

Sarah Major Hall (1925)

FEES. With the exception of a few books to be bought in two camps, the following scale of fees will be the only expenses while in camp. (For Church of Brethren campers).

Juniors	\$ 8.00
Intermediate Boys	\$ 9.00
Intermediate Girls	\$ 9.00
Young People	\$10.00
Training School	\$ 7.50

Registration and Information.

Send all registration blanks and requests for information to L. W. Shultz, Milford, Indiana, care of Camp Mack.

A Brief History of the Camp

1924

After Young People's conferences had been held in Manchester Territory at Winona Lake, Indiana, 1921—1922, and at Ludlow Falls in 1923, it was decided at the Brinkhaven, Ohio, and the Oakwood Park Conference of 1924 to secure ground and build a camp to be used as a training ground for the Church of the Brethren. At the Oakwood Camp in July 1924, a locating committee composed of Manly Deeter, John Eberly, R. C. Wenger, and L. W. Shultz was appointed.

A careful survey of possible camp sites was made. After authorization to proceed was given by the Northern and Middle Indiana Districts, the committee decided to purchase six acres from Jacob B. Neff on the east shore of Lake Wawbee, two and one-half miles southeast of Milford, Indiana. During the next month (November) thirteen acres adjoining the camp ground and extending around the east end of the south shore were purchased from the Syracuse Ce-



First Twelve Cabins (1925)

ment Company. At Thanksgiving time a group of volunteers started the work of clearing off the brush and getting ready to start the building program. At this time the camp was incorporated and plotting of a plan for the camp grounds was effected by Mrs. B. F. Wampler who served very efficiently in the latter work. The choosing of a camp name and names for the buildings was a very thrilling and happy experience.

MINUTES

The Indiana-Michigan camp locating committee of the Church of the Brethren met November 27, 1924 at 6:00 p. m. at Neff's log cabin on Lake Wawbec.

Present:

John Eberly

Manly Deeter

Clara Wine

L. W. Shultz

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It was decided:

Part I

The corporation name shall be Camp Alexander Mack.

Part II

The purpose of this corporation is to purchase and equip a camp site for the purpose of holding conferences, institutes, and young people's training camps for the Church of the Brethren in the central region.

Part III

The place of the office of this corporation shall be at North Manchester, Indiana.

Part IV

There shall be five directors.

Part V

The names of the directors for the first year are: E. F. Caslow, Woodland, Michigan; Russell Showalter, Anderson, Indiana; O. W. Stine, Goshen, Indiana; L. W. Shultz, North Manchester, Indiana; Clara Wine, North Manchester, Indiana.



Wawaka Helps Build Becker Lodge (1934)

Part VI

O. W. Stine, L. W. Shultz and Clara Wine shall do the incorporating.

1925

This was the year of building. Nearly all the work was donated. In January and February friends and neighbors to the camp donated and helped cut and haul logs for the W. R. Deeter Cabin. From March to May the Deeter Cabin was built as Camp headquarters.

July—The Blue and White Service at Winona helped pay for camp.

June to July 27—Major Hall was built.

May to November—12 cottages were built as donations by local churches.

1. Four Folders	Pine Creek
2. Room 4 U	Manchester
3. Good Will	Flora
4. Bide-A-Wee	Union Center
5. Invincible	Fort Wayne
6. Rest E Z	North Liberty
7. Live Wire	Anderson
8. Van Winkle	Baugo
9. Valley Inn	Elkhart Valley
10. Sunny Dale	Manchester
11. Bender's Haven	South Bend
12. Adelpian	Goshen

July—The young people hauled the stone for the Mack Monument which was set by Dr. O. G. Brubaker and Simon Frantz. The Milford State Bank gave a bank safe. (A valuable addition). Charles Newcomer presented the Camp bell. Charles Sparklin gave six lawn seats.



Becker Lodge (Camp Headquarters) (1931-1934)

The Work Crew—

John Eberly
Manly Deeter
L. W. Shultz

——Promotion Committee

Jacob B. Neff, Milo Geyer, George Barrett, Maurice Bolinger, Claude Leslie, Virgil Mock, Emerald Jones, Emery Cooper, Earl Cooper, Charles Newcomer, Clyde Rusher, C. S. Lehman, John Barrett, Silas Crawford, Joe Van Dyke.

A gang of volunteer cooks was on hand to keep the work going in strong style.

1926

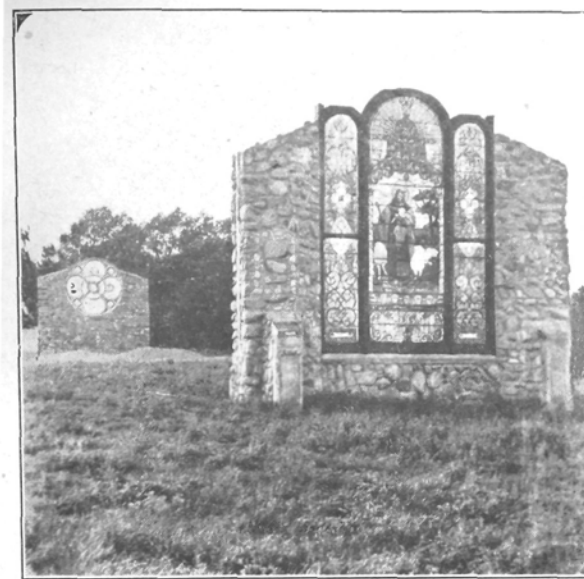
During Easter vacation in April an electric light system was installed. Northeastern Ohio sponsored this improvement. The Training School decorated the ground about the Mack monument. Intermediate boys built Wawbee monument. Intermediate girls made birds for Major Hall. Young People's Camp hauled stone for Ross monument. Health Retreat built drive to lake north of Major Hall. Three and one-third acres east of ground were purchased from Jacob B. Neff. Mr. Sparklin gave four office chairs and a heavy donation toward trees. A. G. Purkey of South Bend donated and installed an electric pump.

1927

Training School built pier below Major Hall. Intermediate Camps began tennis courts and did landscaping. Health Retreat built foundation for Major Hall veranda. Young People's Camp filled in veranda floor. Four Mile Church donated one boat. Purchased 6 lots north of Deeter Cabin. J. B. Neff donated 5 acres north of camp ground. Bethel cottage built. Bethesda cottage built.

1928

Training School re-decorated Mack Monument and rebuilt pier. Intermediate boys worked on tennis courts and helped build diving pier. Intermediate girls hemmed dish towels and did landscaping. Young People's Camp built lily pond wall and outlet. N. E. O. Y. P. built bridge. J. Clyde Forney built the outdoor auditor-



Good Shepherd Window
Beginning of Quinter-Miller Auditorium (1933)

ium A stone pulpit was erected. Major Hall veranda was built. Camp buildings were repainted. New Paris young married peoples class donated steel archway. State camps gave \$50 to build cement tennis courts. Camp entrance was built. An option was taken on 8 acres on south shore. Many other donations and gifts.

1929

South shore woods were purchased. The Manchester Conference eating concession was undertaken. The cement tennis court was completed. Built tool shed and set two flag poles.

1930

Murray Mount stage was built. Milford business men gave pressure tank for watering system. Erected stone pillars at the pier. Tried separate boys and girls camp. Pleasant Chapel church given to camp by Northern Indiana Mission Board.

1931

Began Becker Lodge. Built steps retaining wall and west wall. Buildings were repainted. Tennis backstops erected. Museum started.

1932

Built north wall of Becker Lodge foundation; built cave of brick from the Solomons Creek Church which was donated to Camp by the Northern Indiana Mission Board in the fall of 1931. Anderson Conference lunch counter operated.



Quinter-Miller Auditorium 1933-1940
(Men's Work Project)
(Committee—Clay Syler, Fred Priser, L. W. Shultz)

1933

Donation of stained glass windows by John Worthman of Fort Wayne. Completed Becker Lodge foundation and erected center end windows in Quinter-Miller Auditorium. Chimes and chimes tower arrive. Six one-hundred dollar gifts were made to camp. Large rock garden built.

1934

Becker Lodge was erected July 31—November 26. Churches hauled material and donated labor. North shore line donated by Portland Cement Company.

1935

Becker Lodge (named after Peter Becker) dedicated. Buildings were repainted. Ten year celebration.

1936

Kitchen and dining room moved to Becker Lodge. Trenches filled for the auditorium. Croquet court built. Public address system donated by Henry Torrence of Toledo.

1937

Auditorium truss bases set, leveling and grading for the walls. Men's and women's group help.

1938

Pillars and walls of auditorium rise. Hamilton Iron Works of Goshen fabricated, transported and erected the steel structure for \$2,700. New entrance to camp grounds. Large stone rest rooms built. Purchased Huffaker and Eberly cottages.

1939

Stone work on auditorium completed. Men work on their project to complete the structure. O. W. Neher headed crew. "Discovered" a flowing well (Jacob's Well) near auditorium. Four new cabins erected for boys. Fields north and east of auditorium secured.



Sunday Service at Camp

Peninsula area secured by purchase. Second tennis court. New Paris helped landscape the new ground. Aid Societies gave generously.

1940

Auditorium stage completed and seats built during week following Easter—a cold week, (220 one man-days). Installed lights. Dedication of auditorium, free of debt, by D. W. Kurtz on June 2, 1940. Valuation \$40,000. Stone tower over well erected. Veranda built to Becker Lodge, Appleman cabin donated by a friend.

Northern Indiana men contributed seats and Middle Indiana men contributed the lights for auditorium.

1941

Lunch room built. Well curb built. Fourth flowing well discovered near Deeter Cabin. Canal dredged. Becker Lodge porch floor laid. Wampler Cottage purchased.

1942

Becker Lodge porch completed. Built outdoor shelter house. Dedicated during District Conference of Northern Indiana. Placed celotex ceiling and white pine on walls of Major Hall. History of Camp Mack written by Clarence Sink.

1943

Started staff house base. Built new base for class bell. Dedicated Beery marker July 7.

1944

Hauled and built stone wall for staff house. Gifts of funds for two more cabins. Purchased M. D. Farm (140 acres) adjoining camp. Perry R. Hoover and wife engaged to operate farm.



The Vesper Bell Calls to Worship

Constitution and By-Laws of Camp Alexander Mack

Article I—Name

The name of this corporation shall be Camp Alexander Mack.

Article II—Purpose

The purpose of this corporation shall be to hold in trust the grounds and properties of Camp Alexander Mack; to provide such equipment as may be necessary and advisable for said grounds; to direct and control the management of the camp.

The purpose of the Camp is to provide a training ground for the constituency of the Church of the Brethren in Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, and Wisconsin. Further, the grounds may be let to other church or interdenominational groups for training school purposes.

Article III—Membership

The bona fide members of the Church of the Brethren of Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, and Wisconsin shall be the membership owning and directing the Camp through their representatives and board of directors.

Article IV—Organization and Duties

Sec. 1. There shall be a board of eighteen directors serving three years and one third of these elected annually. Each of the nine districts in the Camp Mack area shall elect one of these at their District Conference; the remainder shall be chosen by the Young People in their camp session. These directors shall be adults (over twenty-one) and at least six of them shall reside in rather close proximity to the Camp.



Becker Chapel Steps

Sec. 2. There shall be associate directors chosen as needed and advisable. The President of the Youth Cabinet of each state district (N. E. Ohio, N. W. Ohio, Southern Ohio, Southern Indiana, Middle Indiana, Northern Indiana and Michigan, Southern Illinois, Northern Illinois and Wisconsin) shall serve as an associate director for his state district.

The presidents of the cabinets of Men's work and Women's work in each district shall serve as an associate camp director for their district. The regional cabinet will serve as associate directors. Associate directors-at-large shall be elected annually for a period of one year. There is to be no restriction as to the number of associate directors.

Sec. 3. The Board of Directors shall organize by choosing President, First and Second Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Camp Manager.

Duties of Officers

1. The President of the Board of Directors shall preside at all business sessions of the Board and Executive Committee. Meetings of the Board shall be called by the President, and notification sent directors by the secretary of the board.



Looking N. W. (From Cornfield to This)

2. The First Vice-President shall preside at meetings of the Board or Executive Committee in absence of the president, and perform such other duties as the President or Board may indicate.

3. The Second Vice-President shall act in such vacancies as arise in the Board during the year, and perform other duties as directed by the Board.

4. The Secretary of the Board shall keep an accurate record of all Board proceedings and shall compile and publish each year, according to decision of the Executive Committee, a report of the year's activities including a report of each camp, financial statement and report of committees and camp manager. These reports will be circulated among the churches of the districts represented in Camp Mack area.

Sec. 4. The Associate Directors shall have the right to sit, participate in discussions, and vote in the regular meetings.

Sec. 5. The officers of the Board shall constitute the Executive Committee, which shall meet at the call of the chairman between regular session of the Board.

Sec. 6. Committees. a. There shall be an Educational Committee of three members appointed to set standards and make provisions for the educational program of the Camp. This committee shall be appointed annually.

b. It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to determine the financial policy of the camp; to determine the method of financing camp projects; raising funds; determining operating budget for the camp year; arrange for securing such loans as are needed from time to time.

c. The Registration and Publicity Committee will act in conjunction with the district cabinets, the regional B. Y. P. D.'s and the Camp President in the promotion, publicity, and registration for camps of the ensuing.

Other committees shall be appointed as needed.



Looking S. E. (Without Shade to This)

Sec. 7. Camp Manager. It shall be the duty of the Camp Manager to direct the physical arrangements necessary for camp life; have charge of the work crew—kitchen, dining hall and grounds; to buy the materials needed and have general charge of the Camp Property, reporting annually to the Directors. A care-taker may be hired for the summer season, to have charge of the grounds, and carry out such actions as delegated to him by the Board of Directors. The camp manager shall be an ex-officio member of all other camp committees.

Sec. 8. Each Young People's Camp will elect a young person as Camp president for the ensuing year. He shall assist in publicity and preside over business sessions and do any other leading of camp activities assigned him.

Article V—Meetings and Elections

Sec. 1. The regular meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held annually on the first Monday of Young People's Camp at the Camp.

Sec. 2. The young people present in the Young People's Camps constitute an electoral voting body choosing their representatives on the directors board, filling vacancies, and transacting the necessary business.

Sec. 3. A nominating committee of two directors and two young people shall be chosen at the meeting of the Board of Directors, to present names for Directors, Associate Directors, Finance, and Registration committees, subject to the approval of the Young People's Camp and board of directors.

Sec. 4. A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum.

Article VI—Amendments

This constitution and By-Laws may be amended at any regular



Jacob's Well and Lunch Room

meeting and Camp, when such amendments are passed by a majority vote of both the entire Board of Directors and the Young People's group in Camp.

By-Laws

Boating, bathing, fishing, and any sport that would detract from the proper atmosphere of the Camp on Sundays, are forbidden. The same policy shall apply to any other day of the week, whenever a religious meeting is in session on the Camp grounds.

The responsibility for financing the camp shall rest only with the directors and no debts or deficits shall ever fall back upon the districts for assessment.

Attendance at Camp Mack CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN CAMPERS

1925	149	1935	544
1926	283	1936	456
1927	245	1937	685
1928	235	1938	788
1929	297	1939	878
1930	202	1940	1,006
1931	356	1941	841
1932	347	1942	1,111
1933	394	1943	1,230
1934	528	1944	1,447

"The camp setting—the trees, the lake, the beautiful stone work in the buildings and with it all the good spirit of fellowship and good-will—impressed me. Quinter-Miller Auditorium with its Good Shepherd window in the rear impressed me most. Warren D. Bowman's addresses and the presence of representatives of two other races also impressed me much."—Virginia Witmer, Ashland, Ohio.



Rock Garden (Near Lodge and Beach)

Financial Statement

March 31	Liabilities	Receipts	Assets
1925	\$	\$ 9,747
1926	5,125	3,209	\$17,315
1927	3,660	4,847	17,391
1928	4,047	4,130	19,016
1929	2,878	5,564	19,094
1930	7,378	9,750	23,120
1931	9,195	5,847	24,412
1932	8,345	5,164	24,506
1933	7,575	6,042	20,340
1934	7,091	5,259	20,972
1935	13,500	10,981	45,757
1936	12,167	11,062	48,133
1937	11,781	10,841	50,000
1938	8,300	20,532	53,189
1939	8,200	24,536	57,574
1940	9,300	15,121	62,055
1941	8,800	13,471	100,268
1942	9,500	13,222	100,314
1943	6,207	17,117	99,410
1944	31,056	100,542
1945	24,513	102,793

"The weeks that I have spent at Camp Mack have been perfect from every angle. They have proved to me that the statement 'A Beautiful Camp in an Ideal Setting' is absolutely true."—Virginia Jensen, Nappanee, Ind.



Enrollment Day at Camp

Camp Deans During the Years

YOUNG PEOPLE DEANS 1925—

Chauncey H. Shamberger, Dan West, J. Clyde Forney, Russell G. West, Edgar Diehm, Fred Hollingshead, Galen Lehman.

INTERMEDIATE BOYS 1926—

Fred A. Replogle, Perry L. Rohrer, Mark Shellhaas, Harmon Bojrkund, Paul Kendall, Eldon Evans, Allen Weldy, Arlo Gump, Clarence Sink.

INTERMEDIATE GIRLS 1926—

Ollie Heaston Eberly, Georgia Miller Replogle, Ruth Barwick, Opal Browning Brinson, Marcea Friend, May Warstler Ober, Fern Geyer Schrock, Mary Keever Burley, Margaret Stump.

JUNIOR CAMPS 1937—

Mrs. Paul Halladay, Lawrence Deardorf, Lester Young.

TRAINING SCHOOL 1926—

Ezra Flory, Rufus D. Bowman, H. L. Hartsough, D. D. Funderburg, Raymond Peters, John Metzler, Paul Kinsel.

MUSIC CAMP 1935—

Perry Huffaker, A. F. Brightbill, Paul Halladay.

YOUNG ADULT 1937—

T. G. Weaver Committees.

Directors of Camp - 1945

T. G. Weaver, President; Arlo Gump, 1st Vice President; George W. Phillips, 2nd Vice President; George U. Heeter, Secretary; O. W. Stine, Treasurer; L. W. Shultz, Manager; Virgil Stinebaugh; Paul Kinsel; Clarence Sink; Russell L. Showalter; Joseph Fisher; H. V. Townsend; Josephine Wise; Wilbur Bantz; Russell Bollinger; Jesse D. Reber; Mrs. Clarence Bowman; G. A. Cassel; J. O. Winger; R. C. Wenger; M. E. Clingenpeel; James Beahm.