CHURCH NEWS

BEALS, MAINE

Dear Highway Readers:

After a long silence I feel to give a brief report. Some of my friends may not know where I am. They may still think I am in Nova Scotia. I still get letters addressed to Central Wood Harbor, relayed to me here. Our three year ministry at Wood Harbor terminated the last of June and we got located here just after Beulah Camp. Our stay at Wood Harbor was very pleasant indeed and in many ways we were sorry to leave. We did not see as much accomplished as we wished, but we feel that our work was not altogether unfruitful. We saw some good revival meetings and took into the church thirteen adult members. There was a steady flow of blessing upon all the services, and the attendance was riage Augull2th, eineableautifuleger vide .boog

On the last Sunday the good people gave us a purse of money, and some seemed sad because of our leaving.

It seems dream-like to find ourselves back at Beals, after an absence of twenty-seven years. We have been here only a little over a month but already it seems homelike, and does not seem possible that so many days have slipped away since we left.

The good people here have given us a warm and heary welcome, and made us feel right at home again.

July 30th having been our wedding anniversary, and August 1st my birthday, the folk gathered and gave me a surprise party, and also combined a celebration of our wedding day with a "house-warming." I was the repient of some nice presents besides cash for my birthday, and there were also suitable gifts for our anniversary. A very pleasant evening was spent, and we were delighted to have the chance to renew old acquaintances and to make new ones. We have found many changes. We miss many of the "old guard," who so fatihfully stood by us during our three year ministry here before. New homes have been built, roads changed and improved, electricity brought to the Island, and a ferry service established. When we left there was one lone star, now about 100 nice cars. By ferry, cars can be transported to the mainland in a few minutes, or vice versa.

THE CAMPUS CORNER

THE LATEST STATISTICS

Since the last notice regarding enrollment, three newcomers have boosted the total number of students to an even sixty. The school's problem has become one of surplus rather than one of shortage. The time predicted in the August 15th issue has come. The need now is enlargement of facilities rather than increase of students.

A COMMENDABLE RECORD

Last June the entire graduating class of the High School Department wrote Provincial Examinations in Yarmouth. Six out of eight passed. In terms of percentage the figure would be seventy-five per cent. In this connection two facts are noteworthy. The first is that the entire class wrote Provincial Examinations, whereas very few entire classes do. The second is that our graduates' record is considerably above the average of the Province. Of all who wrote in the Province, fiftyone per cent passed. Of course the percentage of high school graduates who passed would be much lower than fifty-one.

Although future graduating classes may not always maintain such a record, here is evidence that Bethany **can** produce quality students. Incidentally, Bethany students prior to this year have done well in writing Provincials.

Congratulations to the class of '52.

CONTINUED SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS

September 24-25 inclusive, Dr. Pearson, Secretary of the Oriental Missionary Society, will be a guest speaker at the College. Dr. Pearson is the author of "The Monk Who Lived Again."

SHINE

The other day I saw something I'd never seen before in my whole life—a shoe-shine

"OPENING ECHOES"

We praise God for the splendid enrollment and the promise of progress in every phase of our school life. From the very beginning our students have been possessed with a spirit of enthusiasm and appreciation for the benefits of a Christian education. The members of the faculty are discharging their duties with grace and efficiency, and a spirit of love and harmony prevails on the campus.

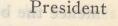
Work on the heating plant has already begun and we urge our people to remember "Bethany Sunday" on November 2nd. Each church will receive a circular in the near future regarding this special appeal.

The most outstanding feature of these opening days has been a deepening of the spiritual tone. We were privileged to have Dr. Mel-Thomas Rothwell with us for five wonderful days. His ministry was especially adapted to young people, yet true to the principles of holy living. We were all constrained to examine ourselves in the light of God's word so forcibly presented. A number were saved for the first time, and others were awakened to the real meaning of the sanctified life. At the close of one service the power of God fell in the old fashioned way, bringing a real shower of blessing.

We have reason to feel that God is with us, and that this department of our movement has the earnest of a more fruitful ministry. Pray with us that Bethany may be indeed a place of spiritual preparation and power.

We press forward into another school year under the banner of our all conquering Christ.

NORMAN E. TRAFTON,





We have started with a fair attendance both here and at Alley's Bay, where I preach on Sunday afternoons, but we hope to see an increase. We have felt the blessing of God upon our services, and this is all impotrant. We desire your prayers for the work here.

> Yours truly, H. C. & MRS. MULLEN

Rev. S. G. Hilyard writes that his address is now: Box 23, R. R. No. 1, Fairfield, Me. He has been doing some supply work for some Church of the Nazarene pastors.

"The widest thing in the universe is not space; it is the potential capacity of the human heart. Being made in the image of God it is capable of almost unlimited extension in all directions. And one of the world's worst tragedies is that we allow our hearts to shrink until there is room in them for little beside ourselves.

fellow shining his own shoes! Now I ask, Did you ever see the like! I've particularly noticed these fellows who are so anxious to polish up the public, very often need their own shoes cleaned very badly. That's why it was so impressive, seeing someone doing first the harder task of shining up themselves before starting in on the other fellow; but when I saw what a fine job this boy did on his own shoes, I figured he'd be able to do a fine job on others, too. All of which comes right down to this: We want others to shine, and more than likely we're willing to help polish them up, too. We want them to be kind and considerate, merciful and upright, but wait a minute-HOW ABOUT OURSELVES? Do we keep OUR OWN shoes brightly polished, so to speak? After all, an example is ever so much easier to follow than an admonition, you know. So, now if you will excuse me, I'll give my own shoes an extra going over because I just remembered the lines:

"When to others advice you'd give, From this truth you must not flinch; It's easier to preach by the mile, Than to practice by the inch."

-Mary Adolphus

which has for its main objective the raising of funds for the central heating plant, now in process of installation. Prepare now to push this project with a very special offering on November 2nd. We solicit the support of each pastor in this effort.

SPIRIT FILLED MEN

One hundred and twenty Spirit-filled people shook the world at Pentecost! A Spirit-filled man, Luther, shook Germany and Europe! Knox shook Scotland! Wesley shook England! If the Church of God in all the world will awaken from her sleep; if the Church of God in all the world will demand fulfillment of the prophecies of Scripture, not only will God shake the world—but the very heavens, and the sun, moon and stars will be shaken by the mightiest spiritual movement that has ever shaken God's earth.

Is not this what God awaits? Can He send His Son, will He send His Son, until the Church has arisen and on bended knee in prayer and fasting has taken from God the fullness of His Word, the pouring out of His Spirit on all flesh?—Flame.