

THE TRINITY FORPET

Trinity Lutheran School

Cole Camp, Missouri

1956 - 1957



DEDICATED TO OUR FORMER PASTOR, HENRY H. J. GERIKE

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HIS MESSAGE BEFORE LEAVING:

Dear Teachers and Pupils of Trinity School:-

My last day in Cole Camp! What can one say after fifteen years of working in Trinity? Many, many things came to mind, but it would only serve to make us sad to speak about them now. So I will only say, I commend you to God. I pray that all of you will remain faithful unto your Lord Jesus. I hope that I will see you again real soon.

I have enjoyed working together with you the Teachers. May God continue to bless you.

Congratulations to the Graduates! May you always be shining lights of Christain Young men and women.

In the name of Jesus, I bid you farewell.

Your former pastor and still friend,  
Henry J. Gerike

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM - 1957  
May 10  
8:00 P.M.

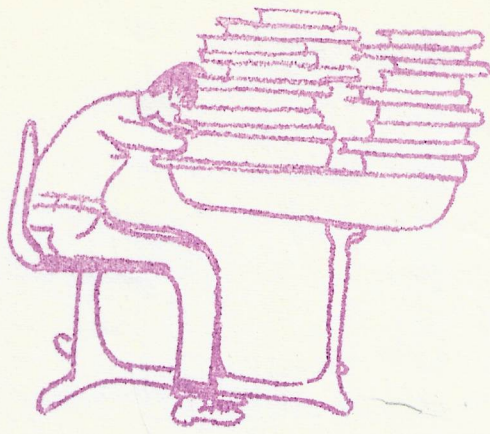
- Processional.....Leonard Schnell
- Hymn by Assembly....."Savior Who Thy Flock Art Feeding"
- Scripture Reading and Prayer.....Rev. R. Beck
- Remarks.....Robert Lange
- Song by School Children.....Rock of Ages
- Commencement Address.....Rev. R. Beck
- Song by Graduates....."Jesus And Shall It Ever Be"
- Presentation Of Class.....Leonard Schnell
- Presentation of Diplomas.....Paul Holtzen
- Remarks.....Shirley Brunjes
- Prayer and Benediction.....Rev. R. Beck
- Hymn by Assembly....."Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"
- Recessional.....Leonard Schnell

Class Motto: "For Me To Live Is Christ"

Class Flower: Peppermint Carnation

Class Colors: Pink and Charcoal

~~The~~ Bookworm →



← Finals Close

CAN YOU SEE? (CON'T)

- Frederick Hesse the slowest one in school?
- Virgil Harms without a pleasant personality?
- Larry Eckhoff a basketball center?
- Malvin Steffens not investigating?
- David Kaiser not confiding in the teachers?
- Mary Wilshusen wearing Fay Ann's clothes?
- Linda Hesse driving a tractor?
- Kent Eckhoff outjumping Frederick?
- Junia Mae B alks in a tug-O'-war?
- Nancy Brockman wearing dirty clothes?
- Ronnie B. Runs pushing girls around?
- Carolyn Denker calm as a cucumber?
- Geraldine Denker wearing a mink coat?
- Jeanne Dieckman disliking pets?
- Marcia Dieckman singing like Elvis Presley?
- David Eckhoff the last one in a race?
- Charles Grother not alert?
- Faye Ann Hagenah arguing with Kenneth Harms?
- Linda Heimsoth not singing?
- Orlyn Heimsoth without sparkling eyes?
- Judy Heimsoth without friends?
- Sandra Holtzen helping oil the city streets?
- Linda Kroenke not solving a puzzle?
- Donald Miesner not interested in stamps?
- Idole ne Muller selfish?
- Wayne Reinert not trying?
- Rosalie Root embarrassed by making a mistake?
- James Schnakenberg unwilling? (The above picture is his art work)
- Lois Schnakenberg without a floating walk?
- Louetta Schnakenberg without Nancy?
- Delores Schumacher not cheering others?
- Linda Schummacher with a dirty face?
- Larry Stelling without his pet "Sandy" and without his bicycle?
- Frank Tinney without a good story or trick?
- Rodney Tobaben not wanting to write on the chalk board?
- Harol Dean Weinberg without an extra cup of milk?
- Sandra Hagenah begging from others?
- Lynn Sue Schnakenberg objecting to roller skates?

Our Lunch Program without Stalls Muller?

Mrs Hesse not worried about something?

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Now we will close the book of another school term hoping and praying that the vacation will be a joyous one. Let us do all thing to the glory of God, even in play during this long recess. God grant this! Amen!

*Nesley Borchers; Shirley Brunjes;*  
*Jesse Case*

ACTOR: Clark Gable; Best Subject: Arithmetic; FAVORITE FOOD: Ice Cream;  
DISLIKES: Spelling; COLOR: Red; WILL: I, Jesse Case, will my brains to anyone  
who can use them.

CAROLYN GROTHER:- Born March 30, 1943, near Cole Camp. Parents Lawrence and  
Edna Grother. Baptized at Holy Cross Lutheran Church by Pastor Walter Schroeder.  
Attended school at Trinity Lutheran School at Alma three-fourths year, to  
South Side Public School four and one-fourth year, and Trinity Lutheran  
School at Cole Camp for three years. Confirmed by Pastor H.J. Gerike on April  
14, 1957. LIKES: Music; FAVORITE FOOD: Strawberries and Ice Cream; BEST SUBJECT:  
LANGUAGE; FAVORITE SPORT: Softball; FAVORITE BASEBALL PLAYER: Ken Boyer;  
FAVORITE SONG: "School Days"; AMBITION: Lutheran School Teacher; NICKNAME:  
Butch; WILL: I, Carolyn Grother, will my love for baseball to anyone that  
wants it.

KENNETH HARMS:- Born in Cole Camp on March 22, 1943. Parents are Harry and  
Bertha Harms. Baptized by Pastor H.J. Gerike. Attended Lake Creek School for  
three years and Trinity Lutheran School for five years. Confirmed by Pastor  
H.J. Gerike. FAVORITE FOOD: Meat loaf, mashed potatoes, and gravy; LIKES:  
Sports; ACTOR: Audie Murphy; ACTRESS: Jane Wyman; AMBITION: Ballplayer;  
HYMN: "Stand Up! Stand Up! For Jesus"; COLOR: Blue; FAVORITE BALLPLAYER: Wally Moon;  
WILL: I, Kenneth Harms, will my sharp eyes to anybody who can use it.

VIRGIL HARMS:- Born in Cole Camp community on June 1, 1943. Parents, Reed John  
and Celeste Blackman. Baptized by Pastor John Roschke. Attended St. John's  
Lutheran School five years, Lake Creek one year, and Trinity two years. Con-  
firmed by Pastor H. J. Gerike. FAVORITE FOOD: Chocolate cake; HOBBY: Stamp and  
coin collection; NICKNAME: "Birdie"; LIKES: Baseball and Basket ball; AMBITION:  
Unknown; FAVORITE HYMN: "Abide With Me"; BEST ACTOR: None; BEST ACTRESS: Jane  
Wyman; WILL: I, Virgil Harms, will my glasses to David Eckhoff.

MELBA HEIMSOTH:- Born at Bethwell Hospital on July 8, 1943. Parents are Oscar  
Heimsoth and Mildred (nee) Borchers. Baptized on July 18, by Pastor H. J. Gerike.  
Attended Trinity School for eight years. Confirmed by Pastor Gerike on April  
14, 1957. LIKES: Music; FAVORITE FOOD: Strawberries and ice cream; FAVORITE  
SUBJECT: Spelling; FAVORITE SPORT: Volleyball; FAVORITE BALL PLAYER: Stan  
Musial; HYMN: "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me"; SONG: "Banana Boat Song"; AMBITION:  
Lutheran School Teacher; NICKNAME: "Melbie"; WILL: I, Melba Heimsoth, will my  
brown eyes to anyone who wants them.

FREDERICK HESSE:- Born in Cole Camp, on December 25, 1942. Parents are Mr. and  
Mrs. Clarence Hesse. Baptized by Pastor Gerike. Attended Trinity School four  
years. Confirmed by Pastor Gerike this year. LIKES: Fishing and hunting; DISLIKE:  
Spinach; FAVORITE FOOD: Strawberry shortcake; BEST SUBJECT: Agriculture; HYMN:  
"Beautiful Savior"; COLOR: Blue; HOBBY: Stamp collecting; NICKNAME: "Fred";  
WILL: I, Frederick Hesse, will my low voice to Karen Harms.

ROBERT LANGE:- Born in Yuma, Colorado, on August 3, 1943. Parents are Henry and  
Martha Lange. Baptized by Pastor Schultz(?). Attended school in Yuma three-  
fourths of a year in Yuma and seven and one-fourth years in Cole Camp. Con-  
firmed by Pastor Gerike. AMBITION: Baseball player; FAVORITE BALL PLAYER: Ken  
Boyer; ACTOR: James Stewart; ACTRESS: Jane Wyman; FAVORITE HYMN: "Stand Up!  
Stand Up! For Jesus"; LIKES: Any kind of sport; FAVORITE FOOD: Strawberry short-  
cake; NICKNAME: "Bobby" or "Curly Top"; WILL: I, Robert Lange, will my curly  
hair to Winston Borchers.

JANET KROENKE:- Born in Cross Timbers community on November 14, 1943. Parents  
are Alvin and Evelyn Kroenke. Baptized by Pastor Duever on December 26. Attended  
Mora School four years and Trinity four years. Confirmed by Pastor Gerike.

AMBITION: Lutheran School teacher; FOODS Strawberry Shortcake; SUBJECT: I like them all; SONG: "Rock-a-Billy"; HYMN: "Jesus, And Shall It Ever Be"; COLOR: Green; ACTRESS: Kim Novak; ACTOR: Tab Hunter; NICKNAME: "Tootsie"; WILL: I will my blue eyes to Sandra Holtson.

MARLAN SUE LUETJEN:- Born in Cole Camp on July 30, 1943. Baptized by Pastor Gerike August 17, 1943. Parents are Leroy and Virginia Luetjen (nee) Beck. Attended Hink School six years and Trinity for two years. Confirmed by Pastor Gerike. AMBITION: Secretary; FAVORITE FOOD: Strawberry Shortcake; HOBBY: Collecting post cards; SONG: "Part Doll"; COLOR: Blue; HYMN: "My Maker, Be Thou High"; ACTOR: Rock Hudson; ACTRESS: Debbie Reynolds; NICKNAME: "Susie"; WILL: I, Marlan Sue Luetjen, will my calmness to David Denker.

SHARON ONDRACEK:- Born June 9, 1943, at Howells, Nebraska. Baptized at St. John's Lutheran Church north of Howells on June 27, by Pastor Rudolf Norden; SPONSORS: Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Butterfield; Parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ondracek. Attended school at Stanton District 19, for four years, one year at Greenridge, one year at Mora, and three years at Trinity. Confirmed by Pastor Gerike. AMBITION: Musician; ACTRESS: Kim Novak; FAVORITE FOOD: Round steak; HOBBY: Collecting dogs and stamps; BASEBALL PLAYER: Richie Ashburn; NICKNAME: "Sherry"; DISLIKES: Elvis Presley; FAVORITE SONG: "On the Porch Polka"; HYMN: "Jesus, And Shall It Ever Be"; WILL: I, Sharon Ondracek, will my natural curly hair to Geanie Brockman; may she never have to spend hours pinning it up.

SHIRLEY REINERT:- Born in St. Mary's Hospital, Kansas City, on October 14, 1943. Parents are Lorena (nee) Stelling and William Reinert. Baptized by Pastor Westerman on November 14. Attended Immanuel Lutheran School in Kansas City for four years, plus one year Kindergarten, and Trinity for four years. Confirmed by Pastor Gerike. AMBITION: Lutheran School teacher; COLOR: Pink; SUBJECT: Spelling; SONG: "I'm All Shooked Up"; HYMN: "My Maker, Be Thou High"; ACTRESS: Kim Novak; ACTOR: Rock Hudson; FOOD: Steak and French fries; NICKNAME: "Mickey"; WILL: I, Shirley Reinert, will my captainship of the volleyball team to Linda Kroenke.

LEONARD C. SCHNELL:- Born in Richville, Michigan, on August 17, 1913. Baptized in St. Michael's Lutheran Church by Pastor William Boekmansier. Parents were Ered Schnell and Sophie (nee) Schultz. AMBITIONS: To understand people, to teach the message of the Gospel with greater effect, and to convince young men as well as young women to prepare for the glorious work of teaching the way to Salvation. IMAGINATION: Twenty-one years old; WILL: I, Leonard C. Schnell, my teaching position at Trinity to one of my sons.

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May the Motto "For Me To Live Is Christ", dear Graduates, be your guide for the rest of your lives. Christ will not fail you; don't fail Him.

Your teachers, LEONARD SCHNELL, MRS. CLARENCE HESSE

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FAREWELL FOR PASTOR GERIKE AND FAMILY: On April 26, a farewell gathering was held at the local high school gym. It consisted of a covered dish supper and program. Several groups sang songs and remarks were made by appointed people. A free-will offering was presented to the. Everyone was disappointed to see them leave, but God's will called for that decision. All of us wish him God's richest blessings in Northrop, Minnesota.

TRIP TO CONCORDIA: On March 18, all members of the Confirmation class motored to Concordia to visit St. Paul's College. The entire campus was examined, a basketball game enjoyed, and a supper served free. THE REACTION: "We had a good time and like St. Paul's."

EIGHTH GRADE VISITS COLE CAMP HIGH SCHOOL: The annual visit to the High School was enjoyed by all. So was the picture in the afternoon.

**WALTHER LEAGUE RALLY:** On April 28 the Zone Walther League Rally was held at Cole Camp. Our League participated well, especially our Eighth Grade. The entire program was interesting and educational. Above all the Christian training was important.

**MONEY:** Many of our pupils took part in our Savings Program again this year. It is a wonderful saving's plan

The March of Dimes Campaign was also well supported. We have been contributing to the "Junior Broadcaster" by placing a box in the corridor of the school.

**PROJECTS:** A Chemical Garden was being watched closely in Mrs. Hesse's classroom. It was started by the teacher, but all helped and watched the changes closely.

Some children have made a special effort to get books from public libraries and supplied others with interesting reading.

Mrs. Hesse was the center of attraction at a birthday celebration in her honor one day by her pupils.

The B.T.A. supported a drive to obtain a "Ditto" machine. The result came soon, and this paper or booklet was printed on it.

The annual Valentine Day was observed by making beautiful boxes and exchanging valentines.

At this time the final reports are due. We hope all have tried hard.

**IN THE HOSPITAL:** Orlyn Heimsoth is at present in the hospital recovering from an appendicitis operation. We wish him God's protection and speedy recovery.

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**COMING EVENTS:** Annual School and Sunday School picnic in Sedalia on Monday, May 13th. Vacation Bible School for two weeks beginning Tuesday, May 14th. The pupils of the Seventh and Eighth Grades will make a trip soon to Jefferson City according to present plans.

**HUMOR:** Kenneth Harms—"Bon Bones" in the "Legend of Sleepy Hollow". Frederick Hesse—"Carmel mind"

#### CAN YOU SEE?

- Mary Schnackenberg without Lynn Sue Schnackenberg?
- Sandra Hagenah roughing up Jesse Case?
- Dwayne Weinberg more slender than Wesley Borchers?
- Mona Eckhoff as black as the Ace of Spades?
- Linda Root as slow as a turtle?
- Annie Heimsoth not noticing an event at school?
- Dennis Denker watching others play?
- Ruth Harms with short red hair?
- Carole Heimsoth disturbing others?
- Carol Mueller looking for trouble?
- Karon Harms not friendly?
- Geanie Brockman the last one to catch on?
- David Denker the last one to help run an errand?
- Winston Borchers not smiling, especially at girls?
- Robert Lange with a crew cut?
- Marian Sue Luetjen pushing others out of the way to get there first?
- Janet Kroenke with a sour face?
- Sharon Ondraeck with a pony tail?
- Shirley Reinert not talking to Janet?
- Carolyn Grother weighing three hundred pounds?
- Malba Heimsoth with blonde curly hair?
- Shirley Brunjes eating an ice cream cone?
- Kenneth Harms not finding somebody's mistake?
- Jesse Case smaller than David Eckhoff?
- Wesley Borchers with a white complexion?

# Trinity's Power Meets St. Paul's - May 6.

Jesse Case →



← David Eekhoff



The Annual Field Day of the Sedalia Circuit was held at Cole Camp between Trinity and St. Paul's of Stover, May 6. The morning featured races, high jump, broad jump, volley ball serve, and soft ball throw. After lunch we had three-legged races, volley ball, soft ball, basket ball, relays, and tug-o'-war. The final score was 178 against 128. The trophy which Trinity has won in three successive years has now become permanent for Trinity.

The spirit of sportsmanship on both sides was commendable as it should be when Christian children meet in competition in any activity.

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Outdoor sports were limited this Spring because of bad weather and poor ground conditions. In spite of the little practice the children had in preparation for the big Field Day most of them had developed well for all events. The seventeen foot and nine inch broad jump by Fredrick Hesse in practice is perhaps an all time record for Trinity.

Most of the play activity during this school season was held in the basement of the school with playing ping pong, shuffle-board, and other games.

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(The artist for the cover is James Schnackenberg of the seventh grade and David Denker of the sixth grade drew the above picture.)