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75th Anniversary

November 3, 1963, will mark the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the organization of the Reformed Baptist Alliance. Tentative plans call for a great anniversary celebration to be held at Woodstock, N. B., Nov. 1-3. Every effort will be made to make this event one of the finest the Reformed Baptists have ever known. With careful planning and sincere prayer it will be an unforgettable experience. May God's peculiar blessing make it so.

The attaining of such a landmark in the history of any church calls for serious heart-searching and self-analysis. It calls for complete honesty and a bold facing of the facts. We must take a good look at ourselves in the light of seventy-five years and see where we are, what we stand for, and where we are going. The areas of weakness we must seek to make strong. The areas of strength we must encourage. The lessons of seventy five years should have taught us some of the secrets of successful service in the Kingdom of God.

The anniversary will be a time to review the past, and to learn from its successes and its failures. But of more significant consequence will be the program that must be presented for the future—the next seventy-five years. This program ought to be bold and daring. It ought to establish some goals that will command and demand the highest service that our church can give. It ought to be a program that will call forth faith and vision, the like of which we have not seen. Recently we heard the statement, "If God is your partner, then make your plans a little larger." May God help us to see that as a church we have a unique opportunity in ministering to our area the message of holiness. For this purpose we were called into being; for a lesser purpose we have no excuse for further existence as a denomination.

Let every pastor, every layman, every church start talking and start praying "Anniversary." Let this celebration be a turning point in our church's history. Only God knows what might be accomplished by a renewal of our vows to God, by a new declaration of our love and our loyalty to our Church, and by the spirit of unity and strength that our seventy-fifth anniversary will call forth.

KINDNESS IS ESSENTIAL

Just plain, ordinary kindness is an ingredient in all true religion. An Old Testament teacher declared that to be so when he said that kindness is one of God's three essentials (Mic. 6:8). And in the New Testament the Apostle Paul admonished his friends at Ephesus: "be kind one to another."

A fourteen-year-old girl whose home, along with many others, had been destroyed when an Ohio River flood had inundated their community, expressed the warming effects of kindness when a newspaper reporter asked her how she felt about the flood. "Oh, it's wonderful!" she replied. "Everyone was so kind to everyone else. It didn't make any difference what you wore, what your father does, what church you belong to. They were just kind. I loved it and almost wish it would happen every year."

Why wait for tragedy before being kind? It does not cost much to be that way every day.

Armor D. Peisker in Pilgrim Holiness Advocate

GARDEN OF CO-OPERATION

With spring in the air, revivals and camps in the offing, gardens will be planted. Here are some suggestions:

1. Plant five rows of "Peas"—
Preparedness, Promptness, Perseverance, Politeness, Prayer.
2. Plant three rows of "Squash"—
Squash gossip; Squash criticism; Squash indifference.
3. Plant five rows of "Lettuce"—
Lettuce be faithful; Lettuce be unselfish; Lettuce be loyal; Lettuce be truthful; Lettuce love one another.
4. Plant four rows of "Turnips"—
Turnip for prayer meetings; Turnip with a smile; Turnip with expectation; and Turnip with determination.

With just a little care and attention, what a wonderful harvest we shall reap from the Garden of Co-operation!

—Sel. and revised by Mrs. Wayne Boone.

A PHYSICIST SAYS

Twice in my lifetime, responsible people thought that physics had reached the end of its development. The first time was around 1890, when most top physicists were convinced that there was nothing new to come to this science. Yet, in 1895, the X ray was discovered; a year later came radioactivity, and it was followed in 1897 by the electron. These discoveries sent physics off in entirely new directions. Then in 1940, one of the world's outstanding physicists made a statement in an address to the effect that he saw nothing new ahead in physics. Quite a few people agreed with him. But at the very moment he was speaking, nuclear fission was being developed and we were on our way to the atom bomb and the atomic age.

Karl T. Compton

I WAS READING

In the Philadelphia Inquirer a shameful liquor advertisement which uses the name of David Livingstone as an "attention-getter." The ad boasts, "When Stanley uttered those now immortal words, 'Dr. Livingstone, I presume,' the Ortlieb Brewing Company was already in full swing." Filling half of the full-page ad is a graphic picture of David Livingstone. To what depths will advertising ethics sink?

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