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## — Editorials —

### BLESSING AT BETHANY

I have just returned from a one-week visit to Bethany Bible College. During the days spent there, it was my privilege to minister in seven public services, two chapel services, and in two periods of Mr. Stairs' Pastoral Theology class.

Personal association with Bethany is a great stimulus to one's interest in this phase of our denominational work. You have to see the young people who comprise the student body and watch the School programme in operation to really appreciate the value and importance of this enterprise.

Bethany is attracting young people of good calibre from many areas. A number of denominations are represented in the student body and young people are present from a number of communities in which there is no church of our connection. One young lady came all the way from Michigan to take studies at Bethany, and she said she was so happy that the Lord had "lead her this way".

Young people attending Bethany enjoy splendid advantages. Capable and conscientious teachers are concerned that their students attain success in their studies. There is a personal interest in the welfare of each of the young people. Wholesome social fellowship is permitted with disciplinary regulations designed to safeguard the moral welfare of youth.

The B.B.C. Board made a fine move last year in employing a qualified man to head a music department. Many of the students are enrolled in this department, and Mr. Patton is doing fine work in training them. Personal tutoring in piano and voice, and group singing up to and including choir work, is producing a fine musical atmosphere at Bethany. Anyone with average appreciation for music, should be delighted to hear Mr. Patton's interpretations of the finest in classical and sacred compositions. His own deep love for music is reflected in his playing and singing. And it is an inspiration to hear the various vocal combinations from the student body.

The spiritual emphasis at Bethany is pronounced. It

is felt everywhere. In the personal lives of the students spiritual matters are given due attention. In the classroom faith is protected and nourished. In the chapel and church services inspiring fellowship is enjoyed as the Word of God is presented and the Holy Spirit is honoured.

Great blessing came to my heart during the days spent at Bethany. There was blessing in fellowship with the members of the staff and student body, blessing as the Spirit of God ministered so graciously. And there was blessing as once more I was permitted, at close range, to appraise this important branch of our denominational work.

I wish that every pastor and laymen could visit Bethany. It is a tonic to the interest that our School needs and deserves.

### IS YOUR CHURCH VOTING?

This is "voting time" in most of our churches. Ballots will be cast this month on the very important question of pastoral leadership for the future. It should be our great concern and our fervent prayer that the will of the Lord be desired and sought and that people and pastors providentially guided in their decisions.

In April another vote will be called for. At that time the question to be considered is the welfare of our foreign missionary work. The annual offering for foreign missions is scheduled for Easter Sunday, April 17th. On that day the foreign mission interest of our churches is put to the test. An offering is an indication of interest, a generous offering an indication of great interest.

While regular interest in missions, manifested by month-by-month giving, is vitally essential and significant, the Easter offering has its own special significance. As it has been stated again and again, budget giving for foreign missions, if supplied up to the maximum requested, constitutes about one-third of what we actually need to support our missionary cause. If our missionary endeavour is to be sustained and advanced, it must be through the support of people and churches with a "budget-plus" interest.

In South Africa and Rhodesia there will be special concern for the results of the Easter offering. The results of the "vote" taken that day will be checked eagerly and hopefully. What a tremendous stimulus to the faith and courage of our missionaries a "solid" vote would give — a report showing that every church had a special offering for missions.

We still have six weeks to plan and prepare. Let's campaign for a record vote for missions on Easter Sunday!

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### SALVATION ARMY UNITES WITH N.H.A.

The application of the Salvation Army for affiliate membership in the National Holiness Association was unanimously approved by the Executive Committee at its meeting on December 30, 1959. They will be officially received at the forthcoming annual convention to be held in Asheville, North Carolina, April 19-21, 1960.

The denomination, headed by National Commander Commissioner Norman S. Marshall, was organized in London in 1865 and in the United States in 1880. It has a total church membership of 251,928, serving works in Africa, India, South America, Indonesia, Central America, West Indies, Philippine Islands, and Korea.

A special service commemorating the 100th anniversary birth date of Commissioner Samuel Logan Brengle will highlight the formal acceptance. Commissioner Brengle wrote many holiness classics, among which are HELPS TO HOLINESS, "A SOUL WINNER'S SECRET",

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