

## Church News

### OLD TOWN, MAINE

On Sunday, October 26th, Rev. B. C. Cochran brought an inspiring and challenging message of re-dedication in the newly decorated church at Old Town. A congregation of over 200 filled the church auditorium beyond seating capacity. Miss Ruth Harding, of Bridgewater, and J. Nelson Brown, of Fairfield, brought special numbers in song.

This "big day" was the outcome of a heart-burden for the city of Old Town, which Rev. and Mrs. Moses have carried for some years. It was in 1947 that Mr. Moses first made inquiries into the availability of a building in which to carry on church services in that city.

This church building was built as a Universalist Church in 1946, and was occupied until the late 1930's. The Reformed Baptist Alliance now occupies the building under contract with the Universalist Church Board. Rev. and Mrs. Moses prepared the building for services the early part of May, 1951, and Mr. Moses began special evangelistic meetings on May 17th, continuing through June 10th. He continued to hold Sunday afternoon and evening services until July 22nd, when a revival campaign was begun with Rev. N. E. Trafton and Rev. Randolph Nicholson. At the close of this campaign on August 12th, the Reformed Baptist Church of Old Town was organized.

The Sunday School was organized the last Sunday of July with an attendance of 13. On re-dedication Sunday, after a period of fifteen

months, a new record of 60 was reached. For the past month the average attendance has been over 50. The Sunday School operates a bus, hired from a local bus company and driven by Storer Emmett, which is proving a successful means of reaching families otherwise unable to attend Church and Sunday School because of lack of transportation.

The repairs and painting of the exterior of the building were financed by the Home Mission Board. The white paint is a striking contrast to the original dark brown color. The interior of the auditorium also shows a remarkable change, with the walls done in rose, and the dome a soft blue. Over \$700 of the fund toward the interior work was solicited locally by Mr. Moses. District No. 3 also made a loan to the church which made them able to see the work completed with only a small debt against it.

Mr. Moses is to be commended for his efficient and faithful work which has made this building a fine addition to the work of our denomination.

### DID YOU HAVE A D. V. B. S. IN YOUR CHURCH LAST SUMMER

Will you please drop a post card to:

Miss Ethel Mullen

Eastern Nazarene College

Wollaston, Mass.

and give her the following information:

Your enrollment, your average attendance, and your director. Thank you!

### FROM MILLVILLE, N. B.

Dear Highway:

We would like to send in a report of our circuit work since Beulah. On Thursday following Beulah Camp, we began D. V. B. S. here in Millville with Miss Ruth Harding as conductor. The interest and attendance was real good, and our sister did a first rate job, assisted by several local helpers. This Bible School included children from Maple Ridge, Howland Ridge, Hawkin's Corner, as well as Millville. We attended Riverside Camp, then opened a two weeks' Revival Campaign at Lower Hainesville with Lic. Milton Bagley as evangelist. We were all greatly helped and blessed by the splendid preaching of our young evangelist. Several found the Lord, and two from this meeting were recently baptised. During these meetings a D. V. B. S. was conducted by Miss Adra McGuire and local helpers. On Sept. 1st, a large crowd of young folk, and many older ones, gathered at the parsonage, to bid farewell to Brother Bagley and three of our young people who left early next morning for Bethany.

We enjoyed the good Quarterly Meeting at Fredericton also, took in a number of services during the Revival at Marysville.

On Sept. 30th, we began a Circuit Revival with Brother J. A. Blinn as evangelist. The first three Sundays were spent with the Church at Central Hainesville that we have been pastoring for the last year. This community hadn't had a revival for a number of years, and appreciated the labours of the gospel workers. Brother Blinn's ministry was well liked by the people and God honoured the preached word, with souls seeking and finding salvation. The next three Sundays we carried on the revival effort in the Maple Ridge Church. Two more souls were saved during this period of the Revival. We appreciated the way our people on the entire circuit stood by the meetings with their attendance, prayers, financial help and special messages in song. Sunday, the 9th of November, was our closing day, and we had the afternoon and evening services in the Millville Church so as to accommodate the large gatherings. People came from many distant points to hear Brother Blinn tell the second time during the revival, the story of his conversion, and call to Holiness. After the afternoon service, a baptism was held at Clark's Bridge, when eight candidates followed their Lord in this respect. It was a beautiful day, and a very large crowd witnessed the scene. Last night the church was full, and after our brother preached his closing message, one backslider was reclaimed. A fine testimony meeting brought this Circuit Revival to a close, and all went to their homes, feeling God had well repaid us for special effort to win souls. We are tired in body, but are rejoicing in the Lord. We covet your prayers, as we endeavour to pastor this large field. We feel the work is progressing. The Nortondale end of the field is enjoying Brother Dow as their pastor.

May God bless and aid us all in His great work as we approach the blessed Christmas season.

Yours in His service,

J. A. and Mrs. Owens



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