

# Sunday School Contest

"Lift High the Cross"

Within a few days OUR ANNUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL CONTEST WILL HAVE BEGUN. THE FOURTH of NOVEMBER will indicate a great deal. If you have prayed, worked, advertised and have been enthused you will see an increase in attendance over the last Sunday in October's attendance. A GREEK PHILOSOPHER said, "WELL BEGUN IS HALF DONE" meaning that if a good beginning is made the venture is assured success. Let us prove the philosophers statement in our Sunday School Contest.

I am making a CLARION CALL to ALL PASTORS, Sunday School officers and Teachers concerning our Contest. If you are aware of the GREAT BUSINESS that you are in, then UPON YOU primarily rests the RESPONSIBILITY of a SUNDAY SCHOOL that is progressive and meaningful. YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL is a REFLECTION of YOUR DEVOTION to GOD. EVERY member of your Church should be in Sunday School. An attempt somehow should be made to REACH ALL the families in YOUR COMMUNITY that are NON SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDERS. HOW LITTLE YOUR SCHOOL remains or HOW BIG it Becomes, largely will be determined by YOU.

A final letter will be sent to ALL PASTORS before the Contest begins. TO YOU ALL I wish YOU every Success. LET us "LIFT HIGH the CROSS" in our Sunday Schools during NOVEMBER. In Lifting High the Cross we shall understand more fully what Jesus meant when He said, "IF I BE LIFTED UP, I WILL DRAW ALL MEN UNTO MYSELF."

W. L. Fernley (S.S. Promotion)

## Shoes of The Spirit

by Marguerite Estaver

The shoes I wear on warm, spring days  
Are not for hail and sleet;  
And the shoes I wear on rocky roads  
Are not for summer heat.

And so God gives my spirit shoes  
For every time and weather;  
Each to fit its special need,  
Each of special "leather".

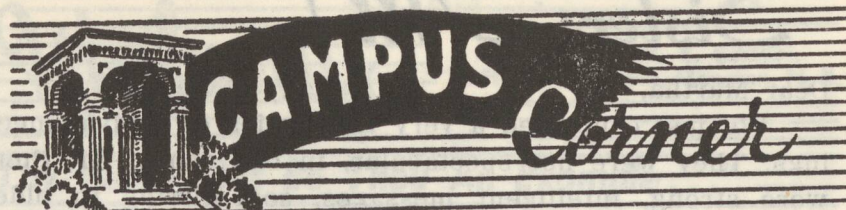
He knows the road my soul must walk,  
He plans ahead for me  
For when I need to don my shoes  
They're waiting there, I see.

God never fails to lay them out,  
He never sleeps, forgetting,  
But walks with me on every road  
From morn to sun's red setting.

He never sends me off alone  
But walks with me, and talks;  
He gives me courage, takes my hand  
To help me over rocks.

There is no road He does not know,  
He's travelled all, before,  
So I can don my spirit's shoes  
And walk with Him, secure.

The King's Highway



## BETHANY BEGINS PROMISING YEAR

The school doors swung open at Bethany Bible College on September 19th, starting the school's eighteenth year of operation. Fifty-four students enrolled in this year's student body, the smallest number in the last four years—but still an above-average enrollment.

Several factors contributed to a decreased enrollment. One was a more selective admission policy. Another was the discontinuation of grade twelve, the senior matriculation course. Yet another factor was the drop in enrollment in Yarmouth students, particularly in the business department. In the end, the on-campus enrollment is practically the same as last year's.

The most heartening factor about this year's student body, and certainly the most important, is the generally high calibre of the students. The new students (mostly making up grade ten, commercial and first-year college) appear to be one of the best entering groups in recent years.

Speaking of the Bible department, Mr. Stairs commented, "All in all, the first-year Bible class is the best in my recent experience." These students are well qualified academically, purposeful, and—for their ages—spiritually mature. Even larger colleges might do well to find as much calibre and challenge in their larger classes.

The new year has started with considerable smoothness and the students are adjusting well to the discipline of a Christian boarding school. If our "reading" is accurate, moral is at a good level. New girls and boys are heard to say after a month, "I love it."

Perhaps some improvements have contributed to this favourable state of affairs. The arriving students found the campus and dormitories "looking up," for painting, cleaning, and general preparations for opening were more extensive and adequate this year. To mention a few improvements, each girl's room was painted (walls and woodwork) and a floor covering was provided for each room (including five new coverings). The girls' bathroom was literally transformed by a new cabinet around the sinks, coral-coloured Barker-tile all around the walls and cabinet, a new ceiling, and two coats of white enamel paint—fit for the fussiest now. Former students, of course, can appreciate the changes most of all. The students also found that action had been taken to provide a better weekly indoor recreational program, a students' common room, and better music facilities and equipment.

"For what has been done to make life more enjoyable for the students we expect a return in student response and cooperation," Mr Stairs stated. "So far we have been getting it. This promises to be a very worthwhile year."

## DO YOU KNOW?

That there are 365 "fear nots" in the Bible? This makes one for every day in the year.

Prayer—secret, fervent, believing prayer, lies at the root of all personal godliness. —William Carey.

"Little by little the bitterest feelings are sweetened by the mention of them in prayer."

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