

Mennonite Mission Relief \$1,182,019

Members of the Mennonite Board of Missions and Charities with headquarters at Elkhart, Ind., meeting at the Elmira church last week, heard a report from their treasurer indicating contributions for the board's foreign mission, home mission, charitable institution, relief and service and radio evangelism programs totalled \$1,182,019 for the year ending March 31, 1956. The board represents some sixty thousand constituents in Canada and the U.S.

Reports were received from 11 foreign fields under the board and two administered by affiliated district boards. These included Japan, India, Argentina, Uruguay, Brazil, Algeria, Gold Coast, Israel, Puerto Rico, Jamaica, Cuba, Alaska and several countries in western Europe in which 138 missionaries are operating.

Another significant report received by the delegates concerned the humanitarian section of the board's program which disbursed \$265,486 during the past year. A large part of these funds were used in the foreign service program in western Europe, Greece, Jordan, India, Indonesia, Formosa, Korea, Japan and South America. This program represents refugee rehabilitation and resettlement, child feeding and care, medical service and educational service.

The Mennonite Youth service program is using 184 young people in city and rural missions, child welfare institutions, homes for the aged, general hospitals, community service projects among American Negroes, American Indians and Latin Americans. Forty-nine additional young men are serving in a similar foreign service.

Rev. S. Paul Miller, returned missionary from India, explaining the present missionary situation in that country said "missionaries who are ready to identify themselves with the Indian people, their spiritual and physical need, are still welcome in India. Although village evangelism may have been curtailed in the larger urban centres, missionaries continue to preach the Gospel in rural villages.

"There are 8,000,000 Christians in India today," continued Rev. Miller. "However, there are also 367,000,000 non-Christians. Thus, the missionary task is merely begun."

Rev. James Hess, returned missionary from Honduras, Central America, describing the effects of poverty and a tropical climate on the people said, "Missionaries need patience, sincerity and honesty. Americans are apt to become impatient until they are willing to make adjustments to local situations."

About 800 people heard Rev. Ernesto Suarez, Argentine Mennonite pastor and guest at the convention say, "Ministers in Argentina need to identify themselves with their people by securing employment in addition to their pastoral work. This provides more contact with the people they want to serve."

Speaking about the religious situation in Argentina, Rev. Mr. Suarez observed, "In Argentina we do not have as many churches as you have in Canada and the United States. Usually only two churches are found in an Argentine city, a Roman Catholic and a Protestant."

Bishop A. J. Metzler, Scottsdale, Pa., in the convention keynote address last night on the theme "Obeying the Prophetic Vision," insisted that the Christian cannot witness to what he has not experienced or seen. A missionary or an individual Christian who has not personally met Christ: has no message for others, no vision of the spiritual needs of men.

"Are you willing to be called crazy or a fool for the Gospel's sake? A vision of the needs of lost men may bring you such an experience," Bishop Metzler insisted. "Such a vision comes to the individual who has met Jesus Christ face to face and who meets Him daily."

THE NEWS FROM UNIONVILLE

W.I. Rally
The home of Mrs. Agnew, Dalziel Park, south of Edzeler, was filled with members of the Women's Federated Institutes of York when they held their Annual Picnic June 22nd. Mrs. G. Maynard, Mrs. Snowball, Mrs. L. Rainey, Mrs. A. Fleming and Mrs. Ruth Rowdway of Unionville were among those present. Mrs. Kennedy of Axincoort conducted the election of new officers which were as follows: Past Pres., Mrs. C. Agnew, Pres. for 2 years, Mrs. Garnet Francey, Gormley R.R.; Sect.-Treas., Miss Helen Atkinson; Auditors, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Conell; Executives for the four York Districts: East, Mrs. J. C. Cattanech, Markham, West, Mrs. Callum, Centre, Mrs. Scholtz, North, Mrs. Sedore. Clubs were present from Thornhill, Woodbridge, Markham, Unionville, Beaverton, Nobleton, Uxbridge, Sunderland, King City, Exbridge, Buttonville, Stouffville, and Ontario and Peel Counties. A presentation of the Scholarship and Certificate from the Women's Institute Anna P. Lewis Club was made by Miss Eddy of that department who read the address while the Immediate Past President, Mrs. Bruce awarded it to Miss Margaret Brodie, a member of the Unionville J.R. Farmers and 4-H Club.

Mrs. Crowhurst of Thornhill visited with Mrs. Fugard last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Milford McDowell of Aurora visited Mr. M. Findlay on Monday evening.

W.M.S.
The Women's Missionary Society met in Central United for their June meeting on Thursday, June 14 with 14 members present. The devotional was taken by Mrs. W. Young and was the Call to the Mission of the Church. Mrs. Guscott gave the topic, Changing Patterns, taken from

the last topic in the study book. Hostesses were Mrs. W. Sellars, Mrs. Trunk, Mrs. Braithwaite.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. Walter H. Waterson and family in the death of his mother, Dorothy Woodside, wife of the late Mr. Walter S. Waterson, formerly of Keswick, Ontario. She was in her 74th year. She passed away at the home of her son on Pomanda Road on Thursday.

June 21st. The funeral service was held at the Orden Funeral Home, Agincourt, on Saturday, with interment at Queen's Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Evelyn Rice of Los Angeles, California, is visiting at the home of her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. James Weir.

Misses Gail and Glenna May (continued on page 2)

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Mr. and Mrs. Harold Botham enjoyed a trip down along the St. Lawrence a week ago. Mrs. Botham Sr. stayed with Ronnie and Allan. Gordon visited his aunt, Mrs. Mitchell in Toronto.

Miss Elta Stephenson spent the weekend in Sarnia.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Keffer attended the Keffer reunion at Vellore on Saturday.

Mr. John MacLellan has come back to our community for the summer and is working for Mr. Dryland.

The young people finally won a ball game on Friday evening when playing the Seniors at No. 6 school grounds. They also have

their new sweaters.

Johnny and Billy Gamble spent the weekend with the Lee family at their cottage near Alliston.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wood and Laurie had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Baycroft and family.

After Young People's Meeting on Friday evening, the young people about 24 in number gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Botham to say farewell to Mr. Sid Young who is leaving soon on a trip across Canada with his chum. He was presented with a gift of money and best wishes from all the young people.

The Woman's Association would like to thank each and everyone who helped in any way to make the Garden Party a success on Thursday evening.

We certainly had strawberries for the Garden Party as the committee in charge, namely Mrs. Baycroft, Mrs. Stephenson and Mrs. Pattenden arose bright and early and went to the Ont. Wholesale Fruit Market in West Toronto and bought the berries.

Mrs. Wood gave a talk at Sunday School for the Missionary Program. She told the life story of Samuel Morris and the influence his faith and life had on the people who came in contact with him. A vocal duet by Dorothy Baycroft and Mary Pattenden, "Since Jesus Came into My Heart," completed the program.

NOTE - No Sunday School or Church Service for July 1 and July 8. Plans were made to have the picnic the third week in July.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Smith and Teddy had supper Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stephenson at Woodbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Howlett from Newmarket spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Howlett.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Middleton from Brougham and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Scott of Toronto called on Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Scott Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Jack Kaarsemaker suffered a painful injury last Sunday night when she was bitten on the arm by her dog which had been hit by a car.

Mrs. M. W. McCutcheon and Barbara were enjoying a ride in their recently acquired pony cart on Sunday morning when the pony became frightened, ran away and upset the cart.

Mrs. McCutcheon suffered neck injuries and is a patient in the Wellesley Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Howlett and Mrs. R. Wilton had Sunday evening supper with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Nidderly in Aurora.

Mr. and Mrs. George Baersto and son of Sarnia visited Mr. and Mrs. Leigh Baersto last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dawn of Matheson are spending a couple of weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Scotty Wells.

Mrs. Edith Cox and Miss Edith White of Toronto visited Mr. and Mrs. Russell Elias on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Ash, Mr. and Mrs. Meredith Ash and Mr. John Ash attended Decoration Service at Queen's Hill Cemetery on Sunday afternoon.

Miss Dorothy Baycroft is taking a course in Order Writing sponsored by the Bell Telephone Co. at the Head office at Adelaide St. While attending the course she will be staying at the Park Plaza with several other girls.

Mr. John Ash spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. James Ash at Holt.

Those attending the York County Institute Rally held at Dalziel Park last Friday were—Mrs. N. Brown, Mrs. R. Baycroft, Mrs. B. Kays. The guest speaker was Mrs. A. M. Berry, O.B.E., International President of the A.C.W.V. of Australia.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harwood of Lemonville and Mrs. Wm. Harwood of Toronto visited Mr. and Mrs. F. Minns on Saturday evening.

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