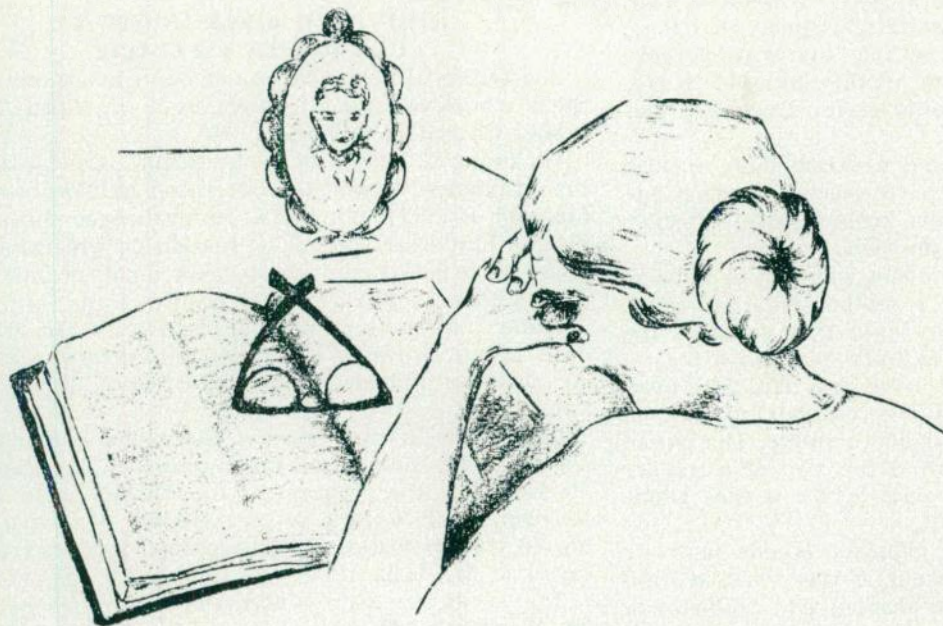


the MESSENGER

MOTHER'S DAY, MAY 12



A MOTHER'S REWARD

I do not ask that you repay
The hours of toil and pain
The sacrifice of youth and
strength
Shall not have been in vain.
I do not ask for gratitude
But only this my child.
That you shall live your life
so well
My gifts be not defiled.

The night I watched beside
your crib,
The years of love and care
Will amply be repaid if once
I see you standing there —
An upright and an honest soul
On who success has smiled,
That I may say with humble
pride
—“THAT is my child!”

—Watchman Examiner

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EDITORIAL



MOTHER'S DAY

"Mom."

"What do you want?"

"O, nothing." He is satisfied. Mother is there and all is well. He grabs his bike or glove and is off, never even bothering to say where he is going.

No doubt this is a scene that is reenacted over and over again (after 4) in thousands of homes across the country every day. And it is a tribute although maybe an unconscious one, by a boy to his mother.

Another tribute to Mother, of course is Mother's Day. Records have it that Mother's Day was first observed at Norfolk, Virginia, in 1908. In 1914 Congress authorized the President of the United States to designate by annual proclamation the second Sunday in May on Mother's Day.

As with any other holiday (Easter, Christmas, etc.) there is always the danger of forgetting the real purpose of the occasion and make it just another occasion to give gifts and with that believe to have discharged our responsibilities.

No doubt many a mother would be much more thrilled by seeing her boy, her girl, live a devoted obedient life throughout the year than to have some special affection shown her on this **one** day of the year.

Then there are those who no doubt will engage in some fond reminiscing this day on a mother who has gone. Some maybe with bitter regrets when they think of the love they might have shown her while she was living.

The role of the mother in the home can hardly be overstated. Solomon writing about the virtuous woman in Proverbs 31 says her price is far above rubies. The purest form of love on earth no doubt is the love of a mother for her child. The greatest influence by far is that which the mother contributes.

The following, from an old clipping, is one mother's legacy to her daughter. We thought, it was worth reprinting at this time. May it prove a blessing and challenge to all mothers.

MOTHER'S LEGACY TO HER DAUGHTER

WHEREAS my daughter shall be the woman of tomorrow and

WHEREAS I am responsible, in a large measure, for the kind of a woman she shall be, I therefore bequeath to my daughter the following example:

THAT she shall ever remember me as a sincere, earnest, true believer in Christ.

THAT I was fully surrendered to my Lord.

THAT I was always in my accustomed pew in church, Sunday school, and prayer meeting with my family.

THAT she heard me give thanks at each meal (if Father did not) and read my Bible, God's Word.

THAT if she ever saw me angered, I sinned not. The sun never went down upon my wrath (Eph. 4:26).

DAILY praying for my girl's salvation, I sign my name to this statement to the glory of my God and my Saviour.

Letters To the Editor

Some of the Board members encouraged me to write an article on our conference and send it to the Messenger. As we arrived from the field a week ago right from the Conference, this was not too hard to do. If you can use it do so. If not, then just drop it into the basket close to your desk. If you would rather have something else say so.

In Spanish we say, "Su servidor" which means "your servant" and that is what I would like to be to your worthy magazine.

I have just one suggestion for The Messenger. To make it also serve as a tool for evangelization—why could you not include a message on salvation in every number? There are some who need reading material even more than we church members.

C. B. Loewen, Mexico

P.S. Lack of space prevented the printing of this article at this time.

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STEINBACH BIBLE INSTITUTE GRADUATES FIFTY-ONE

The twenty-fifth annual commencement exercises of the Steinbach Bible Institute were held on April 7 at the E.M.C. Church in Steinbach.

Dr. Frank C. Peters, of the M. B. Bible College addressed the graduates during the afternoon session, basing his message on II Timothy 4:1-6. He challenged them to have insight into issues, to have passion in preaching, to be fraternal in fellowship, and to have depth in dedication in their witness in this decade of destiny.

Walter Sawatsky of Winnipeg spoke for the graduating class. Harry Guenther of Hague, Saskatchewan, represented the undergraduates, and Elsie Kroeker, of Morris gave a testimony.

During the evening session **Rev. John Schmidt** of the Gospel Light Hour based his message on I Chronicles 12. He said that the program of the Church is to turn the kingdoms of this world to the kingdom of Christ, and exhorted the graduates to be separated, prepared, and dedicated to this task.

The valedictory address was delivered by Arden Thiessen of Washow Bay, Manitoba. Frieda Voth of Steinbach testified of her experiences with Jesus Christ this winter, and Dennis Fast of Kleefeld spoke for the undergraduates.

Rev. Ben D. Reimer, principal of the school, assisted by Albert Hiebert, presented diplomas to fifty-one graduates. The dedicatory prayer was offered by Rev. Harvey Plett, teacher at the school.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION IN GERMANY

By John Peters



Material display and speakers at one of the Sunday School Conventions. (Mr. Peters, back row centre.)

Even though Robert Raikes began Sunday School in England in 1781, Europe has not yet experienced the untold blessings of teaching God's Word to all ages through the departmentalized Sunday School. Communism and Catholicism are indoctrinating the young children and thus maintaining a hold on them for life. The Christian community is far behind in the matter of clear effective Bible teaching. Generally only children from the ages from 6 or 7 to the ages of 12 or 13 receive Bible instruction, mostly in groups, without well-chosen, graded and prepared material, from untrained teachers. Traditionally only the pastor and deaconess are thought capable of doing this work.

Graded Material

Seeing the great need in the churches and directed by the Lord, we have launched a program of publishing Bible-centered, departmentally graded Sunday School material for all age groups, and making it available to all.

Sunday School Conventions

Sunday School Conventions seem

one of the best means of showing the need for Bible Instruction for old and young alike, for inspiration, for informing churches about materials, and for instructing in ways and methods of teaching and organizing Sunday Schools. Since last fall, Conventions have been held in two German Bible Schools, as well as in Gummersbach, Essen, Duisberg, Loerrach, Kaiserslautern, Herborn and Hachenhausen. It is very hard for folks to be freed from tradition and custom and to comprehend the value and workability of the

Some participants of the Laymen's Training Course. John Peters and Dave Heinrichs on right. Cornie Enns, third from left, back row.



departmentalized Sunday School. However, at every convention victories are won. A number of churches have begun adult classes, many are using the departmentalized lesson material in several departments, a number have begun the Cradle Roll department. The idea of adults going to Sunday School is completely strange, so it was a real thrill to hear of one church that now has begun four adult Bible study classes.

Layman's Training Course

Sunday School Conventions seem incorporated into the follow-up program of the city-wide Crusades held in Europe. Do pray for these Conventions and for more personell that know the Sunday School and can assist in this work. At the Conventions held thus far, I have been assisted by Amanda, Corny Enns, Tina Blatz, Sally Young, Dave Wiebe and the Don Ennses, as well as other missionaries. Teacher Training Courses for Bible teaching have been produced this winter. Some 28 people took part in the Layman's Training Course conducted at Hachenhausen. The three E.T.T.A. texts on Bible survey, and texts on Child Study, Pedagogy and Sunday School Organization were translated and published by the Team and taught in this Course. The Lord blessed the studies and the fellowship of the Christians that participated from different church backgrounds.

The fields are white unto harvest—the labourers are few—pray therefore! Unless the Lord build the house they labour in vain—! Pray that the materials, conventions and teacher training may result in effective teaching of God's Word, to the end that churches shall be revived, sinners converted and Christ be uplifted in German-speaking Europe. We depend on your prayers!

Maintaining Right Relationships In The Local Church

By John P. Loewen

(Continued from previous issue)

II Relationship between the Young and the Old

The local church consists of members of various ages, experience and responsibility. Despite the fact that all may be converted with similar conviction to please and serve God, we still have the different gifts and interests for the many varied types of services and activities to cope with. This is largely due to the vast difference in ages and experiences. This is an issue we must face and cope with in order to maintain right relationship.

Young and Old must realize that they need each other. Likewise, the church requires both in order to advance to meet the times, but still retain its fundamental doctrines. A German saying depicts it well by saying, "Die Kraft der Jugend braucht der Herr, der Alten Rat und Tat." (God requires, the strength of youth, as well as the council of the elders). Therefore it should be the deep concern of the church to create outlets to channel youth into a life of service and responsibility, being aware that soon they must take over. Therefore, let us bear in mind that the future life and condition of the church will to a large extent depend on present unity and understanding.

It is apparent that we have programs and activities more or less for the interest of the young. Nevertheless, there are also some which are of more interest and concern for those advanced in years. This tends to create problems which we cannot evade. However, these programs can be beneficial to either party, but we must still realize that it can be harmful to sever young and old too much. In view of the fact, that we are one body, the purpose of our programs should be for the spiritual edification of all, and to the honour and glory of God and remain within the realms of worship and divine service.

Efforts should be made by older people to show respect and appreciation

through promotional work.

for the talents and gifts of the young.

Likewise, the young should also appreciate the experiences of the old and heed their counsel, as well as attempt to comply with their wishes.

In view of the fact that a person must be trusted in order to become trustworthy, we can be too hesitant in setting our young people on their own feet and handing responsibilities over to them. However, the church must also keep an open eye and have a guiding hand in it. For example, committees for the activities of the young people, like Young People's committee, choir committee, etc., may consist of young members, which will naturally create confidence and responsibilities for the church. This however, should be in close connection with the governing and more responsible body of the congregation.

Illustration: It would seem rather absurd for a mother to leave the baby in the crib just because it has never been able to walk and considering it dangerous to give it an opportunity to attempt. On the other hand it would likewise be foolish to suddenly set the baby on its own feet simply because it is old enough to walk, without keeping a guiding hand over it. This is exactly what happens when we, on one hand do not put any trust in our young people, or on the other hand allow them to work independently without guidance.

Furthermore, we also have the language problem existing in some local churches. Despite the fact that we can be more effective in the mission outreach in the national language and since English has been the required language in our schools for the past forty years, resulting that the younger generation is better acquainted with it, we still have those among us, who prefer to have the worship service in their mother tongue. To some this factor might be well to apply Phil. 2:4 "Look not every man on his own things but also on the things of others."

STEINBACH BIBLE INSTITUTE

"The problem of reaching all nations lies not in the lack of harvest, the lack of grace, nor the lack of power, but in the lack of dedicated laborers," stated Rev. J. J. Toews of the M. B. Bible College, speaking at the annual missionary conference of the Steinbach Bible Institute held April 3-5. Rev. Toews, the main speaker of the conference, laid special emphasis on the Christian laborer's relationship to Christ. "not only as servant, but also as friend."

The needs and challenges of missions in foreign lands and at home were presented by various missionary speakers including Mr. and Mrs. George Peppin of Peru, Mr. Ernest Funk of Weekes, Saskatchewan, Miss Justina Brandt of Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. Des Warrell of India, Mr. Bill Kehler of Alaska, and Gordon Reimer, Pax worker in Morocco and Switzerland.

Rev. Ben Sawatsky, pastor of the Gospel Mennonite Church in Winnipeg, and Rev. Sam Epp, pastor of the E.M. B. Church in Steinbach, both having extensive tours of mission centres of Central and South America, presented the needs of the field as seen through the eyes of visiting observers.

The working of the Holy Spirit was especially evident on the closing day of conference, when many of the students stepped forth to dedicate their lives anew to the cause of Christ.

—Mary Kroeker

ON SENTIMENT

"O don't be so sentimental,"
That's what you hear folks say;
How can you help but be—just that
When it comes to Mother's Day;
Perhaps this old world is needing
Some sentiment now and then
And a touch that will make the heart
tender

Will help e'en the best of men

We'll plan to be quite sentimental
And think of the days gone by
We spent with the simple things of life
When our mothers were always nigh;
They stand for the best and truest
That ever a child may know
So our thoughts shall be filled with our
mothers
Each day—and wher'er we go.

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TRUTH FOR YOUTH

TWO V.S.'ers TO GERMANY



Elizabeth Dueck and Mary Brandt at the C.P.R. station in Winnipeg, just before their departure.

The Canadian Pacific Railway station in Winnipeg was the scene of a touching farewell as on April 25, Elizabeth Dueck and Mary Brandt bade farewell to parents, relatives, and friends, who had come to see them off on the first leg of a journey who's destination is Germany.

The time had come to go. Someone started to sing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again", others took up the strain. To the few other people, scat-

tered throughout the station, it was something new to them, no doubt, to have hymn singing in a railway station, but to those who participated it must have been a fervent prayer.

The two sisters are the second to go out under the Voluntary Service Committee. (Doris Thiessen is in Mexico) They will be staying in Germany for at least one year. Their work will consist of helping to care for homeless children at a children's home in Hackenhausen, Germany.

VOLUNTEERS FOR SUMMER RELIEF WANTED

..The Extension Committee of the E.M.C. Board of Missions, wishes to announce that they are looking for summer relief for their E.M.C. home mission stations. This is to allow the missionaries to take their annual 3 weeks leave. Here is an opportunity for you to contribute in a real way to the extension of God's kingdom; to broaden your outlook; to see Missions at first hand.

Please enquire with one of the following:

B. D. Reimer
Steinbach Bible Institute
Steinbach, Manitoba

Corny Loewen
196 Kroeker Ave.
Steinbach, Manitoba

Arnold Fast
Wymark, Saskatchewan

John K. Reimer
474 Edison Ave.
Winnipeg, Manitoba

Henry Thiessen
Austin, Manitoba

or write to:

E.M.C. Extension Committee
Box 789
Steinbach, Manitoba

YOUTH RALLY

By Elvira Hamm

The Austin Community Hall was the scene of a highly successful Youth Rally on Saturday and Sunday, April 20 and 21.

Sponsored by five local Mennonite Churches including the Mennonite Mission churches of Austin and Mayfield, the Berghaler churches of MacGregor. The three services of the Rally drew a total attendance of 1,000. One of the main attractions was the 75 voice massed choir under the direction of Marvin Thiessen and accompanied by Elvira Hamm. Smaller voice and instrumental groups assisted in presenting an interesting and varied program. The meetings were conducted under the chairmanship of Mr. Hugo Peters.

Another popular feature was the period during the final session when Mr. C. Wilbert Loewen, the guest speaker, frankly answered questions that had been placed in the Question Box earlier by members of the audience.

At each session, Mr. Loewen dealt with topics of vital interest to youth. His practical suggestions and instruction were backed by experience as a minister and teacher and he displayed a keen interest in, and understanding of present day youth.

The audience listened attentively as he challenged young people to whole-hearted devotion to God, Who is often limited by our failing to recognize fully who He is. Mr. Loewen's remarks concerning education, vocation, and choice of a life partner were given with deep spiritual conviction, as well as a Scriptural foundation. His closing plea was for youth of to-day to practise these Biblical principles in their daily living.

Prairie Rose

Mr. and Mrs. W. Neufeld, nee Eleanor Reimer, daughter of Rev. Frank D. Reimer, left for Liberia. Africa March 31 to serve a two or four year term under Letourneau Project for Liberia having served as Pax-man for the M.C.C. two years.

Besides working with the poultry, many trips are made to the interior tribes, bringing them gospel, teaching Sunday School, etc. Eleanor will be of great help, firstly to her newly wedded husband, and of course with her Practical Nurses training. We wish them God's presence, guidance and blessing.

THE BEST MEDICINE

It was May. The door of the penitentiary clanged behind John McLelland. Ten years later the same door clanged behind him again, and convict No. 5599 received his freedom and resumed his name.

He was free once more. The thought sent the blood coursing through his veins. He recalled the words of the governor of the prison the night before he left. "McLelland," he said, "you are going to freedom tomorrow. You have had a long spell of prison life, but you are still young and during your term here you have shown that there is good stuff in you. See to it that you do not come here again." The governor dropped his hand upon his shoulder and looked at him keenly. "You feel your sentence was unjust. They all do. Your punishment was deserved. You should thank God your case was no worse. Have you a mother, McLelland?"

"None o' your business," he snarled. "But if you want to know, I had; always a preachin' and prayin'."

The governor nodded. "Let me tell you something," he said. "I am getting to be an old man now. I have been governor here for thirty years, and have seen some of the hardest cases pass through our doors. I have watched you carefully, and there is something in you that is different from most criminals. That something is the prayers of your mother."

"So yer a preacher as well as a governor," he sneered.

"No, I am no preacher," was the unruffled reply. "But I had a mother like that myself. So think it over. Ask God to answer your mother's prayers. God bless you."

McLelland relived his past as he trudged to the railway station. It was ten years since he had last seen his mother. She had come to the prison after his conviction, and pleaded with him to renounce his evil ways. "My son, I'll be prayin' for you. The Lord loves you, John, and some day He'll answer your mother's prayer and lead you to repentance."

He wondered if his mother had stopped praying for him. Perhaps he was too great a sinner for God to forgive. That must be it, or perhaps his mother was long since dead. The thought gave him a queer feeling of loneliness and he shuddered. Who would pray for him now? He tried in vain to recall some of the things his mother had told him, and the things he had heard at Sunday school. There was something about sins being like scarlet and a story about a young fellow in a far country. But it was all vague. He wished now he had asked the prison chaplain a little about it. He wanted to go straight, but how was he to do it?

He reached the station a few minutes before his train arrived. The government had provided him with a railway ticket to Tromando, the city where he had been convicted. To this the governor had added five dollars to provide for a day or two until he got work. As he climbed aboard the train, there was unrest in his soul. He chose the smoking car as less likely to have passengers in it. He was glad it was empty.

Smiling villages and peaceful farms flashed by as he gazed out of the window, but the unrest in his heart only deepened. What a mess he had made of his life. He was thirty years old now, but he felt a hundred. If only he had something to read, it might help to get rid of his gloomy thoughts. His eyes searched the smoking car, but no discarded newspaper was to be seen.

And then he saw a piece of paper half hidden behind the cushion of the opposite seat. He picked it up. The first words he saw rivited his attention. He read, "God Saves Bad Men." The title startled him. What could it mean? He thought God saved only good people.

Curious he read on. Before he reached the end, the arrow of God had pierced his soul. He saw his life in all its hideousness as it appeared in God's sight. A cry burst from his lips, "O God, what must I do to be saved?" Tempest raged in his soul as he read on. He saw that it was not good men, but bad men that Christ came to save, that all were guilty before God, and that the Saviour had made atonement for all.

Clutching the little piece of paper in his hand, he knelt on the floor of the car and cried with anguish of heart, "O God, I'm only a poor crook, who's

wasted life and broken his mother's heart. This paper says You save bad men. I believe what it says. I believe Christ died for me." A deep peace entered the heart of the criminal. Gone was the tumult in his soul. The weight of his sins dropped from him like a worn-out garment, and he rose to his feet a new man in Christ Jesus. It was fortunate that he still had the smoking car to himself. His heart sang for joy, and he laughed aloud.

Ten days later he trudged wearily along a dusty highway in western Ontario. He had to find his mother, if she were still alive. He believed that God had saved him in answer to her prayers, and He would help him find her. He had walked from Tromando. Work was scarce and two days had passed since he had spent his last cent. He felt weak and dizzy for lack of food. Car after car passed him, but none offered him a ride. By the early afternoon, he was only ten miles from his native town. Would he find his mother here he wondered. He trudged on for an hour or two until he felt he could go no farther.

A little way off the highway he saw a large building. Perhaps he could ask for a meal. As he took a step toward the gate the world seemed to go round and round. There was a roaring in his ears, a blackness before his eyes, and he pitched forward on the grass.

Fifteen minutes later, when he opened his eyes, a man with a white carnation in his buttonhole was bending over him.

"Feeling better?" he asked.

"Yes," said McLelland. "Where am I?"

"You are in an Old Folks' Home. I am Dr. Forbes. I was coming to visit a patient here and found you lying at the gate. You must have come a long way."

"Walked from Tromando," was the response.

"Hungry?"

"A bit."

"Well, here is Miss Spence with some food for you," said the doctor.

McLelland felt his strength returning after his first meal for days. Looking up, he noticed the eyes of Dr. Forbes' little daughter fixed intently on him. He noticed she was wearing a red carnation, and that her father and the matron were both wearing white flowers.

"Are you feeling better now, poor



MOTHERS DAY

By Elma B. Dueck

Its Mothers Day! The children come to Mommy with eager, sparkling eyes and present a somewhat unshapely package with the words, "Here, Mommy, this is for you!" They watch breathlessly as Mother opens it. Two flower pots come into view. Mother is thrilled and touched by their gift as she well knows the sacrifice it has cost, to save the money out of their small allowance.

Do you realize, Mother what a tremendous responsibility or privilege we have of influencing our children either for good or bad? It demands our best and more than that. We must often go to God for help and wisdom, even as our children come to us.

I am very thankful for having been brought up in a Christian home. I think we really begin to appreciate our own mothers when we become mothers

ourselves. We can more fully realize then, her unselfish devotion and untiring concern and patience in times that must often have been difficult and trying.

I also am thankful for the examples of godly mothers we find in the Bible. In Hannah we find a challenging example as a mother.

She wanted her child,

She prayed for her child starting before birth, and also prayed with him.

She cared for him and loved him,

She taught him all about God.

She returned him to God as she had promised.

She followed him with her loving care and concern all through the years.

She was also careful to show her love and faith by daily obedience to God.

May God help us as mothers to live lives worthy of the name—MOTHER.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL CANVASS AT PORTAGE

"And He sent them out two by two . . . and they returned with joy."

The Evangelical Mennonite Church at Portage is conducting a Sunday School survey which will take in some five hundred homes.

Monday, April 29, Esther Loewen, Morris, now at Portage under volun-

tary service of the conference and Margaret Neufeld, missionary candidate, began the survey. Approximately forty homes were covered.

The following day the girls went out again and several more homes were visited. In the evening, ten members of the church at Portage joined the girls. About half of the area is now covered.

In the majority of these homes we received a warm welcome. Here are some of the comments made by those visited.

One man, who only several days ago moved into the area, thanked us and said, "At least some one shows an interest in us", and in another home the lady said, "Do come again. I'd love to have you." These certainly are wonderful open doors for future contacts.

Of course not all the remarks were as complimentary.

The results of the survey were twofold. Firstly, the canvassers received a tremendous blessing and were strengthened in the Faith. Secondly, we had several definite promises to come to Sunday School and Church service.

It is our prayer that the Holy Spirit might continue to work in the hearts of the individuals contacted.

man?" asked the little girl.

"Yes, Miss," he said huskily.

"Why haven't you a flower?" she asked in her childish way. "I thought everybody wore flowers on Mother's Day. Haven't you got a mother?"

Glancing at McLelland, Dr. Forbes saw the tears rolling down his cheeks.

So this was Mother's Day. McLelland had only a vague idea of what it meant, but he knew the flowers indicated whether one's mother was alive or dead. Should he wear a white flower or red?

McLelland struggled to his feet. "I must be going," he said "Thank you for your kindness. I ain't got nothing to give you except this little piece of paper that changed my life ten days ago."

Dr. Forbes took the paper curiously, glanced at the title, and looked keenly at McLelland.

"It's true, Sir," said McLelland. "It says God saves bad men, and He saved

me. I'm just trying to find my mother to tell her that . . ."

The sentence was interrupted by the sound of a woman's voice clear and distinct.

"Oh, could I see you now, my boy."

McLelland trembled like a leaf. "What's that?" he stammered.

"It's an old woman," Dr. Forbes said sadly, "whose heart has been broken. She had a son who went bad. Three years ago she came here. That is all that she sings, and she still thinks that some day God will restore her son. Listen to her." Again the plaintive voice went on —

"Go for my wandering boy tonight, Go search for him where you will."

McLelland's face was ashy "What is her name?" he asked hoarsely.

Dr. Forbes looked at him curiously. "Her name is Mrs. McLelland."

The man was stunned for a moment. Then with a hoarse cry he staggered from the room. He paused for

a moment in the doorway. Sitting up in bed was a little old woman, her gray hair falling in wisps over her lined and wrinkled face. McLelland walked forward and knelt by her side. She had stopped singing and was looking at him fearfully. Taking the worn hands in his he spoke softly. "Mother, don't you know me? Your wandering boy has come home. God has answered your prayers."

A look of wonder and joy broke over the face of the old woman. "It cannot be," she sobbed. "John, my boy, is it really you at last? My boy! My boy!" Her arms were around his neck, and her tears mingled with his. But they were tears of joy.

"That is the best medicine she could have," said Dr. Forbes.

"Papa," said Peggy, "may I give the poor man my red carnation?"

"Yes, dear," said the father.

—Young Pilot



Baptism at Wymark. Left to right: Edith Wieler, Ellen Brell, Hilda Rempel, Pauline Unrau, Edna Elias, Justina Hildebrandt.

Back row, left to right: Mark Banman, Carl Mills, Ben Schlamp.

Missing from picture: Esther Neufeld and Edna Neufeld.

The Wymark Church was the scene of a baptismal service on April 14, Easter Sunday. Eleven souls were baptized. Guests present for the occasion were, Herbert Peeler of the Miller Memorial Bible Institute, Pambrun,

and B. D. Reimer, Steinbach, who both spoke. Peter Schlamp spoke in German. Arnold Fast officiated at the baptism. In the afternoon the Lord's Supper was observed.

Fast Milton D.
Kleefeld Man.

Unusual Easter Program at Prairie Rose

An unusual Easter program was enjoyed by all when the married people rendered a program on Good Friday. Many in the choir found their memories going back to the time when they used to sing as "young people". As a participant I must say I truly enjoyed it, and would encourage other young people to try it too. God will bless your efforts.

H. Plett

COMING EVENTS

May 12 Ordination Service of deacon Corny Janzen at Swift Current.

May 26 to June 9 Southeast Sask. Union Crusade, Exhibition grounds, Swift Current, Sask. Barry Moore speaker.

1963 STEINBACH BIBLE INSTITUTE GRADUATING CLASS

Senior Matriculation diplomas were given to:

Gertrude Bergen, Winnipeg
Peter Dueck, Kola
Walter Dueck, Steinbach
Helen Friesen, Kleefeld
Jacob Funk, McMahon, Saskatchewan
Deanna Giesbrecht, Steinbach
June Groening, Lowe Farm
Richard Knelsen, Burns Lake, British Columbia
Esther Neufeld, Rhineland, Saskatchewan
Martha Nikkel, Winkler
Edwin Penner, Sidney
Stanley Plett, Lorette
David Rempel, Blumenhof, Saskatchewan
Walter Sawatsky, Winnipeg
Violet Schroeder, Steinbach
Alvin Stoesz, Chortitz
Larry Thiessen, Lowe Farm
Frieda Voth, Steinbach
Anne Zacharias, Horndean

Junior Matriculation diplomas were given to:

Mrs. Regina Dyck, Winnipeg
Marian Loewen, Steinbach

In the Bible Department, the following received diplomas, according to the different majors offered at the school:

General Bible

William Buhler, Burns Lake, British Columbia
Melvin Friesen, Giroux
Wilbert Kroeker, Morris
Margaret Toews, Grunthal

Christian Education

Dick Buhler, Arden
Henry Dueck, Steinbach
Ken Loewen, Morris
Mary Martens, Endako, British Columbia
Sally Neufeld, McMahon, Saskatchewan
Benjamin Thiessen, Giroux

Missions

John Bergen, New Bothwell
Dave Buhler, Arden
Mrs. Katherine Ebner, Steinbach
Alfred Friesen, Rosenort
Gertrude Giesbrecht, Altona
Elsie Kroeker, Morris
Grace Loewen, Rosenort
Ronald Penner, Maryfield, Saskatchewan
Stan Plett, Landmark
Luella Rempel, Rosenort
Steven Schellenberg, Altona
Arden Thiessen, Washow Bay
Ruth Unger, Altona
Helen Wiebe, Gouldtown, Saskatchewan

Pastors'

Pete Buhler, Steinbach
Dietrich Friesen, Giroux
John Leiding, McMahon, Saskatchewan

Sacred Music

Ernest Friesen, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
Alvin Rempel, Rosenort

The school choir and the chorale, directed by Henry Hiebert and assisted at the piano by Margaret Neufeld, sang, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," "Unto the Hills," "Yea Though I Walk," "Lord, in the Fullness of Thy Might," and "Glorious is Thy Name."