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The new church at Sherkston, Ontario which was dedicated on October 5, 1958. Rev. Roy Sider is the pastor of this thriving congregation. See the dedication report on page eleven in this issue.

EDITORIAL

Election Time

POLITICAL speeches (too often merely haranguing), and pollster reports are the order of the day as we move through October toward the day of choice in November.

Pre-sampling of the election indicates that the die is cast, and what happens November 4 is a foregone conclusion, merely routine in confirming what is already known. But then, even ex-president Harry Truman recalls what happened in 1948 and presses for diligent activity to assure so-called success on the day of election.

The ministry of the Church is dedicated to a task that must go forward, unaffected by whatever choices are made at the polls on November 4th. However, to say that the climate, resulting from those who serve at the helm of government, has no bearing or relationship to our ministry would be utter folly.

These are somber days in world affairs. The no-man's land between China's mainland and Formosa is a hot spot of exploding shells and a point of conjecture as to whether Communism will start its leap across the Pacific. The smoldering embers of the Near East contain the potential of a holocaust that could engulf the world in war overnight. Algiers and Cyprus are but illustrations of seething unrest and disturbance that have their counterpart in other parts of the world.

Here at home, political corruption, uncovered first in one party and then in the other, political labor bosses whose integrity is nil, and in general an accumulated record of crime, immorality and irresponsibility—all of these have joined in one vicious frontal attack against uprightness and decent moral standards.

One is confronted with the feeling that "fiddling" is going on while Rome is burning. True, men who are statesmen and not politicians are perplexed. If ever there was the need for prayer for men in authority, this is the day. Communism, the antithesis of Christianity, is bombarding the world. Her attack on Quemoy is child's play in comparison to the thrust being made by literature and propaganda on all parts and peoples of the world.

To say that these are the last days, hardly seems to fit any more. One almost feels that this must be the "last day." There will come a day

when Satan knows that his time is short. At such time happenings in the world will be goings-on such as only organized forces of sin and evil will be able to connive and promote. These are the forerunner of such days to say the least.

"When these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh."

J. N. H.

Thanks, Paul

AT THE mid-point of last year, Paul Boyer of Dayton, Ohio, concluded his period of service in France and started south and eastward on a trip that eventually led him around the world coming to California and then home to Ohio.

In numerous well-written articles he has shared with all of us, and more directly with youth, on the "Youth Page" of the *Evangelical Visitor* his experiences of this extended journey. His writings concerning our mission work in Africa, India, and Japan have given, in a firsthand manner, on-the-spot impressions that have contributed in a very meaningful way to the columns of the *Evangelical Visitor*.

The account of his journeys and observations conclude with this issue, bringing him into the harbor at San Francisco and the meeting of loved ones on the dock.

We say thanks to Paul for this most valuable contribution to all of us, particularly to the youth of the Brethren in Christ Church.

J. N. H.

War and Peace

James H. Hunter

FROM time immemorial, or in other words, from the day that our first parents elected to go their own way rather than the way of God, there have been wars and rumors of wars in the world. All wars are the fruits of that first disobedience. The stream of human life was poisoned at its source by the terrible virus of sin of which every human being who has entered this world has partaken. The whole world became lost in this Stygian darkness, and unless some antidote for that terrible disease had been found mankind would inevitably have perished from the earth either by direct judgment of God or by self-annihilation.

Wars are the most fearful fruits of

this sickness. God has a plan for the removing of this deadly poison from human life. So has man. Since the beginning of time man has sought to find a way by which permanent peace might be established in the world and nations would renounce war. Thousands, if not tens of thousands, of "peace" pacts have been made throughout history and have come to nothing. The strange thing about this peace-making business is that the wise men from the East and from the West who sit down to consider their plans refuse to recognize the fundamental cause of war, or to base their judgments and decisions on what Almighty God and the Lord Jesus Christ have to say regarding it in the one Book that is man's infallible guide through the darkness of Time. In a recent article Miss Dorothy Thompson says, regarding the use of force as a means of settling disputes:

"Wars start and end in inconclusive armistices, violating both reason and justice and requiring perpetual policing.

"The interests of great states are flouted by the weakest and most miserable. States which have no interest at all in an area of conflict can out vote those who have the most weighty interests.

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The Throng in Hong Kong

Part II.

Norman A. Wingert

“Interventionism is thus universalized, and, at the same time, paralyzed. Small states must renounce even the smallest, most limited wars, in favor of great states that do not renounce it, but dare not commit it. And the end result is that nobody lifts a finger to help his neighbor—beyond passing a pious resolution.”

It is the utmost folly, of course, to think that the problems of war and peace can be resolved by any plans of men that ignore the fundamental sickness from which mankind suffers. While man is alienated from God there can never be anything else but wars in the world. The Lord Jesus Christ is the only Man who ever appeared upon this earth who saw life steadily and saw it whole in all its ramifications and aspects. He knew exactly what was in man, and that left to himself he was utterly hopeless to lift himself out of the morass of sin that breed wars and tumults. Miss Thompson is right when she points to the inconclusiveness of wars, and yet with all the fearful examples before us mankind of itself cannot reach a basis of stable peace. Why is this? The answer lies in the fact that man is naturally blind to the cause of his troubles and walks in darkness, and the tragedy is that he will not come to the Light to find a solution. Of all the panaceas ever set forth in the world to remedy the ills of the human race there is only one that is effective. That is the Gospel of God's saving Grace. This is no over-simplification of a complex problem. It is the one and the only basis upon which the superstructure of any temple of peace can be erected. If there is one question upon which we can pronounce dogmatically it is this, that until man has first made peace with God he will never be at peace for any length of time with his fellow-men.

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THIS article concerns three people: *me*, the writer; *you*, the reader; and *him* whom I met just recently.

Of the three of us, you are best acquainted with *you*. The acquaintance has been of long-standing. You are with yourself wherever you go. Your loves, your joys, your disappointments, your ambitions are real and very vivid to you. In truth, might it be that right now your mind and heart are so filled with your own affairs and worries that you find yourself reading words, and will have to go back and read again for meaning? So near are you to yourself!

I, as writer, am known to just a handful of readers. My name recalls my face to a few of you, or holds some sort of connotation, maybe good, maybe bad. You know me as a real person and not as just a name. But to more of you readers of these words, *I*, Norman Wingert, *am* just a name. You have met my name, but not me. To still others of you, even my name is strange. For you, I have not been; I have never come into the orbit of your consciousness and your concerns.

And yet, should I tell you that I am American and Brethren in Christ, even those readers for whom my name is strange would get a fair idea of what I am—or ought to be—like. That statement immediately describes a circle of mutualness, and should I knock on the door of a Mennonite or Brethren in Christ home, I would likely be accorded the American “gladhand” and the proverbial “bruederschaft” hospitality. There is, after all, a great deal of understanding between us.

But in this matter of mutual experiences and understanding there is an ugly corollary fact: the same circle that shuts us *in* together likewise shuts three-fourths of the world's population *out*. The circle does not encompass the masses. For us it is as though these millions of people did not exist. We do, to be sure, meet them sometimes in the *National Geographic*, but even then we do not understand, for the pictures are colored and the type is cold. Fact is, most of us do not care to understand too well. We are pretty willingly “blissfully unaware” of the too-heavy-to-bear

burdens of far-away peoples. Are not our days overfilled with our own problems!

Now one of those outside our circle, Reader, is *he* whom I met just recently, the third and chief character of this article.

He is Chinese. He lives in Hong Kong. Not long ago he lived in Mainland China. Some of his friends and family are still there. Some are with him in Hong Kong.

There was no place for him to live when he came to Hong Kong. So he hunted out some scraps of boards and tin cans and put together a shack on the mountainside for him and his family (those who were with him) to live in.

On his first Christmas Day in Hong Kong, fire burned down his shack and burned up the last memories which he had brought with him from his home in China. There were 49,999 others who were also left shackless by the same fire.

For months he ate at huge Government kitchens and slept in the open. There was no job to be had. He just waited and existed. Then when the Hong Kong Government had finished some of the H-Block Resettlement Houses—with a really incredible speed—Government gave him one of the new “apartments.”

Do you have an Axminster rug in your living room that measures about ten by twelve feet? Imagine, then, the rug to be a cement floor, with cement walls rising from its four sides and topped by a cement ceiling. This is the “apartment” into which he moved his pregnant wife and malnourished child.

But this ten by twelve by nine cement box was not his home exclusively. Regulations specify a minimum of five persons must live here. How he wished his two sons still in China could make up the quota. But they could not get out. So since there was little chance of their being reunited, he had to share the precious space with another family of three, strangers. Two members of the new family were suffering from active tuberculosis.

On either side of his cement cubicle were other cement cubicles, each housing its five or six or seven refu-



On the roof-top of a 7-story building in Hong Kong (no elevator!) MCC conducted a Christmas bundle distribution to 400 Chinese refugee children who come to the roof-top for day-school operated by the Oriental Missionary Society. One of the teachers is reading off the names of students as they come forward to receive their gift bundle from Norman and Eunice Wingert, MCC workers in Hong Kong. Underneath this roof, jampacked into one building, live more than 2,500 Chinese refugees.

gees. Above and below him were other stories of cement cubicles, so that, adding up the total dwellers in these manmade cement cliffs, he found he has more than 2,500 refugee neighbors. He could visit his neighbors by the endless cement balconies that wrap themselves around the building, and the cement steps that connect the seven stories of the resettlement house.

Fantastic? My Chinese friend and his expectant wife and sickly child and three others—two of them tubercular—working, eating, sleeping in a cement box with one door and one window opening onto cement balconies that lead up and down and around to other cement cubicles in which are living 2,500 other homeless people, all under the same roof! Fantastic, yes, but true!

And yet my Chinese refugee friend and his family consider themselves fortunate in having been among the 150,000 who were given space in one of the Government resettlement houses. Crowded though they be their lot is still much better than the 300,000 who are still living in squatter huts, on roof-tops and on pavements. In the resettlement houses there is no fire hazard, for cement does not burn. (In 1953 one fire burned up a mountainsideful of the highly combustible shacks leaving 50,000 homeless, and in the two succeeding years, a series of these flash fires burned out 100,000 more.)

Do you wonder now, Reader, why I said that my new-found refugee friend falls outside the circle of our experiences? Stretch your imagina-

tion, take a yardstick and measure off a space ten by twelve, people it with from five to nine human beings, sit for just an hour watching them eating and sleeping and working and getting sick (and dying) in the prison-like "home," and yet the whole thing remains quite unreal to you. Even I who have seen what I write about do not grasp its bitter meaning. Fact is, if one looks too long or thinks too far, one's cars and refrigerators and overstuffed furniture begin to trouble.

The story is told of a resident of

Hiroshima who came through the bombing unscathed. On the scene immediately after the explosion, he moved about giving what aid he could to the burned and mangled and suffering, and as he came across now a relative, now a neighbor, the only words he could find to say was, "Forgive me for being alive."

As one moves among the lean-to huts, the roof-top shelters, the hallway bed spaces, the pavement shacks, and along the miles of resettlement house balconies, one says, "Forgive me for having so much!"

Christian Service Under Fire

An M. C. C. Release

CIVIL WAR and political unrest in a tiny faraway country like Indonesia causes us little concern. Beyond a few fleeting moments of anxiety and fear lest this set off a series of chain reactions which might ultimately lead to a devastating third World War we go our way, preoccupied with our own affairs, oblivious to suffering and danger that is too far away to touch us.

Such was our attitude this spring, but to the little team of MCC workers on one of the outer islands of Indonesia the revolution was very real. Situations like the one in which they found themselves make one question how far Christian service ought to go. In the face of danger and possible violence, what does the Christian worker do? It is easy to come up with theoretical answers, but few of us have actually been put to the test. The story of the rebel uprising in Indonesia shows how a small group of individuals, serving in the name of Christ, went through a crisis experience courageously, concerned with the welfare of the people they served rather than with their personal safety, at all times exhibiting a positive, helpful and peaceable spirit.

Two MCC projects, one medical, the other agricultural, are in operation in Halmahera, the particular island we are talking about. Dr. Glen Hoffman (Maytown, Pa.) Anne Warkentin R. N. (Superb, Sask.), Mrs. Chris Yoder R. N. (Warwick, Va.) and three agricultural workers, Chris Yoder (Warwick, Va.), Maurice Hertzler (Mechanicsburg, Pa.),

and Ed Weber (Kitchener, Ont.) comprise the MCC unit at the town of Tobelo.

Though political unrest, disrupted shipping, and scarcity of commodities such as butter, kerosene and soap had been noted for sometime, MCC workers felt no genuine cause for alarm and kept up their normal routine. Chief cause of the unrest were grievances against the Central Government concerning foreign trade regulations. This finally led to an attempt by rebelling outer island governments to set up a "New Indonesia," and it was in this maneuver that the MCC unit became directly involved.

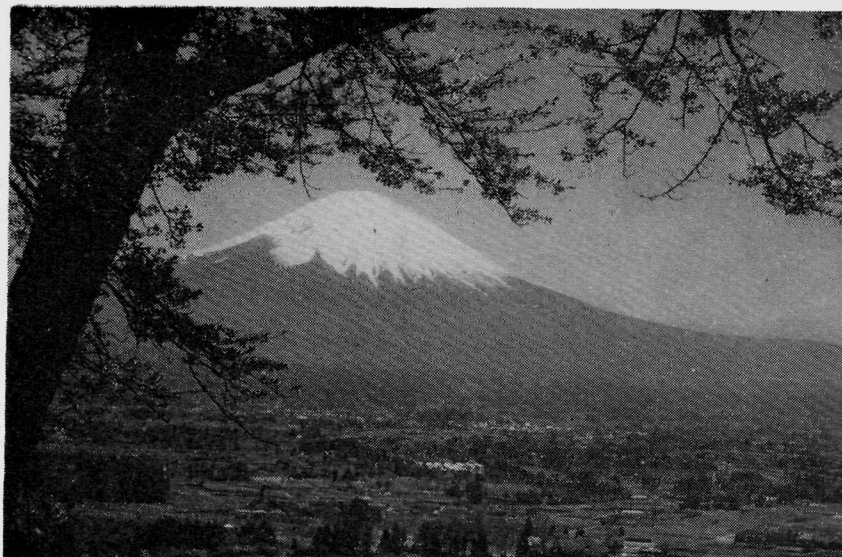
It was the last day of April. Dr. Hoffman and Maurice Hertzler had left on a medical tour the week before so that Tobelo was without a doctor temporarily. Suddenly news of approaching rebel forces reached the town and immediately panic broke out among the people.

Anne Warkentin reported: "This has been a high-pitched and exciting day. It started fairly normally with everyone going to work as usual, but with considerable evidence of restlessness. For the past few days people have started to leave their homes and move into the forest or nearby villages. Shortly before 9 a.m. the news came that the rebels had taken over the neighboring island of Morotai and were now on their way to Tobelo. I was examining patients, but from this time on it was practically impossible. Over half of them left im-

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Hagi and Home

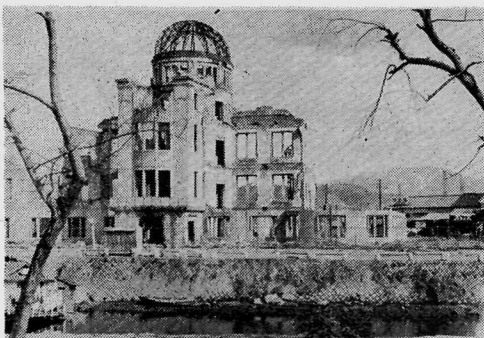
Paul Boyer



Japan's famous landmark, Mount Fujiyama, 12,395 feet high.

I RETURNED from Kyushu to Honshu Island and arrived in Hagi, a fishing and farming town of 50,000 people lying on the Japan Sea side of the Island a comparatively short distance from Korea. Here I stayed one week with Pete and Mary Willms who certainly made me feel at home. The Willmses' home is in modified Japanese style with the traditional *tatami* matting on the floor (no shoes must be worn on *tatami*) and the thin sliding door between rooms.

Early in the week Pete drove me



War ruins in Hiroshima, Japan.

across the island and we visited Miyajima, a small islet which the Japanese consider sacred. We went across from the mainland to Miyajima in a ferry boat early in the morning. A large Shinto prayer gate stands in the bay, and at high tide it appears to be floating on the water. Miyajima is covered with bright vermilion pagodas and temples and an occasional ancient shrine in dark, roughhewn, unfinished wood. Deer roam about unmolested. It had snowed the night before our visit and the colorful and somber temples and pagodas scattered among deep green fir trees and glistening snow combined to form one of the most beautiful panoramas I have ever seen.

A half hour by train from this lovely island of Miyajima lies Hiroshima, the city where the first atomic bomb to be used in warfare was dropped on August 6, 1945, killing perhaps 60,000 people. Little evidence remains today of the catastrophe. The area has been completely rebuilt, although most of the new buildings are small and unsubstantial, while pictures indicate that the buildings destroyed were of the multi-story steel and cement variety. One building has been left standing as a memorial. (See photo). It was the building nearest to the explosion center to escape total demolition. Clustered around this building and the atomic bomb museum and memorial nearby are numerous little shacks with signs in crudely printed English advertising "Atomic Bomb Souvenirs." Most of these little shops are unoccupied now, and it would appear that they sprang up just after the war when hoards of American G.I.'s came to see what our invention had wrought.

Pete and I returned to Hagi where he devoted several days to showing me around. We visited the wharves where the hardy fishermen put out to sea and fish all night and return in the morning to sell their fish and mend their nets. The sturdy fishing boats are all made by hand with simple tools. Since only a small part of Japan is more than 50 miles from the sea, fishing is an important part of the country's economy.

In the hills surrounding Hagi lie the terraced rice fields which are so typical of the whole country. Japan's area is about the same as that of California, and only $\frac{1}{3}$ of the land is cultivable, so to support a population of 88,000,000 every inch of available land must be utilized.

Hagi's main industry seemed to be the paper mill, the only place in all of Asia where paper is made from bamboo. I watched truckloads of bamboo being fed into a machine at one end of the factory. Our guide then led us through a labyrinthian maze of ladders and catwalks around, over and under the most intricate, archaic, odiferous and incredible collection of mashers, rollers, boilers, vats, pipes and ovens I have ever seen. Sure enough, though, at the other end of the factory a fine wide strip of newly-made paper rolled out of the machine.

On Sunday I attended the Hagi church. The group of about 25 children and adults gathered in the small rented chapel, sitting on the floor as is the custom. My legs soon began to ache, but the Japanese sat motionless throughout the service.

The day was cold and windy and the pewter brazier in the worship room was kept stoked with hot coals. That evening we met in the home of one of the members for a Bible study, which Pete led in Japanese.

On Monday Pete and I got up early and went down to the water to watch the fishermen coming in from their cold night at sea. The fish had been carefully divided into piles on the ground according to type and an auctioneer, followed by a crowd of fishmongers, went from pile to pile, selling to the highest bidder. At 6:45 a.m., just as it was getting light, I boarded a train and left Hagi. A number of the church members, including one elderly lady, had come to the station to say goodbye.

I returned to Tokyo and on March 30 I boarded the American ship "President Wilson" at Yokohama and at 4 p.m. we left for San Francisco,

6,200 miles eastward. Several days later we crossed the International Date Line and repeated a day. This day was called "Meridian Day" in the ship's newspaper.

We laid over one day in Honolulu, Hawaii a lovely tropical spot where the prices are too high. Several hours after the sun had set over Waikiki Beach we sailed away from Honolulu while the music of "Aloha" drifted over the waves.

On April first, the "Wilson" floated beneath the Golden Gate Bridge and the skyline of San Francisco unfolded before us.

Since leaving New York 2 years, 5 months and 8 days earlier I had visited 25 countries and covered roughly 30,000 miles by airplane, ship, auto, train, bus, truck, streetcar, subway, bicycle, rickshaw, donkey, horse and elephant.

As the ship edged into its berth I saw family and friends waiting on the dock. It was good to be home.

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mediately without waiting for treatment of any sort and the remaining ones crowded around in an attempt to get me to hurry so that they could be treated and leave for home. It was difficult to keep many of our workers from leaving as well, or to keep them level headed and calm if they stayed. From the pharmacy came the report that the pharmacist had left, and the father of two little boys with yaws (a disfiguring tropical disease) was frantic lest his sons be denied the shots that would make them well. The cook ran over to tell us that the three girls in the kitchen were all upset and wanted to go home. Our eight in-patients were also clamoring for medicine and permission to return to their families. Several were just beginning to respond nicely to therapy so I hated to see them go yet could do nothing about it.

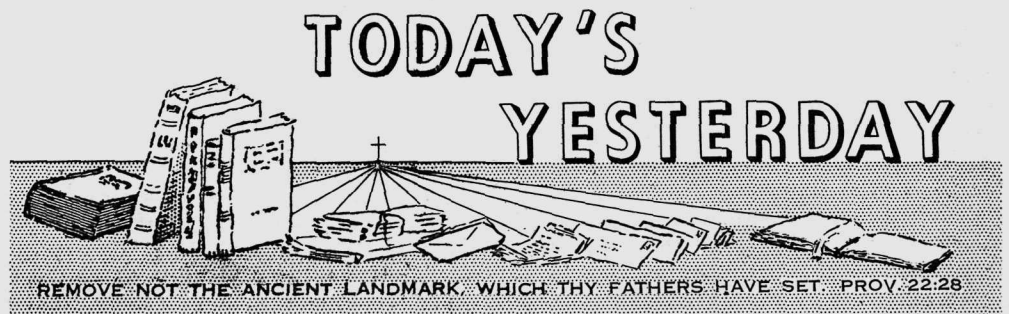
"Finally the last patients had been seen and we were ready to go home, too. On my way over to our house I got my first real look around at what was going on. People were using ox-carts to move their things, others were carrying bundles on their heads, still others had their bicycles loaded, and a few fortunate ones had the use

of a truck to help them move their earthly possessions. Ed Weber spent a good part of the afternoon hauling people and their goods out of town. It is a good opportunity to do a special service for the people of Tobelo at a time when they are frightened and frantic and transportation is so hard to get."

All next day people continued to move out of town. Despite muddy trails and engine trouble, the truck and its undaunted driver stuck right with them. By nightfall only a few Chinese businessmen, a small troop of soldiers and the MCC unit with three faithful Indonesian workers remained in the ghost town of Tobelo.

On that day Anne wrote: "We

don't want to be foolish in staying but on the other hand we feel we are as well off here as anywhere else. Moving out presents a great problem to us, as we have so many supplies, medical and otherwise. Also there is so much in the hospital for which we are responsible and would hate to lose. However, after hearing that the rebels might be here by 4 a.m. tomorrow, we decided we should have something definite in mind if they did come. It so happens that there is a nice fox-hole which the students have dug between us and the nearby school. Tonight after supper the seven of us went out in the lovely tropical moonlight to prepare the place for an emergency."



GENERAL CONFERENCE ACTIONS IN THE 1870's

PART II

The earliest known records of General Conference date back to 1871. Presented here are various excerpts from the minutes of Conference actions in the 1870's, as recorded in the "General Conference Index":

1874

Art. 5. Is it not more consistent with the Word of God to cast lots in the election of officials than to elect by vote? **Ans.** Not unless the vote is a tie.

Art. 7. Conference decided that, if an applicant was baptized by triune immersion on the evidence of the pardon of his sin, and acceptance with God, and is satisfied with his baptism, he may be received as a member without being rebaptized.

1877

Art. 2. Conference decided that it is not allowed for members to take advantage of exemption laws to defraud creditors.

Art. 3. Is a member allowed to have his life insured? **Ans.** It is not allowed.

Art. 5. Is it consistent for members to use tobacco in any form? **Ans.** It is not consistent and is acknowledged an evil, especially among

the ministering brethren, and those using it are heartily warned by the Church to abstain from its use.

Art. 6. Conference decided that ministering brethren be sent to visit the Mennonites in the far West and to visit the scattered members throughout the State of Kansas, and, if necessary, elect ministers and deacons.

Art. 7. Shall an applicant be taken into the Church who was divorced, or who is separated and married again and living with another companion? **Ans.** No.

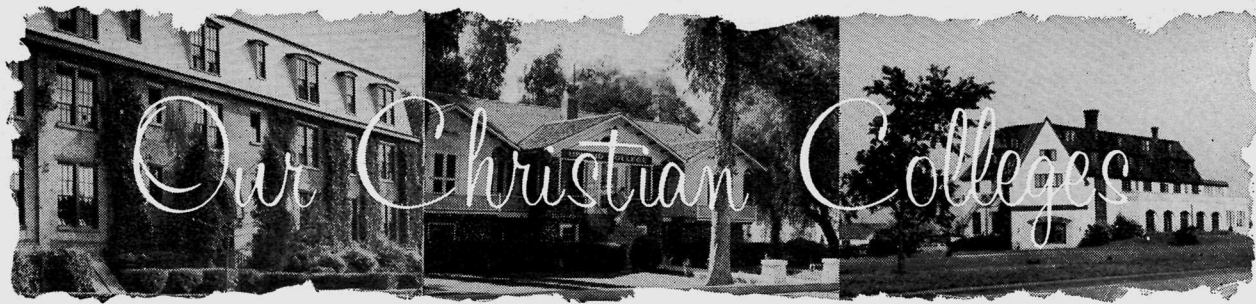
1878

Art. 6. Is it consistent for members to have bride servants on wedding occasions? **Ans.** It is not consistent.

1879

Art. 3. Conference decided that no applicant shall be received into church membership who is a member of any secret society.

Art. 4. Since the Church has pronounced tobacco an evil, can those that continue to use and cultivate the same, consistently use the apostle's language: "If meat cause my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth"? **Ans.** They cannot.



Editorial Comment

THE PAGE Editor regrets the fact that two of our colleges are omitted from the College Page this month. Because of an apparent misunderstanding, or due to a miscalculation in dates, news did not arrive from the two Eastern schools.

Christian Witnessing

An Important Part of Upland College Life

Under the able leadership of Rev. Owen Alderfer, College Religious Director, the students of Upland are led into active Christian witnessing by participation in the Christian Worker's Band. The Band sponsors Gospel teams which visit hospitals, jails, missions and churches and become the means of spiritual inspiration to hundreds of people.

Team Captains for this year are Bill Moore, Maurice Bender, Erma Mann and Charles Rickel. Each has several students to assist him. Many young ministerial students have had their first preaching opportunities through the work of the Christian Worker's Band.

The Student Christian Life Committee assumes the responsibility of noon time prayer meetings on the campus and providing challenging speakers for special evening meetings.

Daily chapel meetings provide the finest of local and nationally famous speakers. Student participation lends variety to the chapel services at which attendance is required.

Chi Alpha Society

The CHI ALPHA Society on Upland campus may be characterized by the meaning of its name. The name comes from two Greek letters: X or Chi, the letter used to designate Christ, and A or Alpha, the first letter of the Greek alphabet. XA then is an organization of those committed to the ideal of Christ first in all of living.

This organization includes monthly meetings in which concerns of the Christian life are discussed and Christian service projects promoted.

There are occasional extra meetings with guests who would have information to offer the group. Highlight of the activities last year was the XA retreat, a time of rich spiritual fellowship in the mountains.

The Society is open to all whose goal is Christ First. It will be of special interest to those who look forward to full-time Christian service.

Goings-on at Upland College

Homecoming, October 24-26

Homecoming for the Alumni of Upland College was scheduled for October 24 - 26. Merle Brubaker, Alumni Association President, announced an exciting three-day program. He was assisted by Lorraine Stump as Vice-President of the Association who is Chairman of the Homecoming Committee.

Following the Family meeting for Friday night, a highlight of the Homecoming was the dinner scheduled for Saturday in the College gymnasium. The committee in charge planned an interesting skit around the general theme, "Then and Now."

Sunday afternoon the College observed an open house, following a program in the College chapel. Visitors had the opportunity to visit the dormitory rooms which were especially decorated for the occasion. Prizes are awarded by the Alumni for the best-decorated rooms. A tea climaxed the day for the guests.

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Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Climenhaga Return

Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Climenhaga visited their Alma Mater during the month of October while they are home on furlough from the mission field in Africa. Dr. Climenhaga is Bishop of the Rhodesian churches. He was formerly President of the College for a period of seven years. During his presidency the College inaugurated the first program for the presentation of the Bachelor of Arts degree. He did much to make Upland the outstanding College it now is.

For several days during the first

part of October, he led the student body and church friends in a series of devotional meetings in the College chapel.

The Faculty of the College honored the Climenhagas at a tea on October 10 at which time he said, "I am proud of my Alma Mater and of the fine school it has grown to be."

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Fall Semester Enrollment

Enrollment for the Fall semester at Upland College shows a seven per cent increase over the first semester of last year. A total of 116 students from twelve different states and two foreign countries, representing twenty-four church denominations, have joined to make the beginning of a wonderful year on the College campus.

The Academy has 67 students, mostly from the local area. Several Academy students have come from outside the state, representing Kansas. Twenty denominations are represented in the Academy.

Student Scholarship Fund

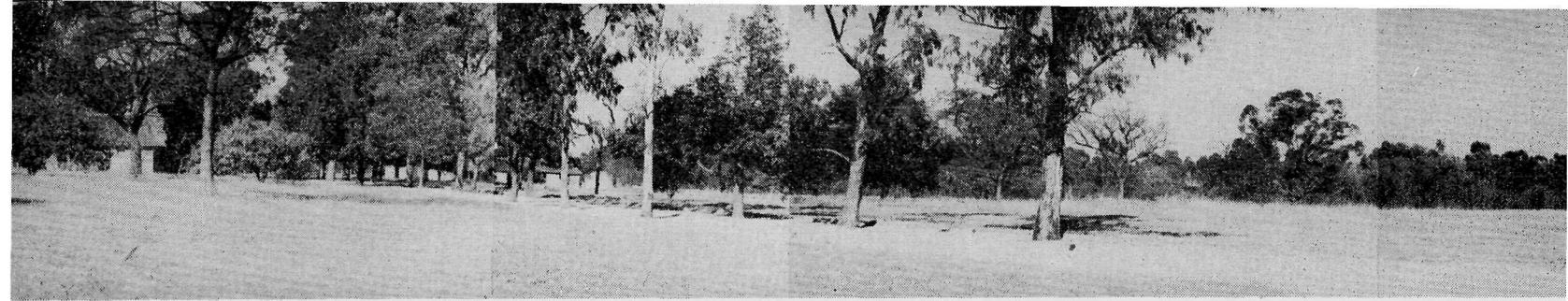
Instituted at Upland College

A new program is now being inaugurated at Upland College whereby interested persons can make a valuable contribution to worthy students. It is now possible to secure Units in the Student Scholarship Fund to help provide trained Christian workers for all professions of life.

Many young people need help to complete their college training. Many people want to know how to help these qualified young people. The Student Scholarship Fund is designed to help interested persons to help Christian students.

Each Unit represents a twenty-five dollar gift to the Fund. Any number of Units can be secured. The money received will be applied to the Scholarship program at Upland College and made available to the students who prove a need.

An attractive certificate of appreciation will be sent to each donor who contributes to the Student Scholarship Fund. Scholarship gifts are tax deductible.



The White School

"I have watched Mtshabezi School grow"

Voices
from
Monuments
of the
Past

I RECEIVED the name "White School" because my exterior is white. I have seen Mtshabezi grow educationally.

At first I was used by the girls' boarding school. Later I housed Standards II and IV in my two rooms.

I am now a library and look old-fashioned with my white walls and thatched roof in contrast to the new 100-yard-long Teacher Training

building with brick walls and asbestos roof which was finished in 1957. This building has grown up beside me and in its four classrooms are 126 students who are training to become Christian leaders of tomorrow.

As I look down the path toward the Girls' School today, I see great progress since 1934 when the new Central Primary Building was erected. Of the 142 girls attending today, twenty-six have mothers who once

"I Believe the Answer's on the Way"

DOES God still answer prayer? Naka Isabel, Mfundisi Sibanda's wife, thinks so and said recently, "Just before Nkosazana Anna Engle went to America, she told us we must not expect God to answer all of our prayers the very day we pray; sometimes we must keep on praying. We've prayed many years for Mhlolo, and now we see God is really answering."

As a boy in my father's day, Mhlolo Sibanda worked here at Wanezi Mission. In more recent years he has worked on the mission station most of the time and lived nearby with his family. But he has never been a Christian. A few years ago his wife graciously found the Lord, and since then, along with many others, she has been praying for him. He has gone from bad to worse. He has been bound to drink. His family is very poor. But during the past months he has seemed increasingly eager for tracts and other Christian literature. He attended our Sunday School Rally, August 3, and since then he has been asking more definitely for prayer and has even started coming regularly to church. Last Sunday after service

when we asked him how he was, he said with tears in his eyes, "Oh, do pray for me," and he did not seem to care who heard him.

The Friday afternoon village prayer meetings (which were started in this community by Sister Anna Engle in connection with the Bible School training program) rotate from village to village, heathen and Christian alike. Today (September 12) it was at Mhlolo Sibanda's. What an inspiration it was! It was well attended by Christian neighbors, also a few heathen ones. Mfundisi Sibanda had charge and spoke so kindly and feelingly from Luke 19, directing his remarks right towards Mhlolo who seemed to be drinking it all in hungrily. "Christ came to save the lost," cried Sibanda, "And He is able to save you!" Although there were many prayer requests given, both local and otherwise, everyone who prayed seemed to have a special burden for Mhlolo, and prayed undisguisedly for his salvation. One could not help but feel that this was greatly appreciated by him.

The whole atmosphere was charged with the Lord's presence, and there was liberty in prayer. At the end of the meeting Mfundisi Sibanda had us sing a hymn (No. 15) which included these words, "Once we were in sin

and darkness." Then with beaming face he said, "Yes, *once* we were in darkness, but what about now? Yes, what about now? Have we been delivered?" The closing prayer by one of the Bible School men lifted our souls to heaven: "Lord, help Mhlolo to climb up the tree like Zacchaeus—and find CHRIST!" *Will you help us pray for Mholo's complete deliverance?*

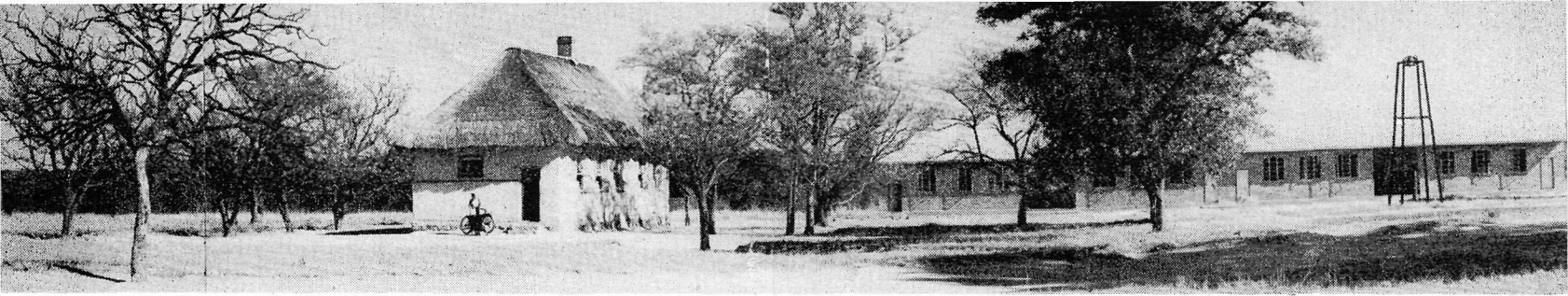
F. Mabel Frey

Foreign Mission Revised Budget for 1958

The General Conference had approved a budget for Foreign Missions for 1958 in the amount of \$125,458.00. Some very urgent events have since made it imperative that the budget be increased. These increases have been approved by the Budget Commission.

Missions Advance

A tremendous challenge and opportunity has been offered to the Brethren in Christ in the Gwaai area about 150 miles west of Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia, Africa. Many of our people have been moved from



attended. Nine have grandmothers who learned here. Two of our teachers are daughters of school girls of the past.

Some of the graduates of Standard IV in 1935 are faithful Christian wives today. Three of them who went on to Teacher Training at Matopo Mission are Mrs. Samuel Mlotshwa, Mrs. Saul Senda and Mrs. Jordan Ncube. Six girls completed the first Standard VI in 1939.

The largest enrollment in Standard VI was in 1956 when the year opened with 105 girls.

Many girls have passed through the classrooms. Teachers continue to demand that girls leave knitting needles and crochet hooks outside.

Many of these girls prefer handwork to studying English, history and geography. In front of the school is the tall flagpole with the Union Jack waving in the breeze. To the right of the school is a netball court; behind the school is the volley ball court and a netball court.

The Central Primary School continues to be a refuge for girls unwilling to marry polygamists. The office has been the scene of moments of prayer with girls who have heartaches caused by their own misdeeds, illnesses of loved ones, fear of lack of school fees, and burdens for unsaved relatives. God has met with them.

Help me wish each of these young people God's richest blessing.

Nancy Kreider and Anna Graybill

From the Letter-Bag

Even beyond the oceans our Father's love beams like the sun in its strength. The Lord has been with us most graciously.

In Japan the summers are very hot (today, in September, it was 106°). As foreigners are not accustomed to this hot climate, almost all the missionaries from the cities go into cooler places. July 18th, we left for the North to spend some time in cool mountains. We had a refreshing time with our friends, attending Bible conferences and admiring God's great handiwork. It was a good rest from the strain of constant language study.

John is now busy preparing a Japanese message for a chapel talk in school. He says it is lots of fun, but takes so much time.

Michael has entered first grade. I am sure he is learning something in school which none of you have ever learned. He has Japanese language class every day. You should hear him count in Japanese! He also has Bible class along with the regular first grade work [in English]. When our language study is completed in Kobe, we will move to the country where there will be no English-speaking schools.

Brenda is too young to enter kindergarten in the school where Michael goes and so she goes to a Japanese kindergarten — where only Japanese is spoken. Pray for our children; they do need God's protecting hand.

Remember the prayer request for Senzaki Tent Meeting?

Your prayers were answered in a way that causes one to marvel and to praise God for the faithfulness of His Spirit.

From Hagi, Mary Willms reports on the daily children's meetings:

"The tent is jammed with 150 - 160 children—a group too big to handle properly with a tent our size, but they are really interested and all enthusiastic. This is far more than we had expected and they keep coming every night. . . . I am most impressed with the fact that much praying has been done for the meetings."

Doyle Book writes concerning the adult daily meetings:

"I'm sure your prayers played a large part in the success of the Senzaki meetings for which we give all the glory to Jesus. Just two nights ago I went to conduct the first meeting in a home—since the campaign. I saw many familiar faces.

"Now comes the hard work. Let us pray that not one will be lost. Pray that each one will be fully established in the faith and grow and testify and reach out to others. Pray for me, too."

I would like to give two more prayer requests:

- (1) For the November city-wide crusade in Kobe.
- (2) For Doyle Books and us, now that the Willms are on furlough in America and the mission responsibilities rest upon the Books and us.

The Graybills

older Mission areas to this new location by the Government. A tribe of Bushmen, untouched by the Gospel, also reside in this vicinity. They are calling for missionaries and schools. A site has been offered by the government for a Mission Station. Present plans are to build a Center there. Money is being budgeted \$5,000.00 per year for the next three years for this project to make the capital investment. May our Missionary spirit be challenged to go the "second mile" in giving to reach these lost in spiritual darkness! The Catholics have already located a school site seventeen miles from this new Center, and another school nine miles from our new school, Elangeni, in this area.

Thank You

For the very wonderful financial assistance many of you have given to cover the storm damage to our mission buildings in India.

These added projects to the original budget makes the total for 1958 approximately \$132,000.00. At the close of the third quarter you have given \$85,000.00 towards this budget, which still leaves the amount of \$47,000.00 to be realized by December 31.

To achieve this goal it may also take "second mile" giving. Shall we not ask the Lord what He would have us share?



CHURCH NEWS

BULLETIN-BITS

A Sunday school class from Collyer, Pa., shared by special song in a Sunday morning service of the Britton Run Mennonite Church at Spartansburg, Pa.

A Christian Home Conference was held at Manheim, Pa., September 14. Noah Mark, M. D. of Morgantown, Pa., was guest speaker.

Menno Richer, Cassopolis, Mich., spoke at the Arthur Mennonite Church in Illinois, August 31.

J. C. Cassel, Dayton, Ohio, was guest speaker at Garrett, Indiana, Sunday, October 5. Special emphasis was on Christian stewardship.

Franklin Corners, Ill., announces revival services for November 23-Dec. 7. C. H. Moyer, Elizabethtown, Pa., is scheduled to serve as evangelist.

Refton, Pa. featured Alvan Thuma, M.D., Eber Lehman, a business man, and W. O. Winger, retired missionary, as guest speakers during the month of October.

Alden Long, professor at Messiah College, and Frank Horner were guest speakers at Cedar Springs and Good Will, Pa. during October, enlargement month.

George Sheffer, Stayner, Ontario is conducting revival meetings at Chestnut Grove, Ohio, November 9-23.

A one-day Missionary Conference was held on the campus of Messiah College, Thursday, October 23. The Arthur Climenhagas, Alvan Thumas, Glenn Freys, Ira Sterns and Misses Stoner, Shoalts and Switzer shared in the day's program.

P. W. McBeth, recently-appointed secretary of the N.S.S.A., reported on the Des Moines, Iowa, National Sunday School Convention at Elizabethtown, Pa., October 5.

A Missionary Conference was held at Upland, California, October 8-12. The Climenhagas and Sterns were guest speakers.

J. N. Hostetter is conducting services at Elizabethtown, Pa., October 26 to November 9.

Edith Miller, via tape recording with pictures, shared in a Missionary Conference at Clarence Center, N. Y., October 26. Samuel Wolgemuth was guest speaker for the day. Bro. Wolgemuth was rally speaker at Youthtime in Buffalo on Saturday evening.

Mount Pleasant, Mt. Joy, Pa.

On July 6, Home Mission Sunday was observed. The speaker for the occasion was Bro. Albert Engle. Insights into many mission points were given.

July 18-20, a week-end revival was conducted. The evangelist was Jacob Shenk, Jr., a member of the local congregation. Bro. and Sr. Shenk are scheduled to leave for mission work in Africa in the near future.

Peace Promotion Sunday was on July 27. Experiences were given by several men of the congregation, as well as a message by the pastor.

August 31, School Promotion Day was observed in the Sunday school and morning worship services. Messages pointing out specific problems related to students were presented.

On September 21, we had our annual Youth Conference. In the morning service, Bro. C. R. Heisey gave a message on "Lion Treaders and Dragon Trampers." In the evening service, Philip Zeagler and D. Ray Heisey were guest speakers.

On Sunday, October 5, the Palermo Brothers assisted in the morning worship service with their special music.



Miss Anna R. Engle (third from left, front row), conducted Teachers' Training Course at Messiah Lighthouse Chapel. Rev. and Mrs. Joel Carlson (to her left) are the "keepers" of this Lighthouse, assisted by the capable staff shown above.

Messiah Lighthouse Chapel, Harrisburg, Pa.

Sunday school teachers and officers met for four successive Tuesday nights during September to evaluate the Sunday school's ministry and to plan for advance. Prior to this, the Sunday school workers met in conference monthly.

Miss Anna R. Engle, from Messiah College and long-term missionary to Africa, was instructor for 6 sessions, using the booklet, "Apt to Teach." The group shared in study, a short business session, and lunch.

On September 28 five followed their Lord in baptism and united with the Church. Sacred emotions were deeply stirred and tears of joy were manifested at the public testimony of these obedient Christians. The Fall Communion service followed on October 5 with young people, in their teens, among the thirty-five communicants, several of them for their first time. Dr. Charles F. Eshelman shared with the pastor in this commemorative service.

Prof. D. Ray Heisey, from Messiah College, was the guest speaker for Rally Day, October 5. The pastor presided in a service of dedication for teachers. Thirty-two Robert Raikes certificates for faithful attendance were given.

Bishop Henry A. Ginder is serving as evangelist for our Fall Revival, October 12-26. Special nights planned: Family Night, Sunday School Night, Good Neighbor Night, and Youth Night.

Joel E. Carlson, Pastor

New York City

Opportunities opened in various ways to witness for the Lord Jesus in this great city during the summer. I assisted in a two-week Daily Vacation Bible School in Harlem among the Negroes, assisted in Sunday afternoon hospital services, and visited homes. My experiences in Harlem revealed some of the sinful conditions under which many American children are reared.

Two fourteen-year-old boys from my community attended the Kenbrook Bible Camp this year. Other boys now say they want to attend next year. Two little Catholic girls, a doctor's daughter and a Navy officer's daughter, came to my apartment for Bible lessons.

My private Hebrew teacher, his wife and

family, from Jerusalem, are now here in New York. Please join me in prayer that they will accept Jesus as their Messiah. He is a very influential man, having under him hundreds of students and teachers.

Following a service with the unwed mothers recently, ten of them raised their hands for prayer. One little girl came to me crying after the service, stating that she wants to be good but each time she fails. What a joy to point them to One who never fails, the Lord Jesus.

The Holiness Camps, at Roxbury and Memorial Holiness Campgrounds in Ohio were a real blessing to me. I needed them! I returned here refreshed in spirit, soul, and body, with more power in my life since then. Praise the Lord!

The Lord is answering prayer for this work. I want to request again that you join in prayer for divine guidance as the Board selects a definite headquarters for the Brethren in Christ outreach in New York. May the Lord bless all who are praying, giving, and supporting His work.

Mary E. Wenger

Financial Report

NORTH STAR MISSION

SECOND QUARTER FINANCIAL

Deficit balance (3-31-58)\$220.85

Receipts

Teacher's Contrib. 22.00
Farm Produce 58.00
Church-at-large (Canada) 155.15
" (U. S.) 31.00
Offerings—local 21.40

Total\$287.55

Total Cash Available 66.70

Expenditures

Food 160.78
Sask. Power 5.16
Evangel Press 14.84
Evangel Press 1.04
Transportation 98.00

Total\$279.82

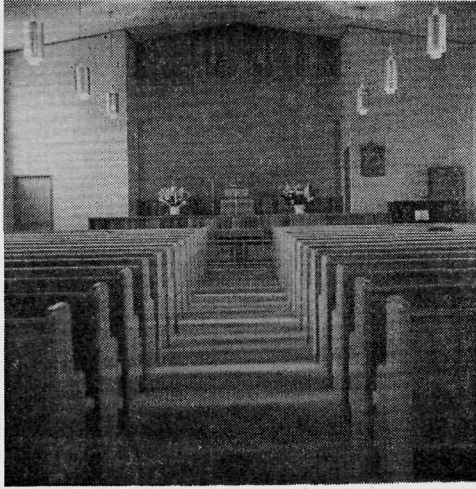
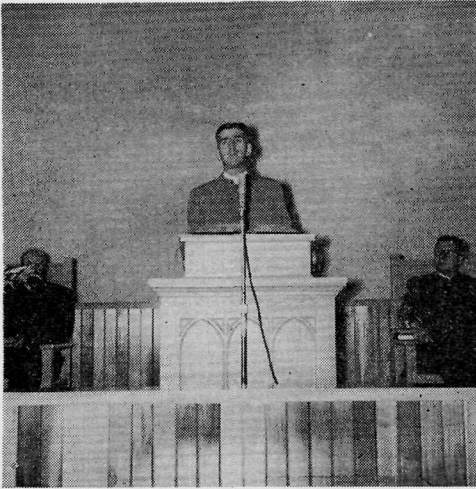
Balance Deficit (6-30-58)\$213.12

Special Needs and Project Fund

Balance on hand (3-31-58)\$ 100.62

Expenditures:NIL

Balance on hand (6-30-58) 100.62



The pastor, Rev. Roy Sider, introduces Bishop E. J. Swalm (left) who presented the message of dedication. Bishop Henry A. Ginder (right) was guest speaker for the morning and evening services. At right is a view of the sanctuary of the new church—an invitation to worship. See cover for the exterior view.

ONTARIO DEDICATES ANOTHER NEW CHURCH

Sunday, October 5, was the day of dedication for the new Sherkston Brethren in Christ Church. Bishops E. J. Swalm and Henry Ginder were speakers for the occasion.

A Sunday school and worship attendance a few years ago outgrew the capacity of the little cement-block building that was purchased from the Mennonites nearly thirty years ago. In its earlier days the work was served as a branch work from the Bertie congregation.

God has used the ministry of Brother Roy Sider, a young man who grew up in the congregation, in a forward surge of increased service and ministry to the community. The first step in building expansion was the building of the basement for the superstructure. This was done a few years ago and served well for increased Sunday school room and junior church services.

Continuing interest and growth led to replacing the old building entirely and erection of the beautiful new commodious sanctuary that was dedicated on October 5. Its decorative lines are simple, but modern, and the facilities provide for Christian education, nursery and other present-day needs for a modern church plant.

Bishop Ginder spoke to a large audience on the morning of Dedication Sunday. Sunday school attendance was 260 plus with a goal going into the three hundreds for the enlargement campaign. In addition to the denominational emphasis for enlargement during October, the Sunday school has entered the contest, sponsored by *Christian Life* magazine.

An overflow attendance filled the auditorium, balcony and Sunday school addition for the dedication service in the afternoon. Bishop E. J. Swalm spoke the dedication message and led in the dedication ritual.

Des Moines, Iowa

Greetings from the Des Moines congregation.

July 7-16 we conducted our D.V.B.S. with Daniel Jeran as superintendent. This was the first year an evening school was conducted. Our theme was "Sailing With Christ." Our attendance was good. Forty were present the first evening; the attendance increased every evening. The last evening there were 140 including parents and children.

A tent meeting was conducted Aug. 10-24

by Bro. Joseph VanderVeer. His ministry was appreciated by all and we pray God's blessing upon the seed sown. We never know what will be reaped by the Word being sown.

We were privileged to have a missionary service on Sunday morning, Sept. 21, with Ira and Miriam Stern from Africa. Also with us were Eugene Wenger, his wife, and children formerly from Pennsylvania. The Wengers spent several years as missionaries in Japan under the Evangelical United Brethren Church.

Our fall love feast was Oct. 11. We were privileged to have our Bishop Alvin Burkholder with us over this weekend.

Bro. and Sr. Jacob Shenk were with us Oct. 12, for their farewell service before going to Africa.

Mrs. Henry F. Landis

Sandusky, Michigan

During the week of July 4, five of our Christ's Crusaders attended youth camp near Pontiac.

Monday evening, July 14, was the beginning of a two-week evangelistic meeting. Bro. Bruce Grove of Lewistown, Pa., spoke each evening under the anointing of the Spirit. We praise the Lord for victories won as some renewed their covenant with God, while others sought a deeper work of grace.

The last weekend of our revival, July 26-27, the Leonard and Mooretown congregations held a combined Christian Home Conference. Bro. Grove and Bro. Joseph VanderVeer were the guest speakers.

On Sunday evening, August 23, we were happy to have Bro. and Sr. Jay Sisco and family and Phyllis Starr fellowship with us. Bro. Sisco brought the message.

Bro. Erwin Thomas spoke to us in our Thursday evening prayer meeting on August 28. Both Bro. Sisco and Bro. Thomas are former members of our congregation.

Other visitors fellowshipping with us for at least one service during the past quarter were: Mrs. Leigh Starr of Phoenix, Ariz., Bro. and Sr. Marshall Baker and family and Duane Climenhaga of Saskatoon, Sask., Bro. and Sr. Irvin Cober of Kitchener, Ont., Bro. and Sr. Eilo Sisco and Evelyn of Owosso, Mich., and Bro. and Sr. V. E. Seahaltz of Pa. We extend a hearty welcome to anyone passing our way to worship with us.

Aug. 31, marked the dedication of a family of three children.

Eight applicants for baptism were baptized on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 7, by our pastor. The ages ranged from 11 to 75.

A very interesting service was enjoyed by all on Sunday evening, Sept. 7, as Rev. Walter Atkinson of the American Board of Missions to the Jews related to us his life's story. Surely God moves in mysterious ways His wonders to perform.

October 18-19 was our fall love feast with Bro. William Engle of Dayton, Ohio for our guest speaker.

Norma Starr

Heise Hill Church, Gormley, Ont.

Our Vacation Bible School was held July 21-31 in the evenings. The buses were used to bring the children. One public confession was made on decision night.

Aug. 3—Bro. Lorne Lichty ministered to us in the morning worship service.

Aug. 10—An ordination service was held in the afternoon for Bro. and Sr. Wm. Vanderbent. Bishop Swalm and several other visiting ministers were present. There was a large attendance for the service. God's presence was very evident in the service.

Aug. 17—The Junior Canadian Youth Conference was held in our area the weekend of Aug. 16 and 17. The Bertie mixed quartet provided the Sunday evening service with special numbers in song and a message from God's Word.

Aug. 31—Bro. Willis Hunking, United Missionary Church missionary on furlough from Nigeria, Africa, gave to us a missionary service.

Sept. 7—There was a baptism service at the Harold Heise farm when three young people were baptized. Another was baptized three weeks later.

Sept. 11—Bro. Arthur Climenhagas were with us, speaking and showing pictures of their work in Africa.

Instead of the usual summer slump, we have enjoyed increased attendance at our services.

Green Grove, Spring Mills, Pa.

June 16 to 27 we held our Summer Bible School with 109 total enrollment. On the Sunday evening following the Bible school we had the Bible school program with the church well filled with the community folks and the parents of the Bible school pupils.

July 6 to 20 a two weeks' tent campaign was launched with Bro. John Climenhaga serving as evangelist.

On the weekend of July 26 and 27 our Tri-county Young People's Conference was held at the Lamar Camp Ground with Bro. Samuel Wolgemuth and Bishop Charlie Byers as speakers. I am sure this was a rare treat for the young people, and will you pray that the seed sown will spring up and bear fruit for the honor and glory of God.

Oct. 5 we had our Sunday School Rally Day with Rev. Marlin Moore and wife. He brought the morning message and they brought us several selections in song. Following the morning service we had a fellowship lunch on the grounds. Then in the afternoon Rev. Thomas France and singers were with us, and in the evening service Bro. Charles Lehman, pastor of the Coyler congregation, gave us the evening message. There was a good attendance throughout the day.

Will you pray for the work at Green Grove that we might continue to serve God faithfully in this community.

Conoy, Elizabethtown, Pa.

July 13, Baptismal Service for three young people.

July 14-25 was our Daily Vacation Bible School. Our average attendance was 117.

Sunday, July 13 was the dedication of the new parsonage at Conoy. The building excavations were begun April 5th and the pastor moved in with his family on June 9th. The ranch type house consists of three bedrooms on the first floor with possible expansion in a future date of three more on



The parsonage at the Conoy Church.

second floor. Also on the first floor is a modern kitchen with built-in oven and range, ceramic tile bath, large living room and also dining room and study. The basement serves as a spacious recreation room with a fireplace which makes it ideal for youth gatherings.

Sept. 4-14 we had a tentmeeting nearby with Rev. Samuel Doctorian as speaker. The services were well attended and greatly appreciated. He emphasized heart purity or Holiness and asked each to ask himself the question as found in the Bible, "How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation?" (Heb. 2:3)

Sept. 7, Rev. Doctorian was with us for our morning worship. He gave many personal experiences which were a great challenge to us to do what the Lord would have us to do.

Revival meetings begin November 16 and continue to 30. Evangelist will be Rev. Samuel Lady.

October 12—Communion.

October 26—Chicques Chorus with us.

November 9—Foreign Missionary Meeting. (All day.)

APPRECIATION

The invitation extended to the Board of Bishops to be the guests of the Commission on Sunday School at the National Sunday School Convention, which convened at Des Moines, Iowa, October 8-10, 1958 was greatly appreciated by the Brethren in Christ Bishops.

The Convention itself was outstanding, with noted national Sunday school leaders serving as speakers, leaders of the institute and workshop sessions. The theme of the convention, "Millions for Christ . . . Now!" stirred everyone to promote the Sunday school with greater enthusiasm. The writer heard one of our eastern pastors exclaim as he came from a workshop session, "It was wonderful, wonderful!"

The Bishops enjoyed rich fellowship with approximately one hundred Brethren in Christ members who were in attendance. Each regional conference was represented with the Midwest and Eastern conferences having large delegations. One of the outstanding occasions was the fellowship dinner held at the Bishops Cafeteria on Thursday evening. Rev. P. W. McBeth was in charge of this fellowship gathering.

A word of commendation goes to our Iowa congregations, Des Moines and Dallas Center, for providing a Brethren in Christ registration booth and for lodging our people. The bishops were guests of Rev. and Mrs. Henry F. Landis, who entertained us in the newly-furnished parsonage.

Our church was honored by the convention when the chairman of our Sunday school commission, Rev. P. W. McBeth, was installed as secretary of the NSSA.

Believing that the Sunday school provides the open door for growth and outreach, we pray that all the Sunday schools of our brotherhood may continue to enlarge, and we further desire that God may bless our commission on Sunday school as they direct and stimulate Sunday school activity.

Board of Bishops
Alvin C. Burkholder, Sec.

Locust Prove, Pa.

June 30-July 11 we had our Bible School. The average attendance was 86. The offerings taken amounted to \$67.58 were given to the India Missions.

July 20, Sr. Naomi Brechbill was our guest speaker in the evening service. She showed us pictures of our missions in California and Navajo and spoke of her visit to those places.

Our morning worship service on August 25 was solemnized by a reception service for two young people followed by a baptismal service.

Sunday morning, September 14 was our Harvest Praise Service. Our pastor gave the morning message.

September 28 Rev. M. P. Krikorian was our guest speaker. During Sunday school he spoke to the children and in the morning worship service spoke on the subject, "How Life Should Be Lived." Bro. Krikorian recited the 23rd Psalm in the language Jesus recited it at His mother's knee in Nazareth, and then Bro. Walter Winger read the 23rd Psalm in English and led us in prayer.

In the evening Bro. Krikorian spoke about "The Near East, The Religious Geography of Our Faith."

Mrs. Jean Sentz

BIRTHS

RUSSELL—Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Russell, Shippensburg, Pa. are the happy parents of a daughter born August 19, 1958. Judy Kaye is a member of the Green Spring Sunday school.

HOCK—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hock announce the birth of a son, Randall Lee, born September 28, 1958. Bro. and Sr. Hock are members of the Green Spring Congregation.

LEHMAN—Born to Bro. and Sr. Charles Lehman of the Green Spring Congregation, a daughter, Doris Ann, on September 29, 1958.

FLEWELLING—Mr. and Mrs. Harold Flewelling of Shippensburg, Pa. are the happy parents of a daughter born October 7, 1958. Connie Sue is a sister for Eugene and Beverly.

VAUGHN—Mr. and Mrs. Harold Vaughn of the Green Spring Congregation are the happy parents of a daughter, Judy Ann, born October 7, 1958.

RENARD—A daughter, Melissa Sue, was born October 4, 1958 to Joseph and Betty Renard, Grantham, Pa.

WHITE—Katrina Kay was born September 29, 1958 to Mr. and Mrs. Orvin White, Jr., Grantham, Pa. Orvin, formerly of Sylvatus, Va., is a student at Messiah College.

MANN—Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Mann, Grantham, Pa., announce the birth of Robin Elizabeth, October 13, 1958.

NEWMYER—Edward R. and Arlene (Anderson) Newmyer of York Haven, Pennsylvania, announce the birth of a son, Robert Lynn, on September 11, 1958.

WELLER—Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Weller, Greencastle, Pa., announce the birth of a daughter, Teresa Marie, on October 11, 1958. The Wellers are members of the Antrim Sunday School.

BYERS—John and Esther (Hoke) Byers of Chambersburg, Pa., announce the birth of a daughter, Pamela Lou, on October 15, 1958; a sister for Brenda Sue.

PAISLEY—Bob and Nancy (Hill) Paisley of Stouffville, Ont. are the parents of a son, Kyle Robert, born July 2, 1958. They attend the Heise Hill church at Gormley.

HEISE—Owen Lester, came to the home of Lewis and Verna Heise, Gormley, Ont., Oct. 4, 1958; a brother for Mary Lou, Dale and Marlin.

BYERS—First child, Denise Kay, to Charlie and Miriam (Nissly) Byers of Fort Wayne, Indiana, members of the Christian Union Church at Garrett, on October 1, 1958.

HEISEY—Marion and Rachel (Eshelman) Heisey are rejoicing at the arrival of Philip Todd, August 30, 1958. His many friends include Navajo children and 6 other Heisey children at the Navajo Mission, Bloomfield, New Mexico.

BURNS—Charles and Nancy (Engle) Burns announce the birth of their first jewel, Jacqueline Sue, born August 27, 1958. The trio live in Ontario, California.

MARRIAGES

MUSSER-TIMMONS—Clarence Ambrose Musser, Jr., son of Bro. and Sr. C. A. Musser, Sr., of Newburg, Pa., and Sarah Edith Timmons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Timmons of Orrstown, Pa. were united in marriage at the Mowersville Brethren in Christ Church on August 29, 1958. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Barton Starr. They are at home on Newburg, Pa. R. 1.

HASTINGS-WINGERD—Miss Carol Wingerd, daughter of Mrs. Ruth Wingerd of Ramona, Kansas, and Mr. Paul Hastings, son of Mrs. Jessie Hastings of Des Moines, Iowa, were united in marriage Tuesday, August 26, in the Rosebank Brethren in Christ Church, Ramona, Kansas. Henry F. Landis, pastor of the groom performed the ceremony, assisted by Rev. R. I. Witter.

OBITUARIES

ENSMINGER—Samuel Paul Ensminger, son of Samuel and Lucy Ensminger, was born June 21, 1951. He passed away October 1, 1958 by accidental death. "Paul" was a member of the Upland Church Sunday School. He is survived by his brother, Jesse Wayne, and his parents. Other survivors are his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse L. Gibbon.

Funeral services were conducted at the Bethel Baptist Church (former Brethren in Christ) October 6 by Rev. Eber Dourte and Bishop Alvin Burkholder, and on October 8 by Rev. Warren Sherman at Pleasant Hill, Ohio. Interment was in the Highland Cemetery near West Milton.

SWITZER—Rinehold E. Switzer, son of the late Gottob and Catherine Switzer, was born near Stuttgart, Germany, December 30, 1878. Following a long illness he passed away at his home in Weatherford, October 8, 1958 at age of 78 yrs., 9 months, 8 days. Robert was a charter member of the Red Star Brethren in Christ Church which began in 1917.

He accepted Christ as his personal Savior in his early teens and retained a testimony of God's saving power until his death.

He was united in marriage to Clara Gesson in 1897. To this union were born eight children: Mrs. Gertie Crain of Phoenix, Arizona; Mrs. Katie Meyer of Upland, California, Jake

of Weatherford; John, Ray and Mrs. Laure Mae Green of Leedey. Pearl and Lee preceded him in death. His wife also preceded him in death, July 19, 1921.

In 1924 he was united in marriage to Rosa Marie Keefer. To this union were born three children. Surviving are Mrs. Thelma Eichelberger and Shirley Gale. Besides his immediate family, he is survived by three brothers, all of Thomas, nineteen grandchildren, and twenty-nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Oct. 12, 1958 at the Red Star Brethren in Christ church near Leedey, Okla. Rev. Ray L. Smee was in charge of the services assisted by Rev. Clyde Denney, pastor of Red Star church, and Rev. B. W. Vogt, pastor of Mennonite Brethren church in Weatherford. Interment in Red Star cemetery.

WINGERT—Milton W. Wingert, 71 of Chambersburg, Penna. died at 9:30 a.m. October 10 at his home after an illness of 11 months. He was born on October 3, 1887 in Guilford Township and was a son of the late Bishop John D. Wingert and Frances Wingert Wingert.

Brother Wingert was converted during middle life, and became a faithful member of the New Guilford Brethren in Christ Church. He sincerely loved the church and gave many years of sacrificial service. He served as a deacon for 22 years. He was a member of the Board of trustees at Messiah College for 16 years and was secretary of the New Guilford District for many years. At the time of his death he was a member of the Board of Directors at the Mont Alto State Bank, a position he held for some 22 years.

Bro. Wingert was a father in the home, a pillar in the church, and a great blessing to his community.

During his illness there were times when he suffered intensely but was never once heard to complain. His smiling face, his clear testimony, his unwavering faith, and his power of endurance have left an indelible impression on his family and his many friends.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Clara Garber Wingert, six sons and three daughters: Chester F. Wingert of Mechanicsburg, Avery M. of Waynesboro, Blain A. of Elizabethtown, Raymond C. and Laban M. of Chambersburg, Gerald N. of Orlando, Florida, Mrs. Paul Hostetter, Chambersburg, Mrs. Paul Wolgemuth, Elizabethtown, and Miss Helen C. Wingert, Elizabethtown and 30 grandchildren. He was the last of his immediate family.

Funeral services were held October 13, at the New Guilford Brethren in Christ Church in charge of his pastor Rev. Charles W. Rife, assisted by Bishop Charlie B. Byers and Rev. Glenn Niswander. The texts were Matthew 24:44 and Romans 8:18. Burial was in the New Guilford Cemetery.

MAHURIN—David Alvin was born Sept. 19, 1958 in the University of California Hospital, San Francisco, Calif. and passed away Sept. 21, 1958.

The parents are members of the Life Line Chapel. He was laid to rest in the Mt. Olivet Cemetery, with Rev. Avery Heisey officiating. He leaves two sisters and three brothers.

When?

W. O. Winger

WHEN WILL we do as we should in Foreign Mission work? Jesus said, "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day; the night cometh when no man shall work." We as Christ's representatives have the needed, soul-saving Gospel. We would have money to send it and people to take it to the ends of the earth, if hearts were open, and obedient to the call and commission of our Christ.

The late Dr. J. R. Mott, well-informed missionary statesman, called from Japan, asking our Churches to send one thousand missionaries

over there in order to avoid sending one million soldiers ten years later. We refused. In just about ten years Pearl Harbor struck, and we lost thousands of our young men from the million sent to war. We also disgraced ourselves through being first to use that deadly atomic bomb on civilians. What can we say if it boomerangs on us?

The Japanese people, seeing that their Emperor was not God, were open for the Gospel. General MacArthur won their confidence, knew their pulse, and plead with the American churches to send missionaries immediately to Japan. He said that if we didn't it would be the greatest failure the Church has suffered since the beginning of the Christian Era. At that worthy and well informed General's orders young men would rush forward in battle though facing death. But the Church of Jesus Christ, the Church of Him who died in deepest sacrifice on Calvary for our redemption, sings today: "I'll go where you want me to go dear Lord." And when the call comes, we excuse ourselves and stay at home.

That golden opportunity is now lost. We had what they needed in full, free, and satisfying salvation for time and eternity, but we refused to give it out. Japan is returning to her former religion. Other cults are gaining ground which should be ours if we had obeyed the great Commission, and heeded those worthy leaders who saw the need for missionar-

ies in Japan. "How shall we escape if we neglect, (to give out) so great salvation?"



Orie Miller

ORIE MILLER REPORTS TO AKRON HEADQUARTERS PERSONNEL ON COMMISSIONER TRIP

When Orie Miller returned from his 16-week commissioner trip around the world, MCC workers at Akron were extremely interested in getting a first-hand report of his experiences and findings while abroad. A one-hour chapel period was set aside for this purpose several days after his return. Here is the substance of his report.

Approach To Trip

Brother Miller stated that the purpose of his trip was to ascertain what is the world mission of the Christian church today, and more specifically our brotherhood's world mission within that mission. In the course of his travels he touched thirty countries, about one-third of today's total number, in four significant areas: Asia, Africa, the Middle East, and Russia. His report to us covered three of these areas, leaving Africa for a future occasion.

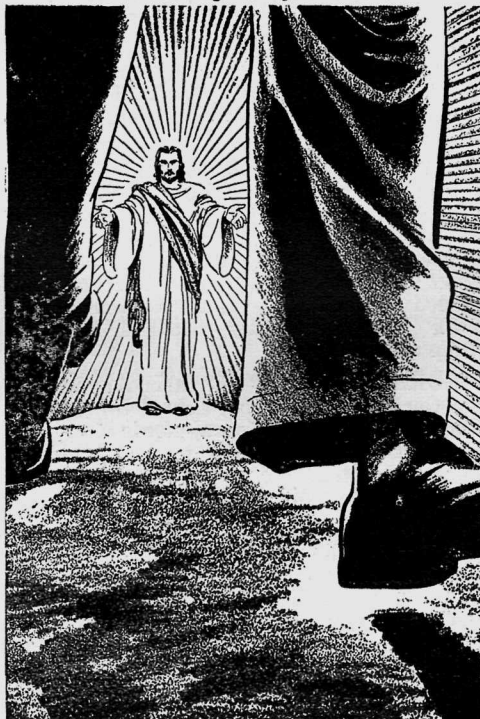
Brother Miller is particularly impressed by two characteristics of today's world. First, the rapid sociological transition which is evident everywhere, and second, the world's struggle for freedoms—freedoms outside of Christ. There is a worldwide movement of population from rural to urban, resulting largely from mechanization. This mechanization has been brought about by a rise in literacy. Brother Miller predicts that world literacy may possibly be achieved within the next twenty-five years, bringing even greater sociological changes. He found the world obsessed with the idea of freedoms. "Freedom" is the exciting new word on everyone's lips. Christians, however, know that Christ is the only source of true freedom.

Asia

Two-thirds of the world's population lives in Asia. In this mass of humanity, vital Christianity is present, but in a small minority (3 - 5%). The resurgence of ancient religions such as Buddhism, Hinduism, Shintoism, Confucianism and Islam is very much in evidence.

What is our particular mission within the Christian mission in Asia? Brother Miller suggests three things:

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- 1.) helping in pioneering—example: our agricultural project in Timor.
- 2.) supplementing everything the Christian church can do without asking what is Mennonite—example: assisting Indonesian Christians in Java.
- 3.) specializing—example: our peace witness in Japan.

He thinks that a particularly worthwhile contribution to the colossal mission challenge that Asia represents can be made by the Christian nurse and the Christian agriculturalist.

Middle East

Turning to the Middle East, Brother Miller made four initial observations about this area. Historically, it has always been a cross road for world commerce. The Holy Land is the birthplace of three world religions—Christianity, Judaism and Islam. There are 1½ million Christians (a split and slivered group—no Mennonites), 1½ million Jews and 2 million Arab Moslems in the Middle East today. One of the world's biggest oil pools is located in this area. From the time of Nebuchadnezzar down to Eisenhower, all world powers have become involved in Middle East affairs at some time or other.

Though the population of this area is not so significant (only 35 million, or 1/50 of Asia), yet the unresolved and seemingly unresolvable political and church situation is frightening. As a result of his service in the Middle East years ago, Brother Miller feels closer to this area than any other. He finds it disturbing that so little has seemingly been accomplished in the intervening years.

What is our mission to these people? Why are we there? Brother Miller says we symbolize concern, love and mercy in the name of Christ. This is the least we can do, till God gives us greater light. Though this is just a drop in the bucket which doesn't seem to solve anything, humanly speaking, yet we belong there as light and salt.

Russia

Brother Miller had several reasons for visiting Russia. First, he wanted to become personally acquainted with the Russia of today. To his surprise, he found it in more rapid transition than any other country, so that he no longer finds it difficult to accept John Gunther's statistics as authentic. This well-known political and sociological journalist ascertained that the 85% rural—15% urban ratio of Russia's population thirty years ago, has shifted to a 40% rural—60% urban ratio today, with 560 new cities springing up in the same period of time, where there was never a city before.

He found the average Russian citizen cares little for our freedoms. He is so excited with his own status compared to what it was five years ago, that he doesn't compare himself with others. Brother Miller reports that he observed a trend to wider individual freedoms, and predicts that the new literacy will force it to continue. You can't contain 200 million people who have learned to read and many of whom go on to university. It will be up to the leaders to be nimble enough to remain at the head of the procession.

A second reason why Brother Miller wanted to visit Russia was to renew the Baptist contact established by Brothers Bender and Wiens two years ago, as a possible guide to the Mennonites who at present are a scattered, leaderless group just coming out of concentration camps. He finds the Baptists to be the best example of

evangelicism in adjustment, as well as the best known evangelical protestant group in Russia. They are becoming well structured in their church program and seem to be growing steadily. Though perhaps becoming more rigid in organization, they are vitally, vibrantly, spiritually alive.

The Mennonites, on the other hand, have not yet reestablished a church. They are gradually moving from colder Siberia to warmer climates, into the new setting of cities and collective farms. All are employed, for no one seems to be without a job in the Soviet Union. But as a Christian group they are frightened of each other and the situation around them. A few have joined the Baptists, but the rest remain a shy, shepherdless flock, trailing instead of leading in the movement towards higher cultural standards.

Brother Miller's third reason for visiting Russia was to try to contact Mennonites and spot-check their situations in order to test the reliability and accuracy of the findings of our MCC Suchdienst (Tracing Service) in Akron. Investigations in this area proved very encouraging. Names and addresses given to him by the Suchdienst were found to be correct, and proved an invaluable aid. Emigration he finds, is neither possible nor advisable, except in the case of split families. The reuniting of such families must continue to be our vital concern, so long as these cases exist.

Our North American brotherhood's first concern and prayer burden in Russia, says Brother Miller, should be the saving of the remnant of Mennonites. He believes they can become a major salt of redemption in a country which is already becoming hungry for more than the excitement of the present time. He finds this temporary excitement out of all proportion to the importance of the existing situation. It explains why Russians, thinking they now have everything they want, do not yet miss the church, the humanities and the liberal arts. But the time will come when spiritual hunger will give Mennonites their function in Russia.

MCC NEWS

Christian Farmers in Demand

MCC Personnel Office has announced several immediate openings for married couples and single men with farm training and experience.

INDONESIA—On the island of Halmahera in Indonesia, a couple is needed to provide leadership in working with the Halmahera Christian Church in developing better agriculture methods. On Timor, another Indonesian island, two Pax men are needed to assist in agriculture work. This work was started by Leonard Kingsley three years ago.

KOREA—Leland Voth, farm manager at the Christian Vocational School for Orphan Boys, Kyong San, Korea, needs two Pax men with farming skills to assist him in working with the boys at the orphanage. There are now one hundred ninety boys at Kyong San.

GREECE—MCC Pax teams assisting poor Greek villages need mature leadership. A married couple with leadership and farm managerial capabilities is sought.

PARAGUAY—A Pax man with mechanical skill and general farm training is needed to assist Robert Unruh at the MCC Experimental Farm in Paraguay. Mr. Un-

ruh is assisting the Mennonite Colonies in their efforts to develop better crops and farming methods.

UNITED STATES AND CANADA —

Openings for farmers in various VS units are continually available. Several immediate needs are at Boys Village, Smithville, Ohio; Brook Lane Farm, Hagerstown, Maryland; and Ailsa Craig Boys Farm, Ailsa Craig, Ontario.

All of these assignments are approved by Selective Service as meeting the requirements for two years of alternative service for I-W men. Further information is available upon request.

INDIA—Opening New Project Difficult

MCC workers William and Elizabeth Voth (Chilliwack, B. C.) who went to India in August, 1958 to help develop an MCC relief project among the refugees in Calcutta, report that they are experiencing the rigors of adjustment to life in the Far East. Setting up a new program, they find, is also a difficult undertaking, often giving rise to a sense of frustration and futility. But in spite of trying experiences, William writes: "We sincerely hope that an MCC project will materialize which will give a positive Christian witness through both physical and spiritual aid. There is tremendous need among the refugees and very little is being done to relieve the situation. . . . I am sure our work can be of lasting benefit."

AKRON—Executive Secretary Leaving on One-Month Trip

On October 20, MCC Executive Secretary William T. Snyder will leave for Europe and the Middle East on an administrative trip that will be of approximately one month's duration. The purpose of this trip is to review the European program, especially the projects in Greece, and to become acquainted with the work in Lebanon and Jordan. This will be Mr. Snyder's first time to the Middle East since becoming executive secretary.

NEWS ITEMS

WINONA LAKE, IND., October 17, 1958—A historic session of the Board of Administration of the Free Methodist Church was held at denominational headquarters in Winona Lake, Indiana, October 13-15, 1958. At this time, the Board voted unanimously to approve the union of the Holiness Movement Church in Canada with the Free Methodist Church.

Homecoming Program Features Notables

UPLAND, Ind.—Dr. Harold J. Ockenga, pastor of the historic Park Street Church, Boston, will address returning graduates of Taylor University October 4. Ockenga, an alumnus of the University, holds eight degrees from six colleges and universities, including the A.B. and Doctor of Divinity degrees from Taylor.

Homecoming Day will be climaxed with the appearance of Jerome Hines, leading basso of the Metropolitan Opera in New York City, who will present a concert in the gymnasium.

Mormon Choir Begins Concert Tour

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah—The 375-voice Mormon Tabernacle choir dubbed "The Singing Saints," will leave Oct. 20 on their first major concert tour since a highly successful European itinerary in 1955.

The choir, under the direction of Richard P. Condie, will travel throughout the mid-west and east and will give several performances with the Philadelphia Orchestra under the direction of Eugene Ormandy.

Richard L. Evans of the Latter-day Saints Church Council of Twelve Apostles, who gives "the spoken word" each Sunday on the choir's national broadcast, also will make the tour.

Korean Babies Die Enroute to New Homes in America

PORTLAND, Ore.—Two Korean orphaned babies were found dead minutes after their plane landed here with a group of 81 Korean children bound for new homes with adopted parents in the United States. Both apparently died of pneumonia, the Portland coroner's office said.

Little Rock Segregation Spotlight Swings from Schools to Churches

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—A 300-member council of Methodist laymen has been formed to combat church integration. The council indicated its members would favor a split from the National Methodist Church if its policies of integration were not changed.

In another part of town, eight Negroes tried to enter a worship service of the all-white second Baptist Church in what the pastor described as an attempt to prove integration would not work.

Albert Hudson, 45, acknowledged leader of the group, denied that was his motive but declined to say what it really was. The group left when asked to sit in the basement and listen to the service over a loud-speaker.

Missourian Elected to Head U. S. Episcopalians

MIAMI BEACH, Fla.—The Rt. Rev. Arthur Carl Lichtenberger, bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, was elected presiding bishop at the church's 59th general two-week triennial convention. The Missouri bishop becomes the spiritual leader and chief executive officer for the three-million member church group effective Nov. 15.

Lichtenberger, 58, succeeds Henry Knox Sherrill who reached the mandatory retirement age of 68.

Other convention business included proposals to establish a bishop's tenure of office at 12 years instead of requiring only the mandatory retirement at 68; a 40% increase in the church's annual budget to take advantage of "great new opportunities" for spreading the Christian message at home and abroad; and a proposal that the church seek younger men for the office of presiding bishop.

Nazarenes Join in Anniversary Sunday Service

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Nearly 350,000 Nazarenes held simultaneous golden anniversary worship services in their respective churches around the world on Sunday, October 12. Theme of the services was thanksgiving to God for the blessings of the past 50 years.

The anniversary Sunday was observed in 5,000 churches of the United States and Canada with 300,000 members. Another 45,000 Nazarenes held services in 736 churches in 40 world areas where the foreign missionary program has taken root.

The celebration was climaxed on October 13, at Pilot Point, Texas, where a monument was unveiled at the place where the denomination started in 1908.

NAE Director Joins American Institute of Planners

WHEATON, Ill.—The Commission on Evangelism and Church Extension of the National Association of Evangelicals reports that George L. Ford, executive director of the N. A. E., has recently been appointed as an affiliate member of the American Institute of Planners.

For the past three years the N. A. E. has been represented unofficially at the meetings of the A. I. P. At a recent meeting in Washington, D. C., a course of action, long advocated by the N. A. E. was adopted by the planners. It provided for consideration of the establishment of standards for the location of new churches.

Evangelist Says Religion on Wane in Russia

"I'd like to challenge anyone who says there's a religious revival going on in Russia," says Texas-born Tommy Hicks, an evangelist who has just returned from a 32-day preaching tour of the Soviet Union.

The Rev. Hicks, who has spent most of the past five years preaching on foreign shores, described religion outside the large Russian cities of Leningrad and Moscow as decadent.

"Back in 1955," he says, "the newspaper Pravda announced that Christianity would be dead in Russia within 10 years. From my latest observations, I'd say they don't need that long."

Missions in America

CITY MISSIONS

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Harrisburg (Messiah Lighthouse Chapel): 1175 Bailey Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; Telephone CEDar 2-6488; Rev. Joel Carlson, Mrs. Faith Carlson, Misses Elizabeth Kanode, Beulah Lyons

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Philadelphia Mission: 3423 North Second Street, Philadelphia 40, Pennsylvania; Telephone NEbraska 4-6431; Rev. William Rosenberry, Mrs. Anna Rosenberry, Miss Anita Brechbill

San Francisco (Life-Line Gospel Mission): 224 Sixth Street, San Francisco 3, California; Chapel and parsonage 422 Guerrero Street, San Francisco 10, California; Telephone—UNderhill 1-4820; Rev. Avery Heisey, Mrs. Emma Heisey, Rev. Harold Paulus, Miss Anna Mae Copenhaver

RURAL MISSIONS

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Ella, Kentucky: Rev. and Mrs. Eugene Heidler

Meath Park, Saskatchewan, Canada (North Star Mission) (Howard Creek and Paddock-wood churches) Rev. Maurice Moore, Mrs. Mabel Moore

Port Rowan (Walsingham Centre), Ontario, Canada:—Rev. Arthur Heise, Mrs. Verna Heise

Uniontown, Pennsylvania (affiliated with the Searights work) Miss S. Iola Dixon, Uniontown, Pa., R.D. No. 1, Box 245

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Altoona, Pennsylvania: Rev. John Rosenberry, Parsonage: 407—37th Street, Telephone 3-5527; Church, Fifth Avenue and 37th St.

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Collingwood, Ontario, Canada: Rev. Christian H. Sider, Jr.

Delisle, Saskatchewan, Canada: Rev. Marshall Baker

Everett, Pennsylvania (Clear Creek Church): Rev. Roy Mann, R. 1.; Telephone 258-R

Garlin, Kentucky: Rev. Wilbur Benner, Superintendent

Gladwin, Michigan: Rev. Gary Lyons, R. D. No. 5. Telephone—GARDen 6-8052

Hanover, Pennsylvania: (Conewago Church, Maple Street); Rev. Samuel Lady, R. No. 4, Telephone Melrose 3-8572

Hillsville, Virginia (Bethel Mission near Sylvaus): Rev. Rupert Turman, Allisonia, Va.

Holidaysburg, Pennsylvania (Canoe Creek and Mt. Etna Churches): Rev. Ross Morningstar, R. D. No. 2, Telephone 5-9664

Hopewell, Pennsylvania (Sherman's Valley): Rev. Marlin Ressler, R. D. No. 2

Hunlock Creek, Pennsylvania: Rev. Thomas Bouch

Ickesburg, Pennsylvania (Saville in Liberty Valley): Rev. Harvey Lauver, pastor, R. 2, Mifflintown, Pa.

Iron Springs, Pennsylvania: Rev. James Leshar, Box 5, Fairfield, Pa.

Knifley, Kentucky: Rev. P. B. Friesen

Little Marsh, Pennsylvania: Rev. Samuel Landis

Llewellyn, Pennsylvania: Rev. Charles Melhorn

Massillon, Ohio: Rev. Glenn Ressler, 1128 Williams Avenue, N. E.

Mountain Chapel (Ray's Cove): Rev. Norris Bouch, Altoona, Pennsylvania, R. D. No. 2, Box 566

Mt. Holly Springs, Pennsylvania: Rev. Clifford Lloyd, Grantham, Pennsylvania

Ringgold, Maryland: Rev. James Leshar, pastor, Box 5, Fairfield, Pa.

Salem, Oregon: Rev. Herbert Hoover; Church, 4522 Scott Road

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Shanesville, Ohio: Rev. David Buckwalter

Sparta, Tennessee: Rev. John Schock, Sparta, Tenn., R. D. No. 7. Telephone Sparta RE 8-2618, Church DeRossett

Three Springs, Pennsylvania (Center Grove Chapel): Rev. Marion Walker

Uniontown, Ohio: Rev. Edward Hackman, 2396 E. Turkeyfoot Lake Road, Akron 12, Ohio; Telephone Akron—OXford 9-3028

*The alphabetical arrangement indicates location or address. When a mission pastorate is better known by another name, that follows in parenthesis.

During the tour Evangelist Hicks held 23 services which were arranged through local pastors. Hicks said he does not know precisely how the pastors were able to obtain permission for the meetings.

"I'm an inspirational preacher," he said, "and passing through an interpreter cramped my style. There was very little response to my preaching."

One and One-quarter Million Dollars Saved

\$1,250,000 was saved by evangelical missionaries, ministers and full time Christian workers who purchased equipment and furnishings during the last ten years through the New York Purchasing Office of the Evangelical Foreign Missions Association. The EFMA is the foreign missions arm of the National Association of Evangelicals.

The Purchasing Office in New York has issued a catalogue listing hundreds of items which may be had upon request from the address listed below. This lists a few hundred of the thousands of items the office buys for missionaries and Christian workers, in some cases saving them over 50% of the retail price. Since these prices are subsidized, pastors, full-time Christian workers and missionaries are free to take every advantage of the service which is operated by the mission boards for the general benefit of evangelicals. The catalogue lists prices both for foreign and domestic use.

For further information write:

Evangelical Foreign Missions Association
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39 Cortlandt Street
New York 7, New York

Irate Catholic Villagers Threaten to "Become Protestants"

BOSCO, Italy—Seven hundred villagers here in southern Italy have threatened to "become Protestants" if their pastor is not sent back to them. The pastor, Father Francesco Saverio Losardo, who was transferred to another parish, had long endeared himself to his small flock at this mountain village. When he left, the villagers appealed to the bishop to have him sent back, but in vain.

Since then the villagers have been boycotting church services conducted by their new pastor. They have even locked him out of the church and hung red flags from their windows. The latest word, according to the Rome Radio, is that the villagers have gotten in touch with a Protestant community in the area and are threatening to become Protestants if Father Losardo is not returned to their parish within two weeks.

Bishops Arrested by Hungarian Regime

BUDAPEST—One bishop has been placed in government custody and another under house arrest in the wake of increasing pressure against the Roman Catholic Church in Communist Hungary. The arrested priest has been a frequent target of Communist criticism because of his "uncooperative" attitude toward the Red Regime. The other priest was placed under house arrest because he had refused to name "patriotic priests" to church posts in his archdiocese.

Pastor Warns of Middle East War Next Year

LONG BEACH, Calif.—A pastor here asserted recently that pro-Egypt forces in Jordan will wage intensive war against Israel in the middle of 1959.

Relating information from what he called "reliable sources," Dr. Charles W. Mayes, pastor of the First Brethren Church here, described the Arab-Israeli situation as intensely grave and foreboding.

"There has never been a time in history when the events of the Middle East have coincided more harmoniously with prophetic Scriptures than at present," said Mayes. "The Bible sets no dates, and I'm not setting any dates either," he emphasized. "But we should be alerted to the general nearness of the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ for His people."

Mayes showed from news released by observers in the Middle East that Israel will be wiped off the map by Russian-backed Arab forces unless, as one British commentator suggested, "Almighty God intervenes with a miracle."

"That's exactly what it will be," said the Brethren pastor. "We know from the promises of the Bible that Israel will not be destroyed no matter who rises against that land."

Professor Sees Dad on Way Out as Family "Boss"

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—Father is no longer the "big boss" in the family with supreme authority over his wife and children, said David R. Mace, professor of human relations at Drew University, Madison, N. J., in a lecture to 100 Baptist leaders at the Conference on Counseling and Guidance sponsored by the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board here.

Professor Mace said that the world today is going through the second great "cultural mutation or change" in its history. This is the change to the "democratic family" pattern, marking freedom, equality and fulfillment. He pointed out that more than half the marriages in the world still are arranged by parents of the couple, following the doomed patriarchal pattern.

Mail-Order Prophet Jailed for Misuse of Postal Service

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Post Office Department announced it has put an end to a widespread "religious racket" in the U. S. mails by successfully prosecuting "Prophet John, the Conqueror," whose real identity was Jack Pittman of Philadelphia. The department said that Pittman had been sentenced to two and one-half years in jail and fined \$1,500 for operation of "a fraudulent mail scheme which it is conservatively estimated, brought him \$100,000 from sale of his "special blessings."

Wheaton College Summer School Tops 1,000 Mark

WHEATON, Ill.—For the first time in history, the enrollment of college students during the summer sessions at Wheaton College passed the 1,000 mark. Exceeding the post-war high of 978 from the summer of 1947, the past summer's enrollment totaled 1,024 college students. Enrollment at Wheaton's Black Hills science station in South Dakota, Honey Rock camp in northern Wisconsin, Camp Wecolldac and the Summer Institute of Missions boosted the

grand total of summer participants of all ages to 1,719.

India Shows Decline of Foreign Missionaries

The number of Christian missionaries in India has been declining during the past two years, according to a statement presented to Parliament on Sept. 15. The report showed 5,691 for 1956, a total of 5,521 last year and 4,844 at the beginning of this year.

Of this number there were 1,821 missionaries from the United States. Italians were next highest with 643. The statement gave no reason for the decline, but an official spokesman said one factor was that more and more Indian Christians were taking up duties previously performed by foreign missionaries.

It is the Indian Government's declared policy that foreign missionaries coming to India in the future should possess special qualifications for jobs for which Indians are not available.

Election Analyst Sees Slight Possibility for Catholic President

Samuel Lubell, one of America's leading pulse takers and election analysts, says that another Catholic running for President of the United States on the Democratic ticket (referring to Al Smith who ran in 1928) would probably shift the vote of one out of every six or seven persons in the country.

In talking with 500 typical voters in 14 states, Lubell asked them to choose between Vice-President Richard M. Nixon as the most likely Republican candidate for 1960, and "a Catholic like Senator John Kennedy of Massachusetts."

For every five votes that would be lost among non-Catholic Democrats, Lubell reported, three votes would be picked up through switches of Catholic Republicans.

"Further interviewing might change these results somewhat," writes Lubell. "Still the five-to-three ratio of the votes that a Catholic might lose and gain makes one thing clear—although the odds are heavy against a Catholic winning the Presidency, it can no longer be considered an impossible political feat."

DES MOINES, IA. — The Rev. Bert Webb, assistant general superintendent of the Assemblies of God, with headquarters in Springfield, Mo., has been named president of the National Sunday School Association.

He succeeds Dr. Edward Simpson, dean of the Buffalo Bible Institute, Buffalo, N. Y.

Other officers elected during the 13th annual national Sunday School Convention in Des Moines include, the Rev. W. S. Mooneyham of the Free Will Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn., vice president; the Rev. Paul W. McBeth, Brethren in Christ, Elizabethtown, Pa., secretary; and Rev. J. Clair Peters, executive of the greater Sunday School Association of Butler, Ind., treasurer.

Re-elected to the NSSA board of directors were Dr. Simpson, retiring president; and the Rev. Charles W. Conn of the Church of God, Cleveland, Tenn.