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TWO GREAT CONVENTIONS

The month of May has become "Convention Month" on our Church calendar. Two meetings on a denominational scale have been held in this lovely Spring-time month during the past few years, and the sustained interest and steady expansion manifest in both these events, prophesy of their continuance as annual features.

The Ministers' Conference

... was held, according to announcement, in our "mother church" at Woodstock, N. B., May 17-19

From the opening hymn on Tuesday evening, to the closing prayer on Thursday evening, the Conference was a time of blessing and profit. The pastor of the Church, Rev. L. K. Mullen, his wife, and his people, spared no pains in their labour of love to prepare for the Conference and entertain us while we were there. The numerous and demanding tasks that must be cared for in the entertainment of such a gathering, were attended to cheerfully and efficiently. Added to the hospitable home fellowship was that of the Wednesday noon dinner provided through the kindness of the United Church of Canada, where the dinner was served, and the ladies of our Woodstock church, who prepared and served the fine meal. At this dinner meeting, words of welcome and expressions of good wishes were extended to the ministers by the Mayor of Woodstock and Clergymen of the Town,

Dr. H. K. Sheets, Superintendent of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America, was guest speaker for the Convention, and his ministry was of a very high order. Both the content of his messages and the spirit in which he delivered them represented him as an able and devoted minister of God. His messages to the ministers were most helpful, and the sermons of the evening services were inspirational and edifying.

The Alliance Superintendent, Rev. F. A. Dunlop, presided over all meetings of the Conference, performing his service carefully and graciously. All ministers participating in the Conference programme served commendably. Discussions on various topics and problems were con-

ducted in an atmosphere and with a spirit becoming to an assembly of Christian ministers. At no time was there any deviation from this standard.

All meetings were held under a spirit of blessing and freedom. In the closing service a spontaneous testimony meeting "broke out" and the tide of blessing flowed full and free. Some shouted, some wept, some walked the aisles, all were blessed.

It was a blessed Conference indeed. More than forty-five ministers, missionaries, and Christian workers, were in attendance during the Conference, and they were joined by scores of lay people for the evening meetings. One thing marred the Conference. A number of the ministers were unable to attend, some because of illness, and others because of other commitments. We were sorry that all our ministers could not be present.

We hope that if Jesus tarries, another Minister's Conference will be held next year with 100% attendance of our ministers! Our thanks to Brother Mullen and his people; our thanks to Dr. Sheets; our thanks to our Superintendent; and above all—our thanks to God!

The Young People's Rally

Historic Memorial Hall on the lovely Campus of University of New Brunswick, was the setting for the 1960 Rally sponsored by our Young People's Association. In a most suitable location for a meeting of Christian youth, under weather conditions that were all but perfect, and with organization and talent sufficient to provide all that human effort could supply, hundreds of young people assembled for three wonderful days. And God was there!

From the first service, when some 350 gathered to the closing meeting Sunday evening, when near 600 people overtaxed the capacity of the commodious Hall to a "standing-room only" state, interest and inspiration mounted. What a sight! The main floor of the building, with seating for some 400, filled to overflow with young people, while others stood through the closing service. To the "seniors" in the gallery, it was a memorable scene.

Dr. Sheets, guest speaker at the Ministers' Conference, was also speaker at the Y. P. Rally. He was beloved by the young people and his ministry was received with genuine appreciation. Merle Smith, of Moncton, and Doug. MacCallum, of Marysville, president and vice-president of the Y. P. A., were a capable team in conducting the services and the general programme of the Convention. They were ably assisted by other young people who willingly co-operated.

Music of the Y. P. Convention was good. Miss Joan Spear, at the Hammond Organ, provided lovely accompaniments for all vocalists, as well as rendering beautiful pre-service music. Fine singing by Miss Eldeana Dunlop, Mr. and Mrs. Neil MacCallum, the Bethany Bible College Ladies Trio, and the Gospelaires Male Quartette added much to the inspiration of the services.

People of our Barker's Point, Fredericton, and Marysville churches entertained the visiting young people. A splendid representation of our Church was in attendance from Maine, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick.

What a wonderful group of young people we have! I doubt whether there is a denomination anywhere that, in proportion to our numerical strength, can boast a finer group both in quantity and quality. May God give us wisdom and initiative to utilize their potential for the Kingdom of Christ!

ARE YOU PLANNING TO ATTEND

In this issue of the Highway the announcement of Beulah Camp Meeting of 1960 appears. Are you planning