

Ontario: Nicolai Fehderau;

Manitoba: Cornelius Klassen;

Saskatchewan: J. K. Schröder;

Alberta: Peter Dick;

Executive: C. D. Toews, H. P. Neufeld, J. B. Harder.

The Song Book Committee:

Brother H. P. Neufeld read the report written by brother J. Medel.

Dear brethren,

As your committee of the conference, we greet you with the hymn: "The work is Thine, O Christ, O'r Lord, The Cause for which we Stand." This report our dear departed brother F. C. Peters should have brought since he was the chairman. He could not get over it very well to step before the conference without putting the new song book on the table. He was a man of action and did not lay aside a project until he could complete it. In the year 1947, he appeared before the conference at Dalmeny and brought us the material with the words: Here brethren, is the compiled material of the songs, I have done my work. Your work is now to finish the book. Brother Thiessen did not have to give the report. The Author of life and death took the baton and the correcting pencil out of his hand and called him unto Himself. He could not take part in the round-up of the song book project and see the complete song book. He is waiting for us there where we will sing songs that need no harmonizing and correcting which she will be perfect. May the Lord qualify us all to land there "In the land that is fairer than day." The saddened Thiessen family, we greet with the hymn: "Shall We Meet beyond the River, Where the surges cease to roll?" Yes, we will see each other at that shore where the storms cease to be."

A very short report (?) concerning the progress of our work. There is not much to report. there is no purpose in offering excuses: the book simply is not ready. In spite of that, we believe that we are the first who wish it were. It is due to the limited time that is at the disposal of each one of us, and secondly, we were inexperienced with such a work, and we did not realize what all is connected with such a task. A second such work, we would attack differently.

In spite of all that, we are happy that we progressed a good distance, and we can see the end, if we can see correctly. We believe to finish this work with this conference year. The song committee sent brother Cornelius Klassen, a member of the committee, about two months ago with the material to New York to get a correct estimation of the price the company will charge and how long the printing will take to print 10,000 books. The price estimation will allow us to stay with the projected price of \$2.500 per book. According to what we were told in the printing office, we believe, as mentioned above, to be ready in this conference year.

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Concerning the finances, the orders up to today from our canadian churches with advanced payment come up to 4035 copies of the book. 1500 copies are on order for Paraguay for which the payments are promised. That amount to 5535 books sold. That would amount to mor than \$13,000.00, at \$2.50 per book calculated. Then we will need \$5000.00 more to pay the New York firm for the job. We thought of a loan from the fund treasury, if there is no other way in sight. The payment of this debt should be covered by the sale income of the song books. That does not seem difficult to us, since several church have postponed their order until the book is available. We definitely expect that individuals will buy books when they are available.

Would like to mention that we have decided to books with two colors: For the churches in black covers, and for the individual a dark red cover. That pattern other churches followed too, that in order to distinguish between church property and private possession.

I want to close this our report with recommendations from the committee as follows:

1) We request of the conference, to charge the Board of Directors to inquire at the General Conference Board of Directors, whether and apply for a \$5000.00 loan, if there is no other way to be found.

2) We request the conference to vote brother Henry Regehr, Winnipeg into the Music committee. It is of great significance that another brother be in the committee who commands the german language. The song must be rechecked again after the portion for the song book is made for New York Publishers.

It is our intense prayer and wish that the Lord will be glorified through this work.

--In the name of the committee, J. Wedel.

Before going to the recommendations pertinent questions were asked and satisfactorily answered. The report is approved with appreciation. It is decided to begin with the printing of the book, and therefore lose no time.

In the question of financing recommendation, that the churches should send in more orders with full payments. The recommendation is approved. No. 1 as given. No. 2 with the change that more brethren should be drawn in to read the corrected forms.

Election: The song book committee is reelected by acclamation.

#### 18. The Financial Report.

C. A. DeFehr.

By way of introduction, brother DeFehr stated that we all should be thankful for the joyous support fo the churches for the different strivings for Mission.

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"Gaben" are contributions. — 107 —

Gaben für Bethesda:	
B.C. ....	3,045.05
Alberta .....	2,406.87
Nord-Saskatchewan .....	1,269.47
Süd-Saskatchewan .....	336.17
Manitoba .....	3,786.43
Ontario .....	4,413.32
Durch Kollekte auf Coaldale Konf. ....	192.50
	15,449.81

Anmerkung: Der Unterschied von erhaltenen Geldern zwischen der Abrechnung von Br. H. Wiebe, Bethesda-kasse, und Br. C. A. DeFehr, Konferenzkasse, ist dadurch entstanden, dass Br. Wiebe diese Summe von \$2,972.13 nach dem 1. Juni erhalten und daher selbige bei ihm nicht in Abrechnung, die mit dem 1. Juni/50 schliesst, herein gekommen. (gezeichnet: C. A. DeFehr.)

Gaben für Tabor College:	
B.C. ....	394.35
Alberta .....	317.23
Nord-Saskatchewan .....	278.80
Süd-Saskatchewan .....	42.13
Manitoba .....	414.60
Ontario .....	653.47
	2,100.58

Gaben für Minneapolis u. Juden-Mission:	
B.C. ....	528.97
Alberta .....	564.06
Nord-Saskatchewan .....	337.57
Süd-Saskatchewan .....	57.15
Manitoba .....	698.91
Ontario .....	246.46
Kollekte auf Coaldale Konferenz .....	183.07
Jugend-Konferenz in Alberta .....	84.51
Jugend-Konferenz auf Coaldale Konf. ....	266.31
Durch Jugend-Konferenz Kassierer .....	368.11
	718.93

Gaben für Russen-Mission:	
B.C. ....	62.00
Alberta .....	484.80
Nord-Saskatchewan .....	68.05
Süd-Saskatchewan .....	24.28
Manitoba .....	45.80
Ontario .....	102.08
Durch Kollekte auf Coaldale-Konferenz ....	183.07
	970.08

50¢ Board Steuer: Dues charged per church member.  
B.C. .... 1,600.00  
Alberta .... 454.50

Ehe man an die Empfehlungen geht, werden sachliche Fragen gestellt und zufriedenstellend beantwortet. Der Bericht wird mit Dank angenommen. Man beschliesst mit dem Druck des Buches sofort zu beginnen und darum keine Zeit zu verlieren.

In Frage der Finanzierung wird empfohlen, dass die Gemeinden mehr Bestellungen einschieken und auch die Bücher voll bezahlen. Die Empfehlungen werden angenommen. No. 1 wie gegeben. No. 2 mit der Veränderung, dass mehr Brüder zur Korrekturlesung vom Komitee herangezogen werden.

Wahlen: Gesangbuch-Komitee wird durch Akklamation wieder gewählt.

18. Konferenzkasse: Br. C. A. DeFehr berichtet.

Einleitend sagte er, dass wir alle dankbar sind für die freudige Unterstützung von seiten der Gemeinden der verschiedenen Missionsbestrebungen.

Kassenbericht der Kanadischen M.B. Konferenz, 1949-50.

Kassenbestand vom 1. Juni 1949 .. BALANCE.....\$ 17,931.64

#### EINNAHMEN:

Für Konferenz-Kasse:	
Brit. Col. .... British Columbia.....	\$14,597.49
Alberta .....	3,069.00
Nord Saskatchewan .....	3,931.05
Süd Saskatchewan .....	2,039.94
Manitoba .....	7,952.59
Ontario .....	4,074.00
Konferenz-Bücher .....	878.61
Konferenz-Opfer .....	89.27
Konferenz Spezielle Kasse .....	375.10
Auf Coaldale Konferenz .....	125.87
Konferenz-Jugendblatt .....	1,468.85
Sonntagsschule .....	2,735.44
	720.58

#### Gaben für M.B. College:

B.C. ....	354.23
Alberta .....	489.28
Nord-Saskatchewan .....	47.50
Süd-Saskatchewan .....	89.75
Manitoba .....	2,292.59
Ontario .....	1,024.13
Durch Kollekte .....	1,460.45
"Buildings Fund" .....	607.97
U.S.A. ....	32.50
Paraguay Studenten .....	317.29
	6,615.69

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Dormitory, M.B. College .....	245.20
Jugendarbeit .....	409.21
Unterstützung von Schw. A. Thiesen .....	240.00
Reisen .....	1,427.85
Kanzlei .....	319.25
"Exchange" .....	28.16
College Budget .....	13,000.00
College Gaben .....	6,015.69
Kurse am College .....	500.00
Konferenz-Bücher .....	786.28
Pamphlet "Symposium of War" .....	63.89
Bethesda Gaben .....	15,297.81
Anleihe für Bethesda .....	37,500.00
Schuld an Bundeskasse .....	4,500.00
Zinsen .....	1,125.00
<b>Totale Ausgaben:</b> .....	<b>\$205,382.94</b>

/ Totale Einnahmen 1. Juni 1949 — 1. Juni 1950 .....\$224,312.99  
Totale Ausgaben 1. Juni 1949 — 1. Juni 1950 ..... 205,382.94

Kassenbestand 1. Juni 1950 .....\$ 18,930.05

Der Kassenbestand enthält folgende Gelder: Treasury balance.

Konferenz-Kasse .....	\$12,154.90
Bethesda .....	152.00
Juden-Mission .....	10.00
Jugend-Konferenz .....	1,135.76
Gesang-Buch .....	4,291.68
50¢ Board Steuer .....	222.50
Verschiedene Mission .....	382.89
Paraguay .....	580.32
<b>Totale Einnahmen:</b> .....	<b>\$18,930.05</b>

Die Konferenz schuldet: Conference financial obligations.

An den Bund .....	\$28,000.00
An die Board .....	15,000.00
An die Bank .....	12,500.00
<b>Totale Verbindlichkeiten:</b> .....	<b>\$55,500.00</b>

Die Kasse ist von den Brüdern J. K. Neufeld und A. Janzen re-  
vediert und für richtig befunden.

Kassenführer: C. A. DeFehr.

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Nord-Saskatchewan .....	553.00
Süd-Saskatchewan .....	9.00
Manitoba .....	587.09
Ontario .....	3,293.59
<b>Gaben für Paraguay-Kirchbau u. Betreuung: church building.</b>	

B.C. ....	155.20
Alberta .....	461.64
Süd-Saskatchewan .....	21.30
Von Missionsgeld, dass nicht bestimmt war .....	3,848.14

Gaben für Äussere Mission: Foreign Missions contributions.

B.C. ....	26,455.47
Alberta .....	6,642.45
Saskatchewan .....	18,486.66
Manitoba .....	23,430.35
Ontario .....	8,565.13
Kollekte auf Condale-Konferenz .....	563.61
<b>Totale Einnahmen:</b> .....	<b>84,143.67</b>

Gaben für verschiedene Missionen: Different missions

B.C. ....	189.70
Alberta .....	368.32
Saskatchewan .....	83.76
Manitoba .....	602.52
Ontario .....	250.00
<b>Totale Einnahmen:</b> .....	<b>1,494.30</b>

Für Winnipeg Nord-End Kapelle .....	7,000.00
"Exchange, stamps & interest" .....	41.48
Geborgt aus Bundeskasse .....	10,000.00
Geborgt aus der Bank .....	12,500.00
Geborgt aus Kan. Board .....	15,000.00
<b>Totale Einnahmen:</b> .....	<b>\$224,312.99</b>

AUSGABEN: Disbursements.

Tabor .....	\$ 2,130.08
Minneapolis und Juden Mission .....	2,606.19
Board Steuer .....	4,071.09
Paraguay .....	9,257.51
Verschiedene Mission .....	85,589.80
Russen-Mission .....	4,789.21
Jugend-Konferenz .....	285.33
Gesangbuch .....	386.50
Gesangssache .....	135.59
Sonntagsschule .....	3,137.14
Jugendblatt .....	3,536.16
"Christian Press Shares" .....	400.00
Stadtmissions-Kirche .....	7,000.00

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Gliederzahl 1949	MANITOBA churches Gemeinde	Rueckstand bis 1 Juni-50	Konferenz Kasse	Konferenz Buecher	College	Bethesda	Tabor	Minneapolis u. Juden	Jugend Konferenz	50c Steuer	Russen Mission	Verschiedene Mission	Paraguay Kirchbau	Total
90	Arnaud.....		270.00		15.00	119.50	17.75	10.00		87.50		366.50		886.25
15	Altona.....	155.00	40.00									15.00		55.00
83	Boissevain.....		249.00			522.88		46.00		33.00		774.11		1024.69
123	Elm Creek.....	(12.00 Cr.)	456.15	20.00	75.00	180.00						1188.21		1919.36
130	Grossweide.....	880.62	118.78									586.49		705.27
51	Griswold.....		153.00	36.60 (5c steuer fuer S.S.) 6.50		50.00	15.00	10.00		30.50		383.95		679.05
30	Gnadenthal.....	35.60	105.00									243.12		354.62
61	Holmfeld and Lena.....		180.00			100.00					7.80	605.49		893.29
39	Justice.....	(24.00 Cr.)	141.00		40.00	237.00	25.00			25.00		329.25		797.25
72	Kronsart.....	(145.67 Cr.)	361.87			50.00	52.69	25.00				2293.97		2753.53
46	La Salle.....		138.00		50.00	62.50	10.00	5.00		30.00		196.30		491.80
63	Manitou.....		204.00				30.82	28.71		31.50		1229.32		1524.35
143	Morden.....	(9.00 Cr.)	438.00	20.00	25.00	110.00	40.00	100.00		73.00		2343.07		3149.07
23	Marquette.....		127.79			72.00	9.32			11.50		312.84		533.45
230	Nord Kildonan.....	(90.00 Cr.)	780.00		5.00	80.52	84.81	51.73				1058.47		2060.53
105	Newton Siding.....		336.00			237.66						1269.71		1843.37
108	Niverville.....		221.00			130.00		24.00		101.50		500.00		1076.50
218	Steinbach.....		1045.00									307.04		1352.04
60	Springstein.....		183.00			300.00	16.74			23.59	38.00	556.64		1117.97
19	Sperling.....		57.00	3.50								111.03		171.53
284	Winnipeg Nord-Ende.....	(18.00 Cr.)	870.00	20.10 (Sp. Kasse)		412.67	94.75			140.00		1790.01		3327.53
226	Winnipeg Sued-Ende.....		678.00			10.00	17.72					750.33		1456.05
220	Winkler.....	2180.00	700.00			205.00		35.00				4017.00		4957.00
	Direkte Gaben.....				2082.59	840.00		162.17						3084.76
	U.S.A.....					57.00		191.30						248.30
	Ungeannt.....					10.00		10.00				1722.82		1742.82
	M.B. Bible College.....											720.28		720.28
	Manitoba Konferenz.....											361.92		361.92
2439		3251.22	7952.59	106.70	2292.59	3786.43	414.60	698.91		587.09	45.80	24032.87		39917.58

Durchschnitt pro Glied pro Jahr \$16.37

Average per member.

Gliederzahl 1949	SUED SASKATCHEWAN Gemeinde	Rueckstand bis 1 Juni-50	Konferenz Kasse	Konferenz Buecher	College	Bethesda	Tabor	Minneapolis u. Juden	Jugend Konferenz	50c Steuer	Russen Mission	Verschiedene Mission	Paraguay Kirchbau	Total
43	Bethania.....	40.00	89.00			25.00						177.02		291.02
60	Elim.....	50.00	130.00	3.00		11.17	4.68					327.35	12.55	468.65
21	Friedensheim.....		63.00	2.50								133.37	8.75	216.62
56	Greenfarm.....	84.00	84.00			1.86		15.15		9.00		271.33		372.34
34	Gnadenau.....		102.00	3.50	8.25	8.08	6.50	12.00				281.47		42.80
167	Herbert and Eyebrow.....		501.00			28.00		10.00			24.28	359.92		923.20
211	Main Centre.....		632.94	15.00		15.05	12.48					900.56		1576.03
14	Regina.....		42.00		5.00	76.00	10.00					105.10		235.10
39	Reinfeld.....		117.00	5.00		57.50						122.40		301.90
32	Swift Current.....		96.00				8.47					182.13		286.60
61	Woodrow.....		183.00			50.00						97.00		330.00
	Privat.....											355.25		355.25
	Lucky Lake.....							10.00				67.49		77.49
	Direkte Gaben.....					13.51		10.00						23.51
	Direkte Gaben.....				76.50 (All Sask.)	50.00								126.50
738		174.00	2039.94	29.00	89.75	336.17	42.13	57.15		9.00	24.28	3380.29	21.30	6029.01

Durchschnitt pro Glied pro Jahr \$5.17

Average per member.

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Gliedersahl 1949	NORD SASKATCHEWAN Gemeinde	Rueckstand bis 1 Juni-50	Konferens Kasse	Konferens Buecher	College	Bethesda	Tabor	Minneapolis u. Juden	Jugend Konferens	50c Steuer	Russen Mission	Verschiedene Mission	Paraguay Kirchbau	Total
54	Aberdeen.....	15.00	147.00			11.84	9.41	8.35		24.50		398.28		599.38
54	Borden.....		246.00		15.00	104.10	4.73	16.35		41.00		606.27		1033.43
91	Bruderfeld.....	73.00	200.00			11.13		8.00			12.55	1167.60		1399.28
6	Compass-Mission Stn.....											13.50		13.50
246	Dalmeny.....		738.00			311.46	38.61	109.38		146.00		3410.97		4754.42
23	Foam Lake.....		89.00		25.00	15.00	25.00			11.50		223.87		369.37
136	Glenbush.....		408.00		7.50	473.00	28.30	65.40		68.00	50.00	1168.44		2268.64
222	Hepburn.....	577.99	819.05			46.44	24.25	50.00		112.50		1899.33		2951.57
57	Laird.....		171.00			45.00	10.00	25.00		28.50		1904.20		2183.70
20	Lashburn.....		60.00			30.00						94.40		184.40
9	Maidstone.....		27.00			10.00						15.00		32.00
4	Mullingar.....		12.00			40.00				1.00		42.55		95.55
124	Saskatoon.....		381.00	5.06		92.50	53.27	10.00		62.00	5.50	448.73		1058.08
3	Speedwell-Mission Stn.....		9.00							.50		18.25		27.75
13	Warman-Mission Stn.....		21.00							3.50		71.00		95.50
121	Waldheim.....		363.00			79.00	48.38					1384.58		1874.96
81	Watrous.....	15.00	260.00				26.85	42.09		38.00		570.58		935.32
	Nord Saskatchewan.....			87.50			10.00	3.00		18.00		10.00		115.50
	Direkte Gaben.....											1742.56		130.00
	Ungenannt von ganz Sask.....													1742.56
1264	Rueckstand Nachanscheuss Erledigt.....	680.99	3931.05	92.56	47.50	1269.47	278.80	337.57		553.00	68.05	15190.13		21768.13

Durchschnitt pro Glied pro Jahr \$17.22  
Average per member.

Gliedersahl 1949	ONTARIO Gemeinde	Rueckstand bis 1 Juni-50	Konferens Kasse	Konferens Buecher	College	Bethesda	Tabor	Minneapolis u. Juden	Jugend Konferens	50c Steuer	Russen Mission	Verschiedene Mission	Paraguay Kirchbau	Total
14	Respeler.....		42.00			85.00	19.75	16.00		7.00	16.00	19.75		205.50
253	Kitchener.....		759.00	20.00		544.08	139.56					1034.66		2497.30
166	Leamington.....		498.00	26.03		289.77	73.64	29.79		76.50	46.31	871.63		1911.69
				(Konf. Opfer)										
19	New Hamburg.....		57.00	3.50	10.00	104.00	10.00					76.00		260.50
94	Port Rowan.....		282.00	11.00	(Konf. Opfer)	235.00	56.00					391.00		982.50
				7.50										
146	St. Catharines.....		438.00	12.50	5.00	50.15	79.18					876.96		1514.03
				52.24	(Konf. Opfer)									
265	Vineland.....		795.00			86.80	110.00	115.70			39.77	1525.47		2672.74
401	Virgil.....		1203.00	37.50		734.33	165.34	80.97		6.50		3203.44		5433.08
	Ontario Konferens.....			355.00 Sp.K.								677.37		1032.27
	Direkte Gaben.....				1009.13	2284.19		4.00				136.93		3297.32
	Ungenannt.....													136.93
1358			4074.00	525.27	1024.13	4413.32	653.47	246.46		90.00	102.08	8915.13		19943.66

Durchschnitt pro Glied pro Jahr \$14.69  
Average per member.



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Gliederungs- 1940	BRITISH COLUMBIA	Rückstand bis 1 Juni-50	Konferenz- Kasse	Konferenz- Buchhalter	College	Hetheda	Tabor	Minneapolis u. Juden	Jugend- Konferenz	50% Steuer	Russen Mission	Verschiedene Mission	Paraguay Kirchbau	Total
192	Arnold.....		576.00			269.62	21.15				11.00	1209.69		2076.46
53	Black Creek.....		170.50			36.08	44.93					721.39		983.90
182	Chilliwack.....		546.00									1542.49		2358.49
237	East Chilliwack.....		612.50									2196.20		3024.20
179	East Aldergrove.....		537.00				8.10	46.39				1590.04		2240.03
63	Kelowna.....		189.00					30.00				194.07	2.00	489.22
182	Matsqui.....		546.00		49.40	34.15	22.70	25.00				1654.67		2544.77
238	North Abbotsford.....		687.00			246.00	63.22	50.00			51.00	3716.06		4767.28
500	South Abbotsford.....		1489.50			378.00	54.75	30.57				3473.78		5426.80
84	Strawberry Hill.....		282.00			417.00						934.01		1216.91
270	Sardis.....		700.00			100.00	.60	108.46				1534.80		2651.80
215	Vancouver.....		645.00		10.00	527.65	50.30	127.55				3557.65		4421.71
875	Yarrow.....		2625.00			341.55	131.60	55.00		1600.00		2932.27		6202.77
	Konferenz.....	1026.50	4991.99		217.83	218.00		35.00				372.90	153.20	7654.07
	Direkte Gaben.....				77.00							272.75		272.75
	Oliver.....											102.00		102.00
	Ungenannt.....											249.50		249.50
	Abbotsford Bibel-Schule.....													
3279		1026.50	14507.49		354.23	3045.05	394.35	528.97		1600.00	62.00	26645.17	155.20	47382.46

Durchschnitt pro Glied pro Jahr \$14.45

ALBERTA														
468	Coaldale.....		1404.00		100.00	1005.31	80.57	135.40	24.59	234.00	31.40	2813.41	76.84	5905.32
126	Gem.....		378.00			644.00	44.06	112.42		66.50	124.55	641.06	50.00	2060.59
43	Grassy Lake.....		129.00		20.00	127.56	80.85	20.54	14.26	21.50	30.75	618.93		1063.39
71	Linden.....		213.00		50.00	75.00		35.00		35.50	20.60		10.00	439.10
34	Lindbrook.....	5.00	105.00			91.00	5.00		15.00	17.50	25.00	325.00	300.00	885.50
46	La Glace.....		330.00		50.00	100.00	15.00	35.00		21.50	43.50	540.09	25.00	1120.00
41	Namaka.....		128.00		50.00	175.00	15.00	10.00			165.00			603.00
25	Pincher Creek.....		75.00	5.00	45.00	40.00	10.00	10.00		8.50	100.00	487.50		781.00
16	Rosemary.....		57.00							7.00		133.35		197.35
85	Vauxhall.....		255.00		108.26	112.00	35.00	62.82	30.66	42.50	84.00	797.52		1527.76
	New Bridgen.....					5.00								5.00
	Direkte Gaben.....				66.02	37.00		137.88						240.90
	Konferenz.....						31.75					350.00		381.75
	Grand Prairie.....											100.09		100.00
	Munson.....											39.00		39.00
	Auf Coaldale Konferenz.....											563.61		563.61
955			3069.00	10.00	489.28	2406.87	317.23	546.06	84.51	454.50	484.80	7574.38	461.64	15916.27

Average per member Durchschnitt pro Glied pro Jahr \$16.67

The above in part of the statistical report.

Deliberation: Life was in this discussion. Questions were asked and satisfactorily answered by the appropriate persons.

Continuation of the conference financial report is in synoptic form and clarity concerning the operations of the treasury. It is approved.

The matter of Board tax: The delegates were reminded that those funds are to be sent to the conference treasurer.

Brother H. Regehr the delegation on the order of conference booklets. We ought to follow the example of the North Saskatchewan province: The province pays for the whole order of all the churches with the definite number ordered.

After brother J. Redekop made a few remarks, rather announcements, the session closes with prayer by brother C. A. DeFehr.

The 9th Business Session on Thursday afternoon.

After a number of songs sung by a ladies trio and by the congregation, brother J. Penner, Ontario spoke the opening prayer for this session.

The point on the conference budget was submitted for the year 1950-1951.

Das Budget wird von dem Kassierer der Konferenz vorgelegt:

Budget für das Jahr 1950-51:

Ausgaben:

M.B. Bibel College .....	\$13,000.00
Sonntagsschule .....	3,000.00
Jugendarbeit .....	750.00
Predigerkurse .....	500.00
Schulden abtragen .....	4,000.00
Gesangessache .....	750.00
Zinsen auf Schulden .....	1,000.00
Für Schreiber und Kanzlei .....	500.00
Reisen der versch. Komiteeglieder .....	2,000.00
Christian Press Shares .....	400.00
Canada Inland Mission .....	7,300.00
50% Board Steuer .....	4,000.00

\$37,200.00

The budget was approved with the change that the shares to the Christian Press should be paid this year, if possible.

In that connection, the submitted plan of the provincial conference was read once more, whether the conference would grant them their paying off their debt to the conference in this year and then release them from further obligations with reference to that debt. The answer of the Reference and Council committee was announced.

#### The Recommendations concerning Conference Debt.

At the occasion of the Alberta Conference of the M. B. Churches in the month of June of that year that a debt of \$58,000.00 is on the conference record. This debt developed during the better economical years. During those years when the Bible College, the Bethesda Mental Institution were built. We looked at these institutions as entrusted to us by God, but now we have thoughts about that the debt piled up during these prosperous years that must be paid in the more lean years and maybe bear heavily under the debts.

a) The Alberta conference for that reason requests the Canadian conference to permit them in the course of the conference year to pay \$6.00 per member for the purpose of paying off its share of that debt presuming that the conference of the M. B. churches would not hold the Alberta conference responsible in the future with reference to this debt. There are church resolutions of individual churches in line with this resolution.

b) It was further agreed to recommend to the Canadian conference the above mentioned debt to liquidate that debt this year.

#### The Recommendations of the Reference and Council.

The committee of Reference and Council heard the decision of the Alberta Provincial conference concerning the \$58,000.00 debt and takes it under consideration which closed with the following resolution:

If the conference would allow the Alberta conference to pay off their part of the debt and with that release them from any further obligations from this debt, it should affect that it be paid by voluntary contributions.

But it would be well to bring its contribution with the request, that the churches should find a way to liquidate the debt soon.

Opinions were given from different sides about this, it was decided to take this under consideration and take this thought to the churches.

What concerns the treasury, the conference expresses itself commendably about it and thanks for the good work and the clear overall report and approves it.

The treasurer, C. A. DePehr is unanimously re-elected for that office for the year 1950-1951.

#### The Board.

The report of the Board was read and presented Tuesday evening. Brother B. B. Janz presented the recommendations in the name of the Board.

The Board recommended that the work of helping immigrants should be supported materially and prayerfully in intercession and to persevere a warm heart until the work is ended. He pleads that we shall not let up in the matter of immigration as long as we have the possibility.

The conference thanks the Board for the efforts and greets with 1 Cor. 15:58.

The total Board members were re-elected. (List on previous pages.)

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### The Central Mennonite Assistance Committee.

Brother S. S. Janz the representative of this committee points to the spiritual care and its need in South America. That is especially true of the immigrants who came last into the land; mostly without ministers and deacons.

He urges to differentiate between A.C.C. from the work of the Central Mennonite Assistance Committee. Consequently, the assistance money should be separate and just separate from that of M.C.C.

A further difficult circumstance is the need of places to worship. The churches in the U.S. have done much to the support of the churches in S.A. As Canadians have no treasury for that cause. At the session of the General Conference Welfare Committee in January the wish was expressed that our conference should do our part too. Our committee of Reference and Council will say something to that aspect.

The gospel and service in the M. B. churches in South America.

Brother Janz points in his report to the great opportunities that we have at present to proclaim the Gospel in S.A. Unfortunately, they have too few church houses and also too few ministers, and the workers that are there need deepening experiences through the Word of God, instruction in it or appropriate and stimulating literature. All that the churches there cannot do that with their own means, consequently, they also need assistance in this area. But we in our conference have no treasury for this purpose.

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed to make this recommendation to the conference: "We recognize that we as conference with respect to the above need provides the need and the opportunity and responsibility and therefore gladly do something to help. A larger sum of money will be necessary, but in order not to burden the conference treasury any further, we should lift two offerings twice a year for this cause and send it to the treasurer of the conference with the remark of the purpose of this offering. Neither do we have a special committee for this cause in South America. But we thank the brethren who are members in the welfare committee and M.C.C. also work in this matter, they did work in the spirit of the conference and request them to represent us further in this matter.

In connection of the preceding discussion an appeal was made for books of value for S.S. These should be books that are valuable to the ministers, S.S., and useful for youth workers. These books could be sent to The Christian Press LTD., 78 Princess Street, Winnipeg, Canada.

### The Financial of The Western Central Mennonite Central Mennonite Assisting Committee.

Kassenbestand den 1. Jan. 1950 .....	\$ 5,541.74
Einnahmen vom 1. Jan. — 22. Juli/50 .....	36,344.93

Total .....	\$41,886.67
Ausgaben vom 1. Jan. — 22. Juli/50 .....	41,083.89

In der Kasse den 2. Juli, 1950 ..... \$ 802.72  
Die Einnahmen von \$36,344.93 verteilen sich auf die westlichen  
Provinzen etwa wie folgt:

Manitoba .....	\$ 9,068.15
Saskatchewan .....	7,043.57
Alberta .....	7,670.76
B. C. ....	11,698.03

The receipts this year are \$36,334.93. In the same period—June 1, 1949 the receipts were \$61,128.90. In comparison to the previous year, Jan. 1, to July 22, this year the amount is \$24,783.97. less in contributions.

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Since 1945 and on the receipts stand as follows:

\$ 44,867.93 .....	im Jahre 1945
145,037.81 .....	" 1946
118,734.80 .....	" 1947
69,565.54 .....	" 1948
101,211.81 .....	" 1949
36,344.93 .....	soweit in 1950

Adds up the total sum in cash \$515,762.82. It divides to the Provinves:

\$156,828.32	von Manitoba
140,435.53	von Saskatchewan
125,264.26	von B. C.
79,094.52	von Alberta.

These amounts do not include the hundreds and thousands of dollars do not include the value of clothes, eating products, tools and machines that were collected and via M.C.C. sent to Europe, South America et. etc.

C. A. DeFehr, Treasurer.

Year	Cloth. received	Bales Cases	Cloth. shipped	Value shipped	Help.	Visit.
1945 .....	63,714 lbs.	159	23,233 lbs.	\$ 25,303.25	559	709
1946 .....	94,221 "	727	108,459 "	116,603.30	1383	488
1947 .....	87,910 "	452	70,701 "	88,325.00	848	461
1948 .....	63,226 "	428	66,283 "	96,788.88	533	391
1949 .....	41,134 "	322	41,827 "	66,713.00	225	231
1950 til June	29,181 "	180	24,384 "	33,639.00	117	136
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>379,386 "</b>	<b>2268</b>	<b>334,877 "</b>	<b>\$427,372.42</b>	<b>3548</b>	<b>2280</b>

Clothing recieved from various Churches during 1946—1950:

	C.N.R.	Gen.Conf.	M.B.	Non Men.	Misc.
1946 .....	14,389 lbs.	26,529 lbs.	36,947 lbs.	2,821 lbs.	5,007 lbs.
1947 .....	29,724 "	22,232 "	31,930 "	158 "	3,362 "
1948 .....	21,096 "	19,056 "	20,580 "	470 "	2,024 "
1949 .....	15,329 "	10,616 "	13,244 "	6 "	1,939 "
1950 til June	6,988 "	9,304 "	11,946 "	62 "	865 "
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>87,526 "</b>	<b>87,737 "</b>	<b>114,647 "</b>	<b>3,517 "</b>	<b>13,197 "</b>

Ready for Shippment approx. 200 Bales and Cases 25,756 lb.  
Value \$29,845.

Clothing shipped from Winnipeg Center, 1945—1950:

	Cases	Weight	Value
Sept. 1945 .....	159	shipped to England	23,223 \$25,303.25
Feb. 1946 .....	114	shipped to Holland	17,925 19,889.25
July .....	440	shipped to Germany	62,971 68,653.00
December .....	208	shipped to Germany	34,063 40,277.76
March 1947 .....	162	shipped to Germany	24,595 27,514.00
May 1947 .....	80	shipped to Germany	12,390 14,503.00
Sept. 1947 .....	145	shipped to Hungary	23,482 30,233.00
Jan. 1948 .....	140	shipped to Germany	22,622 34,460.00
April 1948 .....	190	shipped to Germany	28,805 37,031.00
July 1948 .....	148	shipped to Germany	22,895 30,678.31
March 1949 .....	197	shipped to Germany	25,393 37,177.00
Sept. 1949 .....	95	shipped to Paraguay	14,218 24,811.71
June 1950 .....	95	shipped to Paraguay	13,768 20,475.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>2,173</b>	<b>326,350</b>	<b>\$411,006.28</b>

This financial report was approved with much appreciation.

Election:

The brethren presently in the committee are: C.F. Klassen, C. A DeFehr, G. Derksen, Yarrow, B. P. Janz, P. P. Kroeker, Hepburn.

The same brethren were re-elected. The wish is expressed that the Western Central Mennonite Assistance Committee that this committee work closely and cooperatively with the Provincial Committee.

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Defenselessness by B. D. Janz, Chairman.

Five time this canadian conference has convened when the land is at peace, all the boys at home peacefully at work together with the family. Nobody was pressured for any kind of service out there somewhere. A wonderful in deep peace. A wonderful family life at home. That is grace from God and a plus for the government. The committee had no needs: no difficulties.

The night before the great world events the conference is convening. The world, also our land, our churches, families, especially the young men could in a short time be in a situation that has never been there before, need, distress. But thousands of us have experienced it at one time. The grace of God led these thousands into corner of the world. We thank the Lord and Canada and our churches of this land who rescued us.

Under such a sense of responsibility this committee appears before this conference with a peace report of the past. We give an account before this conference.

The committee met to examine the situation. There were also discussions with representatives of other defenseless churches concerning the kind of service of the young men in the event a new war and concerning the appropriate time to appear before the government officials to prepare the way for our young men. One conference we had in Kitchner, Ontario with representatives from different defenseless churches, english and german. The points discussed: 1) That the government will not put mobilization in peace time. 2) that the government would not harm immigration and close the doors for the defenseless immigrants, if we come with the question in peace time. 3) That several conferences agitate for forest, highway and farm service, while other would go as far as doing sanitation service. It was left to the representatives in the East to send representatives at a given time to the government set the time and then call us from the West, because they are near by and because they are historically older and more experienced, and, finally, they have the best relationship with the government officials from earlier connections.

On May 2, there was a second meeting in Winnipeg with the General Conference. May other representatives from the older churches could not come, because the flood was already in process. The above services were again considered, but strong disincline toward the sanitation service, because that service requires military practices and probably as soldier and fighting demanded of Him. Again a wonderful gathering for defenselessness occurred on May 8-11 in Detroit, Michigan of more than 15 denominations of the larger groups some 470 delegates who in the past had little ear for defenseless and now definitely agitate for this our position. What happened at Detroit has never happened before. While in many Mennonite homes war and shedding of blood is fading, there is a large movement arising committing themselves to the peace program. Therefore, Mennonite people, Mennonite Brethren Church wake up and strengthen that which is about to die, otherwise the Lord will destroy your candelstick, or find other witnesses.

Three large peace conferences one in Winnipeg, one is Saskatoon and one in Sardis have been held, likely the last one was the most fruitful one where your committee members were permitted to serve in all three.

It is further very important that in these years of peace our M.B. Conference took up this question anew and clarified it: once in the spirit of repentance and humiliation, where our boys position in the last war was too weak. We passed judgment over ourselves. Our position in the next war should be clearer. Every church member that enters the active military service breaks with the church.

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That person that breaks fellowship with the church can return on the basis of change of mind concerning participation in war. That all the parents must note as well as the church leaders and place clearly before the young people in the coming critical days. That will help the young people to go the clear way. The will help our representatives when we appear before the government officials in working for the alternative position. It was very profitable for the cause that the church delegated brethren to give instruction along that line and thus establish you<sup>in</sup> this doctrine of the Bible. Hopefully this has been done that has been done in all the Provinces. That already made a deep impression, more so than sending young brethren as peace teams of young brethren through the churches. It is profitable that this clear position and the teaching is carried on in times of peace. Let us continue that path today more than ever. During the time of peace that would hardly be permissible.

We expect that a brochure will come from our General Conference written by one of our brethren for our young men and put it into the hand of every one of our young men as soon as possible. Further, we expect a little booklet here in Canada telling concerning defenselessness. It should appear in a few weeks in all the churches of both conferences.

In view of the the early draft of our young men, we wish to remind that in 1948 our conference in Ontario passed a resolution that along all the alternative services, also forest, highway, farm, hospital and especially also the sanitation service be determined in which our young men may find more satisfaction. It shall be left to the conscience of every individual to make his own choice, only not military. Today the conference ought to determine accurately the sanitation service. Because the general Sanitary service looks upon the young man as a full soldier in the training as well as later in the battle in the event emergency, he may be called upon to kill, not only preserve, for that reason, we recommend:

- 1) That for the reason, that we should definitely old to the C. O. Position, C.O. sanitation, strictical medical corps. In that they are gauranteed to preserve life and not to destroy life, no weapon training etc etc. Because this service in the last war was on the way so we have the best pros\_pect, that of all the alternative services this may be the most acceptable to the officers of the government.
- 2) We want to intercede for the other alternative services and leave it up to the individual young men.
- 3) As a new service that has never been considered the civilian sanitation (Kolonnen ?) service, recommend help for bombed cities.
- 4) That several hundred dollars be budgeted for the committee in the event of sudden trips which may have to be made, representation and for literature.
- 5) We recommend that in all the homes of our members where there are young men prayer meetings be held at home, that the face of the Lord be earnestly sought for the proper and a clear way in the night of the distress. Because this time the girl will be drafted (what God may prevent) , the prayer services are just as important for them.

The report and the recommendations are considered. Many times the question is raised in the churches and has come up here: "Why not work with the government now?"

Answer: a) The immigration process might thus be interrupted. b) In the process of working together with the canadian Old Mennonites who are much older historically in this country, is the understanding, that they have the precedence and will appear before the government when the proper moment arises.

The report and recommendations are approved. (So the translator assumes).

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The Reference and Council Committee.

A number of recommendations have been made by this committee along the way of the deliberations and have been read and approved by the conference. A few more recommendations are now made:

Defenselessness? To be accepted as a basic regulation. After casting more light on this question, the conference agrees to the point, that instead of making the question of defenselessness a church rule, rather put into the hand of each baptismal candidate the printed pamphlet of the "Confession of Faith" into his hands and discuss the content with the young people in a meeting. At the time of baptism, the first consideration should be the "confession of Faith," and then present the biblical guide-lines for christian living. The printed "Confession of Faith" is available at the M. B. Publishing House, Hillsboro, Kansas.

Memoographing the church regulations and send them to the churches. This wish has been expressed by brethren, and the Reference and Council recommends: That this wish be implemented with the addition that the "Confession of Faith" of the M. B. Churches be included. Brother Regehr, the secretary, be charged with the responsibility to see to it that the memoographing be done.

The Debt of the Lindal Mission Station of \$162.00: This station was formerly a Manitoba mission station. The provincial Reference and Council Committee from Manitoba refers to the Cominon RAC and requests to strike this debt. The RAC committee recommends to the conference that that be done.

Voluntary Service of M.C.C. In the report and in the discussion it was pointed out the significance of that service. It must be recognized that in the light of the growing projects there is not enough money coming into the treasury of M.C.C. to finance such projects. The dominion Reference and Council, therefore recommends: we sanction the voluntary service arrangement of M.C.C., but we contend that the money that is given only for assistance of the needy, may be used for that purpose only. In the event that churches contribute especially for that purpose, these gifts should be sent to the, whatever address, with the appropriate identification.

Sanitary Service: The alternative service that was rendered by the Mennonites in the last world war is known to us. In the past conferences were held, and there is one announced and therefore in prospect in the month of October. On these conferences the question is considered what direction we want to take in the event of another war and what will we want to present to the government? At the close of the last war, there was discussion with the government and its leaning to the C.O. sanitation service (Restricted Medical Corps). We now face the question, as to the plan we want to submit to our churches. A long discussion ensued. There was agreement to recommend to the conference, that we a) hold to the C.O. service of the last war, as for instance, forest, highway farm, hospital etc.etc. also for the future we hold to that. b) but such who cannot agree, nor want to agree, we recommend the C.O. sanitation service, that is, the "Restricted Medical Corps," or the civilian workers for bombed out cities. (The translator is not certain what is meant by "Zivilkolonnen".)

The recommendations are approved.

At the last year's conference it was decided that the theme: "The evangelical Lieberty in the Mennonite Brethren Churches of Canada." This was meant to be sent to the churches to be discussed on this conference and then express it position. Brother J. A. Harder reported now, that the reactions in the churches varied.

For that reason, the committee of Reference and Council recommends that this article<sup>be</sup> embodied in the conference record with the exclusion of the last paragraph of the article, and instead include point 1 and 3 on page 38 and 39 of the constitution of the canadian conference in order to underline the principle of the conference. This was approved, therefore the article follows.



## The Evangelical Liberty in the Mennonite Brethren Churches of Canada.

The word "conference" we do not find in the Bible, but its essence appears in Acts 15:2 and 6. In the city of Antioch the church ordered; the church which had 5 teachers in the church, that Paul and Barnabas and a few others move out toward Jerusalem to the apostles and the elders for the sake of settling the question concerning circumcision. The apostle and the elders met to discuss and council about this question. After the conclusion of the discussion and their agreement a copy of the report was given into the hands of Judas and Silas which pleased the Holy Spirit and the brethren.

This council settled once and for all times, that when difficult questions arise, that brethren get together, discuss and agree. Then this decision be circulated among the churches as a guide-line in the church life. This decision, rather these decision shall be in harmony with the Word and leading of the Lord. This decision of these questions were not left up to the individual churches, not even Paul and Peter, it was expected of the whole body of mature brethren.

That is the thinking of the conference of the M. B. Churches of Canada. As in the Bible, the individual christian, the individual church, yes, the universal church, called the house of God, so we say also that the corporate body of the M. B. churches that they constitute the house of God in which the Lord through His Spirit rules in His Word. In this way of thinking the conference is an organism which has been cleansed through the blood of Christ, better, Jesus Christ. This unity comes in baptism, in the death of Christ Jesus, and through the communion in memory of the death of the Lord Jesus Christ which gives expression of these truths.

The conference is an organization of the churches that have found themselves together voluntarily remain united for the purpose of building the spiritual house or the life for the purpose of making possible a serious training and mission work. The M. B. churches will never be ruled by a single member on the basis of the fact of their voluntary union, but ruled by the Lord Jesus Christ through His Word. In this union the individual remains in harmony with the understanding that the corporate body has over the decrees of God.

As much as we may wish that the individual member of the church through the Word of God under the guidance of the Holy Spirit come to a clear knowledge of the Word on his own, the fact remains, that we together with all the saints discern the decrees of God.

This remains our objective to grow up in all the knowledge of God, better, in unity of the knowledge of God in His Son Jesus Christ, arrive at one meaning so that we can stand against all the wiles of the devil. The conference strives get itself straight through the Word in all the questions and church matters. It is for that reason that our Confession of Faith states: In the process of making resolutions in the individual churches, as in the case of the General Conference, the resolution becomes the rule of the body, that if differences of understanding arise, the minority yields to the majority, since freedom and order in the house of God can be preserved in that way only.

Although the teaching of the apostle in Scripture is clearly laid down, it can happen, that an individual christian or an individual church does not understand a Word correctly. The apostle Paul wrote to the Corinthians that they should have nothing to do with immoral persons. Since the Corinthians did not understand in how far the separation should reach, the apostle had to clarify that this word did not apply to the unclean persons of the world, otherwise they had to clean up the world. We find ourselves at times in the same frame of mind when we are face to face with the Word or face life questions and we ask ourselves: "How can we find ourselves through this?" Who shall give the answer? The Lutherans, the Methodists or the Baptist theologians? Or can we as a corporate body of our brethren give us light? The conference can help there.

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Also in the church questions the apostle Paul had to give council when Timothy and Titus in whom the Holy Spirit dwelt as well, who leads into all truth, yet they needed the council of brother Paul. Alone they would not have found their way through. So we are who are no apostles, we like they receive direct special revelations, we are dependent on the corporate body of the brethren. That makes an end to all one-sided individualism and subjectivism.

What would have happened to christianity when in the second and the third centuries individuals with a strong personalities has set their way through with their christology? They would all have scattered in the one-sided subjectivism.

What would well have happened in south Russia with the fellowship movement, if professor Stroeter with his teaching of "Niederbringung"? And what would have happened to the L. B. Church, if the "jolly" movement that broadened itself under Becker and Bartel had not found a dam in the majority of the brethren? Thus we are dependent on other brethren in many questions. Under such circumstances it is well that churches get together and find the way for the church.

Article II. The churches in their relationship to the conference.

1. Each church is independent in the process of regulating its inner affairs. The local church decides on the election of officers in the church, as well as for the work to that which called them in Christ Jesus. It should be its serious striving of all the churches that belong to the conference to preserve the unity in the "spirit in the bond of peace" (Eph. 4:3) "walk by the same rule, let us mind the same thing," Philipians 3:16.

2. The conference considers to obligated to all the churches that belongs to it, to acknowledge all the resolutions that have been passed in an orderly fashion and carry them through to the best possibilities. That includes all the branches of the work that the conference has assumed, and also those that are assumed in the future days, that is, by agreement. However, the respective officers should see to it that all questions are announced in good time so that the churches can deliberate concerning them before they come to a vote of the conference.

Election of the members to the Reference and Council Committee:

The following nominations were made in each of the respective Provinces:

Ontario: Is. Thiessen; Gerh. Epp.

Manitoba: A. H. Unruh; D. D. Derksen.

North Sask.: H. A. Willms; Is. Block

Alberta: B. B. Janz; David Pankratz.

B. C. : J. P. Graun; H. Bartsch; Is. Toews.

The results of the election: Is. Thiessen; A. H. Unruh; H. A. Willms;

B. B. Janz, J. P. Braun; (This election was for two-year term.)

The ladies trio served in singing another song.

The Invitation for the conference.

For the next General Conference.

Agreed that the expenses are shared by the Provinces as a whole.

Winkler and Winnipeg invited. By the vote Winkler was favored.

The 1951 General Conference will meet in Winkler, Manitoba, Canada.

Concerning the time the conference shall convene. It is impossible to satisfy every church in this large conference, or every section of N. A. For that reason the host church to that conference, rather the Province, agree together with the leadership of the General Conference and agree according to the possibilities the most appropriate time for all be chosen and announced in good time.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

## Home Mission Reports from the Provinces.

### Ontario:

"I have come that they might have life and have it more abundantly." We are happy and thankful to the God of love, that the Ontario M. B. Churches chose that as its guideline in the work. In order to live in Him and carry out His commands, our churches attempt to build the church up in the most holy faith and bring to the lost sinners the message of the redemption of Christ. For that reason all the brothers and sisters gather Sunday by Sunday for worship where the message is proclaimed by song and the proclamation of the message from God.

In order to implant the word of God early into a child's life, Sunday school is conducted and the children are right in the place of worship. Through our Eden Bible school that was doing full time work in the past year by the grace of God, more and more S.S. teachers are prepared, youth workers and other workers that the church utilizes in its ministry in the Province.

We are thankful to God for the Bible school, but also for Eden Bible school which also operated last year by the grace of God. It does not fail to help in the mission work. Since our new high school has been, we have sufficient room. No one needs to stay away, because of lack of room.

In the churches the choirs adorn the gospel ministry. Under the leadership of D. Friesen, Winnipeg, song courses were conducted on several places, that left good effects.

Also the ministers and the Deacons met twice in the past year. In the last conference brother A. H. Unruh among them and gave messages in the evening. Those hours were a great blessing to those who were in attendance.

In the individual churches we attempt to build the church by Bible study and prayer. Every church has its annual Bible discussions. The deepening of the faith life services brother C. C. Peters served who at present is in Paraguay again who had worked here under the blessing of God.

The annual S. S. convention and the Youth conference contributed much also this year that our youth works on faithfully and courageously. Many take advantage of the opportunity to conduct summer Bible schools. The field is becoming larger and larger each successive year and with the responsibility of the Ontario churches to serve faithfully and in the true love of Jesus in that field.

We are especially thankful to the Lord for the mission field at Goldwater, which is several hundred miles from here. Brother and sister Henry Lick who have been appointed to serve there by the Ontario Conference. Wonderfully the Lord opens the door there for the gospel. What man cannot do, the Lord is able and He demonstrated that. Honor to Him!

The evangelistic work at present is being done by brother J. A. Toews, Winnipeg. We pray that the Lord will bless him and the church in a special way that sinners be saved and the Lord's Name highly exalted for the Lord wills not that any be lost nor the death of the sinner, but that he be saved and live.

A. P. Janzen, Ontario M. B. Conf. secretary.

### North Saskatchewan:

Dear brothers and sisters of the conference,

In Acts 14:27 it is stated that when the apostles returned from their first missionary journey "gathered the church together, they rehearsed all that God had done with them." What was accomplished in the past year in the area of home mission work has come from the Lord thanks to the power of the Holy Spirit in and through the power of the Holy Spirit through weak human workmanship.

At present there are 9 churches in the district of north Saskatchewan, with one and several ministers in every church. Every Sunday, with few exceptions, the true word, the living Word of God was proclaimed in the preaching service, S.S., youth unions, youth gatherings and through prayer services. Much seed was implanted into the hearts of the hearers and this Word of the Lord, the seed, will not return void.

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In this area there are four churches and groups without a shepherd. These take care of themselves as well as they can, but they are visited by ministers once or twice a month. We are thankful to the Lord for the help He extends through His ministers who come to feed the flock with the bread from heaven. But we come to see it more and more that that is hardly sufficient that ministers come once and twice a month; we need steady workers that minister the Word and nurture and do personal work among the members and visit the unsaved. Two churches with about 100 members in each have been dissolved due to people moving away, only individual members were left. To serve such members properly is not easy.

Secondly, I can report that we have two mission churches where the provincial conference supports a steady missionary where together with members of other persuasions regularly services are held. Preaching services, S. S. and young peoples work is being done. May the Lord be gracious and bless to all the services and grant His blessings as it pleases Him.

Bible studies and evangelistic services were conducted in all the churches and groups. This important work has been done by our brethren in the Province and of other brethren from other Provinces. God blessed the ministries. Apart of local Bible study we had two larger Bible discussion in the Province, one in November and one in the month of March. Visiting ministers conducted those. Bible school and children mission have their Bible conferences annually conducted by visiting missionaries which stimulates interest for missions. However, it is regrettable that several keep aloof from the deepening life service which are the most important and most necessary. The house visitations, the so-called personal work, has the characteristic, to reach those who keep a little aloof and to encourage them to participate or remove hindrances that may be in the way. This work is significant to the degree that it should not be neglected in any church. Wherever it is nurtured and done there a far-reaching blessing becomes evident through these ministries.

A ministers and deacons conferences were held in the district conducted by our loving old proved brother J. G. Wiens, Winkler, Manitoba. They were days of blessings.

To the development of the Kingdom of God belongs the christian hymn. Vocal music must be nurtured in the christian church. Almost in all the churches in the Province there are choirs active and minister in the services of the churches and the groups. Here and there are also men and youth choirs and music organizations. Youth likes to sing and the good influence of their services is not likely to be overestimated.

In most of the church libraries have been arranged and effort is being put forth to put good books into the hands of our young people. We regret, we must acknowledge that one branch of mission activity has sunk deeply: colporteur work. The main reason for that sinking can likely be ascribed to the fact that we have no full-time colporteur and we cannot get any however we try. But entirely dead the work is not some is done and was done. Very thankful we are to the Lord for brethren who besides the farm work do some of the colporteur work. The Lord bless those brethren.

A very important branch in the mission work in our Province is the children mission which we run parallel with the fringe mission, mission among people that surround our community and many places farther away are serve the gospel. Many children come into contact with the gospel through this ministry. In this work there are moments of decisions for the children to accept the Lord Jesus Christ. May God grant that many wonder with the Lord may be able to point back to these opportunities that they had to surrender to the Lord, that is, point back to these children missions.

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I must not forget to mention our christian high school taught by christian teachers who exert a positive christian influence on the students. That not only in the area of enriching the knowledge, but also in the area of building character of our young people which very often happens in their preparation in the bible school. Not only shall we thank our christian teachers of our conference, but also thank God for them. A few of our dear young people are in preparation for the call of medical work. We would like to devote ourselves to that hope that there will be such who would dedicate their future ministry to serve as medical doctors on the mission fields. May God lead in His Grace.

We also rejoice in the work of city mission, especially among the children. A sister Giesbrecht has been employed who gives her full time to that work. There are 6 or 7, some small and some larger, S.S. in process where in different days in private homes these children meet to hear of the Bible truths. May the Lord grant grace that this work would expand to the place that the gospel can be brought to the young people and that it may reach and change their lives also. The radio has been going on for 10 years and is still received well.

We are thankful to our dear God that we have the opportunity to serve the Lord and that the work would not be in vain. I close with the message of 1 Corinthians 15:58.

Upon the request of the Mission committee,  
H. S. Rempel.

#### British Columbia:

Greetings in the message of Acts 9:31.

This word of God has substantiated itself also in our mission work in B.C. in the past mission year. The Lord extended His good graces to our 14 churches of the Mennonite Brethren faith in B.C. with their more than 3000 members to be co-builders in the spreading of the gospel in the church circle and outside of that circle as we are by the grace of God attempting to do. With all the material reverses of last years, the churches did not grow weary in well doing for the Master.

The intertwined work in the Province is supervised and led by the mission committee which meets at least once in two months and deliberate on the difficult questions. Into this committee belong two brethren of each church and then the committees which supervise the individual branches of the work. Then, twice a year we the churches have representatives conferences who examine the reports of the work and provide guide lines for further work.

The most expanded work in the Province is the "West Coast Childrens Mission."

In that area we now have 8 missions: One at Ruskin, which is under the supervision of brother Peter Ewert; at Harrison Hot Springs supervised by brother and sister J. Martens who work blessed of the Lord and the third station is at Hope. The work there has progressed to the point that this station could become self-supporting under the leadership of the up-to now worker brother Teichroeb. A new station is to be opened, either at Prince Rupert or Oliver.

Through the mediation of the committee, we have succeeded to place 6 of our teachers in the schools on the Indian Reservation where they take care of also of the mission work through the S. school. Upon the wish of the government two sisters were employed in the hospitals there. We see there for us in B.C. a large mission field for our believing youth. The government remunerates well.

The summer school work last summer was carried on in 46 schools of our young brothers and sisters. Some 1600 children were under the ministry of the Word of God, 700 of them had never been in a Sunday school. An employed sister keeps up the connection with the children during the whole year and sends them S. S. material. A sizeable group came into touch with the Lord.

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A second branch of work is the city mission in Vancouver. There we have a girls home where two and three sisters are employed. At times there are so many girls working or studying in Vancouver that at times it is crowded. The newly emigrated girls find work and a place to come to. Brethren of the Vancouver M. B. church do the spiritual work there and also brethren from the different churches in the Fraser valley. The latter also minister regularly to the churches in Black Creek on the Island as well as the churches in Kelowna and Oliver.

For many years Jacob G. Thiessen is working among the Russian people and visits the many sick in the hospitals. We also have had S.S. for Hindu children. Recently, we succeeded in finding a brother and a sister (couple) who are employed full time as missionaries for Vancouver in order to open a station in that part or section of the city, a section where never work has been done. These missionaries are brother and sister H. G. Klassen from Aldergrove. The youth work is carried out systematically under the blessings of God. Our committee is putting forth effort to offer spiritual food to the young people.

In the churches the young people unions and youth evening take place on Sunday evening. During the Easter week in all the provinces 4 evenings a week messages are given about themes that minister to youth. Besides, we have youth festivals on which rich in content programs are given.

Also on the area of singing the church choirs compete: youth choirs through song festivals and music courses this competition is accentuated.

Also in the area of the S.S. thorough work is being done through the regular meetings of the S. S. workers, S. S. conventions the work is very fruitful, really, made fruitful.

Our believing youth is busy in distributing tracts and also at the radio work considered mission work. Everyone who desires to hear the Word of God has opportunity.

Deeper life messages in the churches do their part, also the Bible studies during the week and Bible discussions all that serves its purposes in God's program. The three Bible schools in the Province are of great value to the work. In E. Chilliwack, in Yarrow and in South Abbotsford where many of our young brothers and sisters under the direction of able instructors guide them into the Word of God.

A special advantage has our youth also in that we have a Christian high school in our area where more than 225 students receive their Christian education. We regret deeply that we have not succeeded to open the Yarrow high school again. We hope, however, that in time that will be possible.

In view of the threatening world war, we say to ourselves today, that maybe we need not wait to long, we at least hope, that we soon will be able to work in peace and undisturbed. Therefore, we quote the Word: "Work while it is day for the night cometh when no man can work."

In the name of the conference mission committee, A. A. Toews.

The Statistical report by the secretary:

Agreed to mimeograph this special sheet and sent to the churches. May this happen before the conference.

South Saskatchewan invited the conference for next year.

Election: Candidates: J. A. Harder, J. A. Toews, Is. Thiessen, J. F. Redekopp.

The elected: Chairman: J. A. Harder; J. A. Toews, vice-chairman.

Secretary: Brother H. Regehr.

# Reduced Train Fare:

Brother B. B. Fast inquires whether the should apply for reduced fare for the next year to the Railroad Company.

The thought was expressed and supported that brother Fast should take on help to do the correspondence work; and the expenses should be taken from the treasury. This was the agreement.

Brother Isaak Thiessen reminds the conference of mimeographing the constitution, and of the dedication of the new building of Bethesda.

Resolution: The Committee for Bethesda should mimeograph the constitution and distributed them to the churches.

b) On August 20 the dedication shall take place for Bethesda. In all the churches of the conference an offering shall be lifted for the Bethesda Mental Institution.

It is agreed the annual offerings at the close of the book be drawn together and contribute. (This statement is not clear in the original).

The wish was expressed also that the offerings taken on this conference be announced.

The offerings were taken at different times and some on different places. The are as follows:

## Kollekten auf der Konferenz in Abbotsford:

Juli 29. nachmittags für Jugendarbeit .....	\$332.25
abends für M. B. Bibel College .....	146.86
Juli 30. vormittags für Innere Mission .....	587.00
nachmittags für Äussere Mission .....	607.29
abends für Jugendarbeit .....	304.04
Juli 31. abends für Äussere Mission. ....	419.75
Aug. 1. abends für Hilfswerk .....	208.84
Aug. 2. abends für "Bethesda" .....	457.00
Aug. 3. morgens — Abendmahl .....	167.81
abends — Sängerfest .....	147.97
<b>In Matsqui:</b>	
Juli 30. vormittags für Innere Mission .....	41.75
nachmittags für Äussere Mission .....	89.13
<b>In Yarrow:</b>	
Juli 30. vormittags für Innere Mission .....	292.20
nachmittags für Äussere Mission .....	279.03
abends für Jugendsache .....	211.15
Juli 31. Für das M.C.C. ....	79.14
Aug. 1. Für Äussere Mission .....	212.97
Aug. 2. Für Bethesda, Ontario .....	127.75
Aug. 3. Für Gesangessache .....	88.99

Total ..... \$1,291.23



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#### 8. Sonntagsschulkomitee:

A. A. Kröker, 99 Hart Ave., Winnipeg, Vorsitzender.  
Die übrigen Glieder werden auf den Provinzialkonf. gewählt:  
Peter Löwen, B.C.; Dav. Pankrutz, Alta.; Paul Neufeld, S.-Sask.;  
J. M. Lepp, N.-Sask.; Is. Redekopp, Man.; F. F. Kröker, Ont.

#### 9. Vertreter für Tabor College:

J. Quiring, 90 Martin Ave., Winnipeg.

#### 10. Vertreter für General-Stadtmision:

J. A. Töws, 96 Noble Ave., Winnipeg.

#### 11. Nervenheilanstalt — "Bethesda":

bis 1953: J. K. Janzen, H. S. Rempel, A. Wiens.  
bis 1952: Is. Thiessen, D. D. Derksen, Man., Abr. Töws.  
bis 1951: Peter Derksen, Ont., H. F. Klassen, S.-Sask.

#### 12. Jugendkomitee: alle auf 1 Jahr.

H. F. Klassen, Wpg., Herm. Voth, B.C., B. Dick, Alta., Art.  
Martens, S.-Sask.; Henry Bürg, N.-Sask.; David Reimer, Man.;  
Henry Penner, Ont.

#### 13. Gesangskomitee:

Corn. Klassen, Nik. Fehderau, J. K. Schröder, Peter Dick, Alta.,  
H. P. Neufeld, C. D. Töws, J. B. Harder. (letzttere 3 bilden die  
Exekutive.)

#### 14. Gesangbuchkomitee:

Jakob Wedel, Ben Horsch, H. P. Neufeld, Peter Dick, Dietrich  
Friesen, Corn. Klassen, H. Regehr.

#### 15. Wehrfrage:

bis 1952: B. B. Janz, J. A. Töws, C. J. Rempel, C. F. Klassen.

#### 16. Deutsche Sprache:

1953 — D. K. Dürksen, H. Regehr.  
1952 — A. H. Unruh, Johann Görtz, B.C.  
1951 — H. H. Kornelsen.

#### 17. Statistiker: H. Regehr.

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#### Appendix.

#### A N H A N G .

#### KOMITEES DER KANADISCHEN KONFERENZ.

#### 1. Konferenzzleitung. Standing Committees of the Canadian Conference.

J. A. Harder, Yarrow, B.C. ....Leiter  
J. A. Töws, 96 Noble Ave., Winnipeg, Man. ....Gehilfsleiter  
H. Regehr, 48 Cobourg Ave., Winnipeg .....Schreiber

#### 2. Kassenführung:

für die Kanadische Konferenz — C. A. DeFehr,  
78 Princess St., Winnipeg, Man.  
für äussere Mission in Kanada — G. D. Pries, Winkler, Man.

#### 3. Direktorium:

bis 1953: G. D. Pries, Man., D. Derksen, Ont., J. B. Janz, Alta.  
bis 1952: Jac. F. Janzen, Sardis; Abr. Töws, Alberta; Abr. Janz,  
S.-Sask.; C. C. Warkentin, Man.  
bis 1951: F. H. Friesen, Man.; F. P. Kröker, N.Sask.; John Wall,  
Ont.; Jacob Janzen, R.R. 1, Mt. Lehman, B.C.

#### 4. Fürsorgekomitee:

die Konferenzleitung: J. A. Harder, J. A. Töws, H. Regehr,  
C. A. DeFehr.  
bis 1952: Is. Thiessen, Ont.; A. H. Unruh, Man.; H. A. Willms,  
N.-Sask.; B. B. Janz, Alta.; J. P. Braun, B.C.  
bis 1951: J. A. Harder, B.C.; J. J. Siemens, Alta.; C. C. Penner,  
S.-Sask.; H. S. Voth, Man.; J. K. Janzen, Ont.

#### 5. Kanada Inland Mission:

bis 1953: Jakob Epp, Hepburn, Sask.  
bis 1951: Peter Rempel, Ont.; J. A. Töws, Man.; J. J. Thiessen,  
S.-Sask.; Jakob Dück, Alta.; J. J. Derksen, B.C.  
bis 1952: G. Sukkau, B.C.

#### 6. Bibel College:

bis 1953: J. P. Epp, Man.; J. M. Neufeld, S.-Sask.; H. M. Willms,  
N.-Sask.;  
bis 1952: C. A. DeFehr, Man.; A. A. Töws, B.C.  
bis 1951: A. Martens, Alta.; H. Penner, Ont.; H. P. Töws, Man.

#### 7. Board: alle auf ein Jahr gewählt.

B. B. Janz, C. F. Klassen, C. A. DeFehr, A. A. Töws, John Wall,  
G. Friesen, B. F. Redekop.

# Conference Offerings.

## KOLLEKTEN FÜR DAS JAHR 1950-51.

1. Äussere Mission — abzugeben an G. D. Pries, Winkler, Man.
2. Generalkonferenz — eine Kollekte jährlich, laut früheren Beschluss, an G. D. Pries, Winkler, Man.
3. Tabor College — zweimal jährlich, an C. A. DeFehr, Winnipeg.
4. Stadtmission der Generalkonferenz — einmal jährlich, am Ostersonntage, an C. A. DeFehr, Winnipeg.
5. Nervenheilanstalt "Bethada" — an C. A. DeFehr, Winnipeg.
6. Konferenzkasse: — \$3.00 pro Glied, an C. A. DeFehr, Winnipeg.
7. Board — 50¢ pro Glied, an C. A. DeFehr, Winnipeg.
8. M.B. Bibel College — einmal jährlich und spezielle Kollektan bei Besuchen der Vertreter des M.B.B.C. zu senden an C. A. DeFehr, Winnipeg.
9. Evangelium und Dienst in Südamerika: — (siehe Zentr. Menn. Hilfskomitee) an C. A. DeFehr, Winnipeg.
10. Nothilfe: an A. C. DeFehr, 78 Princess St., Winnipeg.
11. Stadtmission der Generalkonferenz — in allen Sonntagsschulen eine Kollekte im Jahr — an C. A. DeFehr, Winnipeg.

Names and address of the ministers and deacons and co-workers of the Canadian Conference.  
NAMEN UND ADRESSEN DER PREDIGER, DIAKONE UND MITARBEITER DER KANADISCHEN KONFERENZ DER M.B.G.

## ONTARIO:

Virgil: ..... Gliederzahl 403  
Joh. D. Penner, Box 58, Virgil, Ont. .... Leiter und Prediger  
J. F. Dick, R.R. 2, Niagara-on-the-Lake ..... Prediger  
J. P. Dick, Virgil ..... Prediger  
A. J. Block, R.R. 2 Niagara-on-the-Lake ..... Prediger  
D. J. Klassen, Virgil ..... Prediger  
J. A. Derksen, R.R. 2, Niagara-on-the-Lake ..... Prediger  
Is. Löwen ..... Mitarbeiter  
F. J. Wiens, Niagara-on-the-Lake ..... Mitarbeiter  
Fr. Kroeker ..... Mitarbeiter  
H. J. Wichert, R.R. 2, Niagara-on-the-Lake ..... Diakon  
J. J. Andres, R.R. 4, St. Catharines ..... Diakon  
J. J. Neufeld, Niagara-on-the-Lake ..... Diakon  
J. J. Petkau, R.R. 2, Niagara-on-the-Lake ..... Diakon  
J. F. Funk, Niagara-on-the-Lake ..... gew. Diakon  
Willy Warkentin ..... gew. Diakon  
Johann J. Neufeld, jr. .... gew. Diakon

Vineland: ..... Gliederzahl 259  
H. P. Wiebe, R.R. 1, Vineland, Ont. .... Leiter und Prediger  
Peter Görtzen ..... Prediger  
Jacob K. Janzen, Grimsby, R.R. 2 ..... Prediger  
Peter Mantler ..... Prediger  
A. A. Fröse, Beamsville, R.R. 2 ..... Prediger  
D. M. Thielman ..... Prediger  
Heinrich Penner ..... Mitarbeiter  
Siegfried Janzen ..... Mitarbeiter  
Aron Wall ..... Diakon  
Johann Koop ..... Diakon  
Peter Klassen ..... Diakon  
A. A. Dyck, Vineland, R.R. 1 ..... gew. Diakon  
N. P. Dürksen, Beamsville, R.R. 2 ..... gew. Diakon

Kitchener: ..... Gliederzahl 294  
Fr. C. Peters, 116 Peter St., Ph. 2-5107 ..... Leiter und Prediger  
N. J. Enns, 54 Peter St. .... Prediger  
H. G. Thielman, Kyoto, Japan ..... Prediger  
Heinr. H. Dick, ..... Mitarbeiter  
J. Rempel, 23 Bruder Ave. .... Diakon

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P. Isak, 155 Lancaster St., East ..... Diakon  
 A. Dick, 65 Albert, south ..... gew. Diakon  
 P. Dick, 45 Albert, north ..... gew. Diakon

New Hamburg: ..... Gliederzahl 19

David Dick, Box 565, New Hamburg, Ont. .... Leiter  
 David Mathies, Box 426, New Hamburg, Ont. .... gew. Diakon

Leamington: ..... Gliederzahl 175

D. Derksen, 68 Marlboro W. .... Leiter und Prediger  
 I. Thiessen, 95 Elliott St. .... Prediger  
 A. Hubert, 97 Elliott St. .... Prediger  
 J. Kröker, 68 John St. .... Prediger  
 W. Töws, R.R. 1, Leamington .... Prediger  
 H. J. Wiebe, 55 Hodgins St. .... Diakon  
 R. Bartel, R.R. 2 Leamington .... Diakon  
 P. Willms, R.R. 1 ..... Diakon

St. Catharines: ..... Gliederzahl 180

G. J. Epp, 3 Welland Ave. .... Leiter und Prediger  
 D. D. Derksen, R.R. 2, St. Catharines .... Prediger  
 A. H. Redekop, 92 Sherwood St. .... Prediger  
 L. Goertz, Ridley College, St. Catharines .... Mitarbeiter  
 P. Esau, R.R. 2, St. Catharines .... Mitarbeiter  
 H. P. Friesen, 123 Lake, St. Catharines .... Diakon  
 J. Wiens ..... Diakon  
 G. H. Fast, R.R. 2, St. Catharines .... gew. Diakon  
 J. H. Ewert, 20 Buckland, St. Catharines .... gew. Diakon

Port Rowan: ..... Gliederzahl 98

J. Penner, R.R. 3 ..... Leiter und Prediger  
 A. Pauls, R.R. 3 ..... Prediger  
 P. Reimer, R.R. 3 ..... Prediger  
 P. Loddie, R.R. 2 ..... Mitarbeiter  
 A. Sudermann ..... Diakon  
 J. Klassen ..... gew. Diakon

Hespeler: ..... Gliederzahl 14

J. Schönke, Box 344, Hespeler, Ont. .... Leiter u. gew. Diakon

#### Konferenzleitung:

Is. Tiessen, 95 Elliott St., Leamington, Ont. .... Leiter  
 G. J. Epp, 3 Welland Ave., St. Catharines, Ont. .... Gehilfsleiter

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A. P. Janzen, R.R. 1, Jordan St., Ont. .... Schreiber  
 J. A. Kutz, 87 Courtland Ave, East Kitchener .... Kassierer.

#### Manitoba Konferenzleitung:

J. A. Töws, 96 Noble Ave., Winnipeg ..... Leiter  
 Is. W. Redekopp, 245 Kingsford Ave. N. Kildonan ..... Gehilfe  
 C. C. Warkentin, 155 Helmsdale Ave., Winnipeg ..... Schreiber  
 G. D. Pries, Winkler, Box 298 ..... Kassierer.

#### MANITOBA:

Altona (Filiale von Winkler): ..... Gliederzahl 15

Gerh. Braun, Altona, Man. .... Leiter

Arnaud: ..... Gliederzahl 75

Isak Töws ..... Leiter und Prediger  
 Abram Bürg, Dominion City, Man. .... Diakon

Boissevain: ..... Gliederzahl 80

D. D. Derksen, Boissevain, Man. Box 842 ..... Leiter und Prediger  
 Franz Dyck, Whitewater, Man. .... Prediger  
 Heinrich Dück, Boissevain, Man. .... Prediger  
 A. Fröse, Boissevain, Man. .... Prediger  
 Heinrich Derksen, ..... Prediger  
 Aron Peters, Boissevain, Man. .... Diakon

Elm Creek: ..... Gliederzahl 152

H. H. Enns, Elm Creek, Man. .... Leiter und Prediger  
 J. G. Wiens ..... Prediger  
 J. Funk ..... Prediger  
 A. A. Janzen ..... Diakon

Gnadenfahl: ..... Gliederzahl 82

H. P. Harder, Winkler, Man., R.R. 2, Box 56 ..... Leiter u. Prediger

Griawold: ..... Gliederzahl 58

A. B. Friesen, Box 137, Alexander, Man. .... Leiter u. Prediger  
 D. Pries, Alexander, Man. Box 36 ..... Diakon

Grossweide: ..... Gliederzahl 120

J. J. Neufeld, Horndean, Man., Box 32 ..... Leiter und Prediger

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Niverville: .....	Gliederzahl 115
W. W. Dyck, Niverville, Man. ....	Leiter und Prediger
D. D. Dick, Niverville, Man. ....	Prediger
G. Dück, Niverville, Man. ....	Diakon und Mitarbeiter
A. Wiebe, Niverville, Man. ....	Diakon
North Kildonan: .....	Gliederzahl 320
Is. W. Redekopp, 245 Kingsford Ave. ....	Leiter und Prediger
Abr. H. Töws, 213 McKay Ave. ....	Gehilfe und Prediger
Dan. Braun, 358 McKay Ave., N. Kildonan ....	Prediger
H. Janzen, 309 McKay Ave., N. Kildonan ....	Prediger
A. P. Dirks, 210 Cheriton Ave., N. Kildonan ....	Prediger
Jacob Klassen, Morris, Box 13 ....	Prediger
Abr. Dück, 162 Hespeler Ave., Winnipeg ....	Diakon
Jac. Peters, 298 Edison Ave., N. Kildonan ....	Diakon
C. C. Warkentin, 155 Helmsdale E. Kildonan ....	gew. Diakon
Jac. Wiens, 229 Edison Ave., N. Kildonan ....	gew. Diakon
Sperling: .....	Gliederzahl 16
Johann Martens, Sperling, Man. ....	Leiter
Springstein: .....	Gliederzahl 60
A. Fröse, Oak Bluff ....	Leiter und Prediger
Nikolai Redekopp, Oak Bluff, Man. ....	Prediger
Johann Friesen, Oak Bluff, Man. ....	Prediger
J. Voth ....	Diakon
Steinbach: .....	Gliederzahl 218
Jacob P. Epp, Steinbach, Man., Box 127 ....	Leiter u. Prediger
Franz Enns, Steinbach, Man. ....	Prediger
Heinrich Enns, Steinbach, Man. ....	Prediger
Abraham Regehr, Steinbach, Man. ....	Prediger
Wilhelm Schröder, Steinbach, Man. ....	Prediger
J. Enns, Steinbach, Man. ....	Prediger
H. Regehr, Steinbach, Man. ....	Prediger
Jak. Isaak ....	Diakon
Joh. Harms ....	Diakon
Abr. Neufeld ....	Diakon
Winkler: .....	Gliederzahl 235
H. S. Voth, Winkler, Man. ....	Leiter und Prediger
J. G. Wiens, Winkler, Man. ....	Prediger
G. D. Pries, Winkler, Man. ....	Prediger

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A. W. Klassen ....	Prediger
D. M. Hiebert ....	Diakon
Holmfeld und Lena: .....	Gliederzahl 67
Peter P. Schultz, Holmfeld, Man. ....	Leiter und Prediger
H. Derksen, Holmfeld, Man. ....	Prediger
Jacob Rempel, Holmfeld, Man. ....	Diakon
Jac. Pötter, Lena, Man. ....	Leiter und Mitarbeiter
J. Janzen, Lena ....	gew. Diakon
Justice: .....	Gliederzahl 48
J. J. Löwen, Box 28, Justice, Man. ....	Leiter u. Prediger
Kronsgart: .....	Gliederzahl 64
A. A. Hyde, Winkler, Man., R.R. 3, Box 13 ....	Leiter u. Prediger
G. G. Dyck ....	Diakon
B. D. Enns ....	Diakon
La-Salle: .....	Gliederzahl 55
Jak. Pauls, Osborne, Man. ....	Leiter und Diakon
Phillip Wiebe, Domain, Man. ....	Prediger
Lindal: (Missionsstation) .....	Gliederzahl 9
Abr. Goerz, Morden ....	Leiter
Manitou: .....	Gliederzahl 66
Gerh. Klassen, Manitou, Man. ....	Leiter und Prediger
H. Goossen ....	Prediger
Morden: .....	Gliederzahl 141
F. H. Friesen, Morden, Man. ....	Leiter und Prediger
J. H. Kehler ....	Prediger
Wm. J. Wiebe ....	Diakon
Abe. H. Voth ....	Diakon
Newton Siding: .....	Gliederzahl 106
Abram A. Löwen, Newton Siding, Box 8, ....	Leiter und Prediger
Albert Mann, Elie, Man. ....	Prediger
D. A. Dyck, Newton Siding, Man. ....	Prediger
Jacob Nickel, Elm Creek, Man. ....	Prediger
A. A. Dyck, Newton Siding, Man. ....	gew. Diakon u. Mitarbeiter
Peter Fröse, Newton Siding, Man. ....	gew. Diakon

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# SASKATCHEWAN:

## Nördlicher Kreis:

Aberdeen: .....	Gliederzahl 51
G. K. Sawatzky, Aberdeen, Sask. ....	Leiter
Borden: .....	Gliederzahl 87
J. A. Nikkel, Great Deer, Sask. ....	Leiter
Isaak Block, Borden, Sask. ....	Prediger
Abram K. Rempel, Borden, Sask. ....	Prediger
C. J. Wall, Borden, Sask. ....	Diakon
J. B. Stobbe, Borden, Sask. ....	Diakon
Bruderfeld: .....	Gliederzahl 91
H. A. Willms, Waldheim, Sask. ....	Leiter u. Prediger
H. M. Willms, Hepburn, R.R. 1 .....	stellvert. Leiter u. Prediger
F. F. Kröker, Waldheim, Sask. ....	Prediger
Compass: (Missionsstation) .....	Gliederzahl 26
P. J. Schmor, Compass, Sask. ....	Leiter
David J. Nickel, Compass, Sask. ....	Missionararbeiter
Dalmeny: .....	Gliederzahl 248
Henry J. Bärge, Dalmeny, Sask. ....	Leiter und Prediger
Jacob Lepp, Dalmeny, Sask. ....	stellvert. Leiter u. Prediger
Abram J. Buhler, Dalmeny, Sask. ....	Diakon
Henry Sawatzky, Gen. Del., Saskatoon, Sask. ....	Diakon
Foam Lake: .....	Gliederzahl 23
G. B. Pätkau, Foam Lake .....	Leiter
Glenbush: .....	Gliederzahl 134
N. H. Pauls .....	Leiter u. Prediger
A. H. Pauls, Glenbush, Sask. ....	Prediger
B. J. Derksen, Redfield, Sask. ....	Prediger
A. Harms .....	Diakon
Hepburn: .....	Gliederzahl 260
F. J. Bärge, Hepburn, Sask. ....	Leiter und Diakon

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H. H. Redekop, Winkler, Man. .... Prediger  
 F. H. Peters, Winkler, Man. .... Diakon  
 P. H. C. Penner, Winkler, Man. .... Diakon

Winnipeg, Nord-Ende: .....

Gliederzahl 301

D. K. Dürksen, 161 Leighton Ave. .... Leiter und Prediger  
 B. B. Fast, 227 Jamieson Ave. .... Prediger  
 A. H. Unruh, 57 Cobourg Ave. .... Prediger  
 A. J. Voth, 172 Dearborn Ave. .... Prediger  
 Wm. Falk, 102 Harbison Ave. .... Prediger  
 J. Quiring, 90 Martin Ave. .... Prediger  
 A. A. Kröker, 99 Hart Ave. .... Prediger  
 Heinrich Regehr, 43 Cobourg Ave. .... Prediger  
 J. Pankratz, 287 St. Anthony Ave. .... Prediger  
 J. Suderman, 146 Stanier St. .... Prediger  
 J. A. Töws, 96 Noble Ave. .... Prediger  
 Is. T. Ewert, 60 Cobourg Ave. .... Prediger  
 G. D. Hubert, 96 Martin Ave. .... Prediger  
 A. B. Peters, 259 Scotia St. .... Prediger  
 Jac. J. Dick, 304 Chalmers Ave. (Missionar) .... Prediger  
 H. P. Töws, 167 Kelvin St. .... Prediger  
 H. H. Unruh, 169 Kelvin St. .... Diakon  
 C. A. DeFehr, 140 Glenwood Crescent .... Diakon  
 C. C. DeFehr, 628 Henderson Hwy .... Diakon

Marquette (Fillale von Winnipeg, Nord-Ende) .....

Gliederzahl 23

Fr. Falk, Marquette, Man. .... Leiter und Prediger  
 Joh. Klassen, Poplar Point .....

Diakon

Ashern & Moosehorn: (Missionsstation) .....

Gliederzahl 9

Joe Wiebe .....

Leiter

Winnipeg, Süd-Ende: .....

Gliederzahl 279

J. P. Neufeld, 425 Home St. .... Leiter und Prediger  
 H. H. Janzen, 105 Hart Ave. .... Prediger  
 P. Kornelsen, 92 Juno St. .... Prediger  
 H. Neufeld, 701 Arlington St. .... Prediger  
 G. Fröse, 706 Langside St. .... Diakon  
 G. Warkentin, 179 Green Ave. .... Diakon  
 C. Peters, 151 Polson Ave. .... Diakon

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## Süd-Saskatchewan: —

Woodrow: ..... Gliederzahl 69

Sam Sutter, Woodrow, Sask. .... Leiter und Prediger  
 E. J. Lautermilch, Woodrow, Sask. .... Prediger  
 Arthur F. Martens, Woodrow, Sask. .... Prediger  
 Ruben Engel, Woodrow, Sask. .... gew. Diakon

Main Centre: ..... Gliederzahl 202

John D. Görtzen, Main, Centre, Box 63 ..... Leiter und Prediger  
 N. P. Janz, Main Centre, Sask. .... Prediger  
 John Siemens, Main Centre, Sask. .... Prediger  
 A. P. Janz, Main Centre, Sask. .... Diakon  
 P. W. Neufeld ..... Gehilfe und Diakon

Reinfeld: ..... Gliederzahl 45

C. C. Penner, McMahon, Sask. .... Leiter und Prediger  
 H. F. Klassen, McMahon, Sask. .... Prediger  
 P. G. Martens, McMahon, Sask. .... gew. Diakon  
 Otto Derksen, Blumenhof, Sask. .... W.C. Missionsarbeiter

Greenfarm: ..... Gliederzahl 58

George Penner, Herbert, Sask., Box 184 ..... Leiter u Mitarbeiter  
 Jacob J. Thiessen, Herbert, Sask. .... Prediger  
 John Guenther ..... gew. Diakon  
 Jacob Voth ..... Mitarbeiter  
 Henry Penner ..... Mitarbeiter

Herbert (und Eyebrow): ..... Gliederzahl 166

Alfred, Kröker, Herbert, Sask. .... Leiter und Mitarbeiter  
 Joh. Wiens, Herbert, Sask. .... Prediger  
 Joh. M. Neufeld, Herbert, Sask., Box 244 ..... Mitarbeiter  
 Henry Voth, Herbert, Sask. .... Mitarbeiter  
 Corny Braun, Herbert, Sask. .... Mitarbeiter  
 Fr. F. Braun, Herbert, Sask. .... Diakon  
 W. Falk, Herbert, Sask. .... Diakon

Bethania: ..... Gliederzahl 41

George R. Klassen, Beaver Flat, Sask. .... Leiter  
 John Kröker, Leinen, Sask. .... Prediger  
 Eugene Martens, Leinen, Sask. .... Mitarbeiter  
 Harvey Klassen, Beaver Flat, Sask. .... Mitarbeiter

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J. H. Epp, Hepburn, Sask. .... Prediger  
 Daniel Wirsche, La Cumbre, S.A.M., Missionar ..... Prediger  
 Frank Fröse, Hepburn, Sask. .... Prediger  
 Nick M. Willms, Hepburn, Sask. .... Prediger  
 Johann Hübner, Hepburn, Sask. .... Prediger  
 J. E. Priebe, Hepburn, Sask. .... Prediger  
 P. P. Friesen, Hepburn, Sask. .... Diakon

Laird: ..... Gliederzahl 58

D. B. Wiens Laird, Sask. .... Leiter und Prediger  
 J. B. Fischer, Laird, Sask. .... Prediger

Lashburn &amp; Maidstone: ..... Gliederzahl 29

Emil Gripp, Lashburn, Sask. .... Leiter

Saskatoon: ..... Gliederzahl 119

Peter Funk, 1398 Ave. B. N. .... Leiter und Prediger  
 H. S. Rempel, 323—25th St. W. .... Prediger  
 D. D. Wiebe, 1324 Ave. D. North, .... Prediger  
 B. L. Sawatzky, Box 84 ..... Prediger  
 A. J. Dyck, 1318 Ave. D. North ..... Prediger  
 Ernest Schmidt, Shamshabad, Hyderabad, Indla, Missionar u. Pred.

Warman (Filiale von Saskatoon): ..... Gliederzahl 13

Menno Lepp, Warman, Sask. .... Leiter und Prediger

Waldheim: ..... Gliederzahl 115

J. H. Janzen, Waldheim, Sask. .... Leiter und Diakon  
 Frank Janzen, Waldheim, Sask. .... Prediger  
 P. G. Warkentin, Waldheim, Sask. .... Diakon

Watrous: ..... Gliederzahl 85

Jacob D. Dick, Guernsey, Sask. .... Leiter u. Prediger  
 Paul Rogalsky, Guernsey, Sask. .... stellvert. Leiter u. Prediger  
 P. D. Janzen, Watrous ..... Prediger

## Leiter des Kreises:

H. S. Rempel, 323—25th St. W., Saskatoon, Sask.  
 F. P. Kröker, Hepburn, Sask., Schreiber.

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W. Schmidt ..... Mitarbeiter  
 C. Sawatzky ..... Mitarbeiter  
 Joh. Wall ..... Diakon  
 Jacob P. Dück ..... Diakon  
 Jacob N. Thiessen ..... Diakon  
 J. Wiens ..... Diakon  
 P. P. Regier ..... gew. Diakon  
 J. Dueck, jr. .... gew. Diakon  
 A. Bärge ..... gew. Diakon

Gem: ..... Gliederzahl 141  
 P. P. Dörksen, Gem, Alta., Box 52 ..... Leiter und Prediger  
 H. H. Siemens ..... Gehilfe und Prediger  
 H. K. Siemens ..... Prediger  
 J. Pankratz ..... Prediger  
 N. Goossen, Box 275, Bassano ..... Mitarbeiter  
 P. J. Dörksen, ..... Mitarbeiter  
 Jac. Löwen ..... Diakon  
 H. Walde ..... gew. Diakon

Vauxhall: ..... Gliederzahl 90  
 B. P. Epp, Box 323, Vauxhall, Alta. .... Leiter und Prediger  
 F. Friesen, Vauxhall ..... Prediger  
 D. P. Petkau, Vauxhall, Alta. .... Mitarbeiter  
 Abram Friesen ..... Mitarbeiter  
 H. Unruh ..... Mitarbeiter  
 David Bärge, Vauxhall, Alta. .... Diakon  
 J. Reimer ..... gew. Diakon

Grassy Lake: ..... Gliederzahl 44  
 David Penner, Grassy Lake, Alta., Box 67 ..... Leiter  
 David Dyck ..... Prediger  
 Alexander Neumann ..... Prediger  
 P. Dyck, Grassy Lake, Alta. .... Mitarbeiter

Namaka: ..... Gliederzahl 45  
 G. Dirks, Box 8 ..... Leiter und Prediger  
 Rudolf, Nikkel, Namaka, Alta. .... Diakon  
 Abram G. Martens, Bassano, Alta., Box 275 ..... Prediger  
 Heinrich G. Klassen, Munson, Alta. .... Prediger  
 David Kröcker, Munson, Alta. .... Prediger  
 R. Nikkel, Namaka, Alta. .... Gehilfe

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Swift Current: ..... Gliederzahl 32  
 F. J. Peters, 202-13 Ave. E. S. C. .... Leiter und Prediger  
 A. R. D. Klassen, 621 Sidney West ..... Diakon

Gnadenau: ..... Gliederzahl 33

William Buller, Flowing Well, Sask. .... Leiter und Mitarbeiter  
 Edward Löwen, Ernfold, Sask. .... Mitarbeiter und gew. Diakon

Elim: ..... Gliederzahl 55

Abr. G. Redekopp, Kelster, Sask. .... Leiter und Diakon  
 J. J. Knelsen, Kelster, Sask. .... Prediger  
 Wilhelm Wirsche, Kelster, Sask. .... gew. Diakon

Friedensheim: ..... Gliederzahl 24

Jacob Wiens, Beechy, Sask., Box 32 ..... Leiter u. Mitarbeiter  
 Jak. Schellenberg ..... Mitarbeiter  
 F. Mielke ..... gew. Diakon

Regina (Filiale von Herbert): ..... Gliederzahl 24

A. A. Klassen, 2217 McKay St., Regina, Sask. .... Leiter

Kreisleitung:

Br. J. M. Neufeld, Herbert, Sask. .... Leiter  
 Br. J. D. Görtzen, Main Centre, Sask. .... Schreiber

ALBERTA:

Coaldale: ..... Gliederzahl 518

Jacob Siemens, Box 40 Coaldale, Alta. .... Leiter und Prediger  
 D. J. Pankratz, Box 207 ..... Gehilfe und Prediger  
 B. B. Janz ..... Prediger  
 Joh. A. Töws, Sr. .... Prediger  
 Abr. Willms ..... Prediger  
 H. H. Rempel ..... Prediger  
 J. P. Dück ..... Prediger  
 H. Kornelsen ..... Prediger  
 B. W. Sawatzky ..... Prediger  
 P. J. Dick, Box 235 ..... Prediger  
 P. A. Töws, ..... Mitarbeiter  
 Dav. Ewert ..... Mitarbeiter  
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