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EDITORIAL

OUR SUMMER WORK

We face the busiest summer in our denominational history. Plans have been formulated for an extensive and intensive evangelistic programme. The Annual Alliance Sessions, Camp Meetings, Youth Camp, Tent Meetings and Daily Vacation Bible Schools, and some summer revival campaigns are scheduled for July and August.

Matters of the utmost importance will be under consideration in the Sixty-third Session of our Alliance. For the conduct of our Father's business we should make prayerful preparation.

We anticipate two great Camp Meetings this summer. It is our good fortune to have evangelists engaged who are well known as able preachers and consecrated workers. At Beulah Camp we shall sit under the ministry of Dr. G. B. Williamson, General Superintendent of the Nazarene Church. Dr. Williamson has had a wide experience in the field of Christian service, having served as pastor, evangelist, college president, and in his present capacity he occupies the highest office of his church. The quality of preaching and spiritual leadership for this year's Beulah Camp is assured with the coming of an evangelist who has enjoyed a fruitful ministry across a quarter of a century.

An additional feature of Beulah Camp of '49 will be an all-day Missionary programme. In former years we have had one missionary rally during the Camp, but this year stronger emphasis on missionary work will be given with a full day of services, majoring on the need of evangelization at home and abroad. As special speaker for the Foreign Missionary services we'll be privileged to have Rev. Charles P. Culver, deputational secretary of the Oriental and Inter-American Missionary Society. Dr. Culver is an able and eloquent speaker and has a challenging missionary message. He has just returned from a trip around the world. We look forward to missionary day as a high point in this year's Beulah Camp programme. Dr. Culver will also speak at the Annual Meeting of the Young People's Association.

A new and improved plan for children's meetings will be upon the Beulah agenda for this year. Instead of the 1.00 p. m. children's meeting of previous years, we'll have Daily

Vacation Bible School sessions in the forenoon. A large tent will be erected to accommodate these meetings and experienced workers will instruct the children. This plan will give the juniors attending Beulah a splendid training, and parents will be free to enjoy the Tabernacle services.

Following Beulah Camp the fifth annual Beulah Youth Camp will be held. A strong staff of workers have been engaged for this year's Youth Camp and a record enrollment of Young People is expected. Rev. Paul Currie and Albert Lane, well known evangelistic team, will be present, Rev. Currie as evangelist and Mr. Lane as director of music. Capable and consecrated workers, these fine workers will be a blessing. As Bible Teacher for the Camp, we shall have the venerable Dr. Peter Wiseman, well known across the continent as an evangelist and educator. Dr. Wiseman will bring a splendid teaching ministry to our Youth Camp. Rev. and Mrs. H. R. Ingersoll, Bill Morgan and Vesta Dunlop will direct the recreational programme of the Camp.

In August another great Camp Meeting, Riverside, will be held at Robinson, Maine. Interest in Riverside Camp is on the increase, and we anticipate a time of blessing there this year. The evangelist for this year will need neither introduction nor recommendation. Rev. E. W. Tokley, of Ottawa, Ontario, has been evangelist at Beulah Camp and has also conducted campaigns in a number of our local churches. He is held in high regard by our ministers and people and his ministry will be edifying to all. Special children's and young people's meetings will be conducted at Riverside and good music, vocal and instrumental, will be featured. We look for a great Camp at Riverside. During the summer months at least four tent meetings will be held in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. This work has already begun and will continue until Autumn. New ground will be broken and we trust new churches will be born and of heaven-sent revivals. Pastors and evangelists, singers and D. V. B. S. workers will unite in these extensive efforts.

With a Daily Vacation Bible School associated with each tent meeting and D. V. B. S. campaigns in many of the local churches, we shall be doing work in the great and fertile field of child evangelism. Plans and organization for this work have been under consideration for months and a fine group of young people have volunteered for service.

It is hardly necessary to suggest that much prayer is needed to support all these undertakings. Great grace and power will be required to bring all these efforts to a successful end. We need intercessors, people who will pray mightily for blessing and victory in all these campaigns. We rejoice that laborers are going forth. May we pray so earnestly and importunately that our rejoicing may be multiplied when the workers return from the field.

THE STORY OF A SONG

I'd rather have Jesus than silver or gold,
I'd rather be His than have riches untold;
I'd rather have Jesus than houses or lands,
I'd rather be led by His nailed-pierced hand,
Than to be the king of a vast domain,
And be held in sin's dread sway;
I'd rather have Jesus than any thing
This world affords today."
And the second stanza begins, "I'd rather

have Jesus than men's applause," and continues "I'd rather have Jesus than world-wide fame"—sentences which struck the very heart of a young man as he sat before his piano early one Sunday morning. His mother, a minister's wife, had placed a beautiful poem where her son would see it, and with a prayer that he, a Christian, would become wholly consecrated to Christ and His service. She knew about the offer he was pondering of a radio contract that would have given him opportunity for fame and possible riches in exchange for regular appearances on a secular radio broadcast.

It was during the thirties, and business curves were still heading downward. There was a rumor of a salary cut in the down-town New York insurance office where the 22-year-old singer worked as a clerk.

"RADIO"—a magic word—for had not obscure names become nationally known overnight, as millions began to hear new personalities? Then, too, there was money to be made in radio. Beverly Shea thought on these things as he rehearsed a hymn he was to sing in church that morning.

His eyes again fell on the words of Mrs. Rhea Miller's poem, and he read, "I'd rather have Jesus than silver or gold." His fingers unconsciously fell to the keyboard, and he wrote out the melody which is today known to multitudes.

Several days later, the director who had spoken to Mr. Shea in behalf of the radio engagement was amazed to receive a firm "No" in response to his offer. "No" was a strange word to the director's ears as many singers would have leaped at the opportunity proposed to the young bass-baritone.

From that time forward there was never any doubt as to the course which Beverly Shea was to pursue in full-time Christian service, and the words of the poem, "I'd Rather Have Jesus," set to music became his personal testimony. Wherever he appeared, he was certain to sing his earlier decision, and through the years which have followed, multitudes have had their own lives transformed and brought to Christ through the hearing of this simple yet powerful testimony.

PERFECT LOVE

Give me the love that suffers and is kind,
That envies not, nor vaunts its pride or fame,
It not puffed up, does no discourteous act,
Is not provoked, nor seeks its own to claim.
Give me the love that thinks no evil thought,
Nor dwells complacent on another's sin,
But in the truth delights, and evermore
Still seeks the erring to the truth to win.
Give me the love that springs from holy faith
And still believes, although it cannot see,
That even for the hopeless hopes the best
And loves because of what is yet to be.
Give me the love that all things sweetly bears,
Whate'er my Father's hand may choose to send;
Give me the love that patiently endures
The wrongs that come from human foe or friend.
There is but one can live and love like this;
The Christ-love from the living Christ must spring.
O Jesus, ever live Thy life in me,
And all Thy heaven of love and blessing bring.
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