

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

"Let no man despise thy youth"—I. Timothy 4-12

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### A FEW TESTIMONIES

So that we may better understand what the movies do to us, a few testimonies may be worth while.

Dr. F. O. Holt, president, Wisconsin Teachers' Association: "The root of all present-day evils among young people lies at the doorstep of the movie house."

Professor Richardson, former professor of Northwestern University: "We might as well try to sweep the incoming Atlantic tide with a broom as to build up the moral character of the children while the present types of films are being shown, promiscuously."

Dr. J. R. Geiger: "We are constantly hearing about the educational possibilities of the motion picture. But there is little or no effort of producers and exhibitors to translate these potentialities into actualities."

Prof. E. J. Duprey, Commonwealth Club of California: "The false conclusions of the screen productions are ruining our girls."

S. T. Beman, in his book, "Censorship of the Theatre and Motion Pictures": "Youth breaks the law that in the movies he is taught to break."

Hendrick Van Loon: "Moving picture producers are a group of money chasers who are turning an entire race of youngsters into hysterical little psychopaths, whose ears and eyes must forever be glued to something that can only be described by a single word 'ignoble.'"

But, then, you know that while professed Christian people will accept this sort of thing for themselves and their children, and while they will support the movie with their money, this thing will continue. Are not the total abstainers more consistent?

### C. Y. H. A. CONVENTION

The second meeting of the Canadian Youth Holiness Association will be held at Ottawa, Aug. 29th-Sept. 1st. Rev. John Huffman, internationally-known youth worker, of Cambridge, Mass., is the guest speaker for this Rally. The extensive experience of Rev. Huffman in young people's work is in itself a recommendation as to his ability to minister with benefit to a meeting of this nature. Some of the themes of our speaker are as follows: A general motto, "The Strength of Our Youth for Christ," and four consecutive messages; "Christian Youth Follow Christ," presenting the necessity of manliness in deciding for Christ; "Christian Youth Set the Standard," a challenge to our young people to set their standards apart from the influence of un-Christian and non-spiritual young people; "Christian Youth Face a Crisis," showing the need of holiness of heart and life; "Christian Youth Serve a Needy World," an everyday application of Christian living. These are themes for evening services. In the morning services, Brother Huffman writes that he will speak from such topics as: "The Christ Way in Youth's Recreation," "The Christ Way in Youth's Social Relationships," etc. We can readily see that our speaker has chosen themes that are of vital importance to our individual lives and the undertakings of the holiness young people's groups. Rev. Huffman's repu-

tation as a preacher and young people's worker, and the subjects he proposes to discuss with us, intensifies our enthusiasm concerning the forthcoming Rally.

Rev. W. W. Tink, who is to have charge of the singing and music during the convention, comes as a man highly recommended for the task. Although a young man, he has had considerable experience in the work of his church, teaching in one of the Nazarene schools, superintending the work of his denomination over a large area in western Canada, and holding some responsible pastorates. Our Beulah evangelist of this year, Dr. Hardy, said he was well acquainted with Brother Tink and regards him as a fine Christian man, and a great Gospel singer. During the convention such problems as "Building Up the Young People's Society," "Advancing the Work of Holiness Among Canadian Youth," etc., will be discussed in open meetings. These discussions are certain to produce valuable suggestions for the development of our work locally and generally.

We feel certain that, under the blessing of God, the coming Rally will be a season of refreshing and time of great profit to all who attend. We are pleased to know that a number of our own young people have made plans to be present at this meeting, and trust all will be able to fulfill their desires. All who expect to go should send word of their intentions to Rev. H. R. Whiting, 910 Bank St., Ottawa, so that arrangements can be made for entertainment.

May the Lord give us a great Rally!

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

We wish to thank all those who contributed to our Self-Denial Fund last year. The faithfulness of our young people, and older ones too, in supporting this phase of our work is an inspiration to all of us. Those who read the report of our treasurer in the July 15th issue of the Y. P. Page, have noticed that we were just a little below our \$350.00 objective. We are appealing to our Y. P. Societies and friends to assist us in making up this small deficit. To do so, we are suggesting that all societies take up a special offering for this fund during the week of August 17th, and plan to make a minimum contribution of \$1.00. If all groups will co-operate in this effort, we will be able to cover our deficit, and begin our new church year with a clean sheet. Will you join us in this effort? Send all contributions as soon as possible to—

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### THOUGHTS IN PASSING

A Message by Our New President,  
Rev. A. D. Cann

Beulah is now past and most of us look back with a sense of satisfaction as we recall how the Lord blessed and helped us there. Already we are looking forward to Beulah next year. It is good to remember the past; it is better to plan for the future, but the present deserves our greatest attention. The question is, What

are we doing now? There is a tendency on the part of some to glory in the past, on the part of others to speculate and build aircastles for the future. To live in earnest we must place emphasis on present activity. Let us not underestimate any moment, but on the contrary let each day be packed full of prayer, systematic Bible study and personal work.

When going to school our teachers used to emphasize the need of faithful plodding each day in order to get the desired results at the end of the year. "The heights of great men reached and kept were not attained by sudden flight; but they while others slept, Were toiling upward in the night."

In like manner should we as Christians be faithful each day! Faithfulness in our local church or community may not be as conspicuous as the demonstration of gifts at Camp Meeting, but it counts more in God's sight.

Deportment is generally the breakdown of discipleship; not always what we do, but sometimes what we fail to do. Work and ambition is honorable and especially Christian work. As young people we should organize or harness our life and strength around the greatest ideal, "the glory of God." If our deportment, work, dress or attitudes do not contribute to that end, then adjustments should be made. The glory of God should be the guiding, controlling and directing power in our life. It must be the final factor in all our decision.

The Lord's work presents a constant and mighty challenge to us. We are in a great struggle for Christian liberty and unless we as young people are willing to fight our battles and gain our liberty we shall be destitute of spiritual life and power.

Many Christian movements have lost their love and liberty because of worldliness and formalism. Many religious as well as irreligious people are existing on the virtues of parents and foreparents and are well nigh morally bankrupt. Unless we are willing to pay the price and die out to the world and sin, we also shall be enemies of the Cross of Christ.

Shall we in the coming year not only hold what we have, but make some new conquests. If we are to be soul winners we must pay the price in self-denial, prayer and faith. The time to pay the price is now while we have it to pay. To-morrow may be too late. There is a time to prepare for work and then there is a time to work. Let us not be confused in this. Workers are needed and God is dependent upon young people. Shall we respond to the call. Shall we dig deep and present to the world the virtues of the Cross of Christ.

All great men are noted for three things—simplicity in manners, in speech, and in spirit.

A serious shortage of ministerial candidates is threatening the future work of the United Church of Canada. Candidates are especially needed for service in western Canada, where scores of fields are being neglected. — United Presbyterian.