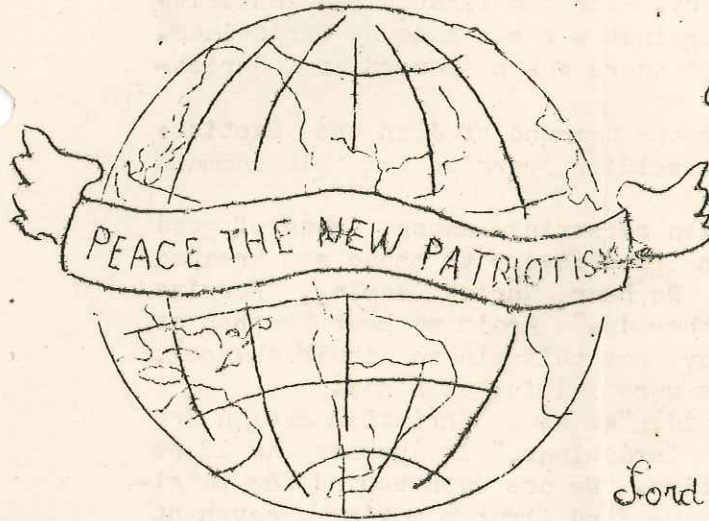


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a Prayer for the Day

Lord, make me an instrument
 of thy peace
 Where there is hatred let me sow love;
 Where there is injury, pardon;
 Where there is doubt, faith;
 Where there is despair, hope;
 Where there is darkness, light;
 And where there sadness, joy.
 St. Francis

WELCOME
 Mr. & Mrs. David Suderman
 who assume their new
 duties as director and
 matron

HAVE WE SOMETHING NEW?

"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men," was spoken by the angels at the birth of Christ. Was this a prophecy or a proclamation? Permit me to state it another way--Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace among men of good will.

Let us look back into history. For the first three centuries of the Christian Era a stand against war was made by Christians. It is contained in history that there was no record of a Christian taking up arms.

What could be stronger than the command of John the Baptist: "Do violence to no man?" If a soldier carried out this command there would be no more war.

To whom was the proclamation referring--among those of good will? They would still return good favors to those who treated them as the meanest of men. We hear Christ saying, "Forgive them for they know not what they do." Again we hear Stephen as he is dying, saying, "Lord lay not this sin to their charge", when the stones of his enemies were falling upon him.

To those of us who have said, "We as a Christian Nation are much in advance of the early Christians," it appears as if we fall short in spirit and practice. We are even behind the patriarchs in the spirit of peace. We find Abraham making a covenant with Abimelech over a well that the servants of Abimelech had taken away. Abraham gave Abimelech seven lambs for the well even though Abraham had dug the well. Later we find Abimelech asking Isaac to move from the country for Isaac had become strong although God had given the land to Isaac. Isaac dug a well which proved to be an artesian well and the only one in the country. Abimelech's servants strove for this and other wells. Isaac moved away and left them alone. He dug another well and called it Rehoboth, meaning, "Now the Lord has made room for US, and WE shall be fruitful in the land". Because Isaac took this attitude Abimelech made a covenant that neither would make trouble with the other.

It should make us ashamed as we look back through history and see these outstanding souls. We should look within and see if we have anything new; or are we living below the true spirit of peace.

--JM

LAUNDRY SALE

The laundry sponsored a sale last Friday evening of unmarked clothing which had accumulated in the past four months. The assortment of clothes included everything from socks to straw hats. They also had a sale bill posted several days in advance of the sale which was very comical and exaggerated. Edward Martens and Wilbur Swartzendruber were the auctioneers. "Whing Ding" Miller acted as manager and Les Hostetler as clerk. The sale in all totaled \$29.50.

--EM:LS

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MR. CATON WRITES:

The New Year, 1944, arrived safely and left us with a clean safety record. If we all will work together and watch our step, perhaps we can go through the year and keep the record clean.

We can do this by following three simple rules and apply to all work and which can be used profitably by every man--experienced or inexperienced.

1. A-B-C. Always be careful, not only for your own safety, but also for the other fellow.

2. F-A. Got First-Aid for every minor cut and scratch--after 20 minutes the odds are against you.

3. C-O. Clean and orderly, or good housekeeping. This means keeping tools and equipment in their proper places and in good condition; storing materials safely; keeping the premises clean; repairing broken items at once; or putting them away so they will not be used until repaired.

(Editor's Note: Let's cooperate with Mr. Caton and the SCS Staff in establishing the best safety record that this camp has ever known.)

"STEADILY, AS WE WIN THE WAR ABROAD, we are losing it at home-- assuming that this war has as its objective a world united in the interest of peace and comity!...The points of conflict are not difficult to identify. First, there is the growing hostility between whites and blacks, deep-set in the concept of racial inferiority from the standpoint of which the white man looks down upon the Negro...Secondly, there is the age-old contempt for the Jew on the part of myriads of so-called Christians... Lastly, is the fierce tide of hatred beating upon Roman Catholicism from out the bleak shallows of Protestant arrogance and bigotry." --John Haynes Holmes, in THE PROGRESSIVE.

DON'T FOOL ANYONE, these conditions exist in giant and tragic proportions in almost every American community. Do they exist abroad? John Haynes Holmes continues: "Whole sections of humanity know nothing of the hostile passions that devour our land. The Moslem world is unaware of antagonism between whites and blacks; Russia under the Soviets has freed itself of contempt for Jews; the Latin-American countries know nothing of race prejudice." And the "Christian"?---

BUT THE MEXICAN GETS HIS REVENGE! (News item) Mexico, D. F.-- Cabral, the famous cartoonist, has drawn for the daily newspaper, NOVEDADES, a striking satire on the discrimination against Mexican customers by restaurants in certain Texas towns. First portraying a hungry Mexican stopped by a sign which reads, "Mexicans Not Fed Here," he then shows the disillusioned traveler back in Mexico, erecting a sign over the door to a lunchroom inside the Mexican border. The sign says: "Anyone May Eat Here, EVEN TEXANS." --from Worldover Press. --GY

COUNCIL MEETING

Probably the most important item brought up for discussion at our council meeting held Jan. 7th was our dorm devotions usually held on Monday

nights. We felt that since we play basketball the same evening, it interferes with participation in dorm devotions. In view of this the devotional period was changed to Wednesday nights at 9:15 pm. --MR

C. E.

Group singing led by Galen Becker opened the Christian Endeavor, with Willard Dicner in charge of devotions. Dean Lind, Hesston College, a weekend visitor, was scheduled to talk, but due to his sudden departure Sunday afternoon, was not present at the service. Edna Kaufman read a short story entitled "From My Standpoint" by John Haynes Holmes. Special music was given by Carl Busonitz and Harry Froese. Ben Loewen and Edward Classen chose four men from the audience to take part in a Bible Verse contest. Harvey Jantz dismissed the meeting with prayer. --EK

CAMPERS' CONTRIBUTION

Sunday evening, January 9th, a group of men from our camp gave a program at the Mononite Church in Manitou.

Oscar Zook was the Chairman of the group. After Phil Stucky led the congregation in a song service, Harvey Jantz read the scripture and led in prayer. The subject for the evening was Evangelism. Willard Dicner, John Smith, and Gordon Engle all spoke on this topic. The program was well

received, and the campers were happy to serve. --GE

SUNDAY SCHOOL

"Show me thy ways, O Lord; teach me thy paths." Ps. 25:4

We are glad to report that the interest in Sunday School is growing. It was voted unanimously to start another class which is to have a new teacher every Sunday. Our S. S. is interesting, especially with so many different denominations. We covet your prayers and may the Lord richly bless our S. S. --PS

NEW ARRIVALS & TRANSFERS

RUDOLPH NEUFELD, G. C. Memn. of Newton, Kans., worked in a print shop.

CALVIN WIENS, Memn. Broth. from Corn, Okla. attended the Corn Bible Academy before coming to camp.

WILLIS WOLLAN, G. C. Memn. from Freeman, S. Dak., was a student of Bethel College.

HAROLD GAEDE, M. B. from Hillsboro, Kans., was transferred to Three Rivers, Calif. He is a graduate of Tabor College and also was a member of the Goshen Relief Training Unit.

"Offer unto God thanksgiving."

PEEKS FROM THE PEAK

WANTED-- a contract with roller skating rinks. We will re-nail your floors--all hammering done with body punches.

Furlough Life vs. Camp Life
One is just as rough as the other. What, you don't believe it? Just ask Virgil Brememan. He went on furlough with a badly skinned nose. Yes, that healed up nicely, but you should see the patch on his forehead when he returned. No wonder Selective Service put a ban on furloughs last year.

Our good Holdeman campers have acquired the nice habit, when returning from furlough, of bringing someone along from home. Ralph Koehn brought his wife and baby daughter; Mrs. Vernie Smith came with Vernie; and Rodney Koehn was accompanied by his new bride; but Leonard Johnson--well, he brought his sister. Nice going Leonard.

The kitchen force has gone into defense work. There is a grand rush for all PEP (breakfast food) boxes. These cardboard model airplanes have a fascination even for the kitchen kids.

--GE

STEPS TOWARD PEACE

"The Crusade for a New World Order" is under way in Colorado Springs.

Rev. Lee Kendall of the Brethern Church and Rev. McDaniels of Trinity Methodist have begun a series of Sunday Evening Services which have proved most interesting and educational. The emphasis of these meetings is on the point that if the "New World Order" is to succeed, we must base it on Christian love and race equality. Some of the men from camp are participating in the programs and all of the men have been cordially invited to attend.

--AM

CONGRATULATIONS ARE DUE--

--to Rodney Koehn, who went on furlough a single man, but came back with status changed to "married." His wife, the former Mable Koehn of Fairview, Oklahoma, is now living here in the Springs.

--to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ray Jantzen--it's a boy, Steven LeRoy, born January 10, 1944! "Proud Papa Sam" plans to bring his wife and son to Colorado Springs in about two months.

--RF

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GUESTS

Sunday, January 9, REV. P. A. FRIESEN was with us to bring the message of the morning. Rev. Friesen is serving at the Mennonite Mission in Denver.

The next weekend Dean IVAN LIND of Hesston College visited us. He shared some thoughts with the Prayer Group. His message Sunday morning was based on the parable of The Ten Virgins.

BILL HALL, who is a student at the Iliff School of Theology of Denver University, was here Sunday. Bill is in charge of boys' recreation at the Grace Community Church.

HARRY MARPENS is back at our camp after visiting the government camp at Mancos, Colorado and the Ft. Collins CPS camp.

Saturday evening WILLARD DIENER was very pleasantly surprised when he came in from work. His brother PAUL was lying on his bed waiting for Willard. Paul, who is deferred to work on his father's farm, spent the weekend visiting his brother and other friends. --MM

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We would like to express our appreciation to Al for the donations of a bathrobe and a set of hypodermic syringe and needles to our Camp infirmary in memory of Elsie who was our Camp Nurse before her passing away. --WH

THE HOME AND THE FAMILY

The "Home and Family" course had as its second speaker Thursday and Friday Mrs. Willis Rich of Newton, Kansas. In her lecture Thursday she discussed the attributes of a Christian home, qualities of a good wife and a good husband. Also she pointed out some pitfalls to avoid. On Friday night her talk centered around the responsibility parents must assume for the children in the home. She emphasized the importance of cooperation, how to teach children to face their own problems, and how to encourage them. Mrs. Rich's talks have been very practical and informative. We campers have appreciated her informality and ease, and the fact that what she says comes from life and is not some far-flung theory. We are eagerly awaiting our next speaker, who will be Prof. M. S. Harder of Tabor College. --RF



With the low temperatures of late December and early January many of the local ponds froze over with the result, of course, that many fellows went skating. So far there have been no broken bones or "freak-throughs". Many fellows who had not skated before this year are learning--the hard way--a few of the fundamentals of the sport. Still others are improving their technique. More power to them.

Basketball practice has been continuing every Monday evening for some time. Between 20 and 25 fellows usually come out. A few weeks ago a schedule was made for the four teams. Of the games that have been played, Ed Schmidt's and Gordon Kaufman's teams have won against the teams of Elmer Gaedert and Bud Stucky.

Tuesday, January 18, a second skating party was held for the fellows. A rink was rented in town and about 55 fellows turned out to skate. A number of the men brought their wives, several brought girl friends--which made it doubly interesting. Skating form was considerably improved from the first party that the fellows enjoyed.

--JK

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"The rich and the poor meet together: the Lord is the maker of them all." Prov. 22:2

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