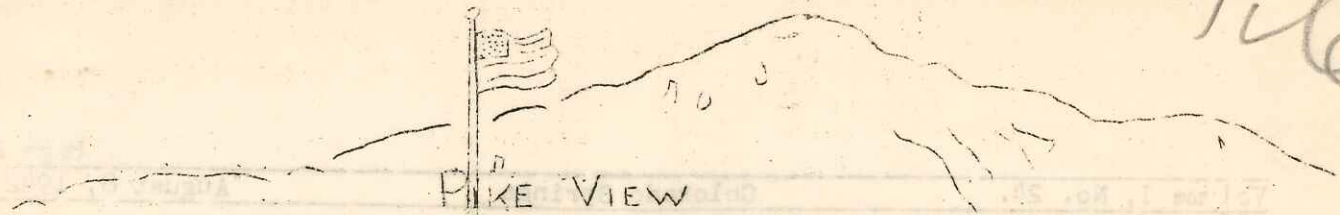


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MENNONITE PEACE LEADER DIES

Two weeks ago Dr. Harshbarger a noted supporter of the C.P.S. program, passed away after suffering from tuberculosis of the spine for over a year. With his passing, a very dear friend to a great many C.P.S. men was lost, but the memory of his contribution to the Mennonite cause and to the entire peace movement will forever remain in the hearts of those whom he has helped.

Dr. Harshbarger is to be counted as one of the framers of the present Civilian Public Service program, having been among those who consulted with the President of the United States and other high government officials in the successful attempt to insert a provision for religious conscientious objectors into the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940. He was chairman of the Peace Committee of the General Conference of Mennonites of North America and spent a great deal of his time speaking at peace meetings and giving personal counsel to young men facing the draft. Up until his last illness he was Professor of History at Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas.

D. C. WEDEL - ACTING DIRECTOR

Rev. David C. Wedel, pastor of the First Mennonite Church, Halstead, Kan. is acting in the capacity of Director of C.P.S. Camp #5 during the absence of Albert M. Gaeddert.

On June 2, 1941, three days previous to the opening of Camp Colorado Springs, Rev. Wedel welcomed a similar group of fellows to their new camp home at Marietta, Ohio. As their director, he lived and worked with the boys for six months, which was the length of his leave of absence from his church.

We of Camp #5 are happy to have Rev. and Mrs. Wedel here with us and we appreciate their fellowship a great deal.

COLORADO GOVERNOR'S STATEMENT ABOUT JAPANESE

This statement by Governor Ralph L. Carr of Colorado was made when he gave permission to Japanese who wished to migrate to Colorado: "If we do not extend humanity's kindness and understanding to these people, if we deny them the protection of the Bill of Rights, if we say they may be denied the privilege of living in any of the 48 states and force them into concentration camps without a hearing or charge of misconduct, then we are tearing down the whole American system. If these people are not to be accorded all the rights and privileges which the Constitution gives them, then those same rights and privileges may be denied to you and me six months from now for another just as poor reason as the one which is now offered against the Japanese."

DIRECTOR ATTENDS CONFERENCES

Coming back from a meeting of the National Service Board in Chicago here recently, Albert M. Gaeddert reported that the future for the detached service projects is getting brighter. New dairy farm and hospital units are in the process of being opened up now and other units are being approved right along.

Mr. Gaeddert, after a brief time back in camp, has again left, but this time to Winona Lake, Indiana, where a camp directors conference took place August 5 and 6.

S.C.S. CHANGES

Mr. Makens, District Engineer and former Project Superintendent was recently transferred to Salida where he will act in the same capacity. No one has taken his place yet. Due to the critical illness of his father, Mr. Makens has had to leave his work and

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WHAT DO YOU SEE?

Of the mountains visible from C.P.S.C. #5, Pike's Peak stands out as the most imposing. What one sees in this mountain depends upon what one sees as one looks at it. When we arrived late in the afternoon we saw only shadows upon this mountain. The sun's rays were falling on the other side of the mountain. But we did not see shadows when we entered C.P.S. Camp #5 itself. Our first contact with this camp came when we entered the dining hall. We heard the men singing as they expressed their gratitude for gifts received and asking for God's continued blessing:

"We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing
He hastens and chastens His will to make known.
The wicked oppressing, cease them from distressing,
Sing praises to his name, He forgets not his own."

This morning Pike's Peak was hidden from view by the clouds that enveloped it. We knew it but could not see it because of the clouds. Now the peak is in full view. The clouds have vanished and bright sunshine reveals every rigid proportion. One sees the timber line, the snow that has escaped the warmth of the sun. Always the mountain appears differently depending upon how or at what time one sees it.

In as many ways as one sees or may see Pike's Peak one may also see the C.P.S. peace testimony. Some people see in it nothing else or more than just a nice way to escape active war service. They call the C.O.s cowards or slackers. These people constitute a noisy crowd whose chief contribution to the world seems to lie in trying to bring everyone into the same thought pattern which they hold. They cannot see that a democracy must have minorities that ruffle and disturb the complacency of the majority. A democracy must have its minorities.

Some people see the C.P.S. peace testimony as something that must be tolerated because we live in a democracy that gives certain privileges, such as freedom of religion, to its people. But really this position holds nothing of good or constructive or helpful. All of us would agree that our peace testimony has frequently lacked positive expression. We have dwelt too long on the negative side. But positive ways are developing. We need to make known how the way of goodwill and kindness and love is given an opportunity in our C.P.S. units as well as in relief work in so many areas.

Some people see in C.P.S. a positive expression of the faith of our fathers. They see in it a refusal to bear arms or in some other way becoming a part of a machine whose sole aim is the destruction of life. Here in C.P.S. a man may live according to the dictates of his conscience. He may moreover render a form of valuable service to his country.

How shall one look at C.P.S.C. work? Shall we as Christians see anything correctly except as we look at it through the eyes of Christ? We believe profoundly that Christ would not bear arms against his fellowman. His was a heart of love and kindness for everyone. (He it was who said that we should love our enemies. He it was who could pray for those who nailed him to the cross. He it was who said, "Blessed are ye when men shall revile you and persecute you and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake. Rejoice and be exceeding glad for great is your reward in heaven.")

The world today does not want a man who will love. They did not want a man of love in Jesus' day. They wanted one who would hate. Because Jesus refused to hate they began to plot against him. They wanted a man who would hate Rome sufficiently to bring destruction to this empire so that they might be released from Rome. To that end they had conceived the Messiah to be one who would come with might and power. Jesus the man of love they did not want. But of all the men of his day, he is the One who is remembered, revered, honored, worshipped, the Savior of men.

Once again in our day the world needs his testimony of love and peace. Our testimony must be so permeated by his love, kindness and goodness that it too shall be one that will endure.

EUROPE LACKS FOOD

Europe lacks food! From Nice comes the report of 100 children fainting from weakness when they assembled to greet the American ambassador. Schools are closing, tuberculosis is increasing. Typhus is on the march because there is no soap; there is no soap because all fats are needed, yet are sadly insufficient, to maintain life. Compare the typical rations of an American for one day with those of a French adult:

	France	America		France	America
Bread	7 oz.	17 oz.	Potatoes	5½ oz.	10 oz.
Milk	½ pint	1 quart	Vegetables	Unobtainable	3 per day
Cheese	¼ oz.	3.2 oz.	Coffee	Practically none	2 cups daily
Meat	1.23 oz.	8 oz.	Fruit	None	1 daily
Fat	½ oz.	3 oz.	Eggs	1 per month	1 per day
Sugar	½ oz.	2 oz.	Chocolate	1 bar per month	1 serving daily
Macaroni	½ oz.	3.2 oz.	Cereal	Unobtainable	1 bowl daily

A 10¢ hamburger contains--

- ...as much bread as the French get in a day
- ...more meat than they get in a week
- ...more butter than many get in a year

NO MILITARY ADVANTAGE TO BELLIGERENTS

1. The plan provides that soup kitchens be set up to feed two million children and a million unemployed adults. No invader, no one employed by the invader, would be fed. Neutrals would have control of the occupied country's food supply, and the invader should agree to contribute foods which he has to supplement those which can only be obtained from this hemisphere.
2. Neutral supervisors would follow the food from ship and frontier to soup kitchen. Total amount on hand at one time would be less than a single day's supply for Germany, and any interference with it would stop the entire program at once.

WHAT IS STARVATION LIKE?

"You begin by feeling tired and sickly and weak. You can't concentrate. Your hearing and sight become impaired....Your teeth begin to come out and you may lose all your hair. If you still can't get enough to eat, you may hear voices and suffer paralysis. In the end you fall victim to pellagra or typhus, for diseases breed in hungry men..."

CLOTHING NEEDED

Twenty tons of clothing has just been shipped to France for 84,000 school children, 3,000 refugee children in concentration camps and 10,000 babies. Shipping is being sought for 30 tons more. Clothing is also needed for evacuated families in England and for distribution in China, as well as for migrant workers, sharecroppers and coal miners in this country. Old clothes can be repaired, new clothing made of remnants. Babies shoes have been made of old felt hats, boys' suits from auto slip covers. Young men can learn how to repair shoes and send them in--these, men's clothes and overcoats are badly needed. Even odd pieces of soap are valuable. Fats can be collected and converted into soap.

AN APPEAL TO YOU

The Mennonite Central Committee is conducting direct relief work in England, France, Greece, India and Paraguay. Many Mennonites and friends are now contributing a great deal to the cause. Camp Colorado Springs has already contributed \$70.00 to this work from their Sunday morning church offerings and are about to send another gift amounting to \$55.00. Will you, too, share in the support of this important relief work?

For further information on relief projects and the appropriate channels for contributions, write to: THE WAR SUFFERERS' RELIEF, MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE, AKRON, PENNSYLVANIA.

S.C.S. CHANGES CONTINUED

go to North Dakota to his father's bedside.

A note of encouragement was voiced by Mr. Tom Titman our Project Superintendent when he said, "I have well-founded hopes that we will soon get the material needed for the new shower house and sanitary unit." He also hinted at new projects to be started near the town of Salida and also in Elbert and other surrounding counties.

Mr. Thomas has moved from the camp S.C.S. office to the downtown office where he can more conveniently handle District agreements as well as camp agreements.

A new safety committee has been formed which will be giving safety instruction to campers in the near future. Mr. Titman, Mr. Gaeddert and Arlo Sonnenberg are the members of this new committee.

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RECREATION

Greater participation in sports is in evidence this summer due to the favorable weather and the recent purchase of additional athletic equipment. This phase of the recreational program is being encouraged because participation in games does much to keep up the morale of the men in camp.

Three games are capturing the interest of most of the fellows during their leisure hours: softball, tennis and croquet. In softball, the schedule has been somewhat interrupted because quite a number of fellows are out in spike camps from Monday till Saturday. However some of the boys play with a city team quite often.

The tennis court is in use almost constantly during hours when the fellows are off duty and plans are now being made to stage a tennis tournament in the near future.

For a while volley ball furnished recreation for many of the men who do not participate much in either softball or tennis. However since the new croquet set has been purchased, the volley ball is seldom touched while the croquet court is always crowded.

NEW SERVICE CLUB

The Service Club is a new organization set up to fill the ever increasing needs of the campers. At present, its functions are threefold: the camp store service which sells candy and miscellaneous articles at a fraction above wholesale prices; an outside buying and delivery service which offers to purchase for campers such goods as are not handled in the store and includes delivery on dry cleaning and shoe repair jobs; and lastly, accommodation for campers desiring a safe place to put their funds.

The placing of funds is the latest service offered by the club, which is available to all campers. Since regular individual checking accounts are impractical for most CPS men, the Service Club opened one large checking account in a local bank here. Each camper wishing to avail himself of this accommodation deposits five dollars or more into the Service Club account, which he can draw out at will by means of a check system negotiated through one of three authorized agents in camp. These agents are: Ray Schlichting, Edwin J. Schmidt, and Irvin E. Richert.

The cost of maintaining this special account and checking service will be paid for out of the profits derived from the camp store.

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C.P.S. CAMP EXCHANGE

San Dimas CPS Camp #2, Glendora, Calif.

A three-man canning bee was held by a trio of San Dimas men when they recently canned a ton of apricots donated by the Brethren Church at Laton, Calif.

The installation of a wind tunnel in the San Dimas Experimental Forest for the purpose of studying fire behavior has been completed. Men from the San Dimas camp are aiding in conducting these fire tests.

Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

A Canadian C.O. unit has been assigned to fire fighting in London under civilian direction. Six Memnonite men from Kitchener and Waterloo are included in the first unit which is training at Ottawa.

BELTSVILLE PROJECT-GLEN GREASER CHOSEN

at this experimental center and selected men are already leaving for their new work.

In the course of the Department's research quite a number of things have been discovered, some of which are: hogs that will not sunburn; onions which will not produce tears; a method of preventing apples from falling off the trees before they are ripe; small-sized turkeys with nearly all white meat; chickens with nearly all dark meat; and both turkeys and chickens with exceptionally large drumsticks.

Interest in the Beltsville unit has increased at the Colorado Springs camp with the leaving of Glen Greaser who is one of our members to that project. Glen, whose home is Hesston, Kansas, has been with us since June 23, 1941 and it is with mixed feelings that we see him leave. While here, Glen spent most of his time working on the research crew of the Soil Conservation Service which no doubt, aided him in obtaining this new appointment.

It is felt that the new project at Beltsville which is now CPS Camp #34, will present real opportunities for men of ability in this field of study, to make a significant contribution to the future.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Colorado Springs campers are very much encouraged by the growing circulation of the "Pike View Peace News" which is now entering its second year of publication. The list of subscribers numbers up to 1250 and the paper is being sent to 35 states and the District of Columbia. Fourteen libraries receive copies including the Yale University Library, Collection of War Literature. Hillsboro, Kansas

Quiet minds cannot be perplexed, or frightened, but go on in fortune or misfortune at their own private pace, like a clock during a thunderstorm.

--Robert Louis Stevenson

Robert Kreider, our educational director, left Tuesday evening for the Mennonite Sociologic Conference held at Winona Lake, Indiana, August 7 & 8. Of especial interest to C.P.S. men and those supporting the program is the paper being presented by him on the topic, "Environmental Influence Affecting Decisions of Mennonite Boys of Draft Age."

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Demry Anderson of Weed, New Mexico and Roy Henry of Salina, Kansas were released a few weeks ago for physical reasons. Both returned to their respective homes but did not indicate the exact nature of their future plans. The journalistic and dramatic talent of Roy is missed by the campers as is also the exuberant cowboy music of Demry.

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Transferee George Yamada arrived at Colorado Springs from Camp #21, Cascade Locks, Oregon on July 28. At the end of the same week, three new arrivals came, Elmer Quiring, Cordell, Okla., Herman Penner, Corn, Okla., and Ralph Marke, Slater, Wyoming. We of Camp #5 welcome these men into our fellowship.

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On the 31st, two men transferred to the army, Cyril Diffley of Stanley, North Dakota, and Walter Schmidt of Hillsboro, Kansas.

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Emil Larson holds the camp title for the longest single furlow taken which was 28 days long.

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Our Sunday School department is now made up of two large classes held in the lounge room and assembly hall. Robert Kreider teaches the one class and three fellows alternate in teaching the other, namely, Orle Gingerich, Erwin Schrag and Clarence Joe Unruh.

Jesse Harder is the Superintendent while Edwin J. Schmidt is the Secretary Treasurer.

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