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YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

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

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DISTRICT NO. 4 CONVENTION

The Young People's Rally was held at Sandford on Monday, May 25th.

The opening message of this Rally was preached by Lic. Thelma Rose. She used as a text "Then are they glad because they are quiet," from Psalm 107. She compared the Christian life to a great sea voyage. How dependent the mariners are on such things as the compass, rudder, steam, oil, etc. How dependent we Christians are on our Lord! We must strike out into the deep waters, away from questionable things. Always must we be ready to use the help that is at hand—the preachers, the Bible, prayer, etc. As mariners meet up with derelicts and icebergs, so we'll meet up with things that would shake us unless we keep very close to God. Finally, however, the faithful and true will reach their desired haven. The message was very profitable to all.

In the afternoon a short business meeting followed the opening service of singing and prayer. Then Brother Briggs had charge of a Question Box and many were the questions brought in and duly discussed. Among them were: (1) "Where should we pay our tithes?" (2) "Should we tithe after expenses are paid or before?" (2) "What stand should Christians take re breakers of the law—should they inform on them?" Space won't permit me to mention any more of them. Brother Briggs answered the questions very skilfully and scripturally.

For the evening message Brother Price took as texts: (1) "I'll pour out my spirit upon all flesh," and (2) "For who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

This message was essentially for the young people. He urged them to have faith—a vision of the future and to make themselves strong because there is danger ahead. Prepare to meet the problems ahead. Then he made reference to Gideon, Esther, David, Solomon, showing how God had used them and how he could use the lives of all young people as well as those of older when they were consecrated to Him. The Holy Spirit was working in the meeting and while all the Christian young people were praying round the altar, many seekers came, some praying through to definite victory.

Praise God for victory through the Blood of Jesus Christ.

M. CAMPBELL

Dear Friends of the Junior Crusaders:

Greetings! Just a few lines to tell you that I'm mailing the pastors of the various churches of our denomination copies of the Junior Crusade Report Forms, and ask that they kindly hand them to the responsible individuals of their flock to fill in and return to me at Amherst, or take with you to Beulah and give either to me or my fellow-officer, Sister B. Cochrane.

Last year there was a better response to this appeal—more reports were returned, or explanation made that the Reports were not returned because no society existed in that church. Nevertheless there was only a small percent returns of what there should have been.

So I am making again an earnest appeal—please let me hear from every church of our denomination this year, if you have a J. C. Society or not. If you have, please return Form filled in. If not, please tell me that you have no society, and why.

This is one of the most important branches of our work—for much of the future strength of the Reformed Baptist denomination depends upon the scriptural attention and care we devote to the children of our churches and communities now.

Yes, now is the time, while they are still so young and impressionable, to influence them for Christ and His teachings, and to develop in them appreciation of and loyalty to our denomination. There's a reason, too, to do this.

Children are easy to win thus, and if handled in the Spirit of the Master, effects will be produced upon their hearts and minds which they will not get away from, even in their latter years.

And so, beloved, I'm banking on your kind co-operation that together we shall make this precious branch of our work a success for God and mankind.

Yours in Jesus,

MIRIAM SANDERS,

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SHEPHERD OF TENDER YOUTH

Shepherd of tender youth,
Guiding in love and truth
Through devious ways;
Christ our triumphant King,
We come they name to sing,
And here our children bring,
To shout thy praise!

Thou art our holy Lord,
The all-subduing Word,
Healer of strife!
Thou didst Thyself abase,
That from sin's deep disgrace
Thou mightest save our race,
And give us life.

Thou art the great High Priest;
Thou hast prepared the feast
Of heavenly love;
While in our mortal pain,
None calls on Thee in vain,
Help thou dost not disdain,
Help from above.

Ever be Thou our Guide,
Our Shepherd, and our Pride,
Our Staff and Song!
Jesus, Thou Christ of God,
By Thy perennial Word,
Lead us where Thou hast trod,
Make our faith strong.

So now, and till we die,
Sound we Thy praises high,
And joyful sing!
Let all the holy throng
Who to Thy Church belong,
Unite and swell the song
To Christ our King.

The above, written by Clemens of Alexandria, is supposed to be the oldest hymn extant, having been composed around 200 A. D.

The following has been said of this hymn: "Through all the images here so quaintly interwoven, like a stained window, of which the eye loses the design in the complication of colours, we may surely trace, as in quaint old letters on a scroll winding through all the mosaic tints, 'Christ all in all.'"

NOTICE

The first business session of the Y. P. Association convening at Beulah Camp this year, will be held on Monday, July 6th. In this meeting the annual election of officers will take place. Each Society is requested to have delegates present.

GENERAL FUND CONTRIBUTIONS

Neither the treasurer or assistant treasurer of the Y. P. A. expect to be at Beulah, especially during the first of the Camp. Therefore, we suggest that societies send their contributions to this fund by their delegates or pastors. This is the fund that is supported by the twenty cents per week from each society. Let's seek a record amount!

THE GOOD WORK GOES ON

For the sixth year the work of beautifying our lovely Camp-grounds goes on. That doesn't indicate that no work of this nature was carried on previous to this, not by any means. All who have had the privilege of visiting this Bethel, will recognize that those who founded it, as well as those who have carried it forward during succeeding years, have done their utmost to make it a beautiful as well as a sacred place. But for the past five years, we have had a number of young men on the grounds ten days previous to the opening of the Alliance, who, under the supervision of the grounds committee, have worked ten full days in general grounds improvement. The Y. P A. have co-operated in this effort with the Alliance, contributing twenty-five dollars each year toward this project. Again this year our young men, under the chairman of the grounds committee, Rev. H. S. Mullen, will be on the job, and through their efforts we expect to find Beulah more beautiful than ever.

THE IMPORTANCE OF CO-OPERATION

It is harvest time for us. Coming to the end of our church year notices and appeals are being sent out for reports, financial contributions, etc. In our Y. P. work there is a call for Society reports, Crusader reports, General and Self-Denial Fund Contributions, etc. Let's be responsive to these appeals. Be sure to report your society, your Crusader group if you have one, if not at least write a line to our leader. And let's go over the top in our finances. The response to these calls is a definite and vital influence to our meetings at Beulah and to the impetus to our work for the forthcoming year.

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