

Church and District News

QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT

The Quarterly Meeting of Dist. No. 2 convened with the church at Moncton, N. B.

The message of the opening service on Thursday evening was brought by Rev. B. D. Price. His theme, "Confidence." Rev. P. Green spoke Friday night from the text in John 18:40. Saturday evening Rev. L. Saunders was the speaker.

At 2.30 Saturday afternoon, the business meeting of the quarterly was held, B. C. Cochrane in the chair. Business transactions were as follows: Election of officers; appointment of the devotional committee; roll call, responded to by seven preachers, and eight delegates; also, our superintendent gave a very thorough and encouraging report of the work at Barker's Point. Brother Tokley spoke in connection with The Highway.

The services of the Sabbath began with a "love feast" lead by Rev. A. L. Stairs, which was followed by the preaching service, S. W. Ingersoll being the speaker. Rev. Enos Cann spoke in the afternoon service, and Rev. B. C. Cochrane brought the closing message of the quarterly. At the close of this service nine seekers bowed at an altar of prayer.

This quarterly was another one of those "good" quarterlies: good preaching; good singing; good victory, good spirit prevailing throughout; and, "excellent" entertainment. Thank the Lord for this time of blessing and fellowship.

S. W. INGERSOLL,
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ROOMS AT THE CEDARDALE DORMITORY

In accordance with a motion passed at the Alliance Session last year (see page 8 of Minutes of Alliance last paragraph), the rooms in the above mentioned dormitory will be used only by women, girls and married couples. No room will be reserved for less than 9 days. In order to hold a reserved room a tenant must be there by the first Saturday of the Camp, otherwise the room will be rented by the caretaker.

(Rev.) W. Fernley (caretaker)

Concerning the Budgets

B. C. Cochrane

At the Alliance Sessions of 1948 a budget system for the financing our denominational work was proposed and adopted.

The System Explained

Briefly, the budget system of financing our church projects is this: The estimated cost of supporting our Foreign and Home Missionary work, Bethany Bible College, and the Superintendency is presented to a special committee. This committee allocates to each church specific financial goals for the support of each department of the work, seeking to spread responsibility as fairly as possible, "that there may be equality" in the sharing of the financial burdens of the denominational enterprises.

An Encouraging Response

The response to this new system has been generally encouraging. Each year our people are becoming better acquainted with and accustomed to this plan and favour towards the system has steadily increased. Many of our churches have cheerfully assumed a large share of financial responsibility and have generously given the full amounts requested of them. Other churches, while falling short of the goals set for them, have been giving more generously each year. Only a few churches have failed to make a real effort to raise the money asked of them.

A Goal for This Year

More than two months of the church year still remain and we earnestly request all pastors and people to launch an all-out effort toward a "budgets-paid-in-full" or budgets overpaid" goal before June 15th. The forward movement of our church at home and abroad can only continue and gain momentum as we give it strong financial support. Why not set May 11th, our denomination-wide Sunday School Rally Day, as a "budget-in-full" Sunday, and endeavour to raise what remains unpaid of your church's allocations. Let's go "over the top" in our budgets this year.

BLISSFIELD, N. B.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

On March 23rd we closed a very refreshing two weeks of special meetings. Rev. H. O. McGeorge, of Presque Isle, was with us for three Sundays. We certainly enjoyed the ministry of our brother, and I'm sure if any of our churches should be fortunate enough to engage Brother McGeorge in revival services, his preaching and personal experiences would be a great source of inspiration and blessing.

The people of Blissfield gave themselves unreservedly to prayer during the meeting and we enjoyed some very blessed times around the altar, when backsliders were reclaimed, believers sanctified, and sinners were converted unto the Lord.

Louis Houlton, also of Presque Isle, came along with Brother McGeorge. His interest in the souls of men and his prayers and personal work was appreciated by all.

We have great hopes for the spreading of scriptural holiness from the Blissfield Church.

Yours for souls,

R. H. NICHOLSON

MINISTER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following ministers are available for pastoral work in the coming church year and are open for a call:

Rev. Lawson Saunders, Havelock, N. B.

Rev. S. G. Hilyard, Island Falls, Me.

Lic. Emery C. Cann, R. R. No. 2, South Ohio, Yar. Co., N. S.

Rev. Enos Cann, Londonderry, N. S.

Rev. H. E. Anderson, Meductic, N. B.

Rev. Ralph Ingersoll has accepted a call to the Barker's Point Church.

Lic. Neil Rice has accepted a call to the Doaktown and Blissfield Churches.

Rev. A. D. Cann has accepted a call to the Seal Cove, Wood Island Churches.

Lic. Ronald Morehouse has accepted a call to the Salem and Killam's Mills Churches.

Rev. B. D. Price has accepted a call to the church at North Head, Grand Manan.

Rev. Ronald T. Sabine, pastor of the Seal Cove and Wood Island churches for the past five years, has accepted a call to the Church of the Nazarene, Trenton, Nova Scotia.

Special meetings are to be held in the Wood Island Church, April 15 to 27, with Rev. R. T. Sellick, of Oxford, N. S., as evangelist.

Second, Annual, Denomination Wide

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY

MOTHER'S DAY

MAY

11th

PLAN — PRAY — PRODUCE:

- BIGGER, BETTER, SUNDAY SCHOOLS
- A GREAT HOME MISSION DRIVE