



Today I worked in my flower garden. The miracle of new life springing from the cool moist earth never ceases to thrill me. What a marvel that by co-operating with God's changeless laws of growth I can help create a "Thing of beauty" right in my own back yard.

I'm pure amateur, however, and weeds have always been a problem to me. I know every gardener has his battle with them, but my chief problem is that I can't always distinguish the weeds from my prize petunias. Did you ever notice how many weeds bear a marked resemblance to some beautiful garden flower? Last fall while transplanting, I threw away a thistle, or so I thought, only to discover too late that it was one of my Oriental poppy seedlings which had struggled so bravely all through the summer. On the other hand, I have carefully nurtured several seedlings in choice spots of my limited garden space, only to have them reveal their true weed nature after it was too late to fill the spot with something more beautiful. Not infrequently they have also by that time assured their perpetuation by having scattered a thousand seeds about their environs.

I can't help spiritualizing a little. How easy it is in the garden of our lives to confuse self respect and pride, tact and deceit, godliness and goodness, righteous indignation and giving someone "a piece of our mind." What appears to be explicit honesty can so easily become rudeness. On the other hand, it is dangerously easy to gloss over insincerity and label it diplomacy.

Lord teach me the difference—

Let me have humility without being self-depreciative;  
May I stand for my convictions without being stubborn;

Show me how to lead, where necessary, without being boss.

In all things, Lord,

Grant me the wisdom to discern.

*Announcing ... Something New!*

## — SUMMER CAMPS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AT BEULAH —

Junior Girls' Camp

Ages 8 - 12

July 27- Aug. 3

Director — Mrs. Ruth Black

Co-workers — Rev. and Mrs. Laurence Mullen

Junior Boys' Camp

Ages 8 - 12

August 3-10

Director — Mrs. Beatrice McNulty

Co-workers — Rev. and Mrs. Walter Fernley

— Ask your Pastor for further details —

## FROM CALAIS, MAINE

Dear Highway,

The church at Calais is glad to report progress for the Lord. Materially, we have seen many improvements this year. The men of the church have built new pews, and a new planking has been placed on the lower wall of the church. Colored cathedral glass has been installed in the windows, adding considerable to the worshipful atmosphere of the building. At the business meeting of the church the pastor was placed on salary, and we expect to come to the end of the year with the budgets paid in full. A short time ago, a Memorial Organ Fund was set up in memory of Arthur Pike who was saved last fall and went to be with the Lord in February. Several others have made memorial gifts and contributions. On Easter Sunday, a Hammond Organ was dedicated in the morning service.

Numerically, we are showing increases. The Sunday School has held a good gain since winning the Small School contest last fall. Attendance has increased in both the Sunday services. A Youth Meeting is being held each Sunday evening, and Junior Crusader meeting has been organized.

Spiritually, the church has gained also. Since last fall we have seen several saved, most of them during our regular Sunday evening services. Some of these will be baptized soon and taken into church membership.

The church extended to us a unanimous call to remain another year. It is with appreciation and humility that we start our eighth year of ministry here in Calais.

We have been reminded of the words in 1 Corinthians, "So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth, but God that giveth the increase. We are labourers together with God."

On May 28-June 2 we shall be engaged in special meetings with Rev. and Mrs. Fred Bertolet as our workers. We would appreciate your prayers in our behalf during this campaign.

Rev. Joseph A. Moses, Pastor

## BEST SELLER

Christian Scriptures continue to be best sellers in Japan. According to the American Bible Society, more than 2½ million Bibles, Testaments, and portions were distributed in Japan last year. This was more than twice the number of leading Japanese nonfiction books sold and more than ten times that of the leading fiction best seller. The Society has also reported that China's Communists have bought large quantities of a new Tibetan language Bible in order to learn the language of the country they have conquered.