MINISTERS AND CHURCHES

He that goeth forth and weepeth bearing precious seed shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.—Psa. 126-6.

Rev. E. A. Kierstead and Harold passed through Moncton on Saturday the 21st on his way from Sandford, N.S., to Saint John, N.B., to make preparations for sailing to South Africa. We have not heard yet when their vessel leaves.

Rev. W. E. Smith concluded his services with Rev. H. S. Mullen and the church at Saint John on January 22. He visited Brother W. Carson at Norton a few days, came to Moncton and spoke at the young people's meeting on the following Friday night and went on to Amherst to begin services on Sunday the 29th. He requests the prayers of all the Lord's people for a revival at Amherst.

About fifteen of the young people of Moncton Church went over to Gunningsville to the Girls' Home and had a very helpful religious service on the evening of January 18. They were requested to come back again for another.

Rev. T. W. Delong is to assist his nephew, Rev. Geo. Delong, in special meetings at North Head, N. B., soon.

Lic. A. D. Cann is assisting Rev. B. C. Cochrane in special meetings at Wood Island to continue over Feb. 5.

Rev. Hollis Kimball writes that they have had a generous revival at Black's Harbor, N.B. He will write about it later. Rev. G. A. Delong has been assisting him in the meetings. Brother Kimball wishes to announce that he is leaving Black's Harbor this year and will be open for a call for next year to another field of labor.

Rev. H. S. Mullen also says that he has resigned his pastorate at Saint John, N.B., and is open for a call to another church. See his letter in this issue. We hear that Brother Mullen had a fall recently and received a bad shaking up. We trust it was not very serious however, and that he will soon be out again.

Several of our members of the Moncton Church are confined to their homes through sickness, colds, etc. Deacon A. G. Good has had a very bad heart attack, and has been very ill for over two weeks now, but at this writing he is improving some so we are quite encouraged.

Lic. B. F. Kimball of Fort Fairfield, Me., is supplying the pulpit for Rev. H. E. Mullen at Fort Fairfield, while Bro. Mullen is absent assisting Rev. G. A. Symonds at Woods Harbor, N. S.

We received a very nice letter from H. W. Loveless, B.A., Principal of Lorn Park College at Port Credit, Ont. He says concerning our young brother, Bertram Hicks, of Killam's Mills Church, who is attending Lorn Park this year, "If you have many young men like Bertram you are to be congratulated." We are glad to know that our boys make a good impression on the schools where they attend.

HIGHWAY SUPPLEMENTARY FUND

NOTICE

Any church desiring the quarterly of District No. 2 please notify Bruce Logan, 17 Dale St., Amherst.

W. B. LOGAN, Sec.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICE

The Saint John Church celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of its organization on Friday, Dec. 30, 1938. The pastor, Rev. S. Mullen, conducted the special service. The Scripture lesson was read from the 27th Psalm by Rev. W. E. Smith, of Somerville, Mass. An original poem, written for the occasion, was read by Mrs. William Stanley, the only charter member of the church living. A solo, "Where Jesus Is, 'Tis Heaven There," was pleasingly rendered by William K. Trafton. Rev. Rev. W. E. Smith preached the anniversary sermon, using as his text, "David encouraged himself in the Lord his God." He stressed the fact that all things worth while are won only through effort and conflict. The same Lord who delivered David, so many times, from the hands of his adversaries, will certainly see us through every difficulty and trial, if we have faith in Him. Rev. and Mrs. Mullen sang as a duet, "I'm a Little Old-Fashioned I Know." Mr. H. K. Ingersoll, church clerk, conducted a roll call. The members present responded to their names with verses of scripture and offerings. Members unable to be present sent letters, also enclosing contributions.

GRACE K. LAWLOR.

A PEOPLE WHO HAVE LOST GOD

Wrote Rabbi Freehof, in American Hebrew: "Today thoughout the world, many noble thinkers, philosophers, psychologists and scientists are groping their way through darkness toward some vision of the infinite Presence. Who shall perform this function of guiding the perplexed in modern Jewish life? Who shall re discover our lost God?"

Centuries ago Jehovah said, "I will go and return to my place, till they acknowledge their offence and seek my face." Nineteen hundred years ago Jesus came to be the light of the world. Israel rejected Him, and how shall they see God except in His face?—Pentecostal Evangel.

ATHEISM IN RUSSIA

Lutheran News Bulletin says: "Instruction in atheism will be obligatory in all schools of Soviet Russia during 1939, according to recent news reports. To prepare teachers for their new duties a pedagogical institute for instruction in atheism is to be established. Jaroslavsky, head of the Society of the Godless, has declared that atheism in Russia is now in the last stage of its struggle against religion. The year 1942, he says, will mark the jubilee of the Soviet Union and the great festival of the victory of atheism. By 1967, after half a century of Communism, he predicts that the 230,000,000 population of Russia will be completely godless."

DESPAIR

B'Nai Brith magazine reports that 2,000 Jews have committed suicide since Germany seized Austria. According to Times despatch, "The number of suicides, especially among Jews, has been sensational. One of the most closely guarded official secrets is the number of burials in Jewish cemeteries. An American correspondent nevertheless succeded in getting the suicide figures for three days in one week. They were 131, 201, and 205. On a single day one week the number of Jewish suicides alone was 112."—Selected.

Never part without loving words to think of during your absence. It may be that you will not meet again in this life.—Richter.

OBITUARY

Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."—Revelation 14-13.

Christina Lee

Died—Christina, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carrol Lee, Union Street, Calais, Me. Funeral services were conducted at the home, Jan. 20th, by the writer.

Interment was in the city cemetery.

To those bereaved, we extend sympathy.

H. S. WILSON

Mrs. Margaret Bangs

Mrs. Margaret Bangs departed this life Tuesday morning, December 27th, 1938, in the Victoria Public Hospital, Fredericton, N.B., in the 79th year of her age.

Our sister had been sick for a number of years and an invalid for six years, being kindly cared for in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McGeorge, of Nashwaaksis. She was taken to the hospital two weeks previous to her death.

She was a member of the Reformed Baptist Church of Fredericton. She bore her suffering with Christian patience and courage. Her last words as she was passing were, "Good bye, I am going home."

She leaves to mourn one sister, Mrs. J. Pilling, Bronx, New York. Her husband predeceased her.

The funeral was held from McAdam's Funeral Home, Thursday the 29th at 2.30 p.m., the writer officiating. Members of the Reformed Baptist choir sang appropriate selections. Interment was in the Rural Cemetery extension. Her end was peace.

P. J. TRAFTON

MOULDING THE PATTERN OF LIFE

Man's life is an empty thing without idealism. When religion and idealism go hand in hand he builds a rampart against despair. When inevitable disappointments threaten to engulf him, he is fortified against the treacherous forces of doubt and disbelief.

Down the centuries of the past the religious press has given spiritual nourishment to countless millions.

This is the day of the press. The power of the printed page is one of the greatest force; in modern life. In bringing this power to the aid of the Church, the religious press is an increasingly important factor in carrying the message of the Church to the thoughtful citizen of our time.

In hundreds of thousands of homes the religious press is moulding the pattern of American life.—Associated Church Press.

GREAT DISCOVERIES

It is said that the great Scotch surgeon, Sir James Simpson, was approached by a young man who was seeking to compliment him. The youth asked, "What do you consider your greatest discovery?" The great man replied, "My greatest discovery was that I was a great sinner and that Jesus Christ is a great Savior."

Less men than Simpson, if their hearts are willing, may make these discoveries. And, making them, they may have peace and life everlasting. Many smaller things are for the great alone. This salvation, the greatest of all good, is for "whosoever will."—Free Methodist.

The doubter and the faint of heart set no mark on the pages of history.