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## EDITORIAL

### RIVERSIDE CAMP MEETING

It was my privilege to attend Riverside Camp of this year for a week-end, and a privilege it was indeed. The blessing received lingers with me and the all too brief visit of this year has whet my appetite for Riverside Camp of '49. I am already planning for a longer stay next year.

Riverside Camp is located in the heart of Maine's Aroostook County, famed for its great potato fields. The visitor to this area derives great pleasure from the scenery and enjoys seeing the fine farms with their hundreds of acres of blooming potato plants. In this section farming is done on a large scale with every assistance of modern science employed. We happened to arrive in the Fort Fairfield area just as a helicopter was "dusting" the potato plants of a near-by field.

The Camp is situated near Robinson, Maine, a few minutes drive from State Highway No. 1. A beautiful grove of hardwood hides the Tabernacle, Hotel and Cottages and makes a distant view of the grounds impossible. These stately trees provide a fine setting for a Camp Meeting and afford welcome shade during the hot days of late summer.

The special workers at this year's Riverside Camp were: Rev. N. E. Trafton and Lic. Randolph Nicholson. Brother Trafton preached the Word with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven. Special grace seemed to be given for this rather difficult assignment, for never before did we hear our brother preach with such freedom and power. His messages were clear and close, and the Spirit owned the truth. The preachers and people supported Brother Trafton in splendid manner and the prophet was honoured by those of his own country. Brother Nicholson's art work was beautiful indeed. The songs and sermons of the evangelist were doubly effective because of the beautiful pictorial illustrations provided by the chalk artist. The work of both men was of the highest order and God's blessing was upon them.

Other features of Riverside were the special music and the fine work among the children. Otto Palmer, Bruce Brigeo, Deverne Mullen, and others, brought fine messages in song and the male quartette from Bethany Bible College was a great inspiration in the latter part of the Camp. Miss Pike, of Presque Isle, Maine, was a faithful and capable pianist.

The children's work was under the supervision of Lic. Ruth Harding, who rendered a splendid service in this field.

The services of the Camp were under the direction of the Alliance president, Rev. H. M. Kimball, and the vice-president, Rev. G. A. Delong. Both men gave fine leadership.

A beautiful spirit pervaded the atmosphere of the Camp. The Tabernacle services were characterized by a liberty which was created by the Holy Spirit. The blessing of the Lord was upon the meetings in rich abundance and the souls of the saints were greatly refreshed. Others were brought under conviction and found grace and pardon at the altar of prayer.

The Hotel service at Riverside was splendid. Rev. H. O. McGeorge was cook, with Fred McCormick and Mrs. Heywood and others assisting, and they provided fine meals. Brother McGeorge also had general oversight in the meal service and he gave the Camp attendants good care in this respect. Revs. H. C. Mullen, G. A. Delong, A. D. Cann and others worked faithfully and well that the numerous duties related to a Camp Meeting might be cared for.

The attendance at Riverside of this year, according to the demands for rooms and meals, was the largest for many years. All available space was taken and it was only as cottages co-operated that all guests were cared for. There was a good attendance at the services with the spacious tabernacle being crowded for Sunday meetings. All signs indicate an increase in interest and attendance for Riverside Camp of '49 and all the Annual Camps of the future. A fund was established at this year's Camp for repairs and improvements on the grounds and buildings. This Camp Meeting is rendering a great service and is worthy of our keen interest and best support. May God bless Riverside and make her future glorious!

### THE BUDGET SYSTEM

At this year's Alliance a decision was made to adopt a budget system for the financing of our denominational work. A special committee was appointed to consider our financial needs and allocate to each church a definite sum to be raised in support of our various denominational projects. These apportionments are made on the basis of the reports of the churches for the past three years.

The purpose of the Budget System is to equalize responsibility in our denominational work and give each department adequate financial support. Under this plan each church is asked to share in the bearing of our financial demands, in accordance with the giving power of each church. The church with the highest potential giving power is requested to contribute most, while the church with the lowest potential giving power is requested to contribute least. But in each case the church is doing the best it can according to ability, and hence there is an equalizing of responsibility toward the meeting of all our financial needs, according to scriptural plan (2 Corinthians 8:13-15).

By this time each church will have received the fine letter drawn up by our committee, and the allotments for the year. It is to be hoped that all our pastors and all our people will give full support to this plan. The success of the system is dependent upon the co-operation of all, so let us unite in a whole-hearted effort to reach or exceed the goals that have been set for us. It would not be surprising if

the plan as presented may require some review and revision, but if that is so, let us appeal for such changes at the proper time and not allow any flaws or faults in the plan to hinder our giving our best to make it successful in this first year of operation.

Perhaps, as at no other time in our denominational history, the "unity test" is on us this year. Only as we plan, pray, and work together can we reach the goals we ourselves have set. But I believe we shall, God helping us.

### Rev. George A. Rogers

The Reformed Baptist Church has lost one of its finest sons, in the passing of Rev. G. A. Rogers. Brother Rogers attended this year's summer sessions of the Winona Lake School of Theology, and having been in poor health previously and during the school period, stopped at Boston on his return journey for medical aid. He entered the New England Baptist Hospital and there received treatment, but complications developed and our brother went to be with the Lord, Friday, August 20th.

Born at Benton, New Brunswick, George Rogers was converted to God at an early age and later obeyed the call to the Gospel ministry. He spent seven or eight years at Eastern Nazarene College in preparatory and college work, graduating with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Twenty years ago, at the Alliance and Camp Meeting of 1928, George Rogers was ordained to the Gospel ministry. Since that time he has rendered splendid service to his Master. He was pastor of the R. B. churches of Belvedere-Crystal, Fort Fairfield, and Presque Isle, Maine, and the Sandford-Port Maitland-Brazil churches of Nova Scotia. He also spent considerable time in evangelism and will be remembered by all with whom he laboured as an earnest preacher and a lover of souls. When our denominational school was founded Brother Rogers became its first Bible teacher, and in that capacity he served until the time of his death. The name of Rev. George Rogers will be associated with Bethany Bible College throughout the future.

Brother Rogers bore the spirit of his Master. He was highly respected by his fellow ministers and associates in Christian service. He had a heart of gold and that heart was moved by strong compassion for the lost. He poured out his life in the service of Christ and was brought to death prematurely because of his great zeal for the work of God. A prince and a man has fallen. We honour his memory and look forward to the time when the broken ties of fellowship may be eternally mended.

### CHRIST'S CALL TO YOU

For the care of sheep Christ needs shepherds; for the ingathering of the harvest he needs reapers; for the world-wide proclamation of the gospel he needs missionaries. Christ needs you and me, because he chooses to employ means to ends. He does not will to do everything himself, but to work in and then through people whom he qualifies. It is to be feared that the Master has a lot of poor material with which to work, but it is most wonderful how he uses it. The power of accomplishment is not in the human instrument but in the Divine workman, yet his skill is revealed through the instrument. The twelve Apostles were a queer lot, judged by human standards, but they out-loved, out-worked, and out-lived the might of Rome. Christ wants you, today.

—W. Graham Scroggie.