

NOTICE

As President of the Missionary Society of the Reformed Baptist Alliance, I feel that I should urge our people to give to Home and Foreign Missions. Rev. L. T. Sabine has already informed you of the need of funds in the foreign fields. We must go on and not drop back in Foreign Missions.

Money is also needed to help us open up new fields where they are calling for us to come and help them. There is a town on the Maine coast that is calling for the kind of a gospel that we Reformed Baptists preach. A fine church building in a good location in that town could be purchased for about twelve hundred dollars. A parsonage could be made under the church with very little extra expense. There are about forty or fifty people in that town who would make up our congregation and no doubt others would come. There is a church building for us to hold services in, there are people there who want us, and we have qualified preachers to send. You may say, "Well, why don't they go and start a work there?" This call can be answered and a church can be started if some good brothers and sisters will invest their money in souls. Readers, if you have the money, will you please pray over this matter to see what God would have you give? Rev. P. J. Trafton would be glad to receive any amount for extension work for these new and needy fields.

There is another phase of Home Missionary work that should not be overlooked and that is our work in established churches that are not self-supporting. As a Society we would help these needy churches by giving five or ten dollars per month if we had any money in the treasury for Home Missions or had any forthcoming. One of our good pastors and his wife and five little children need help right now. They are doing good work and the people are doing well, but just can't do what ought to be done to support this good pastor and family. We have taken the matter up with the Fort Fairfield Church and we are sending them ten dollars. If every pastor will stir himself and his congregation he can follow suit and raise enough to help a fellow-laborer in the Gospel. Please lay this to heart and then give. Send your money to Rev. L. T. Sabine, Treasurer of Missionary Society.

Yours for Holiness,

G. A. ROGERS

WHAT I OWE MY MINISTER

I owe him respect as the ambassador of God, sent to teach me a better way of living than the selfish, sordid existence I might be guilty of but for His guidance.

I owe him trust, that he may be free to serve the church unhampered by criticism and fault-finding.

I owe my minister prayer, that God may make his services a blessing to every one with whom he comes in contact.

I owe my minister the protection of kindly silence by refraining from repeating in his presence the slander or unkind gossip that would worry him and prevent him from doing his best.

I owe him enough of my time to help him in his work whenever he may need me.

I owe him encouragement when vexations and annoyances make his work difficult.

I owe my minister consideration, not to interrupt and hinder his work by financial worry.

I owe my minister my attention when I go to church, that he may not be annoyed by seeing by my careless, inattentive actions that I am not interested in what he is saying.—Selected.

Interesting Items

RUSSIA'S POPULATION

Latest statistics issued by Russia indicate a population of 165,000,000, with 20,000,000 more Russians in the independent republics that formerly were a part of Russia. It is believed that Russian refugees on the Continent would bring the grand total to 190,000,000, forming, numerically, the greatest white race on earth. The Soviet Commissar of Education states that of this total, only 1,700,000 belong to the Communist party.—Alliance Weekly.

In 1930, according to census reports, there were 4,283,753 illiterate persons in the United States. For census purposes, an illiterate person is one of ten years or older who can not read or write in any language. These figures indicate a decrease in illiteracy to 4.3 per cent of the population. The great majority of those who can not read are over 21 years, less than half a million being between the age of 10 and 21.—Alliance Weekly.

The depression seems to have affected the schools in the United States more than in most foreign countries. More than 4,700 of our public schools have closed already, while all through the country school terms have been shortened. In many instances teachers' salaries have been cut, and in some cases they are not being paid at all because the funds for the schools no longer exist. In a number of states the schools are being kept open entirely at the expense of the teachers. Chicago today owes her teachers more than \$24,000,000 in unpaid salaries. The cost of education per child per day has been reduced 14 cents since 1929-1930. This means a decrease in per capita cost of 22 per cent in three years. The average cost per child per day in the public elementary and high schools in 1930 was 62.8 cents. This year it is only 48.7 cents. Let us hope the public schools will not be crippled.—Methodist Protestant-Recorder.

MISSIONARY EXPENDITURES

The following table compiled by Dr. A. L. Warnshuis shows the amount spent in various countries by the missionary societies which are represented in the Missionary Council in the years 1929-31. The information comes through the International Review of Missions:

	Average Expenditure
Australia	\$1,390,381
Belgium	3,664
Denmark	518,386
Finland	117,674
France	197,838
Germany	1,525,494
Great Britain	11,031,513
Latin America	4,401,990
Netherlands	443,827
New Zealand	449,266
North America	28,171,146
Norway	604,608
Sweden	1,020,521
Switzerland	292,761
South Africa	794,870
	\$50,963,939

—The Free Methodist.

WHO OWNS THE WEALTH

A fundamental factor in the economic life of a modern nation is the way wealth and income are divided among various classes of the population. The ownership of the vast amount of wealth

that has been produced by industrial nations is highly concentrated. For example, before the World War it was estimated by competent authority that in the United States 2 per cent of the population owned 60 per cent of the wealth, 33 per cent owned 35 per cent, and 65 per cent owned 5 per cent. In older countries, such as France and Great Britain, it was estimated that still greater concentration of ownership existed. Many developments, during the World War and since, indicate that concentration of ownership has been increased. A study of 43,512 probated estates and of 141,446 estates not probated from 1912 to 1923, made by the Federal Trade Commission, showed that 1 per cent of the decedents owned 59 per cent of the wealth involved and thirteen per cent owned 90 per cent.—Selected, Free Methodist.

RUSSELLISM SHUT OFF THE AIR IN CANADA

Canada orders Watch Tower off the air, according to a recent press report, because of Judge J. F. Rutherford's attack on church and clergy. The association which Judge Rutherford represents calls itself by the name of the 'International Bible Students' Association,' but its propaganda is often referred to as "Russellism." The cult regards the church as an agency of the devil and attacks it and the clergy on the score.

The Canadian Radio Commission has ordered it off the air on the grounds of its being undesirable. Twenty-five stations carrying the program have been ordered to drop it. Any station that does not comply with this order will lose its license. Hector Charlesworth, chairman of the Canadian Radio Commission, stated that action was taken against the program because of complaints from Canadian listeners.—Evangelical Messenger.

ARMIES OF THE WORLD

Country	Active Army	Trained Reserve
Russia	848,600	18,025,000
France	647,000	6,328,000
Italy	480,500	6,017,500
Spain	209,500	2,115,000
Japan	225,000	1,925,000
Poland	332,100	1,645,000
China	1,925,500	
Rumania	244,850	1,485,550
Czechoslovakia	38,000	1,489,000
Yugoslavia	138,934	1,447,724
British Empire	451,751	711,453
Sweden	38,200	838,400
Turkey	133,000	532,800
Switzerland	494	629,506
Belgium	89,224	495,000
Greece	87,943	495,507
United States	132,069	307,120

—Selected

Palestinian coins are inscribed in three languages, English, Arabic, and Hebrew. Under the word "Palestine" appear two letters in Hebrew Aleph and Yod, which commence respectively the two Hebrew words signifying "Land of Israel," a term, says World Dominion, "fraught with prophetic significance."

In the Dornakal Diocese, South India, annual evangelistic campaigns are carried on by the people of the church. That recently conducted in the Kistna area by 7,640 members evangelized 1,000 villages, sold 16,000 Gospels, received 4,600 decisions for Christ, and enrolled 4,000 Sudra caste people for instruction.—S. S. Times.