

News and Announcements

QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT

The first Quarterly Meeting of District No. 6 convened with the church at Truro, N. S., with Rev. C. E. Stairs as host pastor. We thank God for a fine district meeting. God's presence was with us all the way through, and we have great reason to give God praise. Since, as we have already stated, this was the first Quarterly Meeting of a new district, possibly a few words of explanation would be worthwhile. Before our Alliance of this year there was no District No. 6, District No. 2 extended from St. John, N. B., to Truro, N. S. However, with the organizing of new churches at Sussex, N. B., and Halifax, N. S., it seemed advisable that this district be divided: Thus District No. 6—from Amherst to Halifax—came into being. We thank God that the work has gone ahead and made this move necessary. May we see, in the year and years ahead, each district growing and new ones being formed.

The general theme of this Meeting at Truro was the need for revival. The messengers and messages were blessed of God, and God's people were stirred to a closer walk with Him and to a greater zeal in proclaiming the Gospel, by word and example in this needy hour.

It was indeed a pleasure to welcome Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Hobson and the Church at Halifax to this their first Quarterly Meeting. May God's blessing be with them, and with us all, that we might go forward in Him and for Him.

R. T. Benson, Secretary

BROADCAST ANNOUNCEMENT

Brother Samuel Guptill, of Grand Harbour, Grand Manan, N. B., announces a regular broadcast, "Gospel of Christ," over CJLS Yarmouth, N. S., beginning Sunday, Dec. 6th, at 4.30 p. m.

THE 86TH N. H. A. CONVENTION

The 86th Annual Convention of the National Holiness Association will be held in the Temple Baptist Church, Detroit, Michigan, April 21 to 25, 1954. Nationally-known speakers will be on the program.—Full program will be announced later.—For information write: National Holiness Association, 235 Main Street, Meyersdale, Pennsylvania.

BROADCASTS FROM CJLS YARMOUTH, N. S.

"Gospel of Christ," Sundays, 4.30 p. m.
"Chapel Echoes," Tuesdays, 7.30 p. m.

QUARTERLY MEETING NOTICE

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 1 will convene with the Church at Barker's Point, December 3-6 inclusive. Plan to attend Barker's Point first Quarterly.

Alice Owens, Secretary

If I were to try to read—much less to answer all the attacks made on me, this shop might as well be closed for any other business.—Abraham Lincoln.

The King's Highway

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian education is the sole hope of our nation. If our people grow up in succeeding generations without the permeating and saving influences of divine truth in their hearts and lives, we will become increasingly materialistic and unbelieving, and immoral, selfish and hard, lost to the true principles of high and holy character. True religion is no more sectarian than sunshine or rain, and every one who has any concern for the welfare of the children and of the nation must combine in securing true training for those who are coming now to years of responsibility and activity.

Christian individuals, parents, Sabbath schools, churches, and Christian colleges must unite all their most effective influences to save the children and youth of our land from irreligion and immorality, and save them to goodness of character and usefulness of service. If we do not do this, with true devotion and dependence on God, the days of our nation's greatness will soon be numbered and its light will go out in darkness.—Herald and Presbyterian.

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

"I owe my conversion to the work of my Sunday school teacher," has been heard in every church of our land. An evangelist invited all who desired to lead a Christian life to rise. More than 50 persons were soon upon their feet. Continuing, he said: "All who have been led to take this stand through the efforts of their teachers in the Sunday school, please remain standing. Not more than ten sat down. Then, turning to the teachers present, he said, with emphasis, "Discouraged teachers, here are the fruits of your labors."—Augsburg Teacher.

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We shall bring this great Sunday school movement under a perfect upas tree unless we ally it closely and inseparably to the great, evangelistic, aggressive effort to make Jesus Christ known to the whole world. And we owe it to these children whom we train in these schools to bring them under the inspiration and the moral uplift, under the ideals, the stories of heroism, and pictures of courage, which missions provide.—Robert E. Speer.

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John Bright said, "I believe that there is no field of Christian benevolence, which has yielded a greater harvest to our national interest and national character than the great institution of the Sunday school."

"JERUSALEM was destroyed because the education of the young was neglected."

The Talmud.

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"The ultimate aim of teaching is the knowledge of Christ, Christian experience, personal salvation."

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"The nimbleness with which Jesus handled the Sword of the Spirit (the Word of God) was doubtless partially learned in the synagogue Bible-school."

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"Here is the cause of all our evils, our not knowing the Scriptures."—Chrysostum.

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"He who sins against a child, sins against God."—Hugo.

Without Excuse

Can you watch the sunrise while facing west? Can you read road signs with your eyes closed? If you ignore the danger signal and step into the path of a speeding streamliner, can you blame the railroad?

There are none so blind as those who will not see. I have opportunity to talk to many people. We often talk the only talk worth talking (a man's relationship to his God).

I am appalled by the great number who will not see. It is not because they cannot, but because they will not see. Often when I explain (from the Word of God) how to become a child of God, the same old answer comes, "But I thought . . ." or "But this is what I believe . . ."

Neighbor, it makes no difference what you think or what you believe, if you differ with the word of God. If I should write in these columns my opinions, "Listen" magazine would not be worth the paper it is printed on.

My opinions cannot change the facts. We cannot bend truth to fit our beliefs. We must submit our minds to the truth and be molded by it.

An indignant lady on a bus said to me, "I do not believe in Hell."

"Then that fact does away with Hell," I answered.

"If I do not believe that cancer exists, will that keep me from getting it?"

"Of course not," she admitted.

"Then if you refuse to believe in the Hell that Christ told about, does that destroy Hell?"

She didn't have much to say. You see, God and His Word are not on trial. We are. If we disagree with that Word, we are wrong, not the Word is wrong.

So many times as I explain the scriptures on trains, buses, or in homes, the listeners say, "But I don't know."

Then I remind them of the millions of Bibles in the country. Stacks on bookstore shelves. For a dime they can buy a new testament and find eternal life. And they say they don't know.

I wonder what will take place at the judgment seat. Let's suppose you are standing there (if you do not know Christ, you will stand there). The judge singles you out and you plead, "But I don't know. I didn't have a chance!"

Then will be brought to view the stream of copies of the Word of God that came from the presses. Sold over the radio, given away in Sunday schools, placed in hotels, and hospitals. For the price of one meal, you could have gotten a copy of the Bible.

Friends talked to you, tracts came in your mail, the radio brought the Word of Life. You neglected it.

"Didn't know!" What a pitiful excuse. Ignorance of the law is no excuse, as all who neglect His law will discover. There is not a person who cannot have a copy of the Scriptures if they want it.

The judge will say, "Without excuse!" Listen, neighbor, don't take my word for it. Read it for yourself. What does God's word say. John 3:8.

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