

Pike View

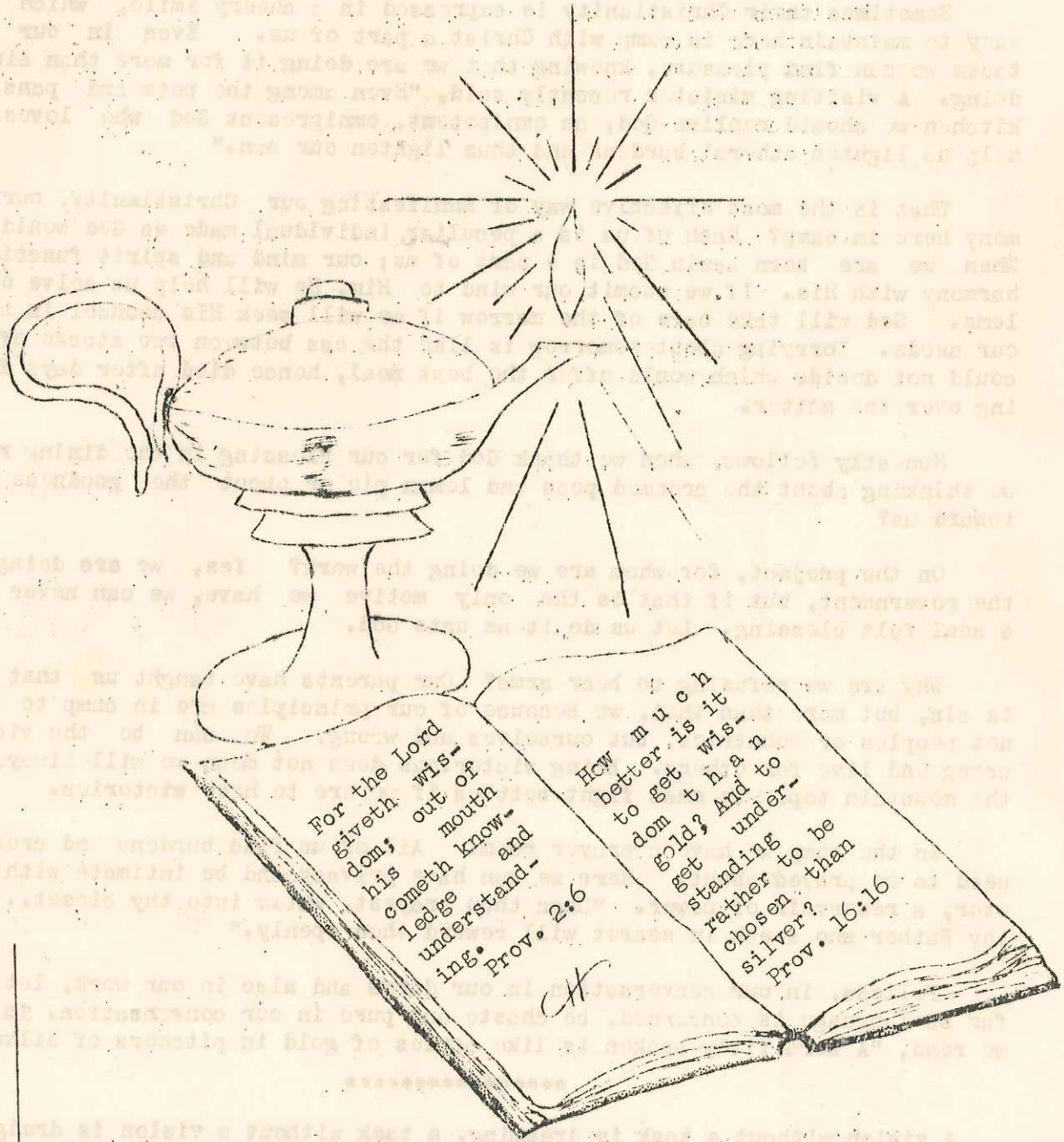
Rach

PEACE NEWS

VOL. 3, NO. 16

Colorado Springs, Colorado

APRIL 15, 1944



DES



IS CHRISTIANITY PRACTICAL IN CPS?

Christianity, regardless of where it is, must be practical or else it is of little value. We find among men in camp those who do live the life of Christianity. In observing their life we find many qualities which certainly are Christ-like. We can see that their strong, basic desire is to live for the One who went to Calvary that we might have eternal life.

Sometimes their Christianity is expressed in a cheery smile, which can be easy to maintain here in camp with Christ a part of us. Even in our smaller tasks we can find pleasure, knowing that we are doing it for more than simply the doing. A visiting minister recently said, "Even among the pots and pans in the kitchen we should realize God, an omnipotent, omnipresent God who loves and can help us lighten others' burdens and thus lighten our own."

What is the most effective way of manifesting our Christianity, our testimony here in camp? Each of us is a peculiar individual made as God would have us. When we are born again God is a part of us; our mind and spirit functioning in harmony with His. If we submit our mind to Him, He will help us solve our problems. God will take care of the morrow if we will seek His counsel in behalf of our needs. Worrying about tomorrow is like the ass between two stacks of hay. He could not decide which would offer the best meal, hence died after days of worrying over the matter.

Honestly fellows, when we thank God for our blessing in the dining room, are we thinking about the creamed peas and lemon pie or about the goodness of God toward us?

On the project, for whom are we doing the work? Yes, we are doing it for the government, but if that is the only motive we have, we can never derive a soul felt blessing. Let us do it as unto God.

Why are we refusing to bear arms? Our parents have taught us that killing is sin, but more than that, we because of our principles are in camp to conquer, not peoples or countries, but ourselves and wrong. We can be the victor over wrong and live for others. Being victorious does not mean we will always be on the mountain top. We must fight battles if we are to have victories.

In the camp we have a prayer room. All of us find burdens and crosses that need to be prayed about. Here we can have privacy and be intimate with our Creator, a reservoir of power. "When thou prayest, enter into thy closet.....and thy Father who seeth in secret will reward thee openly."

Fellows, in our conversation in our dorms and also in our work, let us, as far as language is concerned, be chaste and pure in our conversation. In Proverbs we read, "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pitchers of silver."

--N.T.

A vision without a task is dreaming, a task without a vision is drudgery,
a task with a vision is victory.

--Gospel Banner.

SIX PILLARS

The weekly discussion upon the ways of peace and why I am in camp convened at 8:00 P.M. Wednesday, March 31. Rev. McDaniel, Pastor of Trinity Methodist Church, was invited to speak to the group on the "Six Pillars of Peace", formulated by a peace committee of The Federal Council of America.

In introduction Rev. McDaniels presented a number of points of his personal views on World Peace.

The Six Pillars are--

1st. The peace must provide the political frame work for a continuing collaboration of the United Nations and, in due course, of neutral and enemy nations.

2nd. The peace must make provision for bringing within the scope of international agreement those economic and financial acts of national governments which have widespread international repercussions.

3rd. The peace must make provision for an organization to adapt the treaty structure of the world to changing underlying conditions.

4th. The peace must proclaim the goal of autonomy for subject people, and it must establish international organization to assure and to supervise the realization of that end.

5th. The peace must establish procedure for controlling military establishments everywhere.

6th. The peace must establish in principle, and seek to achieve in practice, the right of individuals everywhere to religious and intellectual liberty.

Rev. McDaniel stressed that warfare is only a breaking forth of a different type of war going on during peace times. The peace prerequisites are: We must not carry on economic warfare. We ought to permit a free flow of goods between nations. Do we not guarantee war with carrying on racial discrimination? We must guarantee political equality of nations and people. In reference to the prerequisites of peace Rev. McDaniel declared himself a pessimist.

WHAT D'YOU KNOW

Rumors about race are a dime a dozen. How many of them can you exolode? Mark these statements true or false. Count 12 for each correct answer. A score of 72 or above means you're on the beam; 48 to 60 means you haven't much altitude; below 48 means you're flying blind. Answers on page 8.

1. Since Hitler came to power, Jewish refugees have flooded the U. S.

2. When the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor they were helped by fifth-column activities by Japanese in Hawaii.

3. We have nothing against the Negro, but we must recognize that they are not as intelligent as whites.

4. Jews control the wealth of the U. S., run its business, and own its newspapers.

5. West Coast records show that Japanese-Americans are not trustworthy, and have high criminal rates.

6. Different races should not try to live side by side, because they never can get along together.

7. Social equality for the Negro would be followed by a wave of inter-marriage between races.

8. The recent race riots started because Negroes and whites were forced to live in the same neighborhood.

(Taken from THE FORERUNNER)

PIKE VIEW PEACE NEWS

Published bi-weekly by the men in Civilian Public Service Camp No. 5, Administered by the Mennonite Central Committee.

Subscription Rate-----50¢ per yr.
Editor-----James McVey
Assoc. Editor-----Milo Matthies

Contributors

Eugene Sallaska Winfield S. Caton
Manno Schmidt Orlando Schmidt
Norman Teague Waldo Voth

THE MAN OF THE HOUR

Now is the hour. Now is the time we prayed would come,
When men lay down their war-born arms and turned toward home;
When ships forsake their devious ways and sail the open lanes
alone and proud and unafraid;
Where women, leaving bench and plow, may raise their eyes with-
out the thought or fear of bombing raids;
When peace, the penitent, walks slowly in the wake of death.

Mark you the hour! For now are sober statesmen met
To build the world anew--a world without regret,
Where nations great and small may live in peace, with justice
and sweet liberty for one and all;
Where men may work and women rear sons in safety, freed for-
ever from Mar's hateful thrall;

This fateful hour! Will our wise statesmen wiser be
Than those whose wisdom's lost in dark antiquity?
Do they know there is One and only One with skill to build a
world at peace, where battles grew?
Whose love of justice and good will, whose truth and
righteousness alone can make their dreams come true?
Whose shining light--not their uncertain gleam--must lead?

Man of the hour! At the round table where they meet,
These men must give to You, the Christ, the honor seat;
Your Word, not their words, must prevail, lest their world
perish like the worlds their fathers built;
Your love of men must be in them, and Your humility;
"Not as I will, but as Thou wilt."
THEN--ONLY THEN--WILL MANKIND KNOW A LASTING PEACE.

Florence W. Trullinger

(Taken from the Second Month 17, 1944 issue of "THE
FRIEND" Philadelphia, Pennsylvania)

THE TRUEST END OF LIFE IS TO KNOW THE LIFE THAT NEVER ENDS.

William Penn.

PROJECT

One of the largest privately-owned irrigation dams in El Paso County is nearing completion on the Banning-Lewis Ranch east of Colorado Springs. Plans for the dam were drawn up by D.A. Jolly, Work Group Engineer of the Soil Conservation Service. The dam is being constructed by the Central Colorado Soil Conservation District and the Civilian Public Service Camp located at Colorado Springs, Colorado.

The dam will derive its source of water from Jinny Camp Creek. A large diversion dam of rail and rock will divert water from this creek into a large ditch, which will in turn carry water into the dam. There are 7400 acres of drainage above the diversion and 740 acres above the dam. It is estimated that the dam can be filled and emptied four or five times a year and will irrigate 150 acres of meadow.

The dam when completed will have 23,000 cubic yards of dirt. It will require 3794 square yards of rock rip rap to cover its face. The dam will be 114.9 feet wide at the base, 791.4 feet long and 22 feet high and will impound 115.32 acre feet of water at the high water line. The spillway capacity at 2 feet is 3277 second feet. The outlet tube has a discharge rate of 12.1 second feet at high water line. The dam will cost approximately \$2,500.

Winfield S. Caton

With good will doing service
as unto the Lord, and not to men.
--St. Paul

PROJECT OBSERVANCE

The work on the project is one of the most interesting things to watch and study. It is one of the places we can come to study human nature. The men we find on the work units left their various occupations and everyday life without choosing to come here. Some seem to carry the idea with them since we are here against our choice that what we do here will not have any influence upon our attitude and conduct after leaving camp. Others feel what we do today will help determine our lives to some extent, and apply themselves to the task as if today will be a stone in the completed building of tomorrow.

The attitudes of the men exist according to their character while working on the most unpleasant jobs. Some of the men make play out of their work to keep the work from getting the best of them, others just play. Some carry a feeling with them that all is against them and the best thing for them to do is to get in a place where their environment is changed instead of trying to change their environment by their actions here. Some do their meditation while on project and use up their energy after working hours.

Since this is a good school to observe human nature I feel it would be very profitable for all young men planning to enter the ministry to spend a few months in camp as a camper. We meet in these camps the fathers to whom we will minister in the 'tomorrows'.

James McVey

"Apply thyself"

Transfers

Fredrick W. Schowalter -- General Conference Mennonite from Halstead, Kans. was transferred to Greystone Park, New Jersey Hospital unit. He had been working for the Hollywood Creamery before being transferred.

Frank Smith -- General Conference Mennonite from Ringwood, Oklahoma, was transferred to Colorado Springs from Hill City, South Dakota to be with his brother, John Smith.

Arrivals

Jefferson LaVern Johnson--Church of God in Christ Mennonite from Summerdale, Alabama. Jefferson was working for the Gulf-Service Telephone Company before coming to camp. --JS

Visiting Minister

We were privileged to have Rev. Ed. Stucky, a former C. P. S. assignee and who is now a student minister, as our visiting minister April 2. He arrived sometime Saturday and stayed with us until Monday morning.

DESTRUCTION TO MAGNOLIA

While storms are sweeping the nation it takes its toll of C.P.S. The camp located at Magnolia, Arkansas was struck by a storm. According to latest reports there were fifteen men seriously injured, but none were killed. The storm destroyed fourteen of the nineteen buildings. Selective Service reports the camp is being closed.

JANTZEN GOES TO SIDE CAMP SCHOOL

Sam Jantzen--Church of Christ Mennonite of Moundridge, Kansas was chosen as one of the men for side camp leader. He will be at Downey, Idaho six weeks.

a musical Easter

The Easter season just past brought two quartettes to our camp. The first one coming to us from the Hoffnungsau Church of Imman, Kansas. This quartette is under the direction of Alvin Reimer. Eldo Neufeld, first tenor, Richard Epp, second tenor, Menno Schmidt, baritone, and John Gaeddert, bass are the members of this group. They arrived here Good Friday evening and gave us a concert that evening. They stayed over for the Sunrise Services in the Garden of the Gods. From here they went to Ft. Collins to sing Sunday afternoon.

On Tuesday evening a mixed quartet from Hesston College gave us a program. Norma Shenk, soprano, Arlie Hershberger, alto, Homer Rice, tenor, and Edward Wicbe, bass. They were accompanied by Rev. Ed. Weaver. Rev. Weaver is a missionary home on furlough from the field in India, and is at present teaching in Hesston College. --MM

CHORUS GIVES EASTER PROGRAM

While we were favored to have visiting quartettes during the Easter season, we were happy to send the camp chorus to Denver. Sunday, April 9, the chorus visited the (old) Mennonite Mission in Denver and had charge of the evening services.

If any man serve Me, let him follow Me; and where I am there shall My servant be. --John 12:26.

Our idea of service is often the outcome of devotion to a principle, but Jesus is here dealing with the service that is devotion to Him. With us, Christian service is something we do; with Jesus Christ it is not what we do for Him but what we are to Him that He calls service. Our Lord always puts the matter of discipleship on the basis of devotion not to a creed or belief but to Himself. There is no argument about it and no compulsion, simply--"If you would be My disciple, you must be devoted to Me."

--Oswald Chambers.

Who's Who in Dorm

VI

It is our pleasure to present a dorm almost free from married men. It is not because they wish it such but have not been able to make proper arrangements. Here are the members:

EUGENE BOWEN, Glenview, Ill. Interested in cooperatives. Gets airmail letters daily. Senior member of table waiters. Society of Friends.

EDWARD R. C. CLASSEN, Meade, Kansas. Dorm chairman. Likes to ride bicycle. Camp orderly. Immanuel Mennonite Broth.

PETE R. C. CLASSEN, Meado, Kansas. Brother of Ed. Works on high school education in spare time. Hopes to study medicine after C.P.S. Immanuel Mennonite Brethren.

WILLARD DIENER, Hutchinson, Kansas. Always happy. Think's kitchen work is OK. Mennonite (Old)

HARRY FROESE, Buhler, Kansas. Tractor operator. Plays guitar. General Conference Mennonite.

OGEN HARMS, Corn, Oklahoma. Delights in being a cook. Mennonite Brethren.

LESTER HOSTETLER, Harpor, Kansas. Ladies' man. Largest property owner in camp. Chief laundryman. Mennonite (Old)

ORLIE NIGHTENGALE, Verdon, Oklahoma. Works in laundry at present. Church of God in Christ.

HARVEY SCHMIDT, Chickasha, Oklahoma. Quiet but usually busy. Church of God in Christ.

FRANK SMITH, Ringwood, Oklahoma. Transferred here from Hill City, S. D. General Conference Mennonite.

JOHN SMITH, Ringwood, Oklahoma. Frank's brother. Spends many an evening working at the Y.M.C.A. Gen. Conf. Menu.

PHILLIP STUCKY, Pretty Prairie, Kans. Happy plans for the future. Plays the accordion. Cook. General Conference Mennonite.

MELVIN UNRUH, Hutchinson, Kansas. Hopes to transfer to mental hospital work. Likes to sing. Nazarene.

WALDO VOTH, Canton, Kansas. Assistant and Educational Director. General Conference Mennonite.

WILLIS WOLLMANN, Freeman S. Dakota. Finishing several hours of college work. Would like to join Smoke Jumpers. General Conference Mennonite.

* GOD'S PURPOSE FOR MAN *

* We cannot hope to know all *
 * that God has in mind for us, *
 * but some things have been made *
 * clear to us. We know, for in- *
 * stance, that God is a loving *
 * Father, one that "pitieth his *
 * children" and would "give good *
 * gifts" to them. *

* We know that we are brothers *
 * of one blood, children of *
 * one Father, and that Jesus *
 * came that all men might have *
 * life "and have it abundantly." *
 * And so we deduce that God's *
 * purpose will not be satisfied *
 * until all men live together as *
 * brothers, each willingly serv- *
 * ing the good of the others, *
 * and none trying to deprive his *
 * fellows of the good things *
 * that belong to them. *

* From THE NEXT PEACE *
 * by Alfred Hassler *

★ Answers ★

(To test on the third page)

1. False. Annual U. S. immigration quota is 153,774; total of all immigrants admitted 1932-1940 was 254,223, or an average of 28,227 per year.

2. False. Hawaiian civil authorities and the FBI have asserted that there was no fifth columnism on December 7, 1941 before or since.

3. False. Negroes sometimes appear less intelligent when they have not had equal educational opportunities. Army intelligence test showed whites from three Southern states with a median intelligence score of 41.25 to 41.55; Negroes from three Northern states rated 45.02 to 49.50.

4. False. Of 80,000 listed corporation directors, only 4.8 per cent were Jewish; in 1938 Editor and Publisher stated that of 1,700 newspaper owner-publishers, a maximum of 15 are Jewish, with about 6 per cent of the daily circulation, mostly made up by three papers in New York and Philadelphia.

5. False. Research at Stanford University showed Japanese-Americans with better record in crime and delinquency than whites; in honesty test Japanese children rated 99.9, Chinese 87, Anglo-Saxons 50.

6. False. This is Nazi belief. Actually there are no "pure" races, and scientists say that no race is unable to adopt the customs and habits of another.

7. False. Negroes are no more anxious to marry whites than whites are to marry Negroes. Intermarriages would be the exception, not the rule.

8. False. Riots started where the races were segregated. In Detroit, for instance, there was no rioting in the section where Negroes and whites lived as neighbors.

Can we be true missionaries to the races of another color and not tend to their needs here at home?



From:

Section 562, P. L. & R.

Civilian Public Service Camp #5
Post Office Box 1576
Colorado Springs, Colorado



Fellow peace with all men,
and Holiness, without which
no man shall see the Lord.
Hebrews 12:14.

Paul Comly French
2 NSB P.O. Box 1636
Washington, D.C.