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"Having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth." Rev. 14:6.

"And let him that heareth say, come." Rev. 22:17.

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EDITORIALS

"Keep Yourselves"

Keeping ourselves within God's commandments should be a deep-seated duty. The religious-minded man should be satisfied with nothing less than genuine religion, which makes us right before God. The Apostle James gives us a great essential towards this end: "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and KEEP HIMSELF unspotted from the world" (1:27).

An unspotted life must be our aim! In the light of Scripture the world is looked upon as unclean, and the fact that the Christian is in the world (yet not of the world) and must deal with the world to some extent it has a tendency to spot and blemish the soul. But to be unspotted from the world must be our constant endeavor.

A constant contact with the world and its evils will ruin the best Christian. Let the example of Lot suffice. The conversations and the deeds of the world dull our spiritual sensitiveness.

The Apostle John warns us against loving the world. He simplifies the matter by grouping all evils into three parts: The lust of the flesh, The lust of the eyes, and the pride of life. To keep ourselves unspotted from these is to keep ourselves unspotted from the world.

KEEP YOURSELVES from idols. (1 John 5:21). An idol as referred to here is an object of worship, or a false god.

It is hoped that we are not so pagan as to bow down to images of wood and stone. However, this is not the only way to have "other gods" among us. Man is inclined to set his affections on an object. The Scriptures teach what we love we will serve, and what we

serve will be our master or god. Paul speaks of the god of this world as having blinded the minds of them that believe not (2 Cor. 4:4). Again speaking of those who live to eat and drink, refers to them as "Whose god is their belly" (Phil. 3:19).

Since we know that God is a jealous God, an incomprehensible Spirit, and who is degraded by images, and in whom we have our whole being, we should worship Him alone; we should cleave to Him in faith and constant obedience.

"KEEP YOURSELVES IN the love of God" (Jude 21). Not only does the Holy Word warn us to keep ourselves from certain things, but also admonishes us to keep in other things.

The love of God in this respect has boundaries. When a believer steps out of these boundaries he is no more in the love of God. That this is possible is evident by the apostle's admonition. Whenever we fail to keep ourselves from the god of this world and unspotted from the world then have we also failed to keep ourselves in the love of God. "Keep yourselves in the way of God, if you would continue in His love."

"KEEP THYSELF PURE" (1 Tim. 5:22). God demands purity in thought, heart, word, and deed. Purity is regarded as the main part of virtue; It lives and derives its life from the Spirit of God. Man is born with impure motives, but by the new birth from above is placed into God's purity. The Spirit says, "Keep thyself pure from the sins of other men." By rubbing shoulders with the men of this world the "weights and sins that so easily beset us" become a part of us, and we do well to heed John's admonition, "And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as He is pure." (1 Jn. 3:3). The grace of God makes

and keeps us pure, but it is only by our efforts. A pure mind in a chaste body is a vessel of wisdom, safe counsel, and sincere principles.

"Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God" (Matt, 5:8). If we would see God then let us keep ourselves unspotted from the world, keep ourselves free from idols and keep ourselves in the love of God, then purity will be a natural fruit.

Beware of the impure, for impurity is every good man's enemy. May God by His grace keep both our hearts and lives clean from the love of the world, and from the temptations of wicked men.

An announcement has been made through the western district financial report, that funds are needed in that treasure.

This is to make another appeal to the W. D. congregations for this work as soon as possible.

W. D. Mission Board.

The pamphlet containing our last General Conference, the 18 articles of faith as found in the Martyrs Mirror, and the last council, will now be available. price 10c each, \$1.00 per doz.

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Noah Holdeman,
Hesston, Kans.

TO THE SEWING CIRCLES

Dear Sisters:

We, the Sewing Circle Committee of the Mercy Hospital at Moundridge, Kansas, wish to take this means to thank all the Sewing Circles who so generously contributed to our hospital fund.

The donations have been very gratefully accepted and have been used for various purposes, such as: buying material for nurses uniforms and aprons, bed spreads for hospital and nurses home, muslin for patients, gowns and surgical garments of different kinds, floor wax, serving trays, curtian material, and many smaller items, such as clothes pins, some dishes oil cloth.

We assure you that all future contributions to this cause will be gratefully accepted. May God bless and reward you for your efforts.

Sincerely,

Sister Vada Johnson, Pres.
Sister Florence Boeckner, Tres.

QUESTION & ANSWER

Q. Are we allowed to sell to, and buy of the apostates, in as much as Paul says that we should not have intercourse with them; and yet the disciples bought victuals in Sychar, and the Jews dealt with the Gentiles? John 4:5

A. That the apostles victuals in Sychar proves nothing at all; for many of the Samaritians were a remnant of the ten tribes as we have sufficiently shown above, from the Holy Scripture. But we do not deny that the Jews dealt with the Gentiles, yet they shunned her commercium, that is, their daily association, company and conversation, and did not eat nor drink with them, as the writings of the evangelist sufficiently and plainly show in many Scriptural passages.

And inasmuch as Christ points us to the Jewish ban or shunning, namely, that as they shunned the gentiles and sinners, so we should likewise shun an apostate Christian; and as the Jews had dealings with them they shunned their daily intercourse in company, association and conversation; therefore we say that we can not maintain, either by the Jewish example to which Christ points or by any explicit Scripture, that we should not in any manner deal with the apostate, if no such daily intercourse arises therefrom. For such intercourse with the apostate is strictly prohibited by Scripture; and since it is prohibited, it is manifest that a pious, godfearing Christian could have no apostate as a regular buyer or seller. For as I have daily to get my cloth, bread, corn, salt etc., and exchange for it my grain, butter, etc., and not fail but that intercourse will arise therefrom. But with a trading which is conducted without such intercourse this is not the case.

And because such merchandizing, which is carried on without intercourse can not be avoided by viture of the Scripture, as was said, therefore we would pray all godfearing brethren and sisters in the Lord, for the sake of God and of love, to act in this matter, as in all others, as reasonable, good, discreet, wise and prudent Christians, and not as vain, reckless, self-conceited, proud, obdurate and offensive boasters; for a true Christian should always strive after that which is the best and the surest, and follow the pure, unfeigned love, lest he abuse the freedom which he seems to have, to the injury and hindrance of his own soul, to the

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feel a lack, in weakness I want to do more, as the spirit may lead. Let us heed that still small voice. Let us be more bold in his service when weighted in the balances, also in fulfilling our duties in fellowship with our camp brethren; writing spiritual letters, etc. Jono H. Dyck

BUILD

by Sam Jantzen

A greeting of love through Jesus Christ our Lord. My great concern is unto the Saints. May we altogether strive for the good of God's kingdom, that some day we may not be found wanting. Also that as a church might be established for the persecution, which I feel is coming, and that the "last day" is drawing nigh.

My concern is about the "walls of the church." We must labor to preserve these walls. At times it seems that the walls are growing weak. Why? Because we have not the mind to build and preserve.

In the days of Nehemiah the walls of Jerusalem laid in ruin. God moved Nehemiah to go and rebuild the walls. Some laughed him to scorn. In Nehemiah 2:17 we read, "Then said I unto them, Ye the distress that we are in, how Jerusalem lieth in waste, and the gates thereof are burned with fire; Come and let no more a reproach."

Yes, we can see the distress we are in. We need laborers in the field, also in the church, that the walls may be strengthened. That when the great foe strikes we will be preserved. Come us build up the wall of Jerusalem, that we be we may present ourselves the church clean and spotless, before God first and also to the world.

Sometimes it almost seems we are standing in the way of someone that does want to come into the House of God. We must become more concerned, look to God for our strength, the God of heaven will prosper us.

Some of the church fathers have told me of the last war, how concerned the people were about those in the army, they would get together and pray. Is that being done now? Can those on the battlefronts feel the prayers of the saints? Every one has someone there, some whose parents belong to the household of faith, and these should also to the same fold, or Christ. Where does the cause lie? Have I done my part? Let everyone ask this question. I

affliction and destruction of his beloved brethren, to the scornful boasting of the perverse, and to the shameful blemishing of the Holy word and the afflicted church of Christ. Besides, I pray and desire in like manner, that one will thus in the least be offended at his brother and mistake and judge him by an unscriptural judgment; as he has in this case no reproofing example among the Jews nor forbidding word (in the Scriptures). (From Menno Simons)

Fellowship Within The Church

In my weakness I shall endeavor to write about the fellowship among brethren in the church. What do we understand that fellowship means? Just visiting one another and talking about the crops, weather, and possibly other temporal affair? No! (tho that is not out of place when done right) that is not the fellowship that builds Christ's true church here on earth. I am a young brother and feel that I have also not been as spiritual as I should have been to fulfill my duties in this line; that our conversations we may point others to Christ. What then is the cause that we lack in true fellowship, or spiritual conversation when we get together? Is it not that out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh, Are we not too carnally minded? Let us as young brethren, not hesitate to change the conversation if it is revealed to us to speak of other things than what is being talked about. Let us discuss more of His Word, the holy Bible, maybe some verse we don't understand so good, exchange views and some one may have light that we need. What will our children do if they do not hear us talk about the eternal things? How can they keep the faith of our forefathers of we greatly neglect it ourselves? I understand it was different a generation or so ago. Let us awaken to our responsibilities and with open hearts commune together. Are we then not growing in Christ as we should, Personally I

think it is time that we take a look at ourselves from this angle. Are we of those that are of a mind to build, or do we sit and laugh at those who in weakness are trying to build? Are we to reproach?

Possibly some are discouraged, but let us hear the word of Nehemiah, "Then I told them of the hand of my God which was good to me; as also the King's words that he had spoken to me. And they said, Let us rise up and build. So they strengthened their hands for the good works" (2:18).

Let us arise and build; strengthen our hands for this good work. It is a good work; it is a worthy cause.

First, we must cleanse ourselves, which will strengthen the wall, then labor in the vineyard of the Lord. Also lift up our head and behold the harvest, it is indeed ripe, but the laborers are few. In this work many will deride us and laugh at us, but we should only pray for such. Consider it a blessing to be worthy to be among the chosen. We have the words of Jesus for a comfort: "The world hated me, before it hated you." We must be thus minded as the people that built the walls of Jerusalem, (Neh. 4:6). "So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof: For the people had a mind to work." Likewise must we have a determination. 2 Chron. 7:14, "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves and pray, and seek my face, and turn from wicked way, then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and will heal their land."

A brother in Faith, through Christ Jesus our Lord.

C. P. S. Camp No. 45
 Colo. Springs, Colo

THEN and NOW

"But call to remembrance the former days in which after ye were illuminated ye endured a great flight of afflictions."

The writer to the Hebrews has something special in mind when he admonishes the Hebrews to remember those experiences they made when first they received the Light of Righteousness into their hearts. A new-born child of God is especially sensitive to impressions received; such as the wonderful and joyous freedom from the burden of sin—which is a guilty conscience—the delights of Christian fellowship

with newly found brother and sisters, encouraging and uplifting calls when in the right and voice of reproof when having done wrong. It is especially sensitive to the attitude the world takes towards God's children; how they are being reproached and made a gazing stock of by those who look on.

All these things are deeply imprinted in the mind and souls of Christians during those first day, months and years of their illumination.

In those days we not only had the peace of God in our hearts, but it prevailed there; it predominated over all else. Because of that peace which passeth all understanding and the grace and love of God shed abroad in our hearts, we listened to the voice of the Spirit, those first impressions and convictions were right in line with the teachings of the Scripture and the workings of the Holy Spirit. That is the reason why the writer to the Hebrews pointed them back to those days in which they were illuminated. That is why it is so essential to our daily Christian walk as a gauge by which to measure our present standing.

In my own experience I have found that I had become slothful in my spiritual life and my love towards God and man has become lukewarm. I was alarmed at the distinct difference I could see in my zeal for the Master from the time from my conversion till now and my earnest and heartfelt prayer was if only God would restore to me that first love which then possessed me. It was not that I couldn't feel any spiritual growth and advance in myself, but instead of religion holding on to me as its willing captive, I was frantically and more or less holding on to religion, as to something which knew would save me. Things like reading the Bible and seeking the face of God in secret were as tasks set before me by a stern Master. I knew they were essential to the welfare of any Christian and much more so to the welfare of my own soul, but I did not take any delight in them. I longed for those "former days" and for the holy zeal which then possessed me and ruled over me. I longed for those times when, quite involuntarily, my thoughts would rise above earthly things and dwell upon the attributes of God; when the Words of the Book would hold me spellbound in silent meditation; when sleep had no influence over me while listening to God's word being preached.

We live in an age when to be good a thing must be practical. Christianity must be practi-

cal. I realize that just longing for things will get me anywhere, even though I believe the longing comes from God. But to make it practical I had to do more—I prayed earnestly to God that He would restore to me that same tempo of life—that first love which had not left me, but which I had left—that more-abundant life. Life which had me when first I got converted and wonder of wonder! is it possible? I can no more see that sorrowful difference between what I am and what I then was. Read Rev. 2:4, 5.

Frank Isaac, G. L. P. Camp Savanne Via, Ont.

To The Preachers Of The Word

by D. J. H. Schmidt

The Macedonian call is coming! Who will be like Paul when he heard the call did not linger, but went over and helped the souls that were seeking salvation?

We believe in the latter days when "the fullness of time has come" there will be a special period of grace for the Jew, the once very-elect of God.

Some might want to know of the evidence that is now is time for the Jew to be gathered in. By reading the Jewish literature about the Jews in New York it is plain that the Jew is seeking for the light and begins to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ. There are many thousands of Jews in that city and they are not so hard to reach. When they begin to believe in the Lord Jesus then is the time for us to make a trial in bringing the Word to them that they may save their soul. The reason that Jesus couldn't help them in His day was because they did not believe on Him, and it is impossible to be saved without faith. I believe help is needed now. Who is hearing the call like Paul. Paul didn't make any excuses, but went right to work.

"And the rest of the trees shall be few that a child shall write them. (20) And it shall come to pass in that day, that the remnant of Israel and such as are escaped of the house of Jacob, shall no more again stay upon him that smote them; but shall stay upon the Lord, the holy one of Israel, in truth. (21) The remnant shall return, even the remnant of Jacob, unto the Mighty God. (22) For though thy people Israel be as the sand of the sea, yet a remnant of them shall return; the consumption decreed shall overflow with righteousness. (23) For

the Lord God of hosts shall make a consumption, even determined in the midst of all the land."

(Following are the words of a German song translated by H. A. Ensz, out of the small German hymn book. Mel. 77, Meter 45)

The Lord my God brought me to here,

Through His great love and mercy,
Protected day and night till here,

My heart and all concerns.

Till here He always led me safely,

Till here I have in Him rejoiced,

Till here He truly helped me.

I now bring Thee an inner praise,

For all Thy love and mercy,

That thou O God in all my days,

Hast blessed me with Thy nearness.

In my memory I mark it down,

What great things Thou to me hast done,

Till here He always helped me.

WOMEN MINISTERS

By Wendell K. Petosky

The Women have no Biblical authority to hold or accept a place in the clergy.

All through the bible the woman is spoken of and taught she is the secondary vessel or creation of the human race. Also, because she was the first to fall, she has no right to assume authority over the man in any form, but should follow obediently the man so long as he walks in righteousness.

1 Tim. 2:12 says: "but I suffer not a woman to teach nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence".

1 Cor. 14:34 says, "let your women keep silence in the churches, for it is not permitted unto them to speak, but they are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law".

1 Cor. 11:3 says, "but I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ: and the head of every woman is the man, and the head of Christ is God".

Eph. 5:22, "wives submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord".

1 Tim 2:13 says, "for Adam was first formed then Eve."

Dear Readers of the Messenger of Truth:

I feel to write concerning the fruits of the Lamb and the beast of Satan. While Jesus was here on earth He was teaching his disciples about the "narrow way" that would

lead them to heaven, and the "broad road" that would lead them to destruction. In Matt. 7:12,13 and also other passages it is recorded what Jesus taught in this respect. There are only two roads, or two ways. The narrow way belongs to god and His kingdom and the broad road to Satan and his Kingdom.

The fruits of the Lamb are, love, meekness, longsuffering, gentleness, and truth. The Lamb is counted innocent and white as wool. Wool is soft and warm, so let us be clothed therewith, in Jesus name.

The beast and the harlot are of the Kingdom of Satan and work hand in hand. We look about us and see the fruits of their works everywhere. Such as the secret societies are a part of his doings. Vanities and dainties are in unity with the beast. How many so-called christians, who should overcome the world in all these things, who indulge in these vanities, pride, crimping and painting, would like to be found doing these things when Jesus comes again? They would not be able to pluck fig leaves to cover their shame. Let us flee the wrath to come.

In my weakness I want to sound a warning to all those of the household of faith that we abstain from all pride, vanity, and be very careful what we do. We should guard against pride in dressing our little ones. It is necessary to clothe them in decency. What pride is born in them of that they must repent before they can become lambs.

To those precious lambs that have forsaken the world I want to say. Do not look back to your former associates in the world (probably they have their finger nails painted, and the like). Think of them and what they will suffer if they do not repent and let the Saviour in. Be cheerful as you walk the road to glory. Never lust after the board road, dear little lambs of God. Knowing that there are only two ways, let us strive to walk in the narrow way that Jesus walked.

Dear young lambs, though you will find thorns and rocks to roll away, climbing hills, and threatened by howling wolves, keep up your courage and ever look to Jesus. The Destroyer will offer you flowers and many pretty things but they are only strewn over pitfalls and everlasting torments in the end. If you stumble Jesus will stretch out a helping hand. He bore a crown of thorns, had His hands and

feet pierced because He loved us.

I am now past 83 years old and the last of the John Holdeman family, and rejoice that I am counted worthy to feed in the same pasture where God fed him. He felt his great weakness but God used him in the great work of saving souls. Though I now am old and have experienced many things, joys, sorrows, and often felt forsaken, Christ's children are often looked upon as miserable children by the world, but they cannot feel the great joy that is in our souls, which no man can give neither take away. Written in weakness, but in love for the saints,

Sarah Holdeman

Ste. Anne, Man.

A greeting of Love to all readers in Jesus name.

May this letter also find you in the most secure way to that heavenly goal. For sometime I have had the conviction of writing for the "Messenger", but to get something worthwhile is the next needful thing to consider.

My tho'ts have been dwelling on Matt. 5:6, "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness, etc." Now if we are hungering for righteousness do we ask the Lord whether this or that matters? No, we will ask, What can I do to be useful in the hands? Will we have time of pleasure and idleness? For instance if we take the natural work, especially now while we are so busy, will we ask, Is this necessary or that? Are we not in the clear as to what must be done to get ahead? Today we find many Christians who question the necessity of walking so close, or think it is no harm to go on a pleasure trip. Can we also take the dress and many other things that go with this? Are we inclined to conform to the dress and attitude of the world when we go out among them? We are to be the light of the world and to be this we must appear before the world as God has ordained and created. If there are any doubts as to our dress or conduct then give God all the benefit of the doubt and be on the safe side. None will remain when we call upon God in a humble way. I have also been thinking about homes and the things that goes with them, Who gets the honor of our time?

O were the geustion of the Ruler born in our hearts, What shall I do to inhearit eternal life.

Mark.10:17.

This is my prayer for all who are working for salvation of their own soul and that of others,
Pete P. Penner Jr.

To all members of The Faith and truth lovers:

I wish to all steadfastness in the faith, and grace to remain true unto our vows made to God in the days of our illumination.

As I was reading the Jan. 14th Sunday School lesson I was convicted to write this letter. My days are numbered and I feel that the last one is not far off. I am thankful that I can write and want to make use of it to the honor and glory of God and the saving of my soul and the souls of others. I feel to need and urge to do more for the whole household of faith. Let us not be weary in well doing but ever continue in the good works. O what a feeling arose in my heart for the lost while reading the above mentioned lesson! The call "Come unto me" is for everyone in all the world and all can be saved if they will but come. Let us do our part in putting into operation our confession of faith, by calling the sinners to come unto Jesus, especially the leaders, or shepherds, of Christ's flock. Thanks to the Godhead for not having dealt with us according to works. If God had rewarded me as to my works where would I be, then I would be cut off from darkness and despair, but now we are under His wings of infinite mercy and love, which should move all Christians to love and good works. Our loving Jesus has accomplished for us poor mortals such a great salvation that we cannot express it in work nor deed. The poisonous serpent has inflicted a wound that only Jesus can heal, and He has become the foundation upon which we must build and against which the gates of hell shall not prevail. Yes it is the ground which Peter confessed. I wish that all sinners would accept it and be reconciled, and escape endless hell while it is called the day of grace, the day in which this kind, loving Jesus is still calling all sinners without exception.

Cordially yours, in bonds of love and perfection,
J. J. Zeiset.

Dear Readers:

During our revivals here, a dear sister got up and said that she had now made up her mind to follow Christ with her whole heart, let it

cost what it may! It brought the tears to my eyes. The thought came to me then, are we, each individual Christian, consecrated enough to say, I am willing to follow Christ from now in, let it cost what it may? Oh, dear brothers and sisters, how can God use us if we always hold something back, and don't come out with our whole heart? When we look out into the world and see all the many souls in need of salvation, there is no time left for a Christian to loiter, and linger around in undecision.

Let us prove ourselves as God would prove us. I believe God wants to use each one of us, and if the cost seems too great, look, to Jesus on the cross, where He suffered for us. Compared to that our sacrifices do seem small. Are we willing to say, Let cost what it may, I will go all the way?

"Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity," Sister Andrew Friesen

A greeting of love to all readers of the "Messenger":

I thought I would write a few words in regard to our frailty, and how soon we can be hurled into eternity; as it went deep into our hearts when we heard the message that Cleo Unruh was instantly killed when he fell from an oil derrick. Then I thought oh, how close we should always stay to our Lord and how we should always stay with the Lord and how we and we should make special efforts to warm, and in love, draw those that have wandered away from the house of God. Oh, brothers and sisters, let us do all that the Lord requires of us so that not one of those lost ones that are on the cold mountains bare will condemn us at that great day. Pray also for us and our children.

Mrs. Fred Unruh

(Obituary)

WENGER--Adam Wenger, son of Jacob and Hanna Brenneman Wenger, was born near Greenmount, Virginia, Feb. 9, 1862. He died Jan. 25, 1945 at the home of his son Adam near Fentress, Virginia, at the age of 82 year, 11 months and 15 days.

On December 4, 1888 he was married to Amanda Rorher, who preceded him in death three years ago. To this union were born eleven children; Mrs. Mattie Ziegler, Denbigh, Virginia; Israel who died in Fulton Co, Ohio; Abram of Fentress, Virginia; Mrs. Lena Weaver, Salem, Ohio; Amos, Harrisonburg, Virginia; Mrs. Stella Good, Dayton, Virginia; Mrs. Hanna Witmer, Salem; Joseph, Norge, Virginia; Mrs.

Edith Martin, Dalton, Ohio; Mrs. Anna Mary Rorher, Davison, Michigan; and David of Columbiana, Ohio,

He accepted Christ and joined the Mennonite Church in early manhood, and later united with the Church of God in Christ, and remained faithful to his Lord until death.

Twenty-two years of his married life was spent farming in the Shenandoah valley, Virginia. In March 1910 he with his family moved near Columbiana, Ohio where he spent the remaining years of his married life.

The greater part of the last two years were spent with his daughter Mattie and family at Denbigh, Virginia. He leaves two sisters; Barbara Andes, Harrisonberg, Virginia, and Mrs. Katie Brunk, Denbigh, Virginia; and one brother Timothy of Fentress, Virginia. He leaves 5 grandchildren and 9 grandchildren.

Among his last words he quoted Psalms 34:18: "The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart, and saves such as be of a contrite spirit."

Funeral services were conducted at Warvic River Mennonite church near Denbigh, Va. Jan. 27th., by his nephews, Truman H. and George Brunk. Using one of his favorite Psalms for a text (119:23, 24).

The body was brought back to his former home for burial near Salem, O., which took place Tuesday afternoon Jan. 30. Min. Ben Good of Wayne County, Ohio, spoke in the home and Min. Dan Witmer and Bro. C. L. Gearig spoke at the White Church from Scriptures 2 Tim. 4:6-8; Psa. 139:23, 34.

Interment was made in the adjoining cemetery. C. L. Gearig.

LICHTY—Friend Jacob Lichty, native and life-long resident of Adams Co. Indiana, was born Sept. 1, 1875, and died Jan. 13, 1945, at the age of 69 years, 1 month, and 12 days.

He united in marriage to Susanna Swarts June 28, 1908.

He leaves to mourn his departure his wife, Susanna, five daughters, Esther Babcock, Anna Piehson, and Edna Bobcock of Fort Wayne; David with the U. S. Army in Europe, and Milton of the home; one brother David; two sisters, Verna Inninger of Middleton, Mich. and Baraba Habegger, Monroe, Ind.

The following preceded him in death: One daughter, Armada Mae; three brothers, Joseph, Christian, Peter (his twin brother) and two sisters, Anna Masslain and Catherine Inninger.

Funeral services were held Monday Jan. 8th, when Bro. C. L. Gearig spoke from Scripture Psalm 32:2

(Baptisms)

MONTEZUMA, KANSAS—Jan. 7, 1945, Donabel, daughter of Bro. and Sister Herman Yost was added to the church fellowship through water baptism upon the confession of her faith. Officiated by Min. David J. Koehn.

WINTON, CALIF.—The following souls were added to the church fellowship through baptism on Jan. 28, 1945: Dick, son of Bro. and Sister Abe Penner; Albert, son of Bro. and Sister Abe Koehn; Donald, son of Sister Linda Milsap; Jane, daughter of Bro. and Sister I. B. Wedell; Martha, daughter of Min. and Sister D. H. Dyck; Gladys, daughter of Cornie and

Sister Mary Esay; Sadie, daughter of Bro. and Sister Abe Koehn; Clandel, daughter of Bro. and Sister Fred Smith; Darlene, daughter of Bro. and Sister Isaac Giesbrecht.

We feel grateful to God that these souls have been saved and hope and pray that they may remain faithful to the end.

(Communion)

WINTON, CALIF.—

After a series of meetings conducted by Ministers Frank Wenger and Jesse Johnson, we the Winton congregation felt that the Lord had helped us and blessed us so wonderfully that we could commemorate the Lord's death Sunday Jan. 28, 1945. May the Lord bless us that the vows made may be kept to his honor.

(News items)

NEW RAYMER, COLO.—We here at the Buckingham Side Camp were privileged to have Min Henry A. Ensz from Inman, Kansas, with us during the Christmas season, who preached the Word of God to us, which we are always glad to hear. We are not privileged to have a minister with us every Sunday.

Sunday, Jan. 7, we had Rev. Owen Hershberger of Hesston, Kansas.

Sunday 21, we had with us Min. Dan Smith of Fairview, Okla, who delivered several timely sermons. Other visitors were: Bro. and Sis. C. P. Toews. Bro. George Ensz and Sisters Marie, Kathyrn and Helen Toews, all of Inman, Kansas. The Toews sisters came to visit their brother Dick here in camp.

The project here at Buckingham is still carrying on as usual. We are busy building fences, drilling wells, and bulding corrals around the dipping vat and cistern which we built last summer.

—Dick Toews

WALES, N. DAK.— We had the privilege of having with us sisters Helen Issac and Mary Friesen of the Morris vicinity on Sunday, Jan. 21st. and Monday until train time. They left for Grafton where they had been visiting Bro. and Sister Clifford Mastre. They also spent some time at the Arthur Beauchamp home. —Sis. Henry Amoth.

DURHAM, KANS.—We were privileged to have Min. and Sis. Edd Frank of Copeland, Kansas, with us on the evening of Jan 24. The Brother preached from text Psalms 91:14, 15; 1:6. We feel thankful for their visit. Corr.

BONNERS FERRY, IDAHO—Recently we enjoyed the following visitors: Bro. and Sister Abe Ensz of Inman, Kansas; Bro. and Sister Sol Boese of Swallow, Alta.; and Bro. and Sister Herman Frank of Copeland, Kansas. Altho their stay was brief we treasure their visit and welcome others.

Brothers David Dirks and Lawrence Unruh of the Downey C. P. S. camp were home on furlough. Bro. Unruh on an extended leave for a tonsil operation.

We have had a very mild winter so far, which greatly helps the short feed supplies.—Corr.