

**NEWS OF THE CRUSADE**

By The Superintendent

In April of this year the "Evangelistic Crusade" of our Church was launched with a series of zone meetings. With hundreds of people pledging prayer support to a "vigorous, concerted effort in the field of evangelism" by our pastors and people, the Crusade was given a promising start. Prayer has borne fruit and our Church is enjoying a great forward movement under the blessing of God.

At Carroll's Crossing, N. B., near Doaktown, a Tent Meeting was held in June with Rev. R. H. Nicholson, pastor of our Doaktown Church, and James Blinn, French-Canadian evangelist, as workers. This was a fruitful meeting with a number of people seeking the Lord as Saviour and Sanctifier. Fine crowds attended the services and regular meetings are now being conducted in the community by Brother Nicholson.

On June 10th, another Tent Meeting opened at Glassville, N. B., under the direction of Rev. H. M. Kimball. This meeting continued for more than two months with splendid interest and good victory. People from far and near attended the services and the blessing of God was manifest. Two baptisms were conducted and plans have been made for the construction of a new church building. More than \$1500 has been subscribed towards the project.

On Sunday, July 22nd, another "campaign under canvas" opened at Barker's Point, N. B., under the leadership of Rev. B. C. Cochran. Great crowds attended these services, many sought and found victory at the altar of prayer, a new church, with seventeen charter members, was organized, and plans are under way for the construction of a new church building.

In May of this year, Rev. J. A. Moses was given a six-month, rent-free lease of a former Universalist Church in Old Town, Maine. Many had sought to buy or rent this building without success, but the Lord opened the door for the preaching of full salvation. Brother Moses conducted a two-week campaign there in May. The Superintendent and Deverne Mullen were with him for a week-end meeting the last of June, and from July 22nd to August 12th, Revs. N. E. Trafton and R. H. Nicholson were there for a campaign. On the closing day of this meeting a Reformed Baptist Church of Old Town, Maine, was organized with nine charter members. Old Town is a fine community, about eleven miles from Bangor, and the work there is promising.

From August 8th to August 19th a Crusade Campaign was held in another new community, South West Harbour, Maine. The High School auditorium had been made available to us for that limited time and we felt we should accept the opportunity, though the time was too short to establish a work. Lic. James Blinn, Rev. R. H. Nicholson and Miss Belva Ingalls were the special workers for this meeting. Interest increased throughout the

campaign and the meeting served as an effective "break-through" in an area which is in dire need of an evangelical work. Our Home Mission Board has purchased a site in this community and plans for future work there are being formulated.

Another campaign under the Crusade opened at Centreville, N. B., August 29th, to continue over Sept. 16th. Plans for this meeting were worked out by Rev. Leslie Hicks, pastor of our Royalton-Bloomfield churches, and Mr. Nathan Cohen Beskin was engaged as evangelist. The meetings were held in the Exhibition Building with fine crowds attending from the first. Here also we are confronted with a challenge which we trust God will give us grace and faith to accept.

At this time of writing, Rev. H. M. Kimball and Lic. James Blinn are conducting a campaign, about eleven miles from Bangor, and paign in a hall at Juniper, N. B., and from there they plan to go to Bristol, N. B., for a meeting in a church that has been leased to us. Pray for these campaigns.

Pray that the forward movement of our work may continue. Pray now for the Revival Campaigns to be held during the year in our local churches. We have already heard of meetings planned for our churches at Woodstock, Hartland, Perth, Meductic, Marysville, Salem, Head of Millstream, and North Head, in New Brunswick; at Sandford, Port Maitland, Havelock, Woods Harbour, and Amherst, in Nova Scotia; at Calais, Presque Isle and Crystal, in Maine. Other churches are no doubt planning campaigns of which we have not heard. Let us all pray for all efforts being made or planned for the reviving of the work of God and the salvation of souls!

**MEETINGS AT GLASSVILLE AND JUNIPER**

We recently concluded ten weeks of tent meetings in the village of Glassville, Carleton Co., N. B. The interest was good from the first and continued throughout the campaign. At times the attendance was very large, often two to three hundred. Some were saved and many more saw their need of salvation, but did not yield.

This campaign opened up a large area to our work, extending from Bristol to Juniper. We plan, the Lord willing, to build a church at Glassville. Nearly \$1600 has been given or pledged, besides hundreds of dollars in lumber and labour. Construction will begin this Fall.

We are now in revival services at the village of Juniper with Bro. James Blinn. There is fair interest and some victory already. The prospect is good for a church here eventually. Later on we will put on a campaign at Bristol in a vacant church. We have moved to Bristol in order to pastor these new ventures. Now is the time for us to carry the message of full salvation to needy places. Many people will welcome our message as they are tired of formal religion. Pray for these new places that they may become strong centres of holy fire.

H. M. KIMBALL.

**THE EVANGELISTIC CRUSADE IN MAINE**

On July 22nd Rev. N. E. Trafton and Rev. R. H. Nicholson, with Rev. J. A. Moses, opened a three-week revival campaign in the City of Old Town, Maine. The services were held in the First Universalist Church which has not been in use for the past eight years.

Due to the time of year when people are vacation minded, the services were not largely attended, but from the first service the presence of God was felt. An increasing interest was manifest as the meeting advanced, and quite a few souls received help at the altar in saving grace and sanctifying power. God revealed Himself in a special way when He flashed the light of salvation into the hearts of those living for years in the darkness of Romanism. We praise Him for the ones brought from darkness to His marvelous light.

Sunday afternoon, August 12th, was a time of blessing when the Reformed Baptist Church of Old Town was organized. Rev. N. E. Trafton, President of Bethany Bible College, read the church covenant and offered the prayer of consecration. Rev. J. A. Moses presented the Bible as our rule of faith and practice and also gave the right hand of fellowship. Rev. R. H. Nicholson delivered the charge to the new church. There were people present from various parts of the state. Instrumental and vocal numbers were rendered by visiting Christians. It was a great service.

The nine charter members who comprise the new church are outstanding in their appearance, purpose and testimony. I know God will mightily use them in that city.

With his capable wife, Rev. J. A. Moses has taken the responsibility of pastoring the new Old Town Church. Let us pray for this consecrated couple.

A short campaign was held in Southwest Harbour, Aug. 8th to 19th. Evangelist J. A. Blinn and Miss Belva Ingalls began as special workers and were joined by R. H. Nicholson on the 13th. The services were held in the High School Auditorium, which had a seating capacity of eight hundred and fifty. The crowds were small in comparison to the size of the building, but a good spirit prevailed. Seven souls were saved and a strong desire was expressed on the part of quite a few that we should return and organize a church.

Special mention should be made of the faithfulness of Brother Alvin Urquhart and his wife and Rev. and Mrs. George Wood, who faithfully supported this revival effort. We should all be happy to work with them again. We trust that a holiness church will be organized in Southwest Harbour in the near future.

Yours for souls,

R. H. NICHOLSON

When God ordained prayer as a method and a principle in the lives of His children, He chose to limit himself by our prayers. Scripture is filled with evidence of this. It is a great mystery, but it is an equally great fact.—Sel.

**Pray About Your Home Mission Offering**