

# AROUND

WITH THE SUPERINTENDENT

Rev. H. R. Ingersoll

## DEBT REDUCTION SUNDAY

There are a number of days in our church year that are designated as days of special financial appeal. All of them are important. Without the faithful support of our people to these various appeals, we would not be able to carry on our work. Over and over again in response to our departmental appeals you have given liberally. We want you to know we deeply appreciate your faithfulness.

However, there does seem to be one area of our denominational program that many of our churches fail to take as seriously as we should. I refer of course to our General Treasury. This is the treasury that inherits all bills that are not directly related to Home and Foreign Missions or Bethany Bible College. This places a much heavier demand upon our General Treasury than most people realize. Many times action is taken in Alliance which obligates the General Treasury without making financial provision for the added burden. While this department is operating its current responsibilities within the bounds of its annual budget, over the past number of years there have been unexpected demands that have necessitated the borrowing of funds.

To liquidate this indebtedness is a worthy objective, the accomplishment of which would be pleasing to God. This \$12,000. goal can be attained within five years or less without undue strain if ALL our pastors and churches will promote and support the Debt Reduction Offering on January 16 to the best of our ability. Since the General Treasury is the carrying beam of our denominational program, it is imperative that we maintain it at a satisfactory operating level.

This is an earnest appeal for your full co-operation and support. Let us establish a new record in our giving to Denominational Debt Reduction this year!

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wipe them with the towel."

Ah, that towel! What a testimony it bears! The timeless testimony of authentic greatness! What a protest it announces! The protest against all of our little, fidgety self-centered notions of pomp and power!

Jesus took a towel, laid hold of it with the fingers of His humble grace, soaked it in the clean waters of mercy, and used it to represent forever more the glory of helpfulness to others.

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And then, finally, we learn from Matthew 26:27 that Jesus "took the cup." Thereby He showed us the **victory of sacrifice.**

The cup, as we know, represented His blood, even as the bread spoke of His broken body. On the cross He drank it, fully, sacrificially, triumphantly.

It was a red road over which our Lord Jesus Christ made His way to the present dominion He holds over the hearts of millions of His worshiping followers. To that we readily agree. But do we realize that the road to victory we are called to travel is stained with the very same crimson that marked His Calvary journey?

Too many of us are asking for Christ's crown of victory without His cross of agony. We want His triumph without His travail.

The virtue of simplicity, the vastness of supply, the value of service, and the victory of sacrifice—here indeed are priceless lessons to be learned from what Jesus "took."

## DAY OF PRAYER

Sunday, January 16, is being designated by the Wesleyan Methodist Church and the Pilgrim Holiness Church as a day of special prayer about the matter of church union. Our Alliance Committee on Union is of the opinion that it would be well for our people to join with our sister denominations in seeking God's will and direction concerning union.

To serve the present age is a great responsibility. Ours is an age of tremendous need. Surely our desire is that the church might minister to this age and those to come with increased efficiency and effectiveness. It might well be that the present trend among holiness bodies toward union is an important step in the direction of greater service.

On January 16, let all our people earnestly seek the face of God, asking that divine guidance be granted to us all, that the will of the Lord might be made plain, and that our will might be yielded to His will.

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## COMMITTEE MEETING ON UNION

As directed by action of The Alliance, the Committee on Church Union met with the Commission on Union of the Wesleyan Methodist Church to prepare a mutually acceptable formula as a basis for voting by our local churches and our Alliance on a proposed merger of our two denominations.

The meeting convened at Albany, N. Y. on December 7. A cordial atmosphere of warm Christian fellowship prevailed throughout the deliberations. The common concern of each one present was that the work of the combined committees would be directed by the Holy Spirit.

Early in the new year we shall begin visiting the churches to present the formula for consideration and vote. It is the prayer of the Committee on Union that God will grant wisdom and grace as we deal with this important matter. May God's will be done and the final decision prove to be in the best interest of His kingdom.

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The point of all this will be missed unless one thing prevails: we must realize that the taking Christ requires consenting and surrendered disciples!

The funeral of the late Franklyn Douglas MacBrien, 47, was conducted at Furlong's Funeral Home, Amherst, N. S. by Rev. M. W. Bagley assisted by Rev. H. O. McGeorge, on October 13. May God's comfort be with the bereaved.

## OBITUARY

### FRED KETCHUM BROWN

Fred Brown, 75, passed away at Carleton Memorial Hospital on Saturday, November 20, following a severe stroke. Funeral service was held at the Woodstock Reformed Baptist Church on Tuesday, November 23, conducted by Rev. L. K. Mullen.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Jean Brown; one son, Fred Jr., Florenceville, N. B.; three daughters, Mrs. Daniel Hudson (Ruth), Montreal, Mrs. Gordon Myron (Mildred), St. Petersburg, Florida, Mrs. Emery Chukly (Ada), Montreal; one daughter-in-law, Mrs. N. R. Brown, Baie d'Urfe, Quebec; one brother, N. Myles Brown, Gates Mills, Ohio, and one sister, Miss Luella Brown, Fred-erickton, N. B. A sister-in-law, Mrs. Helen Brown, lives in New Brunswick, New Jersey. Ten grandchildren survive.

In the passing of Fred Brown, the Reformed Baptist Alliance has lost one of its finest members and supporters. He will be sorely missed at the Woodstock Church.

## DEBT REDUCTION DAY

JANUARY 16th

Each year we have the privilege of expressing our faith in the program of the denomination. As in all other areas, the cost of operating the general church interests are increasing, and only additional support can meet the demands. During the year a new adjustment to our water system at Beulah has already cost \$1000.00 more than anticipated. The General Treasurer needs your offering on January 16th to ease the present situation, and make it possible to meet pressing needs without resorting to loans. If every wage earner will give at least \$1.00 on Debt Reduction Day a goal of \$2500.00 is well within our reach. I have that much faith in our denominations. Have you?

N. E. Trafton,

General Treasurer

## JANUARY IS HIGHWAY

### RENEWAL MONTH

January is renewal month for The King's Highway. We trust that every pastor will encourage a 100% renewal among his congregation. Appointing an agent to contact subscribers is an excellent idea. If the label on your paper is not "66" or beyond, then you are in arrears. The Editor's address is Box 1037, Sussex, N. B.

To the family we express our prayers and sympathy.

L. K. Mullen

Harold Foster, 79, went to be with the Lord on Oct. 17, after a prolonged illness. He leaves to mourn besides his wife two sons, Basil of Yarmouth, Me., and Jessy of Grand Manan; two daughters, Mrs. Benjamin Guthery and Mrs. Frank Ingalls, both of Grand Manan; two sisters, Mrs. Neil Tatton and Mrs. Andrew Nelson of Grand Manan and one brother, Morton of Blacks Harbour, N. B.

The funeral service was conducted from the Grand Harbour United Baptist Church, Rev. S. F. Main officiating assisted by Rev. E. N. Lyon. To those that sorrow we extend our prayers and Christian love.

Charles R. Corey of New Canaan, New Brunswick, went to be with the Lord on December 5th, 1965, following a lengthy illness. Death occurred in the Moncton Hospital. Brother Corey was a sincere and radiant Christian whose life was an inspiration to others to the end. For forty-one years he was deacon of the Salem Reformed Baptist Church, which has sustained a great loss in his passing.

The funeral service was held at Havelock United Baptist Church, conducted by Rev. C. E. Stairs, assisted by Revs. M. Breining, N. E. Trafton, and S. W. Ingersoll. Lic Paul Mullen was soloist.

Brother Corey is survived by his wife, three daughters, and six sons (one of whom is Rev. L. W. Corey).