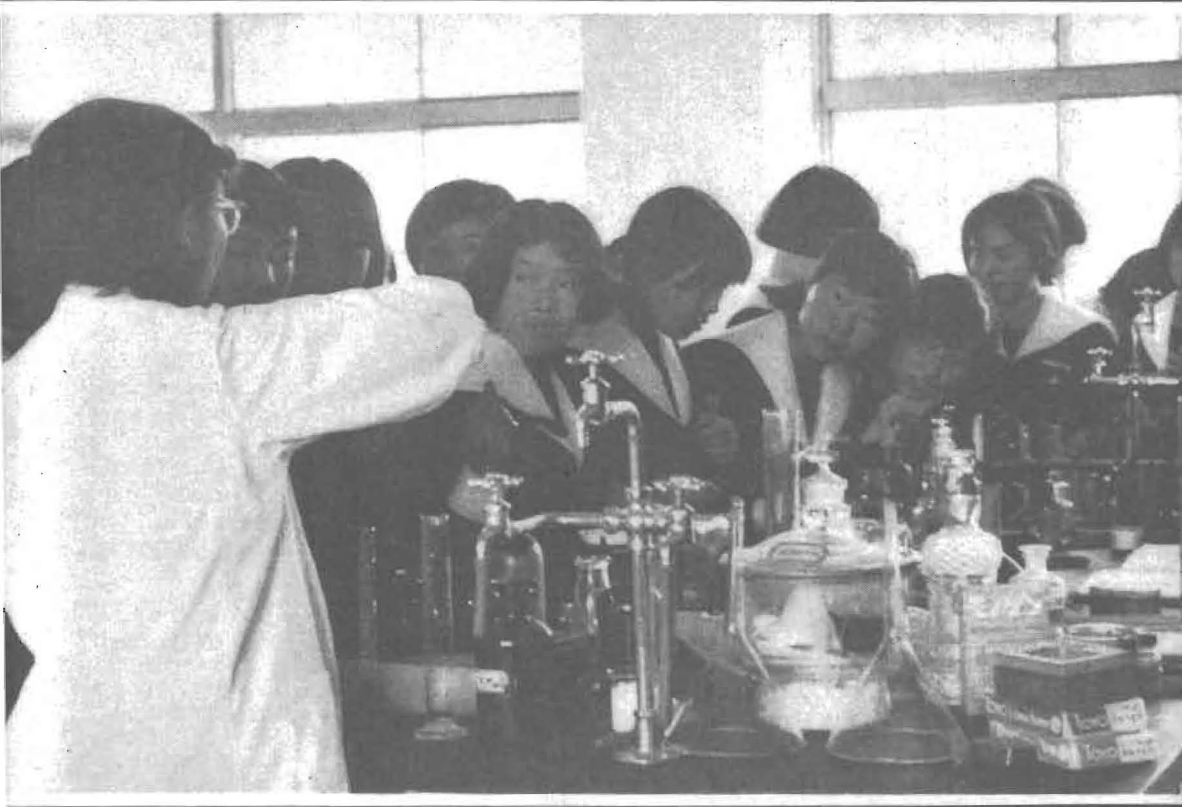


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(See story inside, "Celebrating")

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# CELEBRATING

## Two Japanese Christian High Schools count their years

### SHIZUOKA

### 70 YEARS

### KOFU

Two of the three Christian High Schools for Girls which were begun by our Society celebrated their 70th Anniversaries in November. From missionaries' reports we present glimpses of these high occasions.

#### ABOUT SHIZUOKA

MISS FERN SCRUTON writes:

"I arrived in Shizuoka in time to help celebrate the seventieth anniversary of the Shizuoka Girls' High School. Three hundred and fifty guests joined the students in the auditorium on November 26th for the formal ceremony. The celebration included a Sports Day, a musicale, a gathering of the alumnae, a day for entertaining teachers from the city primary schools, and a program which the students put on in the city

auditorium and which played to capacity audiences at both afternoon and evening performances.

"The students also prepared a very fine exhibition including work done in school and various hobbies. This was on display in one of the department stores for several days and later at the school. Mr. Murota, the principal, and several teachers were honored for their years of service to the school. Miss May McLachlan, upon her return from furlough, was presented with a beautiful vase in appreciation of her help immediately preceding and following the war.

"This school has contributed much to the education of girls and to the life of the church in this city and province during these past seventy years and we pray that it may fulfil an even greater mission during the years to come.

"We were especially happy in December to begin work in our new Shizuoka Church. The church and parsonage were burned during the war and the people have since worshipped in various makeshift buildings and in recent years in a Quonset hut secured through Church World Service. Now, after fourteen years, they have been able to rebuild their church. It is one of the nicest little churches in all Japan, simple but adequate in every way. We are quite proud of it. By using records, chimes ring out from the tower every Sunday morning. Two hundred took Communion on Christmas Sunday and many non-members attended as well.

"The city of Shizuoka and the Eiwa Girls' School have always held happy memories for me as I was here for two years shortly after I came to Japan. I am now finding that some of my former



A GLIMPSE OF THE NEW SHIZUOKA SCHOOL



**FLASH-BACK!**

Miss Greenbank (W.M.S. missionary), Principal Naito and Miss Enomoto (teacher), consider blueprints for the new Kofu Girls' High School which is now an actuality.

pupils are my co-workers in church and school."

MISS MARGUERITE COSENS also says:

"The year ended with due pomp and ceremony as our Shizuoka Eiwa Mission School celebrated its 70th anniversary and our neighbourhood church, Shizuoka Church, which two years ago celebrated its 75th anniversary, opened and dedicated its beautiful new red and white concrete building, the sixth in its history. How lovely it is every Sunday morning and evening just before the service, to hear from its bell tower the chimes playing one of our well-known hymns."

**ABOUT KOFU**

Concerning the celebrations in Kofu  
MISS LEONA DOUGLAS says:

"During my absence (on furlough) the second half of the new school building was completed and preparations were made for the seventieth anniversary. I expected to be here in time for the Anniversary Service but because of wind and weather I arrived in Yokohama a few hours after it was over. However, I

did get here in time for some of the activities included in the celebration.

"I should like to mention only one point. When plans were being made for the anniversary, our principal had a meeting of the ministers of the churches in this district to ask for their suggestions and discuss with them the plans which were being considered. He wished to make it an occasion for a united evangelistic appeal to as large a number as possible. We are so apt to work in our own corner and lose sight of the larger fellowship and partnership in the work of the Kingdom."

MISS KATHERINE GREENBANK who has taught for many years in the Kofu High School also writes about the anniversary:

"For me the greatest joy was in renewing friendship with former teachers and graduates who returned for that event. We had open house for as many as could spend the time that week. On November 2nd Kofu Church was celebrating the 80th anniversary and many old friends returned for that. On November 3rd all the churches of the province joined with

the school in the new Civic Auditorium of the city for a worship service at which Rev. Zenta Watanabe, one of the most outstanding pastors of Tokyo, gave the very challenging address.

"After that meeting over three hundred laymen marched to the school where the Laymen's Association, which is the uniting organization of all the churches, held a rally of fellowship and witness. Just a week before a rally of over a hundred women was held at Ichikawa, a country town where the church is striving to exist.

"On November 2nd as part of the school celebration, the girls attended in groups the churches nearest their homes and rendered such service as they could. Twenty of them came to the little new church near our home, cheering with their choir the older members. Three of them gave a strong witness to their faith. During the week the principal gave the message at our Neighbourhood Meeting and also to the neighbours near the school. Thus church and school joined in many forms of service to the community resulting in a warmth of fellowship and co-operation."



SOME KOFU GRADUATES WITH MISS GREENBANK —Raymond Provost, Jr.

This group made baskets and other things to sell in order to build up a fund for social service work.

# Miss Greenbank Goes Visiting among the Graduates of Kofu Girls' High School\*

During the first half of this year, my last in Japan, the work in school and church continued as usual though in thought I was planning how to pass over to my missionary colleagues the various tasks for which I had been responsible, in preparation for pre-retirement furlough which was due in July 1958.

At the request of our principal, who was planning the seventieth anniversary celebration of our High School on November 1-9, the Woman's Missionary Society kindly gave permission for me to remain for that occasion and to spend four months of my furlough in Japan.

After the celebration was over, as Miss Douglas had returned from Canada to take my teaching duties, on November 10th I was free to carry out my long-cherished plan of visiting the graduates and former teachers near and far. The Alumnae Executive Committee, eager for me to carry out this project, generously insisted on making all the arrangements for my travel and meeting the expenses. As this was their "good-bye" gift to me and I felt it might help the school, I gratefully accepted. What a great surprise it was to find that besides this gift they were raising, in my name, a Scholarship Fund of more than \$2,000 for needy students! Though I knew, it meant great sacrifice for many of them to make this contribution I could not help rejoicing that they had learned that the true way to repay benefits received is to pass them on to others, not an easy lesson in this land of gift-giving.

It has been a rare privilege to travel, in company with a graduate, to various centres, to be entertained in the homes,

\*From Miss Greenbank's annual report.

to meet many who are nobly living out in home and community the teachings of Christ, to talk over with others, personal problems which can only be shared with someone from outside. In several centres new branches of the Alumnae Association have been formed which keep in touch with the younger graduates who move into the district.

In a tiny poverty-stricken village near Takayama we visited a former teacher married twenty years ago into an old conservative family there. At first her husband was opposed even to her attendance at church. During the war years her four children were born. It was impossible to get food for them because they had just moved from the city to a house without any conveniences in that poor village and were not accepted by the people. Though she sold all her kimono and treasures from the home the children suffered from malnutrition and tuberculosis. The burden was almost more than she could bear but her strong faith during those days has won her husband and the children to an acceptance of Christianity.

At present because her husband is disabled from a stroke she is trying to eke out a living for them all. She cares for the garden, a goat and some chickens and at night teaches English to the village children. Her genuine faith has won the respect and friendship of the village women who look forward to the monthly fellowship meeting with her as the one bright spot in their lives.

As I come to the end of my service in this land I give thanks to God who has prepared so many of these devoted young people to carry on His work.



## READING BETWEEN THE LINES

(MRS. N. D.) HELEN CRISP

After visiting some of our Home Mission centres and seeing the missionaries at work, I am able to read "between the lines" in *THE MISSIONARY MONTHLY*, in *Facts and Figures* and in *Missionaries Reporting* in a way that I never did before. Certain facts about the missionaries and their tasks are seen more clearly "between the lines," but shining through and over every page is their sincere dedication to the work of the Kingdom of God.

When I read about the Lachine Children's Home in Quebec I know now that I am reading about a *home* not an institution. I can read between the lines because I've been there. There was the delightful aroma of apple pudding which greeted us instead of the usual disinfectant smell so common to institutions. There was just the normal amount of sound made up of giggles, competitive games, discussions of home-work, dolls, new clothes, little cars, etc., and "What are we having for supper?"—an interested query directed to Mrs. Philips or Miss Staples.

Between the lines I see the dormitories—the girls' single beds with pink spreads, the boys' with blue, one toy allowed on each bed. I see the chest of drawers between each bed for its owner's needs and treasures, and the rug at the side of the bed for comfort.

Mrs. Crisp is Dominion Board Secretary for Community Missions East.



THIS "LEAGUE OF MISCHIEF" AT LACHINE REPRESENTS FIVE NATIONALITIES.

I can see the whole house is painted in pretty colours, and the living room is made lovelier with its gay chintz drapes. I can read between the lines not only that it is a most attractive home, but above all that the atmosphere of the whole place from basement to kitchen to dining room, living room and on upstairs is one of a normal Christian home where loving understanding of children coupled with efficiency make the Lachine Home a credit to the W.M.S. and a blessing to the children who board there.

When I see something in print about

the W.M.S. port work, I can read between the lines because I've been at the Montreal docks with Miss Mayova. She obtained special permission for me to accompany her in to the landing shed to meet the S.S. "Saxonia".

Between the lines I read that Church workers are there by courtesy of the shipping companies. Their interest and concern for travellers must never interfere with the work of customs, immigration or any of the dozens of other types of workers required in the docking of a boat and unloading passengers and their baggage.

Before the boat came in I was interested in the way Miss Mayova seemed to be enquiring about the families of some of the dock workers in languages I could not identify. It was sufficient for me to see the men's faces light up when she spoke to them.

Between the lines I see that travellers are so anxious, yes, impatient, to get the landing formalities over as quickly as possible in order to make train or plane connections or to greet their loved ones who must wait outside the barrier. But there are also the people who have no one in Montreal waiting for them, who

need an interpreter, or help with the children but, above all, a sense of reassurance. I marvelled at Miss Mayova's power of perception to see at a glance where help was needed.

Now when I read about the Montreal City Mission to which Miss Ruth Churchill gives part of her time, between the lines there flashes a picture of the women's group which meets each week and of which I was part for the one Wednesday evening. This is the group which could write of its two sales of work which netted nearly \$125. But between the lines would be written the fact that much more important even than the money has been their joy at being able to do something themselves and their willingness to take responsibility. They were there at the meeting that evening—women of various races, whose faces were white, black and brown; women of all ages, young women with babies in prams, and old ladies who had to be helped up the steps. They were women who love to sing—women who renew their strength in the worship as Miss Churchill leads them, and who make their offering as part of that worship.



WRAPPING CHRISTMAS GIFTS AT MONTREAL CITY MISSION



When they go from the chapel to the club room for sewing and refreshments, they are assisted in their sewing projects by members of a business girls' sorority.

When I see the words "Montreal City Mission" I can read between the lines that this Montreal City Mission, formerly an institution managed by an interdenominational Board, has become a part of the Church of All Nations, having been taken over by The United Church of Canada in April, 1958.

Space does not permit me to tell more about the program and activities of the Church of All Nations, with its many nationalities and its Church services in four languages, English, Japanese, Yugoslav and Ukrainian. But when its printed name appears before me, between each letter I catch a glimpse of the beautiful murals, pillars and altar which have made it, through the efforts of its members, a "little cathedral" reminiscent of Europe yet glowingly alive in Canada.

When I turn to the chapter on Community Missions East in "Missionaries Reporting" (1959 title to be "Missionaries at Work") and find the stories of our missionaries at work in Montreal—Miss Churchill, Miss Mack, Miss Mayova, Miss Watson—I'll recall the day we all had lunch together. I'll read what Miss Helen Mack has to say about her first months at St. Columba House and I'll read between the lines that, however interesting the luncheon, or the tea, or the period of relaxation, Miss Gladys Watson never allows it to delay her with her hospital visiting because she knows the patients will be expecting her and they must not be disappointed or wearied.

Although I feel your editorial pencil hovering over this because of its length, there are a few more points which I cannot resist mentioning when I speak of reading between the lines about our missionaries who are community workers.



MEMBERS AT CANONTO HOLD "BEE" TO BUILD KITCHEN ON CHURCH.

My glimpse of the Muskoka Charge, with Miss Mary Mansfield as my guide, opened my eyes to the variety and extent of the work in which Miss Mansfield shares with one minister and a layminister in eighteen preaching places. The excellent condition of the churches which we visited indicated the fine cooperation and leadership given by this team and the efforts of at least a small nucleus of devoted Church members in each congregation.

When the Supply Department talks about Vacation School kits, I can read between the lines about their usefulness. I saw it at Daily Vacation Bible School with Miss Mulley at Sault Ste. Marie. A drive in the W.M.S. car showed me new areas where survey work has been done, new congregations organized and new churches built, with another area awaiting survey.

At All People's Mission in Windsor, Miss Ila Brown showed me a Vacation School with its enthusiastic children and its fine group of assistant leaders making preparations for their closing event the same evening. Through the work of the English language classes at the Mission one sensed the concern of the missionary about the unemployed Italian men who take advantage of such classes.

About the work of a "missionary-at-large" I can read between the lines better since my visit with Miss Muriel Alexander in Northern Frontenac, where she ministers to three churches at Plevna, Ompah and Canonto, their membership, and the communities at large. As we visited the three churches and several homes, the roads led through bush where one could easily picture the hazards of winter driving. One could understand some of the difficulties of maintaining church groups and activities in a countryside where the tourist trade, guiding, fishing, bush work and farming claim the months when weather would permit the most active church work. Yet with Miss Alexander's capable leadership, and that of her assistant, the church members carry through many a project for the churches' betterment.

Because of these contacts and experiences, I can read between the lines of their letters, as if it were there in **clear print**, the fine spirit of co-operation which the missionaries display to their co-workers, and their great dedication to the work.

Their versatility amazes me as they organize work with children, youth and adults, as they undertake survey work,

office work, the preparing of church bulletins, as they do pastoral visiting and preaching, act as pianists or organists, take morning devotions on the radio, teach language classes, give religious education in the schools, carry on counselling, social welfare work, and . . .

In "Facts and Figures" I have read what is sometimes considered as a formidable array of "Qualifications and Preparation of Missionaries." Now I can read between the lines, for example about the importance of the education our missionaries receive at the United Church Training School and in post-graduate studies, which enables them to give constructive leadership in every department of Church work

Between the lines about "good health" and "a medical examination under the direction of the Inter-Church Medical Board with a satisfactory report as required," I can read the importance of the medical examination and the subsequent annual ones, for only a person in excellent health could, for example, stand the chill of the port sheds in early morning or the rigours of winter driving on rural roads.

There is much to read "Between the Lines" about the Home missionaries!

## Where under the Sun

### has W. M. S. money gone?

A double garage was urgently needed on the John Neil Hospital property at Cold Lake, Alberta. \$1,300.00 has gone to Cold Lake to provide for the building of this garage.

In co-operation with the Board of Evangelism and Social Service, the sum of \$825.00 has been granted towards the support of the Church Home for unmarried mothers at East St. Paul, Manitoba.

W.M.S. money goes also to help in maintenance of three other such Church Homes across Canada. A total of \$3,475.00 has gone to assist in the Redemptive Work carried on in these Homes by the dedicated Christian leaders in charge.

(Mrs. J. R.) ADELAIDE SEAMAN,  
Treasurer

## Editorial

### Does Distance Matter?

On the daily bus ride to work, we pass a Mission, which dispenses a morning meal to hungry men. This winter, the lines of men have been longer with three or four persons abreast instead of two, as formerly. Granted that some in that line-up are now unemployables, perhaps have been so for many years, there is still a large number of the men who are today's "employables", if there were employment for them.

As the bus passes each morning, it gives at least one of the passengers who sits on the side of the bus nearest to the Mission, a good hearty jab in the area of social responsibility. This, repeated day after day, leaves its own pressure mark. The problem is so close, so visible. It precludes newspaper statistics about unemployment remaining only printed figures.

When sitting on the opposite side of the bus one morning, by chance, there was almost a sense of freedom as the thought flashed through one's mind, "There will be other things to look at on this trip." In spite of this, however, a glance went out across the aisle as we approached the Mission block.

But several people's hats or shoulders got in the way — and even the distance across the aisle in the bus meant that faces in the line-up were less distinct. It became a massed line rather than many hungry individuals awaiting their turn for a meal. Just the width of the aisle in a bus reduced the human element!

When this seating arrangement happened a second morning, the bus was several blocks beyond the Mission before the thought even occurred, "I've missed the line-up." But it still stood out fairly clear in the mind's eye. How many more trips seated across the aisle before it would be something unnoticed, like the parking meters along the curbstone?

Where the passengers sit—between the aisle and the Mission—or further away across the aisle makes no immediate difference to the men in the line-up, but how about the passengers? Would the jabs at his or her sense of social responsibility be of more use in strengthening public opinion so that eventually a better way may be worked out, that while the Mission and the line-up may be necessity now, Government, Church and Community at large must continue to work for a better solution—and the passenger on the bus is a part of government, church and community at large, and can be a *working* part?

## The Love of God

God's love is like the dawn of day—  
All rose and gold and amethyst;  
Night's deepest shadows fade away  
When morning lifts her veil of mist.

God's love is like a violet—  
All blue and fresh with April rain;  
Through wintry storms enduring yet,  
Sweet proof of life renewed again.

God's love is so like everything  
That gladdens earth and sea and sky,  
I am forever marvelling  
That any soul can pass it by!

—*The Christian Advocate*

*It is impossible to define the Kirk Club . . . it has a number of irons of action in a number of fires—irons of concern and service. . . The Kirk Club, however, is not entirely a working club . . .*

## MEET THE KIRK CLUB!

ISOBEL MCFADDEN

You can meet the Kirk Club at a Maytime Tea, a Christmas party or an Autumn Get-Together in its own gracious club rooms on a split-level floor in Bloor Street United Church, Toronto. You can meet it at dinner five times a year between office hours and an evening concert, meeting or radio program. You might meet some of its members almost any time in an upstairs corridor pulling hanks of wool, bolts of flannelette,

bundles of jumpers and pullovers out of a row of deep dark cupboards, in preparation for Tuesday's Sewing Group or a box for Korea or a Canadian disaster area.

When you meet the Kirk Club, whom will you meet? At the monthly Thursday dinner you might find yourself between a Children's Aid worker and an interior decorator, and opposite a nurse and the



—Miller Services

secretary for a thoracic surgeon. At the Maytime Tea the eager group sitting with you between the piano and a beautiful curved window might include a librarian, a couple of teachers, the owner of a Gift and Book Shop, a missionary on furlough from Korea, a dressmaker.

When its charter members were very young the Kirk Club was a Bible class of career girls; then a mid-week Young Woman's Club. In 1937 it was re-organized into the energetic Kirk Club, affiliated with the Woman's Missionary Society, to which it gives an annual donation. Its first President was Miss Irene Doole, a teacher.

It is impossible to define the Kirk Club. It was a pioneer in its field. A major value now lies in the fellowship it provides for mature business and professional women who do not always find a place and a challenge in churches where the majority are children or parents—partly because they are in their offices when their friends with families can attend meetings and work sessions, but free for action at the dinner hour and on week-ends. (It is only recently that many married women have taken jobs and they are usually in a younger age group.)

The Kirk Club has a number of irons of action in a number of fires—irons of concern and service! Some irons have been in the same fire for a long time, like that which is in St. Christopher House (a Christian community centre), and those which are in England and Europe stirring up some comfort and hope for children who are victims of wars and their aftermath.

Some of the most interesting minutes in every gathering are those given to the reading of letters. Miss Sunley, a nurse who has been the Club's indefatigable convener of Overseas Work for years, may read one from John and his brother



in Kent, England, who have been enabled to attend secondary school; from Elma of Finland who is mother and father to her young brothers and sisters; from Sophie or Katsavria of Greece whose families are victims of continual wars and natural disasters. Both their fathers are invalids.

Or Miss Sunley may have a letter concerning relief sent to Korea and distributed by Willa Kernan or Nancy Cameron. For not only is the Kirk Club affiliated with the Woman's Missionary Society but through some of its members who are missionaries—such as Miss Palethorpe—or whose sisters are missionaries like Miss Halliday in Angola—it has a kind of Overseas Associate Membership. Its present minister's sister, Miss Howse of Angola, is another "Overseas Associate". These and other missionaries take part in the monthly mission study group when they are on furlough or are retired.

A Veterans' Hospital is another "iron" of concern as is also a residence for Senior Citizens where members of the Kirk Club are vivacious and consistent visitors. During the last war the mine-sweeper "Brabant" was an adopted child of the club and members were often seen knitting the sailors' socks and sweaters that were as big as the knitters.

The Kirk Club, however, is not entirely a working club! Often, after it has

finished its dinner coffee, it sits back comfortably to look at a nature or travel film or to hear a stimulating address on Canadian literature, current events, handicrafts, last wills and testaments, music or sketching, by professional leaders in these fields.

Individual Kirk Club members as well as the society joyously and faithfully assume responsibility for the happiness

of their fellow-members and potential members. They stand by in times of trial and of achievement when many career women tend to feel lonely. The PURPOSE of the Kirk Club, printed on each year's program booklet covers all we have said: TO SERVE: TO SHARE: TO LEARN: AND TO CREATE A FEELING OF WARM FRIENDSHIP AMONG THE BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN OF OUR CHURCH.

## HOLIDAY PLANS?

### More about the Summer Conferences on the Christian World Mission

*(As listed in the March issue)*

The Conferences are again listed showing their proximity to Regional areas in Canada. For full information please write to the "Contacts" indicated. (THE arrow indicates the proximity of a Conference in the section above, as well as the ones listed below each area.)

#### Newfoundland, Maritimes and Montreal and Ottawa Area

NORTHFIELD CONFERENCE, June 28-July 4, in New England's mountains, Northfield School, East Northfield, Mass. Families welcome.

Contact: Dr. Wm. C. Walzer, 257 Fourth Ave., New York 10, N.Y.

SILVER BAY CONFERENCE, July 8-15, on shores of Lake George, Silver Bay, N.Y. Families welcome.

Contact: Dr. J. Allan Ranck, 257 Fourth Ave., New York 10, N.Y.

#### Bay of Quinte, Toronto, Hamilton and London Area



CHAUTAUQUA CONFERENCE, August 23-28, at historic Chautauqua grounds, Chautauqua Lake, N.Y. Families welcome.

Contact: Dr. Laurence Lange, 156 Fifth Ave., New York 10, N.Y.

MIDWEST WORLD MISSION INSTITUTE, August 3-7, on shore of Lake Michigan, Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill.

Contact: Rev. John Buteyn, 1021 Homecrest Ave., Kalamazoo, Mich.

#### Western Ontario, Manitoba and Saskatchewan



SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE, June 13-19, at famed Mt. Sequoyah Conference grounds, Fayetteville, Ark. Families welcome.

Contact: Mrs. R. C. Allmon, 204 E. Kansas St., Walters, Okla.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN CONFERENCE AND SCHOOL OF MISSIONS, June 14-20, at beautiful Association Camp, Estes Park, Colo.

Contact: Mrs. Max Van Hall, 1337 Newport, Denver, Colo.

Alberta and  
British Columbia



ECUMENICAL MISSION CONFERENCE, July 31-Aug. 5, on lovely Monterey Peninsula, Asilomar, Calif. Families welcome.

Contact: Janet Verkuyl, 83 McAllister St., San Francisco, Calif.

**THIS YEAR A NEW CONFERENCE HAS BEEN ADDED — THE PACIFIC NORTH-WEST**, at the college of Puget Sound, Tacoma, Wash., dates August 7-12.

This Conference is being sponsored by a joint committee of the American and Canadian Churches in the State of Washington and the Province of British Columbia. Its appeal will be to residents in British Columbia and Alberta. The main Overseas speaker will be Dr. G. Roy Phillips, and Dr. Wm. C. Walzer of the C.M.E. - NCCC, will present the Home Missions theme "TOWN AND COUNTRY". Among the resource-leaders will be a number of Canadians with experience in Home and Overseas work. Cost of Conference including registration—\$33.00.

Contact: Dr. D. H. Telfer, 2803 West 23rd Avenue, Vancouver, B.C.

### From One Who Participated

Dear Miss Day:

It has crossed my mind many times that I should write a note of appreciation of the announcement in your last April number re summer conferences—headed "Holiday Plans?"

I went, consequently, to the one at East Northfield, Mass., and found it an experience of a life time.

So many of us are spending vacation time across the line and I am sure many of our own church people would and could profitably take in such conferences if they knew of them and that they would be welcome.

This is not to disparage our own conferences or summer schools, but when one is over there anyway the international aspect of so great a gathering and program can lend much that is superlative.

FLORENCE E. C. REID,  
Calgary, Alberta.

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# A Happy School in Trinidad

FRANK W. GAMBLE

*(The Missionary Monthly is pleased to be able to share the following letter written in mid-January by one of our United Church members, who, with his wife has been revisiting Trinidad.)*

My wife and I are visiting once again this lovely island in the West Indies. Several years ago we spent three months here, staying in the country rather than a town, and we learned to understand and love the people.

On our arrival we were promptly in touch with the folks from the United Church. We received at once an invitation to visit, with some of the workers, a newly instituted Folk School in Hermitage Village, which is a small community a few miles out of San Fernando, right in the midst of the sugar plantations.

The principal of the Naparima Theological College here is experimenting with this project with the happiest results so far, and with him we went to the first class after the Christmas holidays. We managed to cram ten adults into the little Zephyr Station waggon (!) and although the class was to open at 6 p.m. the tropic night had already fallen and it was quite black as only it can be in the tropics. But we had a lovely moon for our drive.

The school was held in the little Presbyterian Church, a frame building, about forty feet long and thirty feet wide, and equipped with some of the hardest seats! But the children did not seem to notice discomfort. They were far too interested in all that was going on.

First there was some singing of folk songs chosen by the children themselves, and then one of the local men amused everybody with his funny song which all seemed to know and almost to expect.

After that came the serious business of the evening. While in the ordinary way

there would likely be an attendance of 150, on this occasion—the first after the holiday—there were only sixty present but what they lacked in numbers they made up in enthusiasm. They were broken up into four groups. The youngest, up to about eight, went to a big room in a nearby house for Elementary English and in that group there were about fifteen. The biggest group of about twenty-five were in the age group eight to fourteen, and their interest was Standard English. In the third group of young adults numbering about fifteen, led by the principal himself, the subject was Psychology. Joining this group, we found ourselves keenly interested not only by the lecturer himself but also by the questions and observations of the class members.

The fourth class was for instruction in Hindi, which is an abbreviation for Hindustani, one of the languages of India. Years ago many people came from India to work in the sugar plantations and, while there are many varied languages in India, Hindi became the common tongue here among those of Indian origin, and it is still used just as French is used in Quebec Province. The lecturer used a blackboard to illustrate the Hindi alphabet and when I took my first look at it, I thought he was trying to work out a problem in Algebra.

The Rev. Mr. Newbery, the principal, taking the Psychology class, was obviously interesting his intelligent listeners with his words of wisdom, and Mrs. Newbery, taking the Standard English, managed to smuggle in some good sound advice with the English.



The members all assembled again to be addressed collectively. Then, after a brief period for questions, the principal invited me to say a few words about our own wonderful country, a privilege which I readily accepted, with a promise to make another visit later on in our stay here.

Here is the thought to remember. These youngsters have voluntarily accepted this evening Folk School so that they may learn. The charm and beauty

of them, all carefully dressed in newly washed frocks, hair neatly plaited, the boys, too, being tidied and brushed, is something that is hard to convey in words or even with a camera.

The Folk School is also a voluntary effort on the part of the devoted principal and his helpers.

Only by getting into the midst of the work as we have done here can we appreciate the scope of the work and the results achieved.

### At Christian Hospital, Dhar, Madhya Pradesh, India



THE MIDWIFERY CLASS OF 1958 OF FIVE STUDENTS

with

Mrs. A. R. Graham (who recently returned to Canada on furlough), Dr. Helen Huston and Miss M. Budden.

# BUSMAN'S HOLIDAY!

## A winter visit to Jamaica

ISABEL McI. LOVEYS

Delayed summer holidays provided for a winter vacation, and, with our study this year of "North American Neighbors", where could one spend it better than in Jamaica? So, with the sun rising over the eastern shores of Jamaica, I arrived on the morning of December 30th, after a trip that had been turned from day into night because of fog and engine trouble.

I was the guest at the Presbyterian residence on Lockett Avenue in Kingston, where a Jamaican woman and an Irish Presbyterian, both supported by the Scottish Church, live and serve the Island as missionaries — Miss Madge Saunders and Miss Maureen Patterson.

The residence in which I lived was once a doctor's surgery. Later it was used for theological students and here I found myself in a typical tropical house surrounded by shrubbery and flowers. The poinsettia, hibiscus and bougainvillea were at their best and many other flowers bloomed in profusion.

No difference is shown in Jamaica between the black, white and yellow races. Many Chinese are on the Island but 85 per cent. are African descendants. They are leading the world in race acceptance.

My first social event was to attend the Christmas party at the "Poor House." Eight hundred old people, who were sitting outside on the grass and on the chairs, were given a treat and a concert. Recently Miss Madge Saunders, my friend, had the women's attire changed from a drab, blue-gray dress to house-dresses of bright colours and these were worn for the first time on this occasion.

The Entertainment Committee was inter-denominational and while they were giving a much appreciated party, I gave thanks that old-age pensions and Homes for senior citizens were available in Canada.

Jamaica has every denomination but my contacts were with the English Methodists and the Scottish Presbyterians, whose missionaries are on many of the Jamaican fields.

Schools are still directed by the Churches, with government assistance and a new school known as "Meadowbrook" was opened on January 6th. Miss Saunders was responsible for the building and direction of it. On the previous Saturday, five of us sat for three hours, correcting the Scottish-prepared tests written by 140 students who wished entrance to the school, which would only accommodate 115. Parents brought their children as far as 40 miles and a number of them had to be refused. I saw the school in action, where four busy classrooms had altogether 11 teachers—some of them giving part-time service, one of these being one of the Scottish ministers serving in Jamaica.

The population of Jamaica is 1,250,000 people and the approximate population of Kingston is 325,000. One evening we drove up the Blue Mountains to see the city lights and in the nooks and crannies we found fine new houses being erected. New housing areas are as evident in Jamaica as in Canada.

The woman on the Island who directs work similar to our Women's Institute is Mrs. Lelia James Tomlinson. She travels over the Island, as an Extension

worker, teaching better home-making and giving women a better idea of child care. Out of my visit with her and other social workers came an opportunity to see two interesting experiments for young women.

### The Housecraft Training Centre

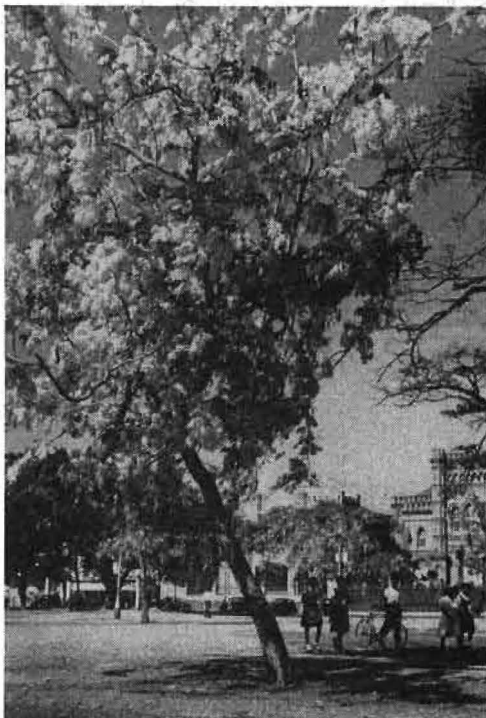
A dream came true when Miss Amy Bailey, a school teacher with a vision of the prospect of giving young women a purposeful life by being trained as domestics was established in Kingston a few years ago.

The indifferent education of many a young Jamaican woman made it impossible for her to handle a shopping list or add up a column of figures accurately. Her cooking achievements could be detrimental to the health of her family and she had little sense of responsibility and loyalty to her employer until Miss Bailey, with a representative group of women, opened the "Housecraft Training Centre." The work has proceeded until today more than 500 women from country and town have received training and are employed. Some of them are the domestic women who have been accepted by the Canadian Government to work in Canada.

The girls live comfortably in a hostel, they come from all over the country, paying a small weekly amount which goes to defray the cost of their food and they are given a ten to twelve-month period of training which consists of cooking, table-waiting, laundry, housewifery, child-nursing and simple sewing. For the child-nursing the girls go to the city Creche.

The normal day of work finds the girls occupied in the first half of the day with the practical routine work and the afternoon spent in Class-theory work in which English, Hygiene and Calculations are included.

Church affiliation is very important to



—Miller Services

### KING'S PARK GARDENS, KINGSTON, JAMAICA.

Miss Bailey and these young women are directed to the Church of their denomination where they take part in group activity.

This training, along with a similar experiment carried on in the Methodist centre where 30 girls are under the direction of trained leadership, is indicative of what Jamaica is doing for its young women.

I visited the Department of Labor, requesting that they should inform us when these girls were leaving the Island, for most of them are Protestants and when they arrived in Canada they are cold and lonely and it is our responsibility to offer them friendship and help in adjustment. I received from the Director of the Employment Bureau the promise that they would make a contact with us when the Canadian Government accepted the next group.

## Sightseeing

In order that I might see the Island, we had a six-day motor trip. We stopped at Castledon to see the tropical plants in one of Jamaica's outstanding gardens. Port Maria was another stop. A few seconds before twelve o'clock we were in the Presbyterian Church in Port Maria, without knowing the exact time, and the old bell, of which the minister is so proud, rang out the hour. This happens 24 hours a day and the Jamaican minister, who was busy on repairs to this Church, was very happy that we arrived at the right moment. After a day's travel we arrived at Montego Bay, where we were guests at the minister's home.

In March, 1957, a severe earthquake demolished many centres on the north-west portion of the Island and a strip of Montego Bay was affected. The Presbyterian Church was demolished and the Anglican Church was destroyed. Both are in the process of being repaired and remodelled. The same thing happened at Lucea where a Scottish minister, Dr. Rothnie, who received his M.B.E. in the New Year's honor list, has been the minister for 53 years—one of the saints of the Church.

Falmouth, another city centre, was once the sugar and rum area. British owners used to come from the Old Country. It was here that the Baptist minister, Mr. Knibb, emancipated the slaves in 1838. It was New Year's Eve and the bell tolled at midnight. One stroke meant that the emancipation had begun and at the stroke of twelve the slaves were released. The shackles are buried in the Church yard and over them a monument was erected, as well as a monument to Rev. Mr. Knibb, who died at the age of 45.

When we left Montego Bay we crossed the mountains over rough roads and into an area known as Giddy Hall.

There, on a plantation, with hundreds of cattle, Jamaican help and a large plantation house, lives Mrs. Iris Sangster, the daughter of one of the early Scottish missionaries, who came to this area in 1881. Mrs. Sangster, who is a graduate of Edinburgh University, returned to Jamaica and married a Jamaican, a member of Parliament, who died while still a young man. She is giving her life in Church activity wherever she can render voluntary service, and it is not unusual for her to have as many as seven to ten guests in her home. Four Theological students were the remaining guests when we arrived and through her generosity we travelled the hills to the Moravian College of Bethlehem. We climbed the hills over hair-pin turns, rising higher and higher until we visited Hampton College for girls and Munro College for boys.

Two of the Theological students—one from the Presbyterian Church in British Guiana and the other from our own Mission in Trinidad—conducted the Church service in Giddy Hall on Sunday morning. I spoke to 100 children prior to the service on behalf of the United Church. The local minister, who has seven or eight points, was unable to be with us but before I left Jamaica I was glad to make his acquaintance.

Leaving Giddy Hall we drove through the Bamboo drive and went on to Knox College at Spaldings. Here I met a W. M. S. scholarship girl, May Grant, who had been in Canada and is now teaching at Knox. May Grant and I had travelled together to a School for Leaders in Whitby and we were glad to renew acquaintance.

Returning to Lockett Avenue I resumed my morning class with Bernie Savage. Bernie had only gone to the first grade in school and it was the first time that I had taught reading and writing to an adult who spoke English.



—Miller Services

#### AT PORT ROYAL, JAMAICA.

Illiteracy is one of the problems in Jamaica and the Churches have established schools for the children from 4 to 7 years, to which a Government grant is made once the Church has the school established. Bear in mind that floors, heat and windows are unnecessary.

The young women in the different denominations in the Protestant Church have an organization known as the "Guildary." This is directed by Miss Saunders and it has a four-fold program. An interesting fact is that **free postage** is given to all voluntary Social Service organizations recognized by the Government, and the "Guildary" is one of these. Church meetings for women are very similar to those organized in Canada. As well as speaking at Church services, I had the opportunity of visiting a number of Church groups and it was a real delight to meet the women and tell them about our country and our organization.

Sects are just as prevalent in Jamaica as they are in Canada. I know nothing about their converts. One sect, which originated in Africa, is the Rastafari. With long hair plastered in mud and sticking straight out from their heads, they ride bicycles and live in very poor areas and as I passed one on the street

one day he looked me in the face and yelled, "European—Fire!"

Jamaica is making progress in education and one of the services which I attended was the dedication and official opening of the new women's hostel and the extension of the Caenwood Hostel for men. This will give more accommodation to the Theological students and it will also mean living accommodation for the women who are taking Christian Education training. We hope that in the future our women from Trinidad may have an opportunity of coming to Jamaica and living in this Training School. It was here that I met the Governor and his wife, Sir Kenneth and Lady Blackborne, as well as many of the outstanding Church people from the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches.

#### Jamaica is full of history

Jamaica is full of history and much is made of the fact that Columbus discovered Jamaica on his second tour to the new world in 1494. At Discovery Bay on the North Coast the place is marked by a monument, where behind it five flags float in the breeze. Not far away is "Runaway Bay," where the Spanish Governor and some of his followers, in 1660, after resisting the English for five years, were forced to leave. Columbus' visits were supposed to be made in 1494 and 1505.

The most historic city in Jamaica is Port Royal, 15 miles from the city of Kingston, now a sleepy little fishing village but at one time known as the wealthiest and the wickedest city on the face of the earth. Here the pirates brought their treasures of gold and silver, under the leadership of Henry Morgan who was the most notorious buccaneer of the Coast.

Horatio Nelson, Britain's most famous naval officer, was also linked with Port

Royal and visitors to the town today can still see signs of his presence in this ancient stronghold.

Fort Charles, one of the oldest fortifications in the island, was named for Charles II who came to the throne of England after the Restoration. As time went on, Fort Charles was improved and Nelson was in command for a period.

Of outstanding interest is the old Church which was re-built in 1725 and the collection of monuments in and around it. Monuments are preserved and in the Church today can be seen the Communion Plate, reputed to be the gift of Sir Henry Morgan. These three pieces of silver, recalling as they do the lusty days of the pirates, are the showpieces, which are kept locked in the Church, and I believe the people see in this antique a symbol of the departed glory of their historic town.

For the first time the Canadian Trade Fair was held in Jamaica and I saw more than 80 of our Canadian firms represented by booths in which Jamaicans were directing the sale of products. One of our own active United Church men led this Trade Mission.

It was a lovely morning when I said my "goodbyes" to Jamaica and flew from Kingston over the Keys to Miami. Another four-hour trip on T.C.A. brought me back to Toronto — from beauty and warmth to the cold and snow of my own country—but home is home.



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### THE MAP

The map is not a map to me  
But mountains, rivers, lakes and sea.  
People sad and people gay,  
Little children at their play,  
Folks with feelings like my own,  
And a place that they call home.  
Though different hues our skins may be,  
Brothers and sisters are they all to me,  
For we are members of God's family.

—Adapted from *The Methodist Woman*

# THE LITERATURE PAGE

MRS. E. W. HICKESON

*The Secretary for Literature, The Woman's Missionary Society*

BABY BAND VISITORS will be happy to know that we have a new story for little folk in the series written by Isobel McFadden and illustrated so beguilingly by Mrs. A. A. Teather. This one is called, "When Toru Had To Be Quiet". It is about a little boy who loved to sing. Three pictures and the story on a single sheet. Three cents each or 25 cents a dozen.

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"Deliverance or Doom" (15c) is the report to General Council (1958) by the Committee on the Church and International Affairs. You will find the sections about refugees, nuclear energy and world food needs particularly interesting. With the questions for discussion which this booklet suggests, a vitally interesting program could be produced.

The prayers, litanies and readings in the "Prayer Manual For The Mission to the Nation," prepared by Dr. W. G. Berry (10c) might well be adapted for use in worship periods in Auxiliaries. It is an excellent source book for the brief opening prayer so often needed by the President.

"Why We Gave Up Social Drinking" by Helen and J. G. MacDonald (2c each) could be circulated in any adult group.

WOMEN IN THE CHURCH—Are you satisfied that your Federation is the new women's organization for the church? Are you apathetic? Are you frustrated by what you suppose to be lack of progress in the study of women's work? Or are you just plain tired of waiting for information? If you can answer yes to any of these questions you should own and read the contents of "Packet No. 2—The Work of Women in the United Church" (25c). See also the Literature page for March.

NOTE: It is not too late to order the Lenten Booklet "You and the Devil," by Rev. Richard Davidson. This guide to daily devotions would be helpful at any time of the year. 25c each or 5 copies for \$1.00. For review, see the February MISSIONARY MONTHLY.

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## DISCOVERING NEIGHBOURHOOD

C. M. STEWART

**Call to Worship:** "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself."

**Prayer of Approach:** O God, who hast made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the whole earth, and didst send Thy Son to preach peace and brotherhood to them that are afar off and to them that are near; grant that we with all men everywhere may seek after Thee and find Thee. Guide the nations of the world into the way of justice and truth that they may become the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, in whose words we pray,

OUR FATHER, WHO ART IN HEAVEN

**Hymn:** "O Brother Man, fold to thy heart thy brother", *The Hymnary*, 366.

**Scripture Reading:** Luke 10: 25-37.

**Comment:** If the Old Testament seems to be quite tentative in places about the wide range of brotherhood and moral obligation to be practised by the religious person, the New Testament betrays no such hesitation. Its records give unmistakable testimony to the emphasis which Jesus and his followers laid upon the obligations of man to be his brother's brother. The best of the Old Testament insights are lifted and reaffirmed. Words like *love*, *fellowship*, *neighbour* are invested with a new authority.

The heart of Jesus' teaching was "The Kingdom of God is at hand." The Jews were quite familiar with the words "The Kingdom of God," but not with the meaning which Jesus gave them. They thought of it in political terms with a sizable ingredient of vengeance mixed in with it. To Jesus it was not just a word but a very present fact. He insisted that the "King" be given as much emphasis as the *Kingdom*; that God's rule over man is a *personal* relationship; and that this in turn implies a relationship of persons. Jesus did not emphasize the *King-subject* relationship but rather the *Father-son* relationship.

The King of the Kingdom is the Father of all mankind. He is "Our Father" of the Lord's Prayer. He has a completely impartial love for all his children—Jew and Gentile, evil and good. The Kingdom has very much to do with men's relationships with one another, as witness the parable of the Judgment of the Nations. (Matt. 25: 31-46).

Men and nations will be judged simply on the basis of their response to human need—caring for the hungry and thirsty, for strangers, for the naked, sick and imprisoned. Even enemies are to be loved and forgiven because God loves them.



The parable of the Good Samaritan was more than Jesus' answer to the lawyer; it was his answer to a question which had been discussed in the Rabbinical Schools of his nation over many generations with increasingly narrower interpretations as time went on. Jesus' parable forever gives the widest possible interpretation; there are no restrictions to being a neighbour because there are no limitations to *human* need.

**Prayer:**

This is our poverty  
That we do not belong to each other,  
Nor serve one another.  
We go each his own way  
And do not care for our neighbour.

We pray thee, O Lord  
Redeem us from this estrangement;  
Redeem us out of this loneliness;  
Deliver us from the sin that divides us;  
Join us closely in true love;  
Have mercy upon all Thy children.

Lord, we believe; help Thou our unbelief. Amen.

*(From the Church in Germany)*

**ADDITIONAL READINGS AND QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:**

1 Corinthians 13

1 John 4: 7-13, 18-21

1 John 2: 7-11, 15-17

Matthew 25: 31-46

1 John 3: 14-23

Luke 14: 26

1. *How does the parable of the Good Samaritan answer the question, "Who is my neighbour?"*
2. *If we know that certain peoples spend their lives amid conditions decidedly less favourable than our own, how should this affect our attitudes and actions towards them?*
3. *St. Augustine once said, "Thou has made us for Thyself, so that our hearts are restless until they rest in Thee." Could it equally be said, "Thou hast made us for each other so that we are restless until we find harmony with our fellow men?"*

**The Literature Page**

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"**The Church in India**" (75 cents) by R. M. Bennett, recently appointed Secretary of the Department of Overseas Missions of the Canadian Council of Churches, and a matching program, "**Christians at Work in India**" (10 cents) go together to form a ready-made plan for your next meeting.

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Frances Bonwick

## What is Happening along the Line?

What is happening about—

### NEW OFFICERS AND PORTFOLIO SECRETARIES?

Yes, we meet them—they have time and they have telephones. They really don't like to be left all alone. They'd welcome some briefing—it's hard on their own.



### IDEAS AND SUGGESTIONS?

There's so much that's written! Yes, we know that is true, but circulars aren't written for something to do. Some others might share them—those folks next to you.

### TRAINING?

More training is needed, but who Presbyterian officer can't brush this aside. letter? What ways have you tried?



will provide? A  
A conference? A

### WORSHIP?

That new hymn? We learned it. That tune's put to rout. And we're listening to find what the Bible's about. The talk? I've forgotten—oh, that was left out!

### BUSINESS?

We've streamlined, consulted, have both agenda and reports well in and chit-chat is banned.



committed and planned. We  
in hand. Our timing's improv-

### VISITS?

Those visits we dreamed of—made them—if not we? Who

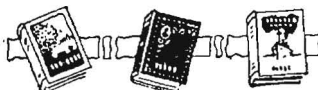
such planning we dared? Who  
bothered? Who cared?

### PROGRAM?

We started—but slackened—there's so much to learn. Could we yet "Know Our Neighbors?" Might we deepen concern?

### PROJECTS?

That reading? 'Twas  
And more they say is  
the storm.



listed—on Penal Reform.  
coming. Let's all brave

## BUDGETS?

Of course we've a budget. How else could we know—what to plan—how to purchase—what our records should show.



## MISSIONARIES?



Yes, of course we're behind them? We've a candidate too. Why, we went to her, challenged her. Maybe this is your cue.

D. M. Y.

## And Now What Is Happening?

When Federations are being formed from previously existing groups—

Are you plunging in headlong without adequate consideration of issues involved; without knowing where the problems lie, without knowing what the program should include or what financial obligations are to be undertaken?

or—are you

Taking time to consider whether Federation is necessary now or whether re-organization can wait until a new UNIFIED PROGRAM is possible?

### IF AND WHEN

Federation seems essential now for strengthening the work of both organizations

will you

Study carefully and discuss in both Auxiliary and Woman's Association the booklet outlining the Federation plan. As you do so keep clearly in mind that this is *not* the plan for the proposed new women's organization. The Federation plan still presupposes two National organizations, two sets of program helps, two financial responsibilities, organizations in Conference and Presbytery, two loyalties!—the Woman's Missionary Society and the Woman's Association.

Then set up a joint W.A.-W.M.S. Committee to study the pros and cons of the Federation plan. Get clearly in mind purpose and objectives, program content, financial obligations, meetings required, relation to Younger Groups, how groups are to be set up.

Keep both organizations and circles or groups within organizations informed about any study being made. Invite both questioning and comment.

Keep closely in touch with presidents of W.M.S. Presbyterial and W.A. Presbytery. They will be concerned about your study and must be notified if a decision to organize is made.

Do not be in a hurry to organize. Wait until a majority in both W.M.S. Auxiliary and Woman's Association are informed and ready to stand behind the new venture.

Make sure that every member of both organizations is notified, in writing, well in advance, of any meeting called for purposes of organization.

At an organization meeting make clear the double responsibility to be assumed, for study and budgeting. Challenge the total membership to a new commitment to the total mission of the church. Appoint a nominating committee to draw

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# The W.M.S. Goes to the Pictures

—TO VISIT THE MIDDLE EAST—

Time was when we turned our thoughts toward the Middle East only at Christmas, when we pondered on Bethlehem and went with the wise men a little way back toward their own country. Occasionally we took the children to a pantomime of Aladdin and his Lamp. But today the Middle East is in the headlines and in the forefront of our thinking and our debating. Delirious hopes and numbing despair are both found in the Middle East. Two films which help us to understand the conflicting issues there are:

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"I was the daughter of a proud tradition." . . . "These people were beneath me." . . . "Saud,\* my room-mate, was a country girl. She chattered like a bird to everyone. Absolutely no reserve!" Such remarks reveal the background of Najal, the poised and pretty freshman in Sociology at Beirut University who is the heroine in **SOUTH OF THE CLOUDS**. Her second remark "These people were beneath me" show her reaction when sociology left the theories of the lecture hall and took her out to do field work with Saud in a medical clinic for refugees. To step from the sheltered life of an aristocratic Lebanon home into the horrors of a refugee camp was like falling down an elevator shaft. So great was the shock that the young student found herself walking out on the clinic doctor and the patients! What happened afterward, partly through the Christian spirit of the room-mate from the country, is the interesting plot of the film. This film could be related to Candidate work.

\*Pronounced Sah-ood

## **MID-EAST PROFILE**

*Colored Film with Sound*

*16 years and up.*

*Service Charge \$8.00*

*27 minutes.*

First, a map, vivid, cedar-colored glows on the screen showing Egypt, Arabia, the Red Sea, the Black Sea; then scenery tawny and black, harsh but magnetic; then the people of the Middle East, crowding the ancient cities, caravanning across deserts, suffering in camps and desolated villages.

How shall Christ be made known to people torn by nationalism and strong religious traditions in a land where a small group are members of the isolated Eastern Orthodox church but 95% are Muslim. **MID-EAST PROFILE** is a documentary film showing how the Church is making Him known through Christian schools and colleges, through literacy classes and the books published in Arabic by Protestant printing presses, through medical relief, and radio religious programs.

Have a member review a good book on the Middle East, such as "THE LAND BETWEEN" by John S. Badeau (\$1.75—Literature Distribution Centre) before

showing the film, suggesting a few things for the audience to look for in the pictures or narration.

ISOBEL MCFADDEN

Order films from:

The Board of Information and Stewardship,  
Room 514, 299 Queen St. W.,  
Toronto 2B, Ontario.

### And Now What Is Happening?

(Continued from page 25)

up a slate of officers taking into account those holding office in both existing organizations and naming assistants where necessary.

Make the meeting at which new officers are to be elected and installed an "occasion".

Have a meeting of the new executive as soon as possible. Then call a briefing conference for all group leaders and officers. Include worship, Bible Study and practical training in procedure and program.

#### IF AND WHEN

You decide to wait for reorganization until a new UNIFIED PLAN is available

then

Have a joint study committee consider projects that can be carried out together now. Get to know one another and get to know your Church.

D. M. Y.

The Annual Meeting of the Dominion Board of the Woman's Missionary Society will be held in Toronto at Emmanuel College from May 26th to June 2nd. More about the meeting will appear in the May issue.

Watch the May issue for notification of the W.M.S. change of address from the Wesley Buildings to the new United Church House on St. Clair Avenue East.

### CORRECTION

Re cost of the Marion Hilliard tape, "Stewardship of the Mind." The purchase price is \$3.00, not \$2.00 as mentioned in the February issue.

#### NOTICE—PRESBYTERIAL TREASURERS

You  
Should  
Know

That orders for—

- Life Membership Certificates
- In Memoriam Certificates
- Life Membership Pins

should be sent to:

The Woman's Missionary Society,  
The United Church of Canada,  
Treasurer's Department,  
413 - 299 Queen Street West,  
Toronto 2B, Ont.

Life membership pins may be ordered through the Presbyterial Treasurer or direct from above address. Pins must be paid for by the individual who sends the order, *not* from Society funds. A Post Office money order should be enclosed with the order to cover cost of pin.

Auxiliary Pin .....	\$2.50
Mission Band .....	.60
Mission Circle .....	.25

(Mrs. J. R.) ADELAIDE SEAMAN,  
*Treasurer.*

Mrs. K. Jull,  
Associate Members' Secretary.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Dear Mrs. Jull:

It was a pleasure to see the picture of the ASSOCIATE MEMBERS Secretary in the October magazine. You may notice I write the office with capitals. To me it's a most important department of our Woman's Missionary Society. I liked what you wrote very much.

After being away all summer, it was September before I had the July Monthly to read. I was amazed to read there that the largest number of Associate members in any society in 1957 was 51. Our Associate Members last year numbered 63. Our church is the Metropolitan Church in Victoria. Some may say that our group is largest, because we are a large congregation. That is not so, as there are others with larger membership both here and in Vancouver.

I am on the watch for new members all the time, as I feel every woman in the church should be either an Associate or a regular. In contacting possible members, I always invite them to the regular Auxiliary meeting. If they say they can't come to the Auxiliary, or they belong to the Woman's Association, and haven't time for two meetings, or they haven't time to go to meetings at all, that is when I can ask them to become Associates, who do not go to meetings, but read and pray and contribute and take a greater interest in advancing His Kingdom.



You may ask how I keep adding to our number, and what methods I use. I have two assistants; both are older than I. They look after shut-ins. Each quarter, I put an Associate Members' envelope inside an old MISSIONARY MONTHLY given me by the regular members and I mail or give this to each Associate. On the cover, I jot down the pages on which appear items of particular interest. Even if they don't read much, it will give them some idea of the scope of the work. How can they be interested if they have no knowledge? Those who go to church, I ask to put the envelope on the regular offering plate on a Sunday; others I visit. I try to call on each member once a year. Some prefer to give only once a year, and I give receipts for income tax to all who contribute \$5 or over. Once a year we have a luncheon meeting on the regular W.M.S. Auxiliary day and invite Associate Members.

With all the best wishes for you, Mrs. Jull.

Yours in service,

(Mrs. J. E.) ELSIE K. BROWN

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**"MISSIONARIES AT WORK"**

This is the new title for the 1959 edition of an old friend.

"Missionaries at Work" is to be the title of Part I of the Annual Report of our Society, instead of "Missionaries Reporting" as formerly. **Missionaries at Work** will give the highlights of the year's work of W.M.S. missionaries at

home and overseas. Price unchanged, 60c.

As the supply of this book, Part I for 1958 was exhausted in February, be sure to place your order for the 1959 edition, and of Part II "Facts and Figures" (50c) when your Auxiliary receives the new order form this month. Ready, August, 1959.

## ONCE UPON A TIME

Once upon a time there was an Auxiliary Vice-President for Younger Groups who said to herself, "What really is my job? Younger Groups will soon be closing for the summer. Before that happens, I will see just what I have been doing in the past few months." And this is what she discovered:

—She knows the names, addresses and telephone numbers of the Superintendents of the Baby Band and Mission Band, of the Chief Counsellor of the Explorer Group, of the Superintendent of the C.G.I.T., of the Advisory President and President of the Mission Circle; and they all know hers.

—Before each of her regular Auxiliary meetings, she calls each of the Younger Groups' leaders to see if anything about their work should be brought to the attention of the Auxiliary members.

—From time to time she inquires whether the Baby Band Superintendent needs assistance in visiting, or with parties.

—She knows which leaders are at present intending to continue next year.

—She knows at what special times the leaders appreciate some extra helpers, and when special events are taking place.

—She knows how much (or how little) the Explorers and C.G.I.T. enjoyed their mission study this year.

—She has presented the leaders' needs for financial help in obtaining materials needed in their Groups.

—She has proposed that their present Mission Circle become an Auxiliary, since all its members are over 25 years of age, and that a new Circle be organized to take the place of the one being disbanded.

—She has, within the past six months, read at least one book that makes her more aware of the importance of, and need for missionary education.

Because she was conscientious and thoughtful and concerned, she and the leaders of the Younger Groups in her congregation lived happily ever after!

R. C. M.

### MISSION CIRCLES

## Planning Ahead for a Party

Dear Members:

The June meeting is *very* important. It helps to set the stage for the September meeting. Have you made plans to make it a highlight of the year? This is the time to invite the Senior C.G.I.T. and other prospective members to meet with you. Perhaps you will plan, as others have done, to have a picnic meeting to which, in addition to prospective members, you will invite boy friends and husbands. Or you might sponsor a joint

meeting with members of the Auxiliary. In whatever form you decide to hold the meeting, the program is important.

Dramatization is fun! You could take your guests through original drama on a quick trip to the places you have visited during the year — Alaska, Mexico, the Caribbean area (particularly Trinidad), United States and Canada. Probably few of them know just what is being done in these fields. Even a little information may act as a spark to light the fires of concern.

You might prefer to concentrate on a specific challenge confronting the Church. Have you already used the film "The Long Stride"? Do try to show it at your party. An inspiring and challenging "follow up" program could be prepared for use at a later meeting using the pamphlet "Speaking in Deeds". (This program might need to be adapted slightly if you are entertaining young people.) It is in dialogue form and suggests ways in which you can help with Overseas Relief and Inter-Church aid—something to think about while you are on vacation!

Is there criticism of the immigrant in relation to unemployment in your community? You could help to get at the facts by showing the film "Fires of Envy" (28 minutes — available through the National Film Board or Local Film Library at a nominal fee). This is the story of a Polish immigrant, his contribution to Canada and the way in which he is treated by his Canadian neighbors. In a speech made recently in Montreal, Mrs. Ellen Fairclough, minister for Citizenship and Immigration, said that the two million immigrants who have come to Canada since 1951 have brought with them a billion dollar "shot-in-the-arm" for Canada. Of far more value to us than their material wealth, is the rich cultural contribution they are making to our land. Supplement the film with information

from program pamphlet No. 6 in the "Know Your Neighbours" folder, or secure most recent information from the Department of Citizenship and Immigration, Ottawa.

"All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." Don't fail to include in your plans time for fun and festival. Games, a sing-song, food, all have their part in creating and sustaining fellowship. You will find helpful suggestions in the following:

"Lift your Voices", price 50c. (Order from United Church Publishing House.)

"Fun and Festival in United States and Canada". Price 50c. (Order from Literature Distribution Centre—see address page 13.)

**Films:**

"The Long Stride". Board of Information and Stewardship, Room 514, Wesley Buildings. (Free)

"Fires of Envy". National Film Board or Local Film Library. (Nominal fee).

**Program Leaflet:**

"Speaking in Deeds". Literature Distribution Centre, price 10c.

May you have fun and fellowship as you deepen concern at your June party!

Sincerely,

(Mrs. S. J.) JESSIE PATTERSON,  
Secretary, Mission Circles

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For suggestions as to the form of the clause in your will, etc., communicate with:

MISS MARION McILWAIN, Assistant Treasurer  
413 Wesley Buildings, 299 Queen St. West, Toronto 2B, Ont.



## Would You Like to be a Missionary?

*Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and forever.* Hebrews 13: 8.

These words held new meaning for me after interviewing three missionaries and two United Church Training School students about the influences which had led them to decide on church work as a vocation.

Too often we leave it to the Minister or the Candidate Secretary to make the needs of the church known to young people. Throughout the years it has been the constant, steady encouragement, exhortation and example of parents and leaders that has brought results. Today girls still offer themselves for training at the United Church Training School for the same reasons and because of the same influences as missionaries did thirty, forty and a hundred years ago.

MARY THOMAS was a teacher before she entered the United Church Training School. Of her decision to enter the fulltime work of the church she says:

"Several factors convinced me of the need for full time church service.

Voluntary summer work with the 'Caravans' helped me to find a deeper understanding of Christian fellowship and faith and led me to realize that there was a great need for trained Christian Educationists.

As co-sponsor of an Inter-School Christian Fellowship Group in a London, Ontario, High School I also became aware of my own need to study theology in order to interpret the Christian message to the Young People with whom I worked."

LORRAINE ROBERTS, a second-year student at the United Church Training School had chosen a business career after completing High School. She says,

"When I was in High School the world seemed full of opportunities and the big question in my mind was, 'What shall I do with my life?' I do not think I was particularly aware that I was called to full time service in the Church until I entered the business world, and life began to take on fuller meaning.

Through my summer experiences of Caravanning, C.G.I.T. Camps, Vacation Schools and various church activities, meeting leaders and other young people, a need for a dedicated witness to the Christian faith became apparent to me. I now look forward with keen anticipation to the future and the fulfilment of God's purpose for my life."

MIRANDA BROWN is working at present in the Church Of All Nations, Toronto. She, too, had entered the teaching profession. Of the early influences in her life she says, "My father was a minister. The daily practice of family worship in our home always meant a great deal to me. Later, while attending the Consecration service at the close of a Young People's Convention, I was definitely challenged and felt impelled to offer myself as a Home Missionary. I consider it a great privilege to have served as a representative of the Woman's Missionary Society. Through the years it has been thrilling to watch the growth and changing attitudes of children, youth and older folk as they have accepted the Christian way of life and learned to take their places in the Church and in their homes.

If I were asked now to choose a career I would choose full time service in the Church."

VERA BOYD who has served our church as a nurse in India since 1930 was brought up in a normal Christian home

in Parry Sound, Ontario. As a little girl she was a member of a Junior League (comparable to the Mission Band of our day). She attended Sunday School and church. She was always conscious of her mother's deep interest in the mission of the church. It took Miss Boyd a longer time to make her decision to become a Missionary. A commercial course was followed by nurse's training at the Lamont Mission Hospital and then a course at the Training School where she prepared for her life in India as a Superintendent of Nurses. Her last term was spent in an Outstation Hospital at Hat Piplia. Of her twenty-nine years of devoted service during which time she was honored by the Indian Government she says, "I would not have changed it for any job in the world."

MARGARET H. BROWN from Hong Kong, now retired, in her interview said, "Above everything I got the idea of becoming a missionary from my mother who was a most devoted Christian. She had had a desire to be a missionary herself.

"I was quite young when I heard a Missionary from India. I knew then that some day I would like to go Overseas and I never lost that purpose.

"When I went to University I became connected with the Student Volunteer Movement. At that time Dr. Mott spoke

privately to the Volunteers. It made my decision stronger and I was in close relationship with those who were sympathetic and who helped keep my interest.

"I cannot have another forty years to serve but I would like to tell every young person that by making an early commitment you look for guidance and then you cannot do anything else with your life."

Are you a Mother?

Do you lead a Mission Band, Explorers or C.G.I.T. group?

Are you engaged in Young People's Work?

Are you a Christian teacher in a High School or a Sunday School?

If so, then you are in a most strategic spot, for daily you have the chance to say: "Jane, did you know that nurses are needed in our Mission Hospitals?" "Helen, would you like to be a missionary teacher?" "Mary, I think you would find a happy career as a Director of Christian Education in a city Church."

Tomorrow may be too late to say, "Would you like to be a missionary?"

Say it today!

(MRS. D. J.) ADA SCOATES,  
Secretary for  
Affiliated G.C.I.T. Groups

## KWESTIONS and

## KWERIES

Should I, as Secretary for Affiliated Explorer Groups or should our Secretary for Affiliated C.G.I.T. Groups accept invitations to speak at Affiliation services when we know that we will be going out of office before the service is held?

Why not, if you can speak briefly and well! At least you can accept the responsibility. No one knows who the

next secretary may be and arrangements for affiliation services must be made and dates set well in advance. There will be occasions when overlapping is unavoidable. The incoming secretary will not usually feel hurt, particularly if you consult with her as soon as she is appointed. She may want just to go along if geography permits. Her turn will come!

## EXTRA!



## MISSION BAND GRADUATION CEREMONY

**SUPERINTENDENT:** In the Bible we learn that everyone in the world belongs to God. In Psalm 24, verse 1, we read "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein". (Pause). We are members of God's world-wide family. As we grow, He keeps showing us new ways in which we can help Him and help His other children. Let us listen carefully as our President repeats the purpose that is ours as members of the ..... Mission Band.

**MISSION BAND PRESIDENT:** (Repeats Purpose.)

**SUPERINTENDENT:** Some of the members of our Mission Band have grown now to the age where they are ready to move into older groups in our church. In these new groups they will learn more about God's world-wide family and more ways of helping others.  
Will those who are graduating from our Mission Band come to the front as we sing our Mission Band hymn?

### MISSION BAND HYMN.

**SUPERINTENDENT:** Let us join now in a litany of thanks to the Father of us all. After each graduate leads us in prayer, we will sing together, "Father, we thank Thee". (Chorus of Hymn No. 584 in *The Hymnary*.)

**FIRST GRADUATE:** For our own mothers and fathers, our brothers and sisters and close friends, who give us so much happiness,

**ALL:** Father, we thank Thee; Father, we thank Thee; Father in heaven, we thank Thee.

**SECOND GRADUATE:** For our brothers and sisters in Africa, with their happy smiles and their gift of singing,

**ALL:** Father, we thank Thee; Father, we thank Thee; Father in heaven, we thank Thee.

**THIRD GRADUATE:** For our brothers and sisters who live in India and Trinidad, with their dancing brown eyes and their shy friendliness,

**ALL:** Father, we thank Thee; Father, we thank Thee; Father in heaven, we thank Thee.

**FOURTH GRADUATE:** For our brothers and sisters who live in China and Japan and Korea, who are so clever with their hands and in so many other ways,

**ALL:** Father, we thank Thee; Father, we thank Thee; Father in heaven, we thank Thee.

**FIFTH GRADUATE:** For all the children of the world, who have so many gifts to bring to Thee and to share with us,

**ALL:** Father, we thank Thee; Father, we thank Thee; Father in heaven, we thank Thee.

**SIXTH GRADUATE:** For our happy years in Mission Band, and for the joy of helping in our Father's work,

**ALL:** Father, we thank Thee; Father, we thank Thee; Father in heaven, we thank Thee.

**SUPERINTENDENT:** Our Father, accept this, our prayer of thanks, and help us to show our thanks by the way we live. Amen.

**PRESENTATION  
TO GRADUATES:** (The Graduates may be presented with inexpensive books or suitable pictures as mementos of this occasion. If they are going into Tyro and Explorer Groups, the superintendents of these departments may want to greet them at this time.)

**HYMN:\*** The many, many children  
Throughout the world so fair  
Are children of our Father  
Who keeps them in his care,  
No matter what their colour  
He loves them one and all,  
No matter where they're living  
He hears them when they call.

Then let us all, His children,  
At home, at work, at play,  
Be quick to help each other—  
Our Father's will obey,  
That all the wide world's children  
In happiness may live  
Whate'er their race or colour  
And praise to Him may give.

(This may be sung to the tune, "Missionary Hymn", No. 256 in *The Hymnary*. Or it may be read by the leader, or sung as a solo.)

**PRAYER OF DEDI-  
CATION—BY  
SUPERINTENDENT:** Our Father, into Thy care and keeping we give these Graduates of our Mission Band. May they continue to know the joy of serving Thee. Like thine own Son, may they grow in wisdom and in stature, and in favour with God and man. May they always find their place in the work of Thy church, and may they follow always Thy plan for their lives. Amen.

### Instructions for the Mission Band Superintendent:

Begin by contacting the leaders of the Explorer and Tyro Groups in your church to ask if they will participate in this service.

It is not necessary to have six graduates! If you have fewer, you may have one or two of them take two parts of the litany each.

To ensure a smooth, effective ceremony, have a practice beforehand with the Mission Band President and those who are taking part in the litany. Be sure that all the children understand what a Litany is.

(MRS. J. L.) GENEVIEVE CARDER  
Secretary for Mission Bands

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RAIN OR SHINE,  
A SCHOOL EXCURSION  
HAS PLENTY OF INTEREST!

Miss Laura Darby, Miss Emiko Kanda and girls of Shoei Junior College, Kobe, Japan, on a school fall excursion. Miss Kanda was in Canada recently as a W.M.S. scholarship student.

# Our Society at Work in the Conference Branches



## Alberta

*Press Secretary, Mrs. J. G. Anderson, 2909 Cartier St., Calgary, Alta.*

*Treasurer, Mrs. R. L. McLeod, 2016-47th Ave., S.W., Calgary, Alta.*

ST. PAUL UNITED PRESBYTERIAL—It was a very cold morning on January 30th when members of this Presbyterial met in Lloydminster for their annual meeting. Mrs. R. F. Berry, President of Conference Branch, was the guest speaker. The meeting opened with a worship service and Bible Study conducted by Miss Henrietta Campbell, W.M.S. worker at Cold Lake. She spoke on the text, "Ye are the salt of the earth", and reminded her audience of the good qualities that salt should have. She also said that they, as the laity, are a peculiar people called to take definite and decisive stands. The Treasurer's report showed that the Presbyterial had exceeded its allocation. Reports showed that three groups of the W.A. had affiliated with the W.M.S. in 1958. A solemn and reverent In Memoriam Service was conducted by Lloydminster ladies during the morning session. A film on African people was shown during the luncheon period. Mrs. Berry talked on various phases of the work of the W.M.S. She mentioned that this Presbyterial receives much from the W.M.S. In this Presbyterial the W.M.S. owns, operates and staffs two hospitals and two school Homes, besides having three other W.M.S. workers. However, she stressed that our Overseas Mission work is just as necessary as our Home Mission work.

## Bay of Quinte

*Press Secretary, Mrs. E. Free, Sunderland, Ont.*

*Treasurer, Mrs. A. Scriver, 145 Hunter St. E., Peterborough, Ont.*

LINDSAY PRESBYTERIAL—The annual Presbyterial meeting was held in Cambridge Street Church, Lindsay, on February 10th. Despite bad weather 22 auxiliaries were represented by 172 members. The ladies from out-of-town were cheered by a cup of hot coffee on arrival which was served by the Eliza Dunoon Auxiliary. While the allocation was not quite met the members were encouraged to learn that the givings had increased by \$2,000 over the previous year. The guest speaker was Rev. Elizabeth Mewhort, on furlough from India. In her charming and sincere manner, she held her audience in rapt silence as she answered questions always asked her by groups. She said that while the "Mission" has ceased to be, missionaries are still needed and wanted. The three phases of the work in India—evangelical, educational and medical—are integrated under the United Church of Northern India. The Indian people are very definitely accepting responsibility for Church-work. There are Indian doctors and nurses, teachers, evangelists and many W.M.S. women and children who most earnestly serve the Church. Special prayer periods were held during both morning and afternoon sessions. Due to increasingly stormy weather, the discussion groups scheduled for the afternoon were cancelled so that all might start on their way home.

**OSHAWA PRESBYTERIAL**—Members of Presbyterian Executives were invited to join the Ministerial Associations at a two-day Conveners Missionary Education Conference held at King Street Church, Oshawa. This new venture by the Board of Information and Stewardship featured a splendid book and film display as well as fine addresses on missionary work and Stewardship. The speakers were outstanding—Dr. H. L. Pottle, Rev. Bruce Millar, Rev. Floyd Honey, Professor Kim of Korea, Dr. J. I. MacKay, Rev. C. M. Stewart, Miss Frances Bonwick, Rev. H. G. Douglas and Rev. Clayton Searle.

#### **British Columbia**

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**VICTORIA PRESBYTERIAL**—The C.G.I.T. girls of Centennial Church, Victoria, invited all persons aged 70 years and over in the church to a social evening. Over 40 people responded. One of the C.G.I.T. leaders took charge of the program. Some of the girls played the piano and in return some of the guests sang solos, etc. Each girl brought a beautifully decorated lunch box containing enough lunch for two or three people. Then the oldest man, Mr. William Rowles, aged 94, and Mrs. F. Bancroft, aged 89 years, selected the box which they thought was the most original. Each girl sat with a guest. There were several couples who had been married over 50 years. They were asked if they had a recipe for wedded bliss. The answers brought chuckles of mirth. However one bit of advice which each couple stressed was, "Stick to your church." The girls themselves felt greatly enriched by getting to know some of the senior members of the congregation.

#### **Hamilton**

*Press Secretary, Mrs. R. D. Trask, Canfield, Ont.*

*Treasurer, Mrs. John Inglis, 1081 Huron St., Niagara Falls, Ont.*

**BRANTFORD PRESBYTERIAL**—The annual Presbyterian meeting held in Wesley Church, Galt, was highlighted by the presence of officers of the Dominion Board and Hamilton Conference Branch. We were honoured to have Dr. Dorothy Long, President of Dominion Board, as the featured speaker in the afternoon and also to present the theme for the day, "Strengthen your stakes, lengthen your cords" at the morning session. Over 200 attended the morning and afternoon sessions but some were unable to stay for the evening because of the uncertain weather. The opening worship was led by ladies of First United Church, Galt. During the business session the Treasurer reported an increase in the givings for 1958 with \$1,100 over our allocation, which amount was voted to go towards G.B.A. After the presentation of the theme by Dr. Long, discussion groups were held on various aspects of the theme and findings of the groups were given.

The afternoon session opened with a worship service conducted by Rev. L. R. Ballantyne, minister of the host church. This was followed by an interesting Poster Witness, presented by the portfolio secretaries. The posters each illustrated the work of the various departments and as they were held up for view, the secretary gave a three-minute report of her work. Dr. Long then spoke to us describing the "Outreach of the Church", from Home Missions to faraway places. She said that a mobile clinic to which Presbyterians had contributed was enabling nurses to go into the surrounding country in Korea. Dr. Long told of the library at Ewha University, Korea, built but not yet paid for, depending on

money from Presbyterian G.B.A. projects. She said that Northern Rhodesia is also depending on G.B.A. money to help train leaders, and pointed out the almost unbelievable plight of a million and a half refugees in Hong Kong.

The program for the day allowed for a period of relaxation before the evening session when one could listen to beautiful music or visit the literature table, see the display of supply work or take the opportunity for friendly consultation. The result was that one went to the evening session with a sense of relaxed anticipation.

A panel of speakers was the feature of the evening session, each dealing with a different phase of the "Mission of the Church"—Overseas by Dr. W. Scott; At Home, Dr. Long; Recruiting for the Ministry, Rev. A. Lewis; Recruiting for Women's Work, Mrs. R. Hayward; and the Ministry of the Laity, Rev. Jane Bone of Five Oaks. Dr. Scott said that the issues today are world issues and the very survival of our Christian way of life is at stake. Dr. Long told us that in our approach to Home Missions we have a partnership of voluntary and professional workers. She cited exciting pieces of work in the last year and said that things are moving to meet new situations.

**HAMILTON PRESBYTERIAL**—The beautiful new church at East Plains formed a splendid setting for the annual Presbyterian meeting on January 28th. The theme was a challenging one—"Strengthen your stakes and lengthen your cords"—and was used by all the speakers as well as those conducting the worship services. Secretaries of all departments brought in encouraging reports and the Treasurer announced that the Presbyterian objective had been reached. Beautiful flowers were placed in the chancel of the church to honour those called to Higher Service during the year.

A pleasant surprise in the afternoon was the presence of the Korean author

and lecturer Mrs. Induk Pakh who delighted everyone with several stories from her book, "September Monkey". The special speaker at the morning session was Mrs. C. R. Jarvis, Christian Stewardship Secretary of Dominion Board. Referring to the three Ws of Stewardship—Worship, Witness and Work—she said we must have more Bible Study, prayer and earnest fellowship with other Christians. Witnessing is like a contagion—we give to others of ourselves. Work or service must be enthusiastic and it will be if we have real love for mankind, and have knowledge of his needs.

Miss Pearl Wilson, deaconess of Stoney Creek Church, spoke on the conference theme at the afternoon session and later led a discussion group. Here she said we could lengthen our cords by worship. Prayer must not be rushing demandingly into God's presence but let us have quiet searching for the purpose of His will. A profitable skit, "Whate'er the gift may be" was presented by several ladies. In the evening Miss Leota Werner of the Iere Home for girls in Princes Town, Trinidad, gave a most interesting illustrated account of the work to which she is so devoted.

### London

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Ridout St. S., London, Ont.*

*Treasurer, Mrs. W. F. Purdy, Riverdale  
Manor, Apt. R-53, 520 Wyandotte St.,  
Riverside, Ont.*

**ELGIN PRESBYTERIAL**—"Strengthen your stakes and lengthen your cords" was the theme of the annual Presbyterian meeting on January 27th at Grace United Church, St. Thomas. Worship services were conducted by the auxiliaries of Straffordville and Fingal and Grace Church C.G.I.T. A meditation was also presented by Rev. S. A. Selby, Chairman of Elgin Prebsytery. An address was given by Mrs. E. Hansuld,



Conference Branch President, stressing the need for the Master's work having priority in our lives. Very successful discussion groups were held on (1) Worship (2) Fellowship (3) "Lengthen your cords" (4) Witnessing and (5) Younger Groups. The guest speaker for the afternoon and evening session was Mrs. L. H. Cragg, Dominion Board 2nd Vice-President, who pointed out the need for Missions at home as well as abroad at a period when events were fascinating, frustrating and frightening. There must be a "togetherness" and a willingness to sacrifice. "God Needs People", a dialogue on Stewardship, was conducted by Mrs. H. Owen and Mrs. F. C. Bayes. Slides of Mexico were shown by Mr. and Mrs. L. Nichols. These had special interest because of our current study book.

**MIDDLESEX PRESBYTERIAL**—In her opening address at the annual Presbyterial meeting held in Colborne St. United Church, London, Mrs. L. Warwick, President, urged further interest in the work among young people, in witnessing, in missionary education, in reading good literature. The theme for the meetings was "Strengthen your stakes, lengthen your cords". Following this theme, inspiring worship services set the atmosphere for every session. Reports of all departments were encouraging as shown by a survey presented by the Corresponding Secretary. The Treasurer's report revealed the allocation had been exceeded and the members voted the sum of \$2,500 to Gifts for Building Advance, to be used at the discretion of the Dominion Board. Supply work included overseas bales with a total weight of 11,526 pounds as well as 981 pounds sent to Matheson, 17 widwifery kits to Korea, and 149 pot holders to Lamont Hospital; \$741.25 was sent to Dr. Mooney for shipping charges. The Literature Secretary reported a definite increase in the use of literature and visual aids. Total sales amounted to

\$768.25 and "Journeying with the Year" by Viola Whitney Pratt was the best seller of the year.

Rev. E. W. Mewhort, missionary on furlough from India, wearing a beautiful sari, answered questions that she had been asked most frequently here in Canada. She said, "In India there is much work to do and we are woefully short of staff. We need men and women who are consecrated to Christ and the Christian way of life." Dr. J. R. Leng, Associate Secretary, Board of Home Missions, said because Canada is a growing nation and is going through a period of expansion unprecedented in Canadian history, it is necessary to "Lengthen our cords and strengthen our stakes". One of the difficulties being encountered in this period of expansion is the lack of manpower, according to Dr. Leng. He appealed to the members to present the needs of the Church to their young people. Miss Anne Macauley, a third year psychology student at the University of Western Ontario, spoke about "Caravaning" and said that a "caravan" team is composed of three to six young people who volunteer to serve their Church wherever needed during the summer vacation.

Youth Work was presented by a panel discussion representing the groups from Baby Band to Mission Circle. Mrs. L. H. Cragg, 2nd Vice-President of Dominion Board, stressed the importance of injecting purpose and interest into auxiliary programs. She suggested investigation into world economic and spiritual needs and especially the importance of Bible Study. All members should be encouraged to participate in a program, she said. Mrs. A. E. Hollands, Dean of the School for Leaders, reported due to over-capacity registration, the School for Leaders at Alma College will this year be divided into two separate sessions—August 23-26 for leaders of adult groups, August 26-29 for leaders of junior missionary groups.

## Manitoba

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**PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE PRESBYTERIAL** — The combined W.A. and W.M.S. rallies in this Presbyterial were very successful. These were held at Austin, Arden, Kelwood and Langruth with an average attendance of about 125. Mrs. J. Paxton, Presbyterial President, spoke about her Caribbean trip; Mrs. T. Poyser spoke on Mexico, and Miss M. MacGregor, W.M.S. missionary, showed slides on her work at Wayside Mission at Fort William. At Arden five ladies dressed in costumes of Canada, Japan, the Caribbean area, Holland and Alaska introduced the study book. Mrs. Shoemaker, of Neepawa, described her trip to Mexico. Most inspiring of all the interesting talks was the message and coloured slides given by Mrs. M. Martin, of Oberon, who told of her experiences as a delegate to the World Christian Education Convention in Tokyo, and her trip to Korea. She stressed the shortage of missionaries and was greatly impressed by the work of Dr. Florence Murray in Korea.

**WINNIPEG PRESBYTERIAL** — "We must expand our view realizing God is the saviour of all men," Rev. Dr. Rex R. Dolan told the Presbyterial annual meeting held in St. Andrew's-River Heights Church, Winnipeg. Dr. Dolan warned against thinking of God in forms of particular customs and creeds. "We are one in Christ no matter what creed," he stated. To gain strength for work in a "wider territory" Dr. Dolan encouraged the women to give more time and money, but more important, give of their prayer and faith. "Pray individually for political leaders and scientists, mention their names," he said. The Treasurer reported last year's allocation was exceeded by \$2,563 which was to go

to G.B.A. Membership rose to 3,724, an increase of over 400. The Christian Citizenship Secretary noted that 20 affiliated groups asked that the Church's policy of voluntary total abstinence be retained. Some 1,900 bales of clothing and bedding were distributed to outlying areas as well as to city families. Hospital visiting was carried out by many members, 22,364 recorded visits as well as home visits.

## Maritime

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**BERMUDA PRESBYTERIAL**—The W.M.S. of the island held a rally at Wesley Church, Hamilton, which was very well attended by members and friends of all five auxiliaries. The worship service was conducted by the group from Grace Church and was followed by a report on Maritime Conference Branch by Mrs. Ryall, the Bermuda delegate. An interesting report was given by two C.G.I.T. girls who attended a leadership camp at Cedar Lodge, Lake Memphremagog, Quebec, last summer. This was the first time that the Bermuda W.M.S. has sent any girls for training in leadership and everyone was most interested to hear of their impressions. The program of the evening concluded with a film on life in Japan by the courtesy of Pan-American World Airways.

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**GLENGARRY PRESBYTERIAL**—Three days of activity were arranged in this Presbyterial in order to take full advantage of the visit of Miss Marion Thomson, W.M.S. Field Secretary. These included

an Auxiliary officers' conference held in St. Andrew's United Church Hall, Long Sault, under the direction of the Presbyterial President. There were 40 women present representing 8 Auxiliaries. Miss Thomson, using a questionnaire, led a discussion on program-planning, giving helpful suggestions on the use of skits, pictures, panels, etc. With the aid of charts, she presented an over-all picture of the extent of the United Church mission work. The meeting closed with a worship service led by Mrs. G. Wallace, St. Paul's Evening Auxiliary, Cornwall.

"Why mission study for teen-age groups?" was the theme of a questionnaire conducted by Miss Thomson at a conference of C.G.I.T. leaders in Knox United Church, Cornwall, the following evening. She reviewed the missionary projects for the year and led group discussion on the four C.G.I.T. projects. A discussion on community problems, race relations and prejudices preceded the showing of a film on race prejudice, especially as it applies to teen-agers. Miss Thomson also explained the relationship between affiliated groups and the W.M.S.

An all-day conference and workshop in Knox Church for Mission Band Superintendents and Explorer Counselors concluded Miss Thomson's busy time here. The emphasis was on leadership-training. She gave suggestions for planned worship services, reviewed the study packets, pointing out the value of flannelgraphs, puppets and audio-visual aids in making stories more real and creating a friendly attitude among the children towards our neighbors in Canada and overseas. Questionnaires on Mission Band and Explorer work brought interesting discussion and sharing of ideas. The sessions closed with a worship service led by the Presbyterial Secretary for Mission Bands and Affiliated Explorer Groups.

Miss Thomson also addressed the

afternoon session of the Presbyterial Executive meeting. Encouraging reports of the year's work were given which showed an increase of 33 in membership. The financial report also showed an encouraging increase over last year, and brought some discussion on the budget plan of financing as a help in meeting objectives. Miss Thomson stressed the value of leadership-training and the importance of the task of W.M.S. members in understanding others, and being interested in their "neighbors" as people, not just as inhabitants of another country. Missionary education is concerned with feelings about and attitudes toward all the people in God's world. She spoke of the trend in Missions at home and abroad toward integration. Many churches, formerly listed as mission stations are now self-supporting indigenous churches. Miss Thomson illustrated the vastness of the missionary task with posters, showing where the United Church is working and the number of missionaries. She also presented excerpts of tape recordings of an interview with Mrs. Hugh Taylor, Overseas Missions Executive Secretary, and "Stewardship of the Mind" by Dr. Marion Hilliard.

OTTAWA PRESBYTERIAL — "A splendid Presbyterial," was the comment heard on every side. Ottawa Presbyterial had just closed the last session of its annual meeting held in Stewarton Church, February 3rd and 4th. Our theme was "Hold not back, lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes." Our speakers, Rev. Elizabeth Mewhort, on furlough from India, and Mrs. Ralph Collins, on furlough from Angola, were dynamic and challenging. Miss Mewhort gave us an insight into the work in India—past, present and future. "Let us all, as children of God, continue to pray prayers of intercession for Christ's people, both in India and all over the world." In her second address she told of the integration of the Mission with

the United Church of Northern India and all the difficulties, temptations and persecutions endured by Indians who are striving to preach Christ and work in His ways. Mrs. Collins brought greetings from Maria Chela, giving them first in Umbundu, then translating them into English. She told of the life of African girls before they learned of Christ, how small their world was, bound by tradition, dictated by fear. They "held not back but lengthened their cords and strengthened their stakes" when they became Christian. Mrs. Collins illustrated with many dramatic and thrilling stories. We all, girls and women alike, sat spellbound.

The Treasurer reported that, although our allocation had been raised \$5,000, the Presbyterial had again gone over the top. There was \$1,250 for G.B.A. It was voted that this be divided equally between the two projects of G.B.A. Fine reports were received from all secretaries. Mimeographed copies of the Treasurer's report and highlights of the secretaries' reports were available for those who wished them. The evening session for Explorers, C.G.I.T. and Mission Circles was ably led by Mrs. H. W. Reid, and well attended by both girls and women. The Westboro C.G.I.T. presented a fine skit on "Christian Friendship". A thought-provoking skit was presented by three ladies who had, it appeared, just returned from a discussion on "The Ministry of the Laity". One was greatly inspired to do her share but felt frustrated by lack of time, education and ability. The other two, in some well chosen, probing questions and comments, exposed her incorrect thinking and spurred her on to be a Christian 24 hours a day. Someone called the laity the "frozen assets" of the Church. "Let us defrost and all of us make all our work into God's work," they said. During the departmental conferences each group had a discussion on the theme under one of the headings

(1) worship; (2) witness; (3) fellowship; (4) service; (5) education. A striking innovation was the bringing of greetings from Ottawa Presbyterian Presbyterial. We in turn sent an emissary with our greetings to them. Registration was high—835, with many more who did not register.

### Saskatchewan

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MOOSE JAW PRESBYTERIAL—The annual meeting of this Presbyterial was held in St. Andrew's United Church, Moose Jaw, January 20-21. Mrs. N. C. Bayne, President, opened the sessions with the theme, "Strengthen your stakes, lengthen your cords." Devotional services were conducted by Rev. L. E. Anderson of Minto United Church, who enlarged on the Presbyterial theme. Speaking of "Anchoring and Expanding" he said *mobility* is the key word of existence in a shifting age. Since 1945 forty million people have become refugees, creating a tremendous challenge in providing education and necessities of life. Conferences on various aspects of the theme were held under the leadership of Rev. H. E. Fennell, Rev. D. Garner, Rev. R. Morris, Rev. E. Grigg and Rev. M. H. Adams. The masculine viewpoint on some of the questions discussed proved most interesting. A memorial service was conducted by Mrs. C. S. Richards of Caron.

In her presidential address Mrs. Bayne said that the W.M.S. had accepted responsibility for a large part of the missionary enterprise of the Church. Ten workers only were available this year for fifty-nine vacancies. We must interest our young women in the missionary aspect of our Church. Mrs. W. C. Wilkinson, Christian Citizenship Secretary of Conference Branch, gave a

very interesting account of her trip to Toronto as a delegate to Dominion Board. A letter was received during the sessions from Rev. and Mrs. Yohan Masih of India, telling of their work in Indore and mentioning the visit of Prime Minister Diefenbaker and party. Resolutions re nuclear energy, alcohol outlets and the Indian question were discussed, adding much to the knowledge of delegates as to what is being done along these lines at Conference Branch and Dominion Board. Highlight of the luncheon was the reading of a letter from the honorary president, Miss Catherine Braine.

The speaker at the public meeting was Mrs. I. Kirkpatrick, a missionary on furlough from Trinidad. Her illustrated lecture was much enjoyed and was followed by a lively question and answer period. The C.G.I.T. from Zion United Church took charge of the worship for the evening and music was supplied by the Chapel Choir of St. Andrew's Church.

REGINA PRESBYTERIAL—Despite a howling wind and below zero temperature, delegates to the annual Presbyterial meeting enjoyed half an hour of sunshine when Mrs. I. Kirkpatrick showed slides of Trinidad. The pictures showed the colorful foliage as well as church schools. Mrs. Kirkpatrick explained that schools on the island had only one room, partitioned by blackboards. Sometimes as many as eight or ten teachers teach in the same "room". The classes are taught in English because many languages are spoken in cosmopolitan Trinidad.

Religious education is not compulsory in the mission schools of India but many families do not object if their children wish to attend these classes said Miss Indira Singh of Indore, at the banquet given in Knox - Metropolitan Church during the Presbyterial meeting. She is presently teaching English at Sheldon-Williams Collegiate in Regina. The

topic of her address was "W.M.S. in India". Missionary work in India looks forward to a bright future, said Miss Singh.

Knox - Metropolitan Explorers presented "We Come Bringing Gifts." Miss Elsie Rosenberg presided for a panel on youth groups. A playlet entitled "Together in Trinidad" was presented by members of the Lakeview C.G.I.T. Mrs. C. P. Halls presided for a group discussion on the theme for the meeting, "Hold not back, lengthen your cords and strengthen your stakes." Mrs. Thacker conducted an In Memoriam service. A highlight was a tape recording of an interview with Dr. Marion Hilliard. Sixty-two out-of-town delegates registered for the sessions held in Knox-Metropolitan Church, Regina.

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TORONTO CENTRE PRESBYTERIAL—Mrs. W. R. K. Beck, President, presided at the annual Presbyterial meeting, which was held in Eglinton United Church, Toronto, and was attended by over 500. The Rev. E. Cragg, minister of the church, stated that the whole future of the church depends on our missionary knowledge and enthusiasm. There are 25,000 Protestant missionaries in the world, 10,000 more than after World War II and four times as many as at the turn of the century but most of the increase is in the smaller sects. For instance one denomination of 290,000 supports 2,000 missionaries. At that rate the United Church should have 8,000. Miss Muriel J. Stephenson, on furlough from India, said that missionaries in India no longer formulate policies but are now under the Indian Church. She spoke of the need for public health personnel throughout India. It is

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estimated that 83% of the nurses in India are Christians. Many in India work very hard, their day commencing at 5.30 a.m. so that they may be ready at 8 a.m. to go into the fields to pick cotton or cut grain. Indians love to sing and Miss Stephenson has been able to compile a book of their own music and songs. Reports disclosed countless kindnesses and gifts for the needy; 9,383 visits made to hospitals and homes; entertaining newcomers from other lands and young people away from home; Christmas parties and sight-seeing trips for the elderly. A school for New Canadians, started four years ago by one auxiliary, now has 75 pupils and 45 teachers and help is not only given in teaching English but also finding work and homes. Recently a Couples Club gave the reception for the wedding of two pupils and this month the newly married couple will be hosts and refreshments will be Hungarian dishes. Another Federation reported a share in the furnishing and upkeep of a home for newly arriving families from Europe, as well as a home which accommodates 12 senior citizens.

A World Friendship Rally was held at Willowdale United Church for C.G.I.T. leaders and girls of this Presbyterian. The program was designed to be helpful to both leaders and girls in planning their current mission study. Rev. W. A. Jones, minister of the entertaining church, set the tone of friendliness with a warm welcome to all. After the roll call Rev. R. Catherine McKeen, Secretary for Younger Groups, presented helpful ideas based upon "Friendship Diary". As a further aid, Miss McKeen used the filmstrip, "It Happens Every Day". Buzz groups were formed to discuss a variety of questions pertaining to the film. After lunch, one of the pilot groups presented a playlet concerning racial prejudice which culminated in a happy relationship. Following this Mrs. D. J. Scoates, Secretary for Affiliated

C.G.I.T. Groups, Dominion Board, spoke about the Special Objects poster, affiliation and the meaning of the World Friendship badge. Additional assistance was given by Mrs. H. C. Burkholder, wife of Rev. Mr. Burkholder, Executive Secretary for the Ontario Council of Christian Education, who demonstrated "role-playing" of a situation and the attendant pressures which crowd in. The Presbyterian Candidate Secretary challenged the girls to consider church vocations—part-time or life time service.

TORONTO WEST PRESBYTERIAL—"Strengthen your stakes—lengthen your cords" was the theme of the annual Presbyterian meeting held in High Park Avenue United Church. Reports were given by the Corresponding Secretary, Literature Secretary, Treasurer and Christian Stewardship Secretary. In 1958, \$49,645 was raised and the allocation for 1959 is \$50,150. Rev. G. Gardner Ward, minister of the church, spoke on "Strengthen your stakes and lengthen your cords". Rev. Floyd Honey, Associate Secretary, Board of Overseas Missions, told of his recent trip to Trinidad, and Miss Harriet Christie, Principal, United Church Training School, showed slides and told of her trip to Japan and Korea. Canon E. R. Adye of the Upper Canada Bible Society, spoke of the great need to distribute more Bibles in all the dialects. The President, Mrs. E. M. McKenzie, spoke on the accomplishments of the past year and the hopes for the future. Mrs. W. J. Dunn, Central United Church, Weston, conducted the worship in the afternoon and the C.G.I.T. of High Park United Church took the worship in the evening.

YORK PRESBYTERIAL—The second annual meeting was held in Richmond Hill United Church with 140 women present although the weather was unfavorable. Dr. Winnifred Thomas conducted the Bible Study, using the leaflet, "The Mini-

stry of the Laity in the World" as a reference. Each member had the leaflet and was asked to take it home and re-read it more than once. Dr. Thomas spoke of the Church as "Assembled" and "Scattered." It was a thought-provoking study and very much appreciated. The remainder of the morning session was taken up with business. The Literature Secretary pointed out that there was a wealth of good material available, and reminded members that information creates and perpetuates interest. The Treasurer reported that the allocation had been exceeded by \$337.39 and it decided that this sum should be sent to G.B.A. for the library in Ewha University in Korea.

The afternoon session opened with a short worship and memorial service conducted by H. A. Sanders; this was followed by conferences for all departments. When the members re-assembled Rev. M. Jenkinson spoke on the Presbyterian theme, "Hold not back, lengthen

your cords, strengthen your stakes." He divided his message into three parts under the headings—Dig, Draw, Deliver. Five groups were formed to discuss Worship, Witness, Fellowship, Service and Education in Younger Groups; these were led by departmental secretaries. A tape recording of an interview with the late Dr. Marion Hilliard was heard with interest. At the close of the recording one woman looked at another and each thought, "Yes, being dead, yet speaketh." The film, "North American Neighbors" was also shown.

During the dinner hours the advisability of cancelling the evening meeting was discussed, however the decision was to carry on and those who stayed were very happy. Rev. Douglas Pilkey held the audience spellbound as he told of the task facing Christians in today's world. The title of his challenging address was, "Who is winning?" The film, "I Found A New World" was of special interest to the young people.

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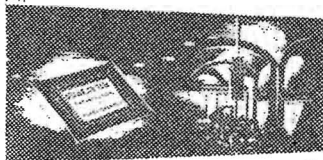
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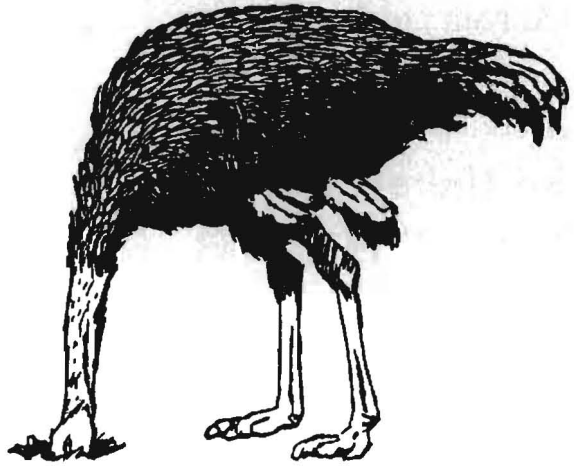
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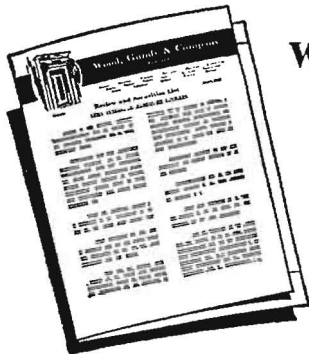
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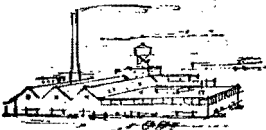
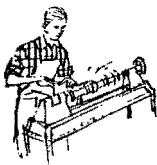
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