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"It came upon the mid-night clear,
That glorious song of old.
From angels bending near the earth,
To touch their harps of gold."

Peace On Earth, Good Will Toward Men

This song of the angels has been ringing down the centuries for two thousand years. Peace on earth! — it is a waking dream of God's asserting his authority over the hearts and lives of men. Such an era may not be attained this year, nor the next. God will help us bring it in, first

in our own lives and then, at last, after generations have had sufficient schooling, for all the world. Such a vision of a world transformed is our inheritance. Not swiftly, not perhaps with observation, but certainly, we shall see the City of God made the abiding place of men.

The Forty-Sixth Annual Meeting Of The Bethel College Corporation

This issue of the Monthly contains the reports given at the Forty-sixth Annual Meeting of the Bethel College Corporation held December 1st, 1933. Below are some of the resolutions passed by the corporation meeting:

"Es hat dem Herrn gefallen, zwei Brueder aus unserer Mitte zu rufen, die mit Bethel College enge verbunden gewesen sind. Br. H. D. Penner hat in frueheren Jahren hier als Lehrer gedient und J. J. Buhler war bei seinem Abscheiden einer der Direktoren. Beschlossen, dass wir uns hiermit ihr Abscheiden zur Kenntnisnahme fuehren und es als einen Ruf des Herrn erkennen, mit neuer Weihe und Aufopferung in unserer Schulsache weiter zu wirken."

Each one of the first nine points of the Five-Year Program as listed in the President's report was approved by separate resolutions. The tenth point pertaining to the "Board of Directors" also seemed to find general approval, but it was finally thought best to lay it on the table for the present with the suggestion that it be presented to the Western District Conference before the corporation definitely acts on it.

The result of the election for Board members was as follows: For the Corporation: Mr. J. C. Regier, Mr. J. W. Graber, Mr. H. E. Suderman; for the Conference: Rev. P. P. Buller and Rev. M. Horsch.

Report of the President of Bethel College to the Annual Meeting of the Bethel College Corporation in Session at Newton, Kansas, December 1, 1933

It is with gratefulness to our Heavenly Father and the friends of Bethel College that we look upon the past year. At the last annual meeting it was pointed out that the present economic conditions were forcing Bethel College to attempt various readjustments. Some of these have been carried out, others are still in process, and still others we have not yet even seen our way clear to begin. The past year has been a very busy one for our entire staff. Many of our officers are new in the work. This is true of the President, the Dean of the College, the Business Manager, and the Librarian. Naturally there has been much lost motion and many mistakes were made in the attempt to get acquainted with our work and at the same time do it as best we could. The Registrar, Prof. P. J. Wedel and the Assistant Treasurer, Prof. J. F. Moyer, have been in office longer and their advice, help and patience has often been needed by the rest of us who were new and inexperienced. We, however, feel that the last school year, on the whole, was a blessed one, and the beginnings of the current year are encouraging too.

During the course of the past year our Heavenly Father has called into the great beyond two warm friends of Bethel College. One was brother J. J. Buhler, a valuable member of our Board and the other was Rev. H. D. Penner, who for many years was a beloved teacher on our faculty. The memory of their interest in and work for Bethel College will be a continual inspiration to all of us.

I

It will be remembered that at the conclusion of our report a year ago the aims for the immediate future were stated and now the question naturally arises as to whether any progress toward their achievement has been made. The first point pertained to finances. It was said that we would try to have a balanced budget based

on actual income, but also do what we could to increase our endowment investments and decrease our indebtedness. The Treasurer's report shows that it has been possible to limit expenses to within about \$150 of our income, that endowment investments have been increased by a few thousand dollars, and that our indebtedness has also decreased some. Needless to say, it was not easy to do this and under such conditions, in the drastic action necessary, somebody always gets hurt.

Last year a system of buying only by requisition was introduced in order to concentrate this activity in one office so as to enable us to limit expenditures as much as possible. It took sometime for everybody concerned to make the necessary readjustments this called for. In fact, even yet not all necessary readjustments are completed, but we are making progress and by now the system is working fairly well.

As we go along our Business Manager, Prof. J. H. Loganbill, is carefully studying various phases of the school's expenditures and incomes to see if the former could not be cut down and the latter increased. For example, a careful check is being made of our lighting system calling for a complete plotting of the same and a record of the size of every bulb, with a view of taking bulbs out altogether or reducing their size wherever possible.

A similar study is made of our water system and water consumption, our insurance program, heating system, etc. This program of re-checking our entire set-up will take some time to complete. However, we hope thereby not only to discover possibilities for bettering our financial standing, but it also serves as a most excellent way for us who are new in the work to get properly acquainted and orientated.

II

Another aim stated in our last year's report pertained to the maintenance of high

standards so as to meet the continued approval of the State Board of Education, Kansas State University, and finally also other regional standardizing agencies, on the one hand by raising the standard and quality of the faculty although the actual number may have to be reduced, and on the other hand by increasing the student body. Regarding our scholastic credit with the State Board and Kansas University we can say that it is better than ever. Regarding the faculty, the Dean, in his report, has pointed out the fact that we have made some progress. School men of experience tell us that it takes years to build an outstanding well-balanced faculty that will work together in harmony. Bethel College, we believe, is making fair progress in this direction.

In the matter of increasing our student body we must not forget that Mennonites as a rule are poor promoters and advertisers and it has, therefore, taken Bethel College a long time to realize that student solicitation must be carried on according to a definite, comprehensive and forward-looking program. However, we can report some progress here also. Our enrollment has been slightly increased this year, although not as much as it should have to bring our total income from tuition up to what it was last year. It will be remembered that our tuition for this year was reduced \$10.00 per student per semester. Mr. Loganbill, who has been in charge of the solicitation work estimates that in the course of last summer some 5,600 miles were traveled by auto to interview and solicit over 1,000 prospective students. However, our whole solicitation program is still far from what it must become if Bethel is to hold its own with other schools.

A word of appreciation should be inserted here for the fine and effective work many friends of the school are doing in various communities by encouraging prospective students to come to Bethel. Some are not only encouraging students by word of mouth to come to Bethel, but actually help them in a financial way either by paying their tuition outright or by loaning them money. There are a number who are paying all or part of the tuition for students and there is one individual who has loaned

some 18 of our students around \$2,000. Certainly this is not only helping the respective student, but also the college, and we are very grateful and hope others will do likewise.

Gradually we must not only increase our student numbers, but also raise the standard of admission and be more selective in the quality of students we solicit. A college is no reformatory, and to be the highest type of Christian college we will have to exercise more discretion in admitting students.

Nor is it enough, merely to get the proper students to come to Bethel, we must be able to hold them after they once come. This, as Dean Goertz pointed out in his report, means not only a better faculty, but also a better curriculum, and a higher standard of life on the campus and in the dormitories. Work is being done along all these lines. In a cooperative effort on the part of students and faculty we hope eventually to deal more adequately with the various phases of a wholesome campus life. On the whole an excellent spirit has prevailed between students and faculty. We are a large family learning and living together. There is need for a great measure of mutual confidence, good-will, helpfulness and fellowship in order that our life together might be most fruitful and Christian.

III.

A third item which we wanted to work for as stated last year pertained to the mutual understanding and good-will between the school and our constituency. We take for granted that the city of Newton is part of our constituency. In the last year, as in the previous one, the Newton Chamber of Commerce has again sponsored a Booster Banquet in behalf of the college. Some ten teams were organized to sell tickets. Each team was composed of a faculty member and a business man, an arrangement which was good for both, the college and the town. Governor Landon was the guest speaker for the occasion. The gymnasium was filled with visitors where a simple meal was served. The net proceeds for the college amounted to a little over \$2,000.00.

The college is also trying to be of real

service to the town. Every so often we try to get outstanding talent for worthwhile public programs in the community. This year we have had the nationally famous Kryl Band sponsored by our Music Department, and recently we had a moving picture dramatization of Wilhelm Tell sponsored by our German Department. A community chorus, composed of students and a good many people from Newton, is again preparing to sing the Messiah as in former years. A number of church choirs in town are being directed and trained by members of our music faculty. With the help of school friends we have been able to open a Music Studio up-town this year. This gives us a better opportunity to serve Newton students who are interested only in music instruction of one kind or another. The Up-town Studio is also used for regular evening classes in other courses of a more popular nature. We hope this studio can be made a real factor in the closer linking together of college and town.

Our main constituency, however, are the Mennonite churches west of the Mississippi River. To keep in closer touch with Bethel friends the subscription list of the College Monthly has been increased from about 400 to over 3,000, including former students, donors, and friends of the school. The Board has made arrangements for one year to take care of those subscriptions where friends feel they simply cannot pay their dollar. The undertaking is an experiment and we hope enough friends will respond with a dollar per person so as to make it worthwhile to go on with the Monthly on that basis.

An attempt has also been made to organize more definitely the services various student groups and faculty members have been rendering in our churches. During the past school year student groups of various kinds have served 18 communities with 39 religious programs; our various musical organizations have rendered 69 programs in about that many places; besides, other groups and individual faculty members have served something like 117 times in 55 different places. We think that is a pretty good record for one year.

A beginning has also been made with

the Bethel College Fellowship organization which was suggested to and sanctioned by the corporation meeting last year. This work has not been easy and because of its nature takes much time and is going forward rather slowly. We are happy to report, however, that the response so far has been all that can be expected. Our people are interested in and concerned about Bethel College. The congregations so far visited in behalf of this Fellowship organization are: Bethel College, Inman, Pretty Prairie, Arlington, Tabor, Newton, Alexanderwohl, Hillsboro, Deer Creek, Goessel, Bruderthal, Hoffnungsau, Halstead, Buhler, Hebron, Emmaus, Eden, and Gnadenberg. Not a single pastor or church has so far hesitated to have the Bethel Fellowship presented and explained to the congregation, and what is more, so far, in every one of the 18 congregations visited, officers were elected and arrangements made to create a local chapter of the Fellowship. Of these 18, however, only six committees have so far put on a membership campaign in their respective congregations. These six congregations have a total church membership of 1,670 persons. Of these, 295 joined the fellowship and contributed \$1,060.50, which amounts to an average of about 63 cents per church member, and to an average of \$3.25 for the 295 persons who have actually made a contribution and joined the Fellowship. This is a very good beginning. The financial side is, however, not the only nor the most important angle of the Fellowship. Although not so easily measured, we consider some of the other contributions, such as awakened interest, consecrated prayers and constructive influence on the part of these groups in behalf of Bethel College of far greater significance. We feel very grateful for the sympathetic response and promise ourselves a good deal from this organization, both for the church and the school.

IV

This report would not be complete without some reference to the 45th Anniversary celebration of the corner stone laying of our main building last October 12th as the beginning of a program for the next five years, aiming at its completion for the Fiftieth Jubilee Anniversary in 1938. This

program was adopted by the Board and should perhaps also be acted on by the corporation. It pertains to the following ten phases of Bethel College.

I. Student Body:

- a. Better quality
- b. Greater number (400 if possible).

II. Faculty Members: Not necessarily increase the total number very much, but put more stress on the following qualifications:

- a. High scholastic standards
- b. Outstanding teaching ability
- c. Able public speakers
- d. Inspiring personalities
- e. Community-minded, wholesome men and women.
- f. Devotion to Mennonite principles
- g. Positive Christo-centered teaching and life.

III. Campus and Dormitory life:

An atmosphere more completely surcharged with the Christian Spirit.

- a. Have a faculty member live in each dormitory with students
- b. Develop our set-up for personnel and guidance work.

c. Student-faculty cooperation in school government by way of the Student Council

d. Develop more campus traditions which are in line with the Christian ideal.

IV. Curriculum:

Revise our curriculum in the light of best present-day trends of the small Christian Liberal Arts College and work out a unique set-up for our particular situation and mission.

V. College and Church: Work for a closer relationship between the two.

- a. Complete, if possible, the Bethel Fellowship organization
- b. Serve the church in every way possible, such as: worthwhile programs by student groups and faculty members in our congregations; worthwhile offerings at the college by way of Institutes for Ministers, Training Schools for Church Workers, etc.

VI. College and Town: Work for greater mutual appreciation by serving the city.

- a. Music Studio

b. Night Classes

c. Booster Banquet

d. Various other community enterprises.

VII. History: Make arrangements to have the fifty years of history of Bethel College written up in book form.

VIII. Buildings:

Although we need a Library and other buildings, and gifts for such would be most welcome, nevertheless, because of present economic conditions no buildings are definitely on the program now. Some smaller projects should, however, be completed, such as, rebuilding of the Pipe Organ, Connect Ladies Dormitory with the Heating Plant, make arrangements for the production of our own eggs, milk, meat, and vegetables, etc.

IX. Finances: During these next five years do what we can in building a Fiftieth Jubilee Anniversary Fund in order to accomplish the following if possible:

- a. Balance the budgets for the current years
- b. Decrease, and if possible, entirely pay off our indebtedness
- c. Increase our Endowment Fund, if possible, to the long-aimed-at sum of \$500,000.

Regarding pledges our program is two-fold:

- a. It is hoped that during these five years all old pledges will be paid.
- b. Any new pledges made during this time shall be so written that they mature before the Fiftieth Anniversary.

X. The Board of Directors: In order to make the future of Bethel College more secure it would be well if the field of the institution could be widened by getting more groups to feel that they have a real share in the school, the Board of Directors of Bethel College recommends that advisory representation on the Board be given to the following groups:

- a. The Bethel College Alumni Association
- b. The City of Newton
- c. The Northern District Conference of the General Conference of Mennonites
- d. The Mennonite Brethren and the Krimmer Mennonite Brethren
- e. The Old Mennonites in this area.

Such additional members on the Board would involve no change in the charter of the school as they would have no vote at Board meetings but serve only in an advisory capacity. All representatives of the various groups are to be appointed by our own Board, excepting the Alumni Association, who would choose their own.

In conclusion, may it be pointed out that we recognize the impossibility to foretell what is going to take place in the next five years since these are unstable times fraught with great uncertainties. Nevertheless, every one of us as individuals, whether we be farmers, businessmen, or anything else, cannot get along without some sort of plans for the immediate future. Just so an institution like Bethel College must have plans. For all we know,

in the next five years, conditions in this country may shape themselves so that Bethel College will have to merge with other colleges, or close its doors for a time, or perhaps even go under altogether. Still, we must make plans, hope, pray, and work for the best, and under God and with His help and the help of the friends of the college, do everything possible to realize these plans. These times carry with them not only dangers, but also great possibilities and opportunities. May our Heavenly Father help Bethel College to avoid the dangers in so far as that can be done, and take advantage of the possibilities and opportunities to the fullest extent and so go forward in Christ's name and for His Kingdom's sake.

Very respectfully submitted,
Ed. G. Kaufman, President.

Report of the Dean of Bethel College

CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES The Curriculum

The four year curriculum of Bethel College offers in all seventy separate courses during the first semester; a total of 217 credit hours. Of these 140 credit hours belong to the Freshman-Sophomore level and 77 credit hours to the Junior-Senior level. A similar ratio will obtain during the second semester. You will notice that the semester offering for Juniors and Seniors is less than for Freshmen and Sophomores. This is due to the fact that courses on the upper level are offered in alternate years in order to reduce the expense to a minimum. Courses offered this year will be omitted next year and others take their place. The curriculum is also divided longitudinally into three groups: 20 courses, 52 credit hours, are offered in Group I, the Languages, Literature, and Art; 20 courses, 74 credit hours, in Group II, the Natural Sciences; and, 31 courses, 91 credit hours, in Group III, the Social Sciences. Bible courses are listed under Group III, so that all offerings are included in these figures. All but two of these courses are being offered between 7:45 A. M. and 4:30 P. M. during the five day week, Monday to Friday. A two-hour course in Child Psychology is being offered on Wednesday evening

in the Administration Building on the campus, and another two-hour course in the Social Theory and Movements on the same evening in the Up-town Studio, 616½ N. Main Street. These evening courses are designed to serve, besides regularly enrolled students, ex-students, and adults that cannot avail themselves of courses during the day and yet desire them for credit or as auditors. At present 17 students are enrolled in them for credit and 8 as auditors. Of these 13 are taking no other work at the college at present.

Our curriculum has been subjected to serious study during the last two years. This study is still being continued. We hope to arrive at something during the year, before the next catalogue appears, that will more adequately answer the present day students needs. More detailed reports will appear in future issues of the Bethel College Monthly. Suffice it to say here that the changes that are being affected are made in the interest of preparing students still better to live their lives as followers of Christ, useful, radiant, and constructive in a dejected and unsettled world.

The Faculty.

The faculty consists of 27 persons, 22 men and 5 women. Of these one has retired

as President Emeritus, and four are at present on leave of absence. Of these four, three are pursuing graduate studies, two at the University of Kansas and one at the University of Chicago. Ten are teaching full time, and five are teaching only part time. Eight others are devoting their time to administration and teaching. These are the President, Dean (teaching 3/5 time), Registrar (teaching 2/3 time), Treasurer (teaching 1/5 time), Business Manager and Dean of Men (teaching 2/5 time), Dean of Women (teaching 2/3 time), Superintendent of buildings (teaching 3/5 time), and the Librarian.

Strenuous efforts have been and are being made to improve the preparation of our faculty. We now have five faculty members who hold Ph. D. degrees from five different schools and six others are at present working toward these degrees.

Student Personnel

In order to answer a constantly growing need for more intelligent student counselling, the president has appointed a committee on Student Personnel with Dr. P. E. Schellenberg as its director. Much credit belongs to men of former days for the counselling they did, but as better tools are available and since the student problem becomes annually more complex, the situation cries for a better organized supervision of this work. Put into the simplest terms this student personnel work resolves itself into collecting full and accurate information about each student and on the basis of this information advise him during his academic career as a student, help him to understand himself, and guide him into his life work. In line with this endeavor, we take much pain in introducing the student into college life during the so-called Freshman week. By means of good tests now available we try to find out what he has done before he came, and what can be expected of him in College. By means of another test we aim to discover the emotional attitudes of every student. Henceforth we aim to inquire more fully also into a student's background, life attitudes, habits and the like before he is admitted. We need all of this in order to advise him more intelligently and satisfactorily in the

situations that may arise during his college career. This work is in its infancy at Bethel College, but we feel that in it lies much that is promising for the future good of the student and the school.

Summer Session

The summer session held for a period of eight weeks was under the direction of Dr. J. R. Thierstein. Fifty-six students were enrolled. This was below the average for the previous four years. The falling off can partly be attributed to the ruling of the State Legislature legalizing certificates that were otherwise to expire before 1935 unless further studies were pursued. Except for the cost of the catalogue and some janitor work the expenses of the Summer School were covered by the income from its own students.

Library

During the year, since August 1932, the library added 350 books to its collection. Of these 242 were purchased and 108 donated. Nine-thousand-seven-hundred-forty-nine volumes were checked out during the year. This means a circulation of about 50 books per student.

The library budget is now really inadequate to permit a normal and necessary accession of books and periodicals in order to safeguard the important place the library holds in an educational institution.

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EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Religious Life

The Religious Life of the school is under the direction of the Religious Interests Committee consisting of three faculty members and the presidents of the Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., and Student Volunteers.

Chapel is compulsory on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays of every week while school is in session. Wednesday has been given over to the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. meetings when these organizations meet separately or jointly according to the program arranged by them. Careful record of attendance at chapel is being kept. With the help of the student representatives on the committee, a slight change has been made in the devotional schedule of chapel. Every other week on Friday some student organiza-

tion conducts the devotional hour. Thus far the following organizations have served: the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A., the Student Volunteers, and the Student Council. It is understood that the period is to be devoted distinctly to worship and never for the promotion of any programs or projects the organizations may wish to present. So far the inclusion of the student organizations in the chapel schedule has proved an asset and has enriched our common life.

Efforts are also being made by the college church to develop and nurture the spiritual life of students on Sunday. As usual there are Sunday School classes specially organized for them. Plans are under way also to organize student and adult groups to meet Sunday evenings for the discussion of ethical and religious questions of special interest to them.

Student Life

It is well known that colleges today face the serious problem of finding work for students while they are at school. Of the 99 men enrolled for full work about 50% are engaged in part time work. Others, in order to reduce their living costs, do their own cooking in one of our dormitories and

in private homes. This creates some problems, but it is a blessing in other respects. Such students as a rule pursue their studies seriously and get better results than some who have more leisure.

Student Organizations

In addition to the Christian association already referred to, there are the Departmental Study Clubs such as the German Verein, Natural Science Club, Social Science Club, and Public Speaking Club. They meet for an hour once every two weeks. A Men's Double Quartette is hard at work under the direction of Professor Anderson. The Community Chorus consists of about seventy students and thirty non-students. The plan is to render the Messiah before Christmas under the direction of professor Hohmann. Other students are interested and active in the Orchestra and in the College Band.

The Student Council was organized last spring and is now functioning as a legislative and executive body in handling student affairs. The work of the organization seems to promise much for the future.

Respectfully submitted,

P. S. Goertz,
Dean of the College.

Report of the Registrar of Bethel College

Part I (1932-33)

I. Registration

(a) Totals by semesters

First Semester	178
Second Semester	179
Total for the year	200
Total for the 1932 Summer Session ..	73
Total including Summer Session	273

(b) Totals by classes

Seniors	19
Juniors	27
Sophomores	42
Freshmen	81
Unclassified	31

Total

II. Geographical Distribution

Ten (10) states and two (2) foreign countries were represented in last year's student group.

Of the states, Kansas led, with 177 or 88.9% of the total. Of the Kansas students

89 or 44.5% were from Newton and vicinity.

(a) Distribution by States

Kansas	177	Ohio	1
Newton	89	Minnesota	1
Oklahoma	10	Missouri	1
Nebraska	2	South Dakota	2
Colorado	1	Washington	1
Canada	1	Texas	1
India	2		
Total			200

The student group of 1932-33 came from forty-four (44) different High Schools, and six (6) Academies. The Kansas contingent came from 29 different High Schools located in 14 different counties. Counties sending the largest numbers: Harvey 87; McPherson 19; Marion 17; Reno 16.

(b) Distribution by High Schools

Academy of Idaho	1
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Ames, Okla. High School -----	1
Bethel Academy -----	3
Blue Rapids High School -----	1
Bluffton College Academy -----	2
Buhler High High School -----	11
Burrton High School -----	5
Canton, Oklahoma High School -----	1
Central High School, K. C., Mo. -----	1
Cherryvale High School -----	1
Clayton High School -----	1
Cordell, Okla. High School -----	1
Deer Creek, Okla. High School -----	6
Doniphan, Missouri High School -----	1
Ensign High School -----	1
Freeman, South Dakota High School --	1
Geary, Oklahoma High School -----	1
Goessel High School -----	13
Halstead High School -----	7
Henderson, Nebraska High School ----	1
Hardtner, High School -----	1
Harper High School -----	2
Hesston Academy -----	3
Hillsboro High School -----	3
Hutchinson Breese College -----	1
Ingalls High School -----	1
Inman High School -----	3
Lahoma, Okla. High School -----	1
La Junta, Colorado High School -----	1
Lehigh High School -----	1
Marion High School -----	1
McPherson High School -----	3
Moundridge High School -----	14
Mt. Lake, Minn. High School -----	1
Mt. View, Okla. High School -----	1
Newton High School -----	70
Odessa, Wash. High School -----	1
Orosi Union H. S. Visalia, Calif. -----	1
Pawnee Rock High School -----	3
Peabody High School -----	1
Preston High School -----	2
Pretty Prairie High School -----	3
Sedgwick High School -----	1
Stafford High School -----	1
Steinbach, Manitoba High School -----	1
Sylvia High School -----	4
Tabor College Academy -----	2
Turon High School -----	1
Walton High School -----	2
Winfield High School -----	1
No Information -----	8
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Total -----	200

sented. It is of interest to note that every one of the 200 students during the regular year claimed church membership. Of the various denominations the Mennonites, of course, led with 121 or 60% of the students claiming adherence to the Mennonite faith. Forty-three (43) different Mennonite congregations were represented, including thirty-six (36) General Conference congregations, three (3) Mennonite Brethren congregations, two (2) Old Mennonite congregations, and one (1) Krimmer Mennonite Brethren congregation.

(a) Distribution by Denominations

Mennonite	121	Congregational	4
Methodist	22	Nazarene	5
Presbyterian	10	Church of Christ	2
Baptist	5	Episcopal	2
Christian	8	Assembly of God	1
Evangelical	5	Catholic	10
United Brethren	5		
Total -----			200

(b) Distribution by Mennonite Congregations

Alexanderwohl Menn., Goessel -----	8
Bergthal Menn., Pawnee Rock -----	3
Bethel College Menn., Newton -----	13
Bethel Menn., Mt. Lake, Minn. -----	2
Bethesda Menn., Henderson, Neb. -----	1
Bruderthaler Menn., Steinbach, Man. ---	1
Buhler Menn., Buhler -----	4
Burrton Menn., Burrton -----	3
Canton Menn., Canton, Okla. -----	1
Deer Creek Menn., Deer Creek, Okla. --	6
Ebenezer Menn., Gotebo, Okla. -----	1
Eden Menn., Moundridge -----	9
Emmaus Menn., Whitewater -----	2
First Menn., Aberdeen, Idaho -----	1
First Menn., Bluffton, Ohio -----	2
First Mennonite, Geary, Okla. -----	1
First Christian Menn., Moundridge ---	3
First Menn., Newton -----	8
Garden Township Menn., Moundridge --	1
Gnadenberg Menn., Whitewater -----	1
West Zion Menn., Moundridge -----	2
Goessel Menn., Goessel -----	7
Halstead Menn., Halstead -----	4
Hebron Menn., Buhler -----	2
Hesston Menn., Hesston -----	2
Hillsboro Menn., Hillsboro -----	3
Hoffnungsau Menn., Inman -----	4
Hoffnungsfeld Menn., Moundridge ---	2
K. M. B., Lehigh -----	1

III. Religious Affiliation

Thirteen (13) denominations were repre-

Lehigh Menn., Lehigh -----	1	Unclassified	20	7
Menn. Brethren in India -----	1			
Menn. Brethren, Buhler -----	2	Total	198	87
Menn. Brethren, Hillsboro -----	4			
Mennonites in Russia -----	3			
Newhopedale Menn., Meno, Okla. -----	2			
Ruff Menn., Odessa, Wash. -----	1			
Pleasant Valley Menn., Harper -----	2			
Pretty Prairie Menn., Pretty Prairie ---	2			
Salem Menn., Marion, S. Dakota -----	2			
Sichar Menn., Cordell, Okla. -----	1			
Tabor Menn., Goessel -----	3			
Zoar Menn., Goltry, Okla. -----	1			
Zion Menn., Elbing -----	1			

Of the 1932-33 Freshman Class 67% have returned; of the Sophomore Class 45% have returned; of the Junior Class 63% have returned for the current year.

Summer Session 1933

Total enrollment 56. Of these 32 or 55% were students who had not attended Bethel College during the preceding school year.

IV. Occupation of Parents

Forty-seven (47) different occupations were represented. Of these the largest number, 68 or 34% is farming. Railroad employees are next with 13 or 6.5%, and Ministers and Teachers next with 9 or 4.5% each.

V. Student Support

Wholly self supporting -----	39	or	19.5%
Partly self supporting -----	64	or	32.0%
Not self supporting -----	89	or	44.5%
Not reporting -----	8	or	4.00%
Number of full time students	157	or	78.5%
Number of part time students	43	or	21.5%

VI. Degrees and Honors

Since commencement 1932 eighteen degrees have been conferred by Bethel College as follows:

Bachelor of Arts -----	16
Bachelor of Science in Home Economics	1
Bachelor of Music Education -----	1

Honors were earned during the year by 18 students or 9% of the total group.

Applications for teachers certificates were made by 42 students and ex-students during the year. These applications were made in four different states and included Senior, Junior, Special Music and renewals of certificates.

PART II (1933-34)

(These figures are as of date Nov. 1, 1933)

Registration

		New Enrollments
Seniors	15	0
Juniors	26	6
Sophomores	56	5
Freshmen	81	69

Geographical Distribution

Number of states represented — 9
Kansas, of course, leads with 175 or 88.4% of the total

Newton is represented with 80 students or 40.4%.

Distribution by High Schools

Our student group this year comes from 49 different High Schools and 2 Academies. The Kansas contingent comes from 30 High Schools located in 15 different counties of Kansas. Counties sending the largest numbers: Harvey 84; Marion 22; McPherson 21; and Reno 15.

Religious Affiliations

There are 15 denominations represented this year. Six (6) students report no church affiliation. The Mennonites are, of course, in the lead with 116 or 58.5% of the total. Thirty-six (36) Mennonite congregations are represented as follows:

Genral Conference — 32; Mennonite Brethren — 3; Old Mennonites — 1.

Student Support

Wholly self supoprting 40 students or 20% of total.

Partly self supporting, 62 students or 31% of total.

Not self supporting, 81 students or 40% of total.

Not reporting (to date), 15 students or 7.6% of total.

Respectfully submitted,

P. J. Wedel, Registrar

November 27, 1933

List of Contributions received October and November

In the list below are two gifts in the nature of Bonds. Such bonds have a somewhat fluctuating market value, but since they are being held as part of the college investments, we list them at par in this report. A few friends donated Dining Hall supplies, which we report at current market value.

Abrahams, J. J. -----	\$ 8.00
Adrian, Rev. H. H. -----	315.00
Andreas, W. C. -----	10.00
Bartel, Dr. F. G. -----	2.50
Bethel College Menn. Church ----	43.47
Bethel Hospital Sisters -----	10.00
Boehnke, Herman Jr. -----	5.00
Buhler Mennonite Church -----	17.25
Buhler, Mrs. J. J. -----	40.00
Claassen, A. N. -----	5.00
Claassen, C. F. -----	65.00
Decker, W. F. -----	10.00
Dellenbach, Mrs. Louise Est ----	40.00
Duff & Son -----	10.00
Dunkelberger, Francis -----	5.60
Ebersole, W. H. -----	20.00
Enns, Dr. J. H. -----	21.90
Ensz, John H. -----	22.50
Friesen, Rev. Gerhard -----	20.00
Funk, Rev. Arnold -----	2.50
Glover, Dr. H. M. -----	30.00
Goering, Chr. B. -----	1.75
Goering, Rev. C. J. -----	.50
Goertz, David Estate -----	5.00
Goertz, John D. -----	7.50
Halstead Fellowship -----	.50
Hanlin, S. A. -----	100.00
Harder, John -----	6.00
Harms, Theodore -----	5.35
Harms, Valentine -----	.60
Haury, Mrs. Clara -----	10.00
Hebron Mennonite Church -----	9.41
Hege, Rev. Chr. -----	31.25
Jackson, Cooper -----	5.00
Jost, P. G. -----	10.00
Kansas Gas & Electric Co. -----	100.00
Kaufman, John P. -----	1.80
Krehbiel, Rev. C. E. (U. S. Bond -	50.00
Launhart, Wm. -----	31.25
Mitchell, Gladys -----	5.00
Moorshead, Oliver -----	100.00
Mouttet, Rev. Paul -----	100.00
Newton Baking Co. -----	25.00

Newton B. & P. Women -----	12.50
Newton Gas Co. -----	50.00
Newton Mill & Elevator Co. -----	50.00
Newton Music Co. -----	.50
Nickel, Mrs. W. J. -----	5.00
Niles, Walter E. -----	7.50
Pankratz, David -----	5.25
Paulus Sisters -----	30.00
Penner, Elizabeth -----	5.25
Penner, Helen -----	5.35
Regier, B. E. -----	26.00
Regier, John -----	135.00
Regier, Rev. P. K. -----	6.00
Regier, W. H. -----	6.25
Reimer, A. B. -----	2.50
Richert, D. H. -----	12.50
Richert, K. A. -----	22.50
Richert, Rev. P. H. -----	1.75
Riesen, Rudolph -----	25.00
Rilling, Mrs. Fred. -----	23.75
Schmidt, A. G. -----	3.35
Schmidt, P. P. -----	6.25
Shroyer, Lana -----	150.00
Siebert, J. P. -----	3.00
Smith, W. K. -----	25.00
Steinkirchner, Mrs. Bertha -----	12.50
Suderman, Mrs. H. E. -----	10.00
Toews, C. M. (Municipal Bond) --	1000.00
Voran, Elizabeth -----	28.75
Wall, Mrs. John M. -----	25.00
West Zion Mennonite Church ----	27.00
Wiens, Gerhard -----	5.35

Total for October & November \$3,038.43

All gifts are gratefully acknowledged.

Bethel College.

By J. F. Moyer, Asst. Treas.

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Science vs. Theology

"Do you consider scientific knowledge the most valuable in life?" Dr. Pupin was once asked.

"The only knowledge I have that is worth anything," he answered, "is the knowledge that there is a God."

"There is no conflict between science and religion, that is all foolishness. Never for a moment have I been disturbed by any such thoughts. There is a conflict between science and theology because theology is an affair made by man. Religion is a gift from heaven." —Evening Sky.

Report of the Assistant Treasurer of Bethel College

Statement of Income and Expenditures For 1932-1933

INCOME		
Revenues from Students:		
Tuition, etc.	\$21,209.80	
Room Rentals, net	921.04	
Dining Hall, net	491.39	
Book Store, net	257.29	
Teacher Appt. Committee, net	76.27	
Sundry fees, etc	1,106.83	\$24,062.62
Interest Income		
From Endowment Fund	\$14,783.59	
Other Interest	499.78	15,283.37
Other Income		
Rentals		2,232.01
Donations		
For Current Expenses	3,185.07	
Other Current Gifts	6,085.83	9,270.90
Total Income		
	\$50,848.90	
Net Loss		
	142.88	\$50,991.78

EXPENDITURES		
Administrative		
Salaries	\$ 5,578.25	
Office Salaries	1,195.97	
Printing, Advertising, etc	451.40	
Postage & Office Supplies	625.44	
Telephone & Telegraph	159.58	8,010.64
Instructional		
Salaries	\$24,778.25	
Library Expense	2,160.76	
Gymnasium Expense	236.05	
Music Department	52.85	27,227.91
Maintenance		
Plant repairs and upkeep	\$ 3,327.03	
Heat, Light, etc.	1,553.99	
Insurance	251.25	5,132.27
Promotion: Salaries, etc		
		2,317.74
Other Expenses		
Interest	\$ 7,371.82	
Taxes	114.60	
Equipment	46.15	
Bethel Monthly	52.77	
Miscellaneous	717.88	8,303.22
Total Expenditures		
	\$50,991.78	

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS

Assets		
Current Fund		
	August 1, 1933	August 1, 1932
Cash	\$ 105.36	\$ 38.97
Accounts Receivable	6,596.26	8,722.97
Notes Receivable	6,195.01	5,289.46
Bethel College Bond	500.00	500.00
Dining Hall Inventory	118.56	155.16
Book Store Inventory	297.33	181.59
Interest paid in advance		207.20
Pledges Receivable	34,250.58	35,580.44
Advances to other funds	17,738.77	21,187.15
	\$ 65,801.87	\$ 71,862.94
Deficit in Current Funds	120,027.86	118,672.15
	\$185,829.73	\$185,535.09
Endowment Funds		
Cash	\$ 1,978.67	\$ 5.89
Stocks	11,000.00	11,000.00
Bonds	8,900.00	5,700.00
Real Estate First Mortgages	248,300.00	252,750.00
Accrued Interest Receivable	3,369.75	503.00
Notes Receivable, Investments	1,560.00	1,560.00

Notes Receivable, Student Loan	552.80	759.02
Pledges Receivable	130,814.89	136,295.74
Land	14,194.91	10,500.00
Advances to other funds	58,456.24	54,737.59
	\$479,127.26	\$473,811.24

Plant and Equipment Funds		
Land, Ground, Improvements	\$ 13,410.43	\$ 13,410.43
Buildings	230,655.47	230,655.47
Equipment	30,380.50	31,334.35
Books	16,004.48	15,104.48
Pledges Receivable	13,519.52	13,843.52
Advances to Current Fund	5,099.52	5,085.52
	\$309,069.92	\$309,438.77

August 1, 1933 and August 1, 1932

Liabilities		
	August 1, 1933	August 1, 1932
Current Fund		
Bank Overdraft	\$	\$ 1.96
Bank Loans	18,000.00	18,000.00
Private Loans	46,985.00	38,150.00
Mortgage Loans	63,300.00	66,600.00
Contingent Loans	40,000.00	38,500.00
Accounts Payable	5,848.36	17,957.41
Deposits and Reservations	84.75	204.00
Accrued Interest Payable	850.75	620.50
Due to Other Funds	5,760.87	5,501.22
	\$185,829.73	185,535.09

Endowment Funds		
Fund Accounts:		
General Endowment	\$378,362.18	\$379,362.18
Contingent Endowment	61,572.77	60,572.77
G. A. Haury Memorial	3,541.29	3,431.29
Mission Candidate Scholarship	8,050.00	8,050.00
Student Loan	1,153.17	1,113.74
Theology & Menn. History	620.00	620.00
Music Department	100.00	100.00
Library	200.00	200.00
Peace	60.98	60.98
Mission	325.00	325.00
S. M. Swartz Scholarship	500.00	
Class of 1932 Scholarship	246.00	46.00
Annuities	5,100.00	3,900.00
Fund Accounts, Total	\$459,831.39	\$457,781.96
Due to Other Funds	19,295.87	16,029.28
	\$479,127.26	\$473,811.24

College Plant and Equipment		
Buildings & Grounds Funds	\$243,061.47	\$241,907.18
Equipment Funds	33,766.18	31,447.35
Book Fund	16,004.48	15,104.48
Due to Current Fund	16,237.79	20,979.76
	\$309,069.92	\$309,438.77

CONDENSED COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

Income		
	1932-'33	1933-'34 (Estimated)
Tuition, etc	\$ 24,062.62	\$ 23,000.00
Interest	15,283.37	13,000.00
Rentals, etc	2,232.01	2,000.00
Donations	9,270.90	10,000.00
	\$ 50,848.90	\$ 48,000.00
Expenditures		
Administrative	\$ 8,010.64	\$ 7,500.00
Instructional	27,227.91	20,000.00

Maintenance -----	5,132.27	6,000.00
Promotion -----	2,317.74	2,000.00
Other Expenses -----	8,303.22	8,500.00
Debt Retirement -----		4,000.00
	<u>\$ 50,991.78</u>	<u>\$ 48,000.00</u>

A Confession Of Faith

"I believe in the personal God revealed in Christ, in his omnipresent activity and endless resources to achieve his purpose for us and all men; I believe in Christ, his deity, his sacrificial saviorhood, his resurrected and triumphant life, his rightful Lordship, and the indispensableness of his message to mankind. In the indwelling Spirit I believe, the forgiveness of sins, the redeemed and victorious life, the triumph of righteousness on earth, and the life everlasting."

—Harry Emerson Fordick.

TABLE SHOWING GROWTH OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Year	Plant and Equipment	Endowment Investment	Pledges	Debt (Con-ting't loan excluded)
1926	\$258703.41	\$166077.04	\$ 78987.90	\$ 91627.16
1927	263689.75	181127.65	128935.15	89395.62
1928	266550.64	206012.98	194802.21	95302.54
1929	269493.05	237643.31	179513.51	88779.71
1930	277444.77	259575.84	207276.27	101334.91
1931	290183.30	275353.59	191590.49	121986.02
1932	290504.73	282274.91	185724.70	141329.87
1933	290450.88	289856.13	178584.99	139984.11

Respectfully submitted,
J. F. Moyer, Asst. Treas.

Four Hundred Fifty Dollars Given Bethel For New Venture Other Immediate Needs of the School

Bethel College is extremely grateful to be able to announce that a warm friend of the school who prefers to have his name withheld has donated \$450.00 in material and cash toward the realization of the program to produce our own milk, butter, eggs, meat, and vegetables. This program is undertaken for economic reasons, as well as to provide more students with an opportunity to earn a little while in school. A few others in a smaller way have already responded also. We hope that the good beginning already made will induce others to help along. In order to carry this undertaking to completion we still need a good many items. We believe most of these, as listed below, can be supplied by Bethel friends without much cost to them. Some of them may be standing around useless in your backyard. If, in looking over the list, you find anything that you could donate, or know where we could get it, will you please fill out and send in the attached blank for that purpose. Secondhand machinery will be gratefully received even if it needs some repairing. All items donated will be properly evaluated and due credit given you for the same by the college, either as a gift, toward payment on your pledge, tuition, or other bill with the college. During these days it is very hard

for most of us to make cash donations. Here is an opportunity to do something for Bethel that will not mean a contribution in cash money, but still be a real help to the school. First we need donated labor to construct the buildings so we have some place to keep the animals. We trust we will hear from many of you.

1. Lumber for dairy barn (supplied.)
2. Lumber for chicken house (supplied).
3. Lumber for hog house (supplied).
4. Fifty sacks cement for foundations.
5. Fifteen loads sand for foundations.
6. Four kegs nails for buildings.
7. One hundred days of labor.
8. Ten milk cows.
9. Two horses or mules.
10. One set harness.
11. 150 laying hens.
12. Five pigs.
13. One cream separator.
14. One butter churn.
15. One refrigerator.
16. One walking plow.
17. One sulky plow.
18. One Farm-All with plow.
19. One harrow (supplied).
20. One dirt scraper (supplied).
21. One grass mower.
22. One hay rake.
23. One lumber Wagon.

- 24. One wagon running-gear.
- 25. One grain drill.
- 26. One binder.
- 27. One bushel alfalfa seed.
- 28. Ten cow stanchions (supplied).
- 29. Hay track and carrier (supplied).
- 30. One water tank.
- 31. One Silo.

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Roosevelt Stresses Spiritual Needs

From the pulpit of the Hyde Park Methodist Church, celebrating its centennial, the president related to his neighbors the history of religion in this section and praised the churches of America for doing their part in relief work.

"In the task we all face—the problems of so-called economics, the problem called monetary, in unemployment, industry and agriculture—we shall not succeed unless the people hold the spiritual values just as high as we do the economic values."

—Wichita Eagle.

Five-Cent Meals

The depression taught folks how to save money on their meals. When the wife of the President of the United States announced a good seven-cent meal we felt that the bottom price had been reached. Since then, however, cheaper meals have been announced. Several school cooking classes declare that they are making a profit on five-cent meals. But the up-turn in prices probably will make a difference.

—The Earth.

« « Alumni and Ex-Students Notes » »

We appreciate your cooperation in bringing to our attention any news about any Bethelite, graduate or ex-student, faculty or ex-faculty member, or some close friend of the school. We want to know what is happening to other Bethelites and what Bethelites are causing to happen in the world. The January number of the Monthly is to be a special Alumni number and we covet an especially interesting array of news for that number. Will you help us to get the news? Any contribution by telephone, card, letter or word of mouth will be gratefully received.

Helen Riesen Goertz, Alumni Editor.

Bethel College, Newton, Kansas.

Phone: 13K11.

On November 20, a daughter, Beverly Ann, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Schmidt at Bay Point, California. Mrs. Schmidt will be remembered as Adele Lichti (Oct. '25). The station Bay Point has recently been changed to Port Chicago.

Getrude Dudte who has been stenographer at the Midland National Bank of Newton, Kansas for several years left on November 11 for Enid, Oklahoma to enter the Southwestern Bible school as a student teacher. Miss Dudte will instruct in shorthand and typewriting.

Mrs. Alexander McBurney (nee Helen Adams) and two small sons are spending some time with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Adams and with Mr. McBurney's parents while Dr. McBurney is in charge of the Citizens Conservation camp near Coleraine, Minnesota. Dr. McBurney expects to join the family in Newton at Christmas time.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Goetschius of Winfield on Nov. 6, 1933. Mrs. Goetschius will be remembered as Fern Tangeman, (Ac. '15) daughter of as Fern Tangeman, (Oct. '15) daughter of Mrs. Nora Tangeman of Newton.

Paul L. Kliewer (C. '30) is one of forty seven ment at Kansas University who have qualified for places to the University glee club. Paul is placed in the second tenor section.

Augusta (Ac. '16 & C. '22) and Johanna Schmidt (Ac. '20 & C. '26) have returned from the mission field in India and are now spending their furlough at their home near Goessel, Kansas.

Willard Peters and Ruth Dick Peters (C. '27) are living in Kenbro, Kansas this winter where Mr. Peters is superintendent of schools.

Rev. A. Albrecht (Ac. '10 & C. '23) of Hillsboro, Kansas attended the silver wedding of his brother Franz Albrecht (Ac. '05) at Beatrice, Nebraska on Nov. 5, 1933.

Mr. (C. '20) and Mrs. L. J. Tiaht of Newton and three daughters Oneita, Jean and Nancy Margaret visited with Mr. Tiaht's parents in Yankton, South Dakota during the latter part of November.

Mr. (C. '28) and Mrs. Willis E. Rich (C. '28) of Bentley, Kansas are the parents of a baby daughter, Carol Ruth, born November 10, 1933. Mrs. Rich will be remembered as Hulda Penner.

Carl J. (C. '27) and Irene Urban Richert (M. '30) recently attended a two day meeting of the Kansas State Association of Mutual Insurance companies. Mr. Richert was re-elected chairman of the auditing committee.

P. G. Braun and Martha Dick Braun (Ac. '15) are making their home in Hamilton, Kansas at the present time.

Clara Penner of Newton and Ben. H. Schmidt of Hillsboro, Kansas were married on November 2, 1933. They will make their home on a farm across the road from her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Baumgartner (Ac. 1895) of Lawrence, Kansas were house-guests at the H. E. Suderman home in Newton during the Thanksgiving season.

Miss Marietta English teaches in Marriam, Kansas this winter.

Clarence Cook is spending the winter in San Francisco, California with his uncle, John Cook.

On November 2 Alfador Frey of Goessel and Mary Kliewer of Henderson, Nebraska were married. They will make their home on Mr. Frey's father's farm southeast of Goessel.

Clara Wentzel is assistant manager of the San Francisco office of a Chicago advertising checking bureau. Miss Wentzel visited with home folks in Newton for three weeks in November.

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