

# Editorial

## CALVIN QUATERCENTENARY NUMBER

THE YEAR 1964 called forth many celebrations of the quatercentenary of the death of John Calvin. In Canada it provided the dominant theme at the meetings in May at Kingston of the Canadian Society of Biblical Literature, The Canadian Theological Society, and the Canadian Society of Church History. We are pleased, as our share in the celebration, to print a selection of the addresses given on that occasion.

We also have the honour of presenting to our readers an address delivered by Karl Barth, who is universally acclaimed today as the foremost theologian of the Calvinist tradition—if not of any tradition. At the presentation to him of the Sonning Prize in Copenhagen on April 19, 1963, Dr. Barth graciously fell in with the suggestion that he should speak of his relationship to Søren Kierkegaard. The result is a statement of historic importance which we print in the only officially sanctioned English translation. We are most grateful to Dr. Barth and to the original publishers of the address, Chr. Kaiser Verlag, Munich, for permission to make and print the translation, and also to Mr. H. Martin Rumscheidt, the translator, who, encouraged by Professor J. C. McLelland, put us in the way of this prize.

### EDITORIAL PERSONNEL AND POLICY

AT THE MEETING of the Board of Directors of the *Journal* in Kingston last May, it was decided to transfer some of the editorial load from the Editor to his associates. Dr. Fairweather has now returned from his sabbatical leave and from his spell as Anglican observer at the Vatican Council. He will resume the major portion of the editorial duties after the appearance of this issue, but Dr. Hay will take over responsibility for book reviews. The Editor and his associates (Dr. Fennell being the third member of the team) will meet frequently for consultation and mutual help.

With this issue we begin experimenting with a smaller type for our major book reviews and a still smaller type for shorter notices. We hope in this way to render better service to book publishers and to our readers and to extend participation in the production of the *Journal*.

### THE LORD'S DAY ALLIANCE CONTEST

SUBMISSIONS to the contest amounted to a score and more from persons in various walks of life.

In consultation with the Chairman and General Secretary of the Alliance,

the Editors selected as judge a gentleman of long academic and ministerial experience. He has adjudicated the prizes as follows:

1. THE REV. A. M. C. WATERMAN, M.A., (CANTAB), B.TH., Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, St. John's College, Winnipeg: "The Lord's Day in a Secular Society: An Historical Comment on the Canadian Lord's Day Act of 1906."
2. THE REV. JAMES W. DAVIES, B.A., B.D., PH.D., Sutton West United Church, Ontario: "Day of Resurrection."
3. THE REV. HELMUT L. WIPPRECHT, B.A., B.D., Cobalt United Church, Ontario: "The Lord's Day Alliance Contest: A Biblical and Theological Study."
4. THE REV. J. S. NICKERSON, B.A., B.D., Truro, Nova Scotia: "The Lord's Day in Retrospect and Prospect."

The paper by Professor Waterman will be printed in our April issue. We congratulate the winners and thank all the competitors for their interest and work.

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