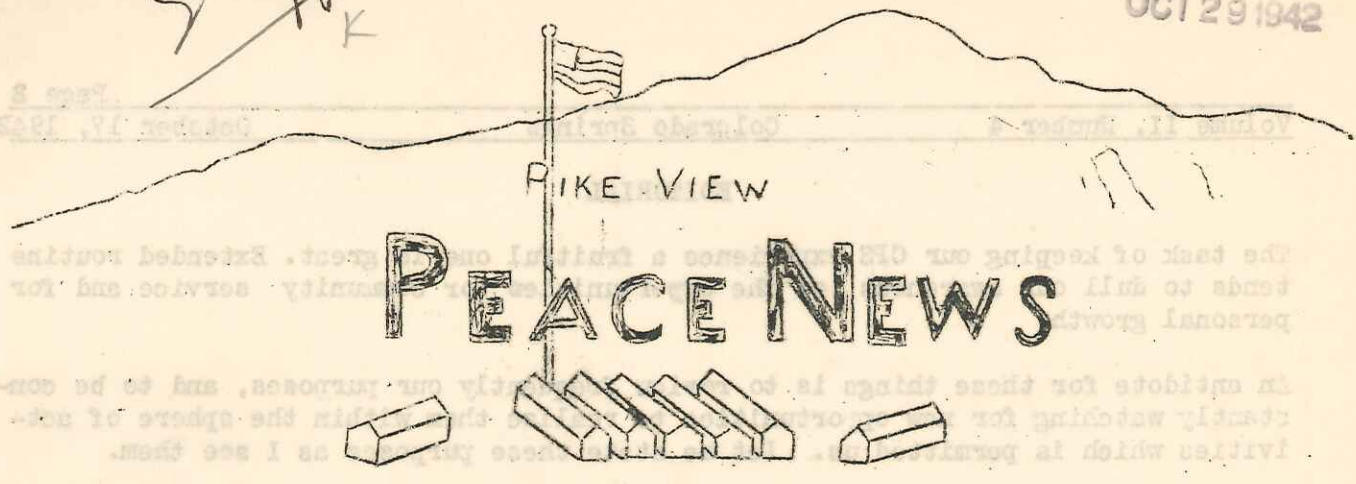


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MORE FOOD TRIPS MADE

Business manager, Ray Schlichting and his assistant, Edwin J. Schmidt recently made several more trips with the camp truck in search of food for our camp. They did not return empty-handed but brought back 3000 pounds of potatoes from Monte Vista and 35 bu. of apples from Canon City, Colo. At the rate of 150 quarts per day, the kitchen force is canning twenty of the thirty-five bushels of apples.

Hand in hand with this preparation for the long winter months, a new and larger cave is being built back of the kitchen designed to take care of a greater supply of fruit and vegetables.

NEW SAFETY PROGRAMS

A new arrangement has been used for the safety meetings sponsored by the Soil Conservation Service. Mr. Titman, the Project Superintendent has asked that the campers prepare and present the meetings. The plan has been adopted in order to stimulate added interest in the safety program.

The first of the fall series of meetings was under the direction of Arlo Sonnenberg. The point of emphasis was the conduct of campers in the event of an accident on the highway. The program included a very realistic collision of two small wood box autos; and finally, a talk by Highway Patrolman Stokes on the things to do and not to do on the highway.

The second meeting was presented on October 16 and stressed the problem of fire prevention in camp and also the action to be taken in case of fire. A skit portrayed violation of some of the rules of fire fighting and fire prevention. Leroy Wedel read the names of the men responsible for the fire
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TOPPING BEETS

For two weeks over sixty campers have been out "topping beets" for the farmers of El Paso County. This work in the sugar beet fields was approved by Selective Service and the National Service Board in order to relieve the severe local farm labor shortage here. Help can be given by our camp to farms within a radius of 15 miles but the transportation must be furnished by the farmers.

During this time, the main bulk of soil conservation work has been temporarily suspended, and all but four men have stopped doing forestry work. Providing good weather prevails and the work goes on as usual, harvesting will be finished during the latter part of November.

No news has as yet been received from Washington, D. C. concerning the use of the funds earned by the beet work.

DIETICIAN POST CHANGES HANDS

At the dinner hour on October 13, the campers participated in a brief program of farewell and welcome. Miss Marie Groening, who has been the camp Dietician since the inception of the camp in June, 1941, left to take up the same duties in the new camp opened at Hill City, South Dakota.

In Miss Groening's place has come Mrs. Florence Wenger, the wife of the new Educational Director. Mrs. Wenger comes from Elmore, near Toledo, Ohio. She had her college work at Bowling Green State University and at Ohio State University receiving her A.B. degree from the latter institution. Her major studies were in Elementary Education and in Home Economics.
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EDITORIAL

The task of keeping our CFS experience a fruitful one is great. Extended routine tends to dull our awareness of the opportunities for community service and for personal growth.

An antidote for these things is to review frequently our purposes, and to be constantly watching for new opportunities to realize them within the sphere of activities which is permitted us. Let me state these purposes as I see them.

1. We want to think through and better understand the meaning of the Christian democratic way of living. One test of whether or not we have a good understanding of such a set of principles is to see if we can explain them clearly to some other person.

2. We want to practice these principles of Christian-democratic living in our camp situation. We learn a way of life by practicing that way of life. Our camp must be a laboratory in which we test and gain experience in living according to the principles which we believe.

3. We want to carry on a program of positive and constructive community service. This includes our work jobs as well as our after-work opportunities for community service. We should regularly be planning for and increasing our services to the community around our camp, to our state, to our nation, and to our world.

4. We want to improve the quality of our personal living through counseling with others, study, meditation and worship. We need to be well adjusted in our personal living if we wish to help others to adjust themselves.

5. We want to prepare ourselves for a program of post-war service by getting ready to assume responsibilities in our home communities and in war-devastated areas. To know how we should prepare ourselves we must be well informed on the events of the times, and associate actively with those groups which accept our goals.

Our opportunities for achieving these aims within our present camp organization are good. We must not let these opportunities slip by while we are anticipating other things than those which our camp offers. One can safely predict that the men who make reasonable progress in achieving these five purposes while in camp will be highly successful in the post-camp opportunities which will come. --RW

BOOK REVIEW

Gerald Heard, prolific writer of books containing great depths of vision, has presented the reading public with a very short book which offers valuable guidance in finding the answers to temptation as it confronts us today. "A Dialogue in the Desert" is set in the desert of Palestine during the 40 days of Christ's temptation and it is the voice of Satan and the voice of Christ as temptation is presented, met, and defeated. Mr. Heard, in a most readable and interesting style, elaborates upon the limited records that we possess of that desert struggle, and presents it in words and concepts which makes Christ's victory one that we can understand in terms of our

own daily temptations and a victory that is our own for the choosing. Probably one could not in a brief enjoyable two hours gain a better insight into a portion of the Scriptures having great pertinence on the conflicts of the day.

PIKE VIEW PEACE NEWS

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Irvin E. Richert David Crews
Richard Hunter Don Engle
Roy Wenger Gerhard Peters

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EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM - Fall Quarter

The camp Education Committee--Ray Schlichting, David Pauls, Albert Ewert, Arlo Sonnenberg--met recently with the Educational Director, Roy Wenger, and proposed that the following courses be scheduled for the Fall Quarter (October, November, December). These courses are to have priority over other educational activities.

Core Course - Mennonites and their Heritage

The following six booklets will be given to those enrolled in the course, and will contain the basic materials for the course:

- I. Mennonite Origins in Europe
- II. Mennonites in America
- III. Our Mennonite Heritage
- IV. Our Mission as a Church of Christ
- V. Christian Relationships to State and Community
- VI. Life and Service in the Kingdom of God

The course will meet for one hour each week and will be taught by the Educational Director. It is strongly urged that all Mennonites enroll in this course. Others who are interested are also cordially invited to attend.

First Aid - Standard Red Cross Course

This course will meet for two hours each week, a total of twenty hours, and will be taught by Arlo Sonnenberg. Those passing the final examination will receive a Red Cross Certificate.

Bible Study - Gospel of Matthew

The Gospel of Matthew will be the scope of this course. It will be taught by a committee of campers who have had Bible training.

Interest Groups

A number of "interest groups" have been organized while plans have been made for still others. Those which are now in progress are as follows:

Chorus - The group of 25 men is directed by Arlo Sonnenberg who was formerly a public school music teacher at Pavillion, Wyoming.

Social Problems in the Colorado Springs Community - This group consists of nine men with Dick Hunter as their leader. Before coming to camp, Dick was working with the Hennepin County Welfare Board in Minnesota.

Other "interest groups" which are in the process of organization are Agriculture, Auto Mechanics, Dramatics, French, Photography, Welding, and Woodworking. Some of these may not be organized until the Winter Quarter.

SCHEDULE OF COURSES AND INTEREST GROUPS

Hour	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
7-8	Chorus Social Problems	Core-Sect. I Bible	Chorus	First Aid	
8-9		Core-Sect. II		First Aid	Entertainment or Safety Program

V. MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE - From Russia to North America

"I was a stranger and ye took me in"

Russian Mennonites traveled to the United States and Canada in three large migrations, 1873-1880, 1923-1927, and 1929. Between 1873 and 1880 the policy of the Czarist government changed, creating untold difficulties for the Mennonites. The new policy was to completely Russianize the entire empire, which meant that such things were threatened as their exemption from military service and freedom to educate their own children. This caused one third of the Mennonites then in Russia, to migrate to North America. The majority of these immigrants settled in Kansas where the Santa Fe Railway furnished them transportation and land at very reasonable costs and terms. This was made possible through the efforts of C. B. Schmidt who was at that time the head of the railroad's immigration department. Not all settled in Kansas however, for others made their homes in Manitoba, Minnesota, the Dakotas, and Nebraska.

Those Mennonites who were willing to take their chances in Russia remained and great prosperity was theirs for over thirty years. Then came the World War I in 1914, followed by the revolution, civil war and the rise of Sovietism. Under the Soviets, the Mennonites lost practically everything they possessed: their property was confiscated; their leaders imprisoned or killed; and their religious freedom was taken from them. To add to these troubles, famine and typhus set in.

The American Mennonites upon hearing of their condition, sent relief as soon as was possible.* The relief was only physical however, for very little could be done to restore the former privileges of the Russian Mennonites. As a result plans for emigrating to America again became popular. Permission to leave was granted and between 1923 and 1927, 20,000 people found new homes in Canada. The restrictions on aliens coming into the United States coupled with the liberal offer by the Canadian Government, the Mennonite Canadian Colonization Board and the Canadian Pacific Railway, led most of the emigrants to Canada. David Toews was greatly responsible for the success of this great undertaking, working out many of the details and inspiring those who were supporting the cause.

Conditions in Russia continued to get worse and though passports had been denied Mennonites for several years following the emigrations of 1927, they again beseeched the government for permission to leave. This request was granted after some negotiation and when the word got around, a mass movement of 15,000 people reached Moscow to apply for passports. The officials granted 6,000 passports but would not allow them to leave until they had a place to go. Through the efforts of the American Mennonites, 1,000 emigrants were brought over to settle in Canada; the rest were taken care of in Germany for a while before they moved on to South America.

In the meantime, the Russian government became quite disturbed at this large encampment of now 9,000 people just outside the gates of the city and also at the report of 40,000 more headed for Moscow. Sending secret police to search all trains and Mennonite communities, they tried to stop the movement by imprisoning all those suspected of emigrating. This effort failed to a great extent, so they sent soldiers into the encampment at Moscow and shipped the remaining people to cold Siberia in cattle trains. The movement thus ruthlessly broken, served as a marker for the last legal Mennonite emigration from Russia.

There are a number of books containing a complete and interesting account of the Russian Mennonites among which are: The Development of the Missionary & Philanthropic Interest Among the Mennonites of North America, by Dr. E.G. Kaufman President of Bethel College; and For Conscience Sake, by Prof. S. G. Yoder, Professor of Bible at Goshen College.

* American Mennonite relief work carried on in Russia was described in the last issue.

(This is the fifth article in the series on the MCC)

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

"Christian Interests" was the topic for the last C.E. program held Sunday evening, October 11. Mr. Roy Wenger, the speaker of the evening, brought out the fact that we have a lot of talent in our group that could be instrumental in creating this interest.

A quartet composed of Wesley Bartel, Phil Stucky, Erwin Schrag and Pete Ens furnished the music and Dick Hunter read some poems of interest.

Officers for the last quarter are: Pete Ens, chairman; Otto Pauls, Gordon Engle and Martin Schmidt, committee-members.

C.P.S. CONVOYS

Two C.P.S. convoys totaling fifteen vehicles arrived in camp recently. The coming of these units was a much needed addition to the mechanized department of Camp #5.

Four men traveled up to Ft. Collins and brought back four stakeside trucks: three '40 Dodge's and one '42 Chev.

A few days later a number went down to Albuquerque, New Mexico and drove back eleven units: two Plymouth coupes, two station wagons, an express truck, four 1939 and 1940 pickups, and one Hudson sedan. Included in the equipment was also an electric welder.

RELIEF

The MCC is financing relief work in India. Mennonite missionaries are administering the relief.

Critical clothing situation at Lyon, France is well illustrated in the following fact: for a population of about 60,000 persons there are for disposition 30 pairs of men's shoes, 50 pairs of women's shoes and somewhat more pairs of children's shoes per month!

NEW SAFETY PROGRAMS CONT.

fighting equipment, and Dave Pauls outlined the course of action to be followed by all of the men in camp in case fire might break out.

CANADIAN C.O.s

There are twenty-five camps in Canada filled with 850 Canadian conscientious objectors. Nineteen of these camps are located in British Columbia, four are in Western provinces and one is in Ontario.

Work is done under the Forestry Service by 700 men, while 150 are serving in National Parks. Besides these C.O.s a few have gone into fire fighting work in England.

BLESSED EVENT

Mr. and Mrs. Harold D. Schrag of Burrton, Kansas announce the arrival of a son, Darrel David on October 12. Harold, one of our newest assignees, has the honor of becoming the first "proud father" at C.P.S. Camp #5!

The camp extends their congratulations to you and your wife, Harold, and wishes God's richest blessing for you.

DIETICIAN POST CONT.

Mrs. Wenger was teaching in the public schools of Bexley, Ohio until she received the appointment to serve here in camp with her husband.

The Wengers were married this last summer and we know that they make a grand team to carry on the fine work started by Miss Groening and Bob Kreider.

C.P.S. EXCHANGE

Ashburnham, Royalston, Petersham, Mass.

These three Quaker camps are disbanding as separate units and will join together at a new location near Gorham, New Hampshire. The reason given for the merger was the high financial burden in operating three small camps instead of one large camp. The new unit will number 150 men.

Fort Collins, Colorado

The largest fire of the season fought by the men of CPS #33, burned over 2500 acres in Routt National Forest, 150 miles from Ft. Collins. The men fought as one unit in a larger group of fire-fighters and were on duty for over a week.

C.P.S. EXCHANGE CONT.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Big Flats, New York

One hundred Leghorn pullets were purchased by the camp to combat rising egg prices. A temporary hen house and poultry yard have been built. Plans are being made to eventually house a flock of 250!

Massachusetts General Hospital

A new experiment is being conducted for the advancement of medical science at the hospital where a number of CPS men have volunteered to act as human guinea pigs. A test is being made on what value or harm comes from drinking sea water. The men are given a daily increasing dose of salty sea water while blood and metabolism tests are made to check the results. The findings of this research will have a direct bearing upon those people who find themselves adrift in lifeboats with a small supply of fresh water.

Columbia University

There is a possibility that more CPS men will be able to enroll in the course offered by the Columbia Univ. School of International Administration.

Coshocton, Ohio

Four campers are working at the government farm, operated by the Soil Conservation Service at Coshocton. This farm is actually a 1047 acre testing ground for the conservation practices developed at the research station. Representative crops are grown and by using improved and unimproved soil practices side by side, comparative analyses may be made. The crops thus raised, are seldom sold on the market.

Sidling Hill, Pennsylvania

Camp Sidling Hill celebrated its first year of service and joins the ranks of the veteran camps.

Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.

--Col. 4:6

Melvin L. Schertz of Roanoke, Ill., who entered the Denison, Iowa camp on July 31, 1942 has been transferred to this camp and arrived on October 9. On October 10, Howard Butz of Harper, Kansas received a release from service on the grounds of physical disability.

A blanket room was built adjoining the present camp storeroom where extra blankets and other bedding can be kept clean and free from moths.

The camp recently received a shipment of POCKET SONGSTERS to be used for "camp sings" and other like occasions. The song book was published by an assignee from Camp Merom, Indiana, for use in CPS camps. Such efforts as these are greatly appreciated.

The new camp council met last week and chose Roy Wenger to be their chairman and Mrs. Linscheid (Matron) as secretary. Some of the things discussed were furloughs and leaves.

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A TRIBUTE AND A PLEDGE

Pioneers! Oh you pioneers,
How you wrought in those days of old!
What mighty vision conquered your fears
And made you so brave and bold?
Was it a man on Calvary's height,
Or a risen God, with power and might,
And a program to reach through all coming
years,
Magnificent pioneers?

Pioneers! Oh, you pioneers,
How fares the task since you laid it
down--
Since you finished your toils and tears
And put on your fadeless crown?
We, your children, would carry on,
Till the night of dissonant creeds is
gone,
And the dawn of our Lord's own day
appears,
Stout-hearted pioneers!
--Grace Reese Adkins.

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