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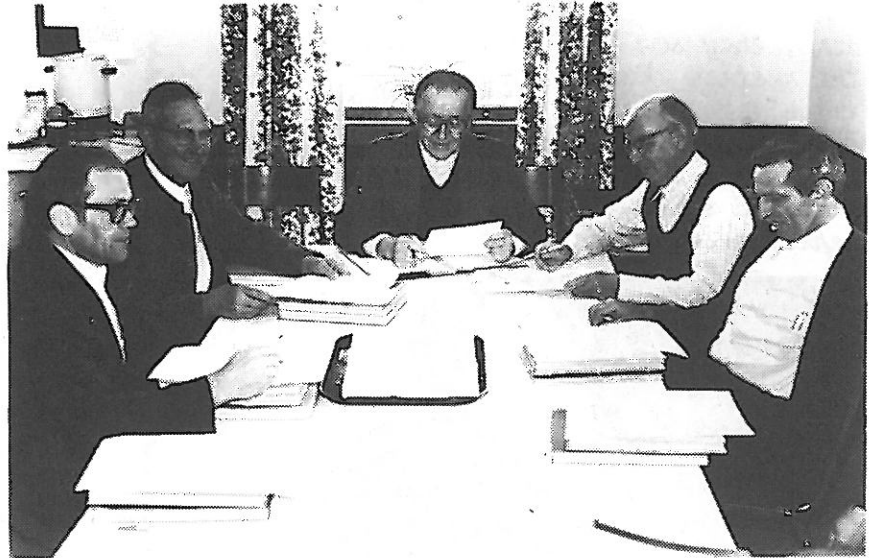
FIRST TERM
Sept. - Oct., 1981

SCHOOL BOARD

MEMBER RETIRES

AFTER SERVING

16 YEARS



Mark Swartzentruber, second from left, enjoys one more session with the Board.

Among the many men and women who have contributed much to Conservative Conference and to RBI is Mark Swartzentruber. Brother Mark was the first Mennonite baby born in Delaware (1918). He was ordained to the ministry in 1953 and is serving as pastor of the Greenwood Church.

He has served on the RBI School Board for sixteen years (two three-year terms and two five-year terms). School Board members are nominated by the Nominating Committee of Conference and are voted on by the ministers at the annual Conference. No member may succeed himself in office.

Six of Mark and Ella's seven children have attended Rosedale. Mark believes that RBI "has done more for Conference than any other single thing. It promotes mission and VS programs and nurtures our young people." (During the fourth term of 1981, the Greenwood congregation had eleven students enrolled).

Mark terminated his service on the School Board in August and plans to retire from the pastorate in about two years. "It has been refreshing to me to see what is happening at Rosedale," he said. He referred to the atmosphere on campus and said he has hopes for the future of the Conference. He is concerned, however, that "future faculty and staff will maintain a conscious effort to maintain Biblical standards and recognize the Holy Scriptures as God's revelation to man."

Walter Beachy, RBI president, spoke of Brother Mark as a supportive person who is very good at committee work. Bro. Walter said, "As a student, former board member, and now as I'm involved in administration, I have appreciated Mark's leadership, insight and support for the work at RBI. His contributions have been one of the more extensive of any of the Conference ministers."

NEW STAFF APPOINTMENTS

Jim and Mary Sutter and their family have moved back to Middlebury, IN, where Jim is employed as a draftsman.

Commenting on their year at RBI, Jim and Mary said they enjoyed seeing RBI from a different perspective. At students, RBI seemed perfect. As staff members, they saw the inner workings and the realism that changed the perfect image! Both agreed they enjoyed learning to know the faculty better. Jim attended the weekly faculty prayer meetings and saw the men in action -- in seriousness and in humor.



Replacing the Sutters are Ray and Mary Yoder from Middlebury. Ray is a carpenter by trade. He and Mary felt the call to Christian service. So when the invitation came from RBI for them to join the staff, they were ready to respond. The Yoders have one son, Steven, age five.



Carol & Nelda

Nelda Bacher, from Wolford, ND, is serving as Secretary to the Administration. Nelda was a student for five terms last year and is planning to graduate this year.

Carol Gingerich, the Dean of Women this year is from Nashwauk, MN. Carol attended RBI for eight terms in '74 and '75, and went on to EMC to graduate with a degree in social work.

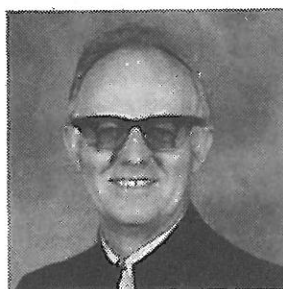
Betty Schrock is taking up a new position as Cashier.

Calendar

- Oct. 16 - Special Chapel speaker, George R. Brunk III
- Oct. 31-Nov. 8 - Willard Mayer at Martindale, Ephrata, PA
- Nov. 1 - 8 - Walter Beachy at Ebenezer, S. Boston, VA
- Nov. 1 - 8 - David Showalter at Griner, Goshen, IN.
- Nov. 1 - 6 - Alvin Yoder at Kitchen Pines, Blackduck, MN
- Dec. 4 - 6 - Alvin Yoder at Austin, IN.
- Dec. 4 - 6 - Music Week End at RBI

LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

DATES: November 16-20, 1981



LeRoy Yoder
Blackduck, MN

"The Christology
of the Old Testament"

Dr. Enos Martin
Elizabethtown, PA

"The Pastor: A
Wounded Healer"



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STUDENT

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CLASSROOM RESPONSE

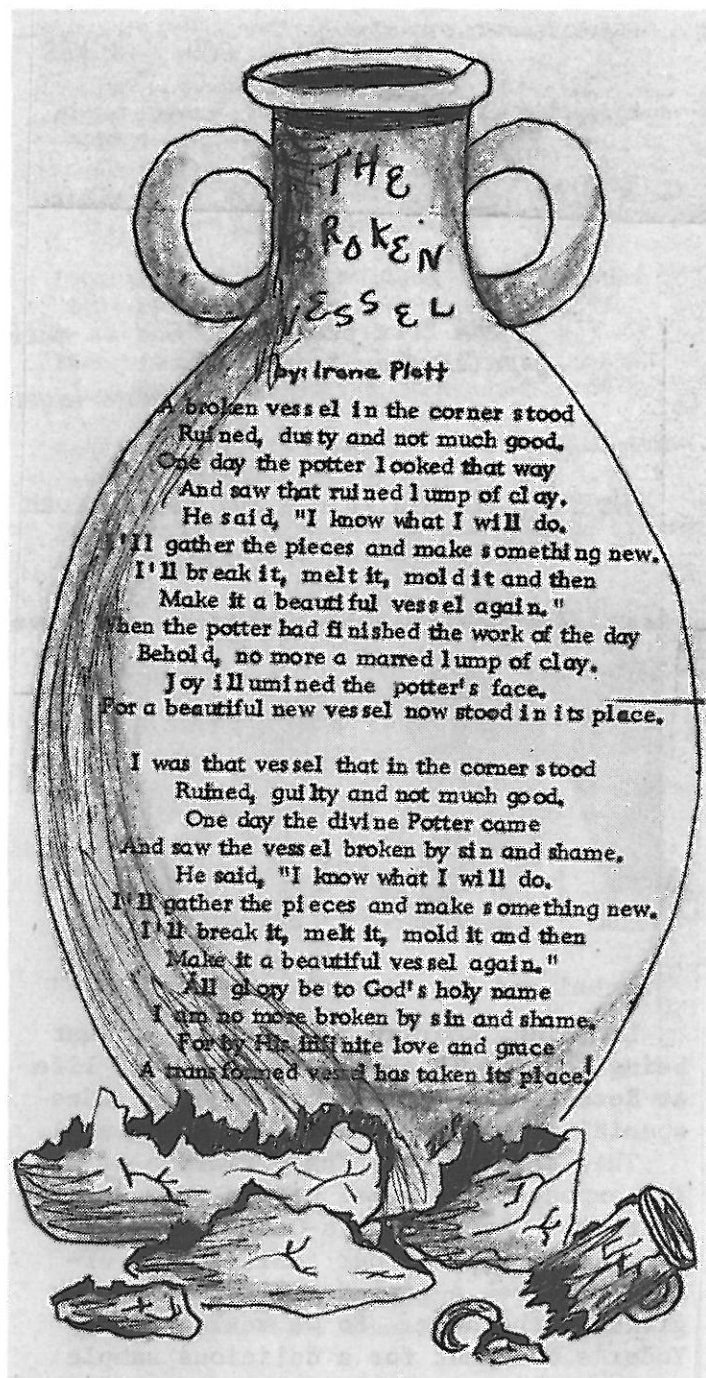
ROMANS

INSTRUCTOR, LEON WEBER

"For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth..." (Rom. 1:16) This is one of the key verses of Romans. Paul, a bond servant of Christ, was writing to the church in Rome. His theme throughout the book deals with the righteousness of God and faith in that righteousness unto salvation.

I have found the class to be a real challenge to my spiritual life. I find peace in knowing that we are justified by faith and that we have grace available to us daily. We have hope in God for the future. Therefore we can rejoice in tribulation and stress because we know that is working patience, experience and hope in our lives. I have been experiencing this in my own life and I know that tribulation often brings pain. However, let's all be reassured that God is refining us to be those vessels fit for His Kingdom.

-- by Judy Horst
Mechanicsburg, PA



Tuesday morning, Oct. 13, the student body, faculty and staff left to spend the day at Hocking Hills State Park. A short hike whetted everyone's appetite for a delicious brunch. The afternoon was spent in hiking, rock climbing and just relaxing as we all enjoyed a day away from our studies. We returned to Rosedale around 6 p.m. Peter Kibe, a new Kenyan student, said he sees now why Americans thank God for the weather and for nature's beauty around them.

"He loves ME!"

-- Carla Yoder

"He cares deeply enough to tell me when I'm wrong, even though it's painful."

-- Glen Landis

"I can love people and God is much greater than I am."

-- Chester Layman

"He has given me everything I have and has brought me this far in life."

-- Marsha Miller

"He sent His Son to die for us.... even when we rejected Him."

-- Ben Herr



Rachel and her roommate, Alma Barnhart

Learning, sharing and laughing...just being together...a beautiful part of life at Rosedale. Sometimes it also includes special things like eating a Haitian meal.

This term we have the privilege of being exposed to several people from other cultures. Rachel Louis-Charles has come from Haiti to join our family. She offered to cook a meal for all twenty-four girls in the dorm. So we met in Alvin Yoder's basement for a delicious sample of her culinary skills. She prepared rice and beans and chicken cooked in a succulent tomato sauce which thoroughly satisfied our ravenous appetites after a day of studying.

After the meal, Rachel shared some interesting things about her lifestyle: her family, school, her dating life and any questions we asked her. Rachel is here for two terms, then in December will be going to Georgia to prepare for her marriage to Joel Buissereth, a 1980 RBI graduate. They will both be attending college in Georgia.

Thanks, Rachel, for entering into our lives here at RBI.

Wilma Yoder
Leon, IA

FIRST TERM REFLECTIONS

This term fifty-two people have come together with a common goal: to learn more about Christ.

How are we being taught? Through many things. First of all, we learn to know Him through our classes. Secondly, we see Him working as we relate to our fellow students. He also works in many small ways: a meaningful time of sharing during our Sunday evening service, an impromptu prayer meeting in the dorm... We sense each other's needs and share answers to prayer about little things. God is working here and we can feel His presence throughout each day.

God is not only working through the serious times, but also through our learning to know each other better at a hot dog roast, a progressive supper, softball and volleyball games, a hay ride, and many other things. We learn to know Him better as we see His image reflected in others.

God is working His purpose out in our lives and we thank Him for His presence here.



KEEPING IN TOUCH

BIRTHS

Brad Douglas was born Sept. 27 to Dale (73,77) and Audrey (Hostetler) (77,78) Miller, Iowa City, IA.

James Brian was born Sept. 21 to Dennis and Ellen (Kauffman) (72) Eby, Gap, PA.

Andre Michael was born July 7 to Clair (77,77S) and Verna (Glick) (77S) Beiler, Paradise, PA.

Myron Dale was born Aug. 14 to David (65-68) and Rachel (Horst) (64,67,68) Schrock, Anasco, Puerto Rico.

Jerilyn Kay was born Feb. 10 to Lyndon (76,78) and Patricia Moser, Copenhagen, NY.

Michael Scott was born Aug. 9 to Charles and Elsie (Steiner) (76) Eberly, Orrville, OH.

Kerwin Todd was born Aug. 10 to Philip (76) and Evelyn (Heatwole) (75,76) Borntrager, Harrisonburg, VA.

Cheryl Renee was born May 18 to Richard (74,75,77) and Mary (Steiner) Heatwole, Linville, VA.

Maria Rose was born July 17 to Alvin (71,76,77) and Rita (Schrock) (75,77) Stoll, Glen Flora, WI.

Heather Dawn was born July 5 to Wilbur (75-77) and Grace (Hochstetler) (76,77) Nisly, Corvallis, MT.

Nathan Allen was born Sept. 13 to Richard (79,81) and Stella (Ramer) (78,79,81) Kauffman, Napanee, IN.

Dustin Neal was born Aug. 10 to Neal (78) and Lori (Mullet) Eash, Botswana, Africa.

Jason Delbert was born May 27 to Ed (77,78,81) and Faith (Yoder) (76,77,81) Sommers, Red Lake, Ont.

Aaron James was born Sept. 27 to Jim (75,76,81) and Mary (Diener) (75,76,81) Sutter, Middlebury, IN.

A number of students and prospective students of RBI are in need of financial assistance. A few have received grants which consist of interest money earned from various memorial funds. This amount is very limited.

We find it necessary to make an appeal to the constituency for money, whether as grants or as loans with terms negotiable. If anyone feels moved to help worthy students, please correspond with the Admissions Office.

WEDDINGS

Richard Myers (73-75) Hometown, IN and Barbara Shetler (77) were married Aug. 22.

Isolde Yoder (81) Grantsville, MD and Wesley Bender, Grantsville, MD were married Aug. 28.

Joyce Kindy (74,75,78) Midland, MI and Courtney Miller, Cleveland, OH were married Sept. 26.

Richard Burkey (75,78,79) Beaver Crossing, NE and Jane Stutzman (75) Friend, NE were married Sept. 11.

Anne Brubaker (76) Smoketown, PA and Jay Roth, Milford, NE were married June 27.

Ronda Peachey (81) Petersburg, PA and Michael Yoder, Huntingdon, PA were married Aug. 15.

Ruth Plank (76-79,81) Arthur, IL and Jonathan Kauffman (78,80,81) Cochrane, Ontario were married August 29.

Lavina Miller (78,79,81) Irwin, OH and Dan Good (81) Elida, OH were married Sept. 12.

John Kemp (80) Kalona, IA and Anna Rheam (79) Jay, FL were married Aug. 1.

Marie Kauffman (81) Mt. Pleasant Mills, PA and Mark Lauver, Mifflintown, PA were married Sept. 11.

ENGAGEMENTS

Ransford Heatwole (81) Bridgewater, VA and Christine Swartzentruber (80,81) Greenwood, DE.

Joe Showalter (79,80) Plain City, OH and Janice Miller (81) Irwin, OH.

Nelda Bacher (81,82) Wolford, ND and Dennis Kennell (77S,79S,80-82) Roanoke, IL.

Ruth Anna Forry (76-78) Hanover, PA and Willard R. Kauffman (78-80) Mt. Pleasant Mills, PA.

Cheryl Yoder (81) Sarasota, FL and Leroy Mast, Sarasota, FL.

Michael Borntrager (79,81) Macon, MI and Bernadine Shelly, Brewton, AL.

Grace Steiner (80) Dalton, OH and Jerry Unzicker, Wenona, IL.

Ron Nisly (80) Bremen, OH and Beverly Miller (79) Hutchinson, KS.

Daisy Swartzentruber (78,79) Greenwood, DE and Keith Miller, Goshen, IN.

Ellis Miller (81) Millersburg, OH and Rita Miller (81) Wellman, IA.

CLASS OF 1974

After graduating from RBI, Elva Bowman attended Ohio State University. Later, she transferred to Cedarville College and graduated there in May, 1981 with a Bible major. Elva has served on the RBI staff as librarian either part time or full time every year since 1978. One of the RBI plusses for Elva has been the continued "Christianships" through the years.

Phyllis (Good) Miller is a housewife and mother in Macon, MS. She and her husband worked for a year with an Indian church at Crystal Ridge. For the past five years they have been helping full time at the Nanih Waiya Indian Mission. Phyllis came to RBI from a community where she was the only one her age in their church. RBI brought her into fellowship with other young people -- including her husband, Danny.

Ellen Layman had done a variety of things and lived in several locations since 1978. She has spent 3 1/2 years in colleges in three different states and has worked in a hospital, bilingual center, and in a children's home. She is presently working as a bilingual clerk/typist in a housing agency in Lancaster, PA. Her interests are in education, Spanish, and German.

Doug and Diane (Mullet) Miller are living in Mobile, AL. Doug is a carpenter and Diane is housewife and mother to their two children. Doug writes, "I appreciated the deep spiritual truths and the atmosphere of RBI. I think it has given me a deeper understanding of the Kingdom of God."

The pastor among the 1978 graduates is Lee Mummau. Lee and Joyce (Weaver) live at Mt. Airy, MD and have five children. Two daughters have already been students at RBI.

MUSIC WEEK END, 1981, is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 5 & 6. It will focus on music for male voices. Guest conductor and resource person will be Paul Wohlgemuth of Tulsa, OK. Dr. Wohlgemuth is a member of the Mennonite Brethren Church and conducts the 500-voice Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus as well as the West Coast Mennonite Men's Chorus headquartered in Fresno, CA.

The week end format will include times of fellowship, workshop sessions and mass chorus rehearsals on Saturday, with a public meeting in the evening. Sunday afternoon will highlight the week end with a musical program consisting of several small male voice groups and a festival chorus consisting of week-end participants.

We encourage interested men to participate and especially encourage quartets of other male voice groups to join. Lodging can be arranged by RBI. To participate, please notify us as soon as possible. More information will be sent upon request.

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"... ye shall know the truth,
and the truth shall make you
free."

—John 8:32