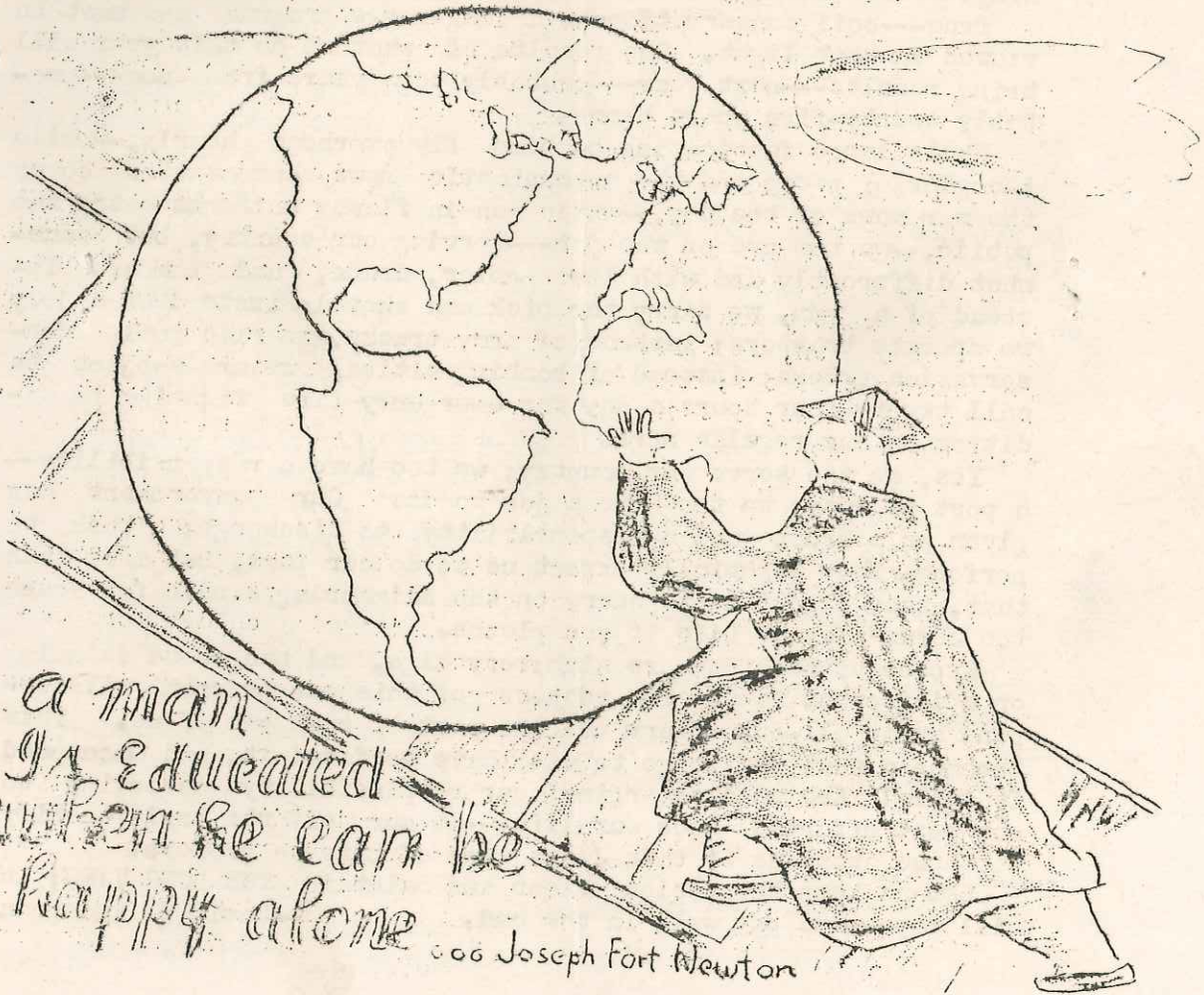


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—THE LONG VIEW—

"I believe that one reason why many people do not think Soil Conservation is of National Importance is because it is not as dramatic, colorful, and momentarily exciting as some other forms of national service. Viewed from a long-time point of view, which is always God's point of view, soil conservation is not only nationally important, it is Divinely important...It is preserving the soil that man may till it, that he may make a garden out of it; that seems to have been God's purpose from the beginning."--(J. Winfield Fretz - from The Mennonite)

True---soil conservation is a long-range program and must be viewed in that light. The results of what we do this year will bring results---next year---probably ten years from now---probably twenty-five years hence.

While large fascinating bombers fly overhead hourly,--while the glaring press and the enthusiastic news commentators cover the war news of the day,--while men in flashy uniforms catch the public,--we too are on the job---serving our country, but somewhat differently and with less color, drama, and glamour. Instead of a gun, we carry the pick and shovel; instead of a jeep we operate tractors; instead of army trucks, we ride soil conservation trucks; instead of bombing cities, we are subject to call twenty-four hours a day for emergency fire fighting in addition to our regular work.

Yes, we too serve our country; we too have a responsibility--a post of duty; we too have a job to do. Our government has given us a Trust and a responsibility to discharge; a task to perform. They rightfully expect us to do our part, but more than that, they expect us to carry on the shimmering candle for Peace; the Jesus' Way of Life if you please.

Expectations of us are high; very high, and the crowd is going on a different road. The success of this our program will depend on an all-out effort on the part of each one of us. This becomes a real challenge to us. Have we faced it, and **accepted** it fully? Are we discharging our responsibility according to our best efforts? Does our life---do our efforts truly testify to those about us of this Jesus' Way of Life we profess?

Let us keep the vision clear and maintain THE LONG VIEW; it will pay---and pay well in the end.

--David H. Suderman

SOUP'S ON

Generally, at 5:30 in the morning, the night watchman, Paul Voth, comes around supposedly quiet, and wakes the cooks and waiters. DAVE TOEWS, the head cook holds this important position by virtue of his training at the Grottoes, Va. cooking school. BEN LOWE-EN, our camp baker, also helps with the regular cooking but on Saturday is busy baking the Sunday's supply of good old fashioned "Zwiebach". Other times of the week you will find him busy baking bread, pie, doughnuts, cookies and other pastries, as are necessary to feed a hungry bunch. WALT and PHIL STUCKY are not brothers but are both "hash slingers". While one may be burning the gravy the other is likely to be found blending the salad. OGEN HARMS is the utility man. When the cooks are "cooking" he is cook. He also helps the waiters.

The waiters get up at 5:30 to help prepare the fifty to sixty lunches that must be ready to go out right after breakfast. EUGENE BOWEN is nicknamed "boss" of the dishwashing and spud peeling crew. At present he is on furlough in Denver. JONAS CLASSEN is substituting for him. NORMAN TEAGUE'S sleep is rudely interrupted at an hour when sleep to him is "sweetest".

WILLARD DIENER is in there helping spread the peanut butter. ENOS MULLETT is the man who helps dry the dishes, glasses, knives, forks and spoons besides all the pots and pans and other items that make up the better than five thousand pieces that must pass through the dish tubs in a day.

These tubs are installed primarily to wash dishes, but occasionally when one of the fellows is so fortunate as to let the others in on the date of his birthday, he is the lucky man of the day, for then a bath must be given without fail. This, of course, with clothes and the colder the water the better.

--MMH

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HAVE WE A CHRISTIAN CONSCIENCE

THOU WILT KEEP HIM IN PERFECT PEACE, WHOSE MIND IS STAYED ON THEE. Isaiah 26:3

Men everywhere are yearning for peace. A few are trying to gain peace with all men. In the above passage we have the sure way to the true peace abiding within us. Can we find a greater disturber of peace within than our own conscience worked upon by the Spirit of God? Shakespeare said, "If a man is honest with himself at all times, he will harm no one". The sure way to keep at peace with ourselves is to stay our minds on God.

It is very common for us to content ourselves with the fact we are keeping one command of God, namely opposition to war while we may fail to live a life consistent with this one command. Are we opposing all things which Christ said were wrong as much as we are opposing war? Would we go to jail, or a camp if the Government would demand of us to do things the New Testament teaches as wrong? Many of us say we will, but if a person of another Faith does things we feel are wrong, we probably join, for fear of drawing to much criticism.

Do we not have a perverted conscience? Do we only take the teachings that will free us from physical pain, but overlook others which too may have serious consequences?

Should we allow ourselves to say anything which we would not want to say before our pastor? Is it true that a thing which is evil one time, is evil always? General Grant, of the Union Forces, was confronted with the problem of stopping foul jokes among his officers. One night they were sitting around a campfire and were exchanging stories before retiring for the night. In the midst of the fun, one officer looked about him and said, "Are there any ladies in the crowd?" As he made this remark he was interrupted by General Grant rebuking him by saying, "No, but there is a gentleman."

Can we keep our minds stayed on God and at the same time allow evil thoughts to abide in our minds? Are we keeping our minds on God while we pervert another person's statement by giving it an evil interpretation? Are we men just because we can speak in a vulgar manner? Are we going to raise the standard about us or are we going to allow them to lower ours? Are we going to allow our environments to set our standard? Let us pull together to raise the standard of speech as we would like for people to stop war.

--J.H.

NEW
ARRIVALS

Pete Classen--North Mennonite from Meade, Kansas was working on his father's farm before coming to camp.

Albert Classen--Mennonite Brethern from Meade, Kansas. Was also working on a farm before coming to camp.

Jonas Classen--Evangelical Mennonite Brethern from Meade, Ks. Was working on his father's farm before coming to camp.

Henry Z. Friesen--Evangelical Mennonite Brethern from Meade, Kansas. He is married and was farming before coming to camp.

Pete M. Friesen--North Mennonite from Meade. Was also on the farm before coming to camp.

Edward Rempel--non-affiliated from Meade, Ks. was working on father's farm before coming to camp.

Melvin Siemens--G C Mennonite from Buhler, Kansas. He is a High School graduate and was farming for his father before coming to camp.

Harlo Janzen--Menn. Brethern from Isabella, Oklahoma, was doing farm work before coming to camp.

TRANSFERS AND

DISCHARGES

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Dale O. Palmer--~~Non-affiliated~~ from Colo. Springs, Colo. was transferred to a BSC hospital unit Norwich, Conn. Dale is formerly from CPS #33 at Fort Collins, Colorado.

Ray Firestone--Methodist from Wichita, Kansas, he was also transferred to the hospital unit at Norwich, Connecticut.

Edward Roth--Old Menn. from Hutchinson, Kansas. was very happy to receive a physical discharge a few days ago.

Harold Reschly--Methodist from Colo. Springs, Colo. formerly an Old Mennonite from Olds, Iowa, was very surprised to receive a physical disability discharge. He has been in camp here for 33 months.

NEW ARRIVALS (continued)

Roy Jantz--G C Mennonite from Meno, Okla. Was operating a farm near Meno, before reporting to camp.

Joseph Buller--G. C. Mennonite from Corn, Okla. formerly from Fairview, Okla. Joseph is married and has two children. He was farming before coming to camp.

--EIS

GUESTS

On March 1, John & Nick Siemens and Earl Logenbill from Hill City, S. Dak. stopped in here for an hour to see some of their friends. They were on their way home on furlough.

Sunday March 5, Rev. George Bowser, pastor of the Methodist Church in Colorado Springs, brought us the morning message. He also was here for supper on Friday Evening March 3.

Rev. William Stauffer from Sugar Creek, Ohio, stopped in here on Tuesday. He showed us some color slides in the evening that he had taken of camps he had previously visited.

On Thursday Rev. Fred Renich came here to spend a few days with us. He gave us some very inspirational thoughts in our morning devotions. Rev. Renich comes from Philadelphia, Pa. and is a candidate for appointment as a missionary to Tibet next summer or fall.

Harry Martens also stopped in here Thursday March 9, for a two day visit. In the evening he related to us some of the experiences he had had while on his trip to Washington, D.C., several weeks ago. Harry plans to be back again about the first week in April.

Rev. Lee Kendall from the Brethren Church in Colorado Springs, also was a guest here Thursday evening for supper and also the evening services.

Edward Roth's wife and baby daughter from Hutchinson, Kansas came to visit him Friday. Ed was sick in the hospital, but was able to go home with his family Monday evening.

Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Grunau arrived here Friday evening. Rev. Grunau is pastor of the South Mennonite Brethren Church at Fairview, Okla. He served us with a message in both the morning and evening services. Rev. and Mrs. Grunau left for home from here Monday morning.

Tobias Yoder's father and brother-in-law, Rev. Benedict Yoder and Rev. Clarence Wenger respectively, also arrived here Friday. They come from the Old Order Amish Church at Weatherford, Okla., and conducted German services here Sunday afternoon.

Our guests for Sunday were Mr. Allen Grunau, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Grunau and son, and Mr. and Mrs. Rueben Kliever all from Fort Collins, Colorado. They returned to Fort Collins again Sunday evening. --JH

WHO'S WHO IN DORM 4

Introducing to you Dormitory Four. By public unanimous ac-
claim the best dorm in CPS #5. It has definitely stood the test
of time, being the first dorm to be occupied when camp opened.
Many men have come and gone, always leaving better than they
came. The dorm has put out great softball and volleyball teams.
Respect for fellowmen and order is exceptionally good. Now for
a few highlights of its members:

Elmer Gaeddert--He hails from Buhler, Ks. Quiet and friendly disposition. He has farming background. Mechanic in SCS shop. Transferred from Downey, Idaho about a year ago. Has local interests. GC Memn.

Wilbur Dester--Deer Creek, Oklahoma product. Comes from farm, his heart's in Oklahoma. Happy-go-lucky, supplies dorm with candies and pastries from his many friends back home. Gen. Conference Memnonite.

Edwin J. Schmidt--Buhler, Kans. product. Business manager in camp. Has spent 33 months in camp here. Did clerical office work in Hutchinson before induction. Married and wife lives up town. Future occupation not definite. GC Menn.

Menno Martens--also from Buhler, Ks. Recently became "papa" & assuming duties of same. One of first campers to arrive June 5, 1941. Has seven months dairy experience on local dairy. Plans to resume farming

after the war. GC Memnonite.

Arnold Wall--another Buhler, man. Married, wife in town. One of early campers reporting Aug. 15, 1941. Skilled mechanic in state SCS shop up town. Plans to go back from whence he came & continue farming. GC Me

Edward L. Isaac--claims Durham, Ks. as his home (where's that) Engaged in farming prior to induction. Good natured & jolly camper. Still looking around for life's partner. Church of God in Christ Memnonite.

Ted Troyer--Old Memnonite from Harper, Kans. Interested in farming. Married & has wife in town. Spends much spare time in leathercraft.

Harvey Unruh--Galva, Kans. is his home town. Farmer & worked in feed mill before CPS. Surprised us by coming back unhitched from furlough a few weeks ago. Gets up with the whistle in the morning. Church of God in Christ Memn. (next page)

Chester King--relatively new camper from Kansas City, Kans. Worked in father's cabinet shop. Has interests in Manitou. Old Mennonite

Roy Jantz--Meno, Okla. is his home. Arrived in camp less than two weeks ago. Farmed with his brother before coming here. Gen. Conf. Mennonite.

Gordon Kaufman--Son of Bethel College president, North Newton, Kans. is his home. Claims to have little interest in fairer sex. Student before induction and plans to continue education in psychology, philosophy and science. Does technical work for Research Dept. in office down town. Gen. Conf. Mem.

Rodney Koehn--from Greensburg, Ks. Has seen over 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ years of CPS here. Married only a few months ago. Has wife in town. Wants to farm after all's over. Ch. of God in Christ M.

Ralph Koehn--Father of year old girl. Family lives in town. He's a big man. Ch. of God in Christ M.

Albert Classen--New camper from Meade, Ks. Came to see what "big cities" look like. Was farmer until induction. Haven't found out much about him yet. Menn. Brethern

Henry Enle--local boy. Dairy worker before camp. Another camper who has served a long term here. Interested in ministerial work. Im.M



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