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Renewal

Lord of all new life, We pray Thee for this New Year, That in it we may be renewed in Thine own life, And walk through it in Thine own companionship.

At Break of Day

Thy bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of day.

How often we rise with apprehension in our hearts, because of the difficulties in our own lives, and because of the deep distress of the world. We have need of this blessing with which to begin the day—"Thy bliss in our hearts, Lord."

"Lord of all hopefulness and joy, grant unto us Thy gift of happiness that we may go forth to our work with a spirit of gladness."

At Noontide

.....Give us, we pray, Thy strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

In the midst of our toil, with the day partly spent, we are conscious of the need for new stores of strength.

"O Living Lord, whose touch makes all things new, make us sharers of Thine abundant life. Inspire in us energy of mind, and body, and spirit, that with strength and courage and enthusiasm, we may carry on our work, eager, persistent and unafraid."

At Close of Day

.....Give us, we pray,

Thy peace in our hearts, Lord, at the close of the day.

By night time when our work has left us weary, yet we are restless and troubled because of the multitude of things left undone, we are in need of His calm.

"O loving spirit of God, give us serene and quiet hearts. In days of stress and nights of anxiety grant us Thy tranquility, and even amid sorrow or disaster hold us in Thy divine peace."

HELEN DAY.

The thought and the opening lines "Give us, we pray," are from the hymn by Jan Struther—"Lord of all Hopefulness"—No. 139 in the "Canadian Youth Hymnal."



Editorial

Growth and Progress

IF the seed in the earth refused to accept the free gift of sun and rain, continuing to say to itself, "nothing can ever happen to me in this dark and lifeless place," there would be no great trees standing firm through the storms of winter, no bountiful harvests, no beautiful gardens to enjoy through summer days.

Whatever the outward circumstance may be, when the individual draws into mind and heart from the source of all truth and love and beauty, the life giving principles of Christianity, made evident in Christ freely for us all, then come results that are great beyond our vision. This inner life, since it is fed continually from a divine source bevond the control of man can never fail or be limited. From this inner life comes strong and sturdy Christian character, able to withstand in the day of trial and testing; lasting works of beauty in music, art and literature for the delight and inspiration of mankind; constructive ideas and activities which make for steady growth and a rich harvest of progress in our community life. From this inner life which cannot be shaken will come the new world which is to be.

The Cover Picture

At our W.M.S. Children's Home in Lachine, Que., fifteen girls and twenty boys find a home in the true sense of that most beautiful of English words. "We look with delight at our home and our family," writes Mrs. Jeanne Purdy. "It includes ten different nationalities and our hearts are filled with great hopes for the future."

As We Go to Press

Our membership will rejoice to learn of the safety of nine of our missionaries who were travelling via the Pacific. The list includes Mrs. E. E. Menzies and Miss Irene Stewart returning from India, the party of five sailing to India and the party of two proceeding to China. (See page 16.)

The Rising Tide in the World Church

In his recent tour through Western Canada, Dr. John R. Mott found everywhere a warm welcome and a spontaneous interest in his message. He gave five reasons for Christian hope and optimism in the present world situation.

1. A rising tide of expectation.

2. A great door of opportunity is opening for humanity.

3. The interest in the personality of Christ is growing.

4. There is a healthy spirit of criticism.

5. A rising tide of faith is surging across the world.

St. Andrew's - Wesley United Church, Vancouver, was packed to overflowing when he addressed a mass meeting of people from all the Protestant Churches. At the close the hymn, "Rise up, O men of God", was sung and a grand rendering of Handel's Hallelujah Chorus given on the organ.

Jewish Women Provide Library Huts

Members of the National Council of Jewish Women in seeking ways by which they could be of use to Canada's soldiers, have chosen a remarkably fine activity for their war effort. Having found that nothing seemed to take the place of books as a day-in and day-out source of recreation, knowledge and inspiration, they decided to establish a Library Hut at Camp Borden. Here the men can find a selection of books covering a wide field of interest and, in attractive surroundings, pass their leisure time profitably and pleasantly. The supervisor placed in charge knows both men and books and has had endless satisfaction in introducing one to the other. The Library Hut has filled a definite need in the preservation of morale, occupation of idle hours, the happiness and usefulness of men in training.

The women are now making plans for two more huts, one at Nanaimo, B.C., and the other in Eastern Ontario. Money is being raised by the sale of decorative brooches, representing an open book. The books have been provided most generously by various organizations the I.O.D.E., the Jewish Council of Women, the Kiwanis Clubs in Toronto, while the University of Toronto Librarians have also helped. A car-load of books came recently from the Canadian Club of Chicago.

"Norway Will Not Be Forgotten"

In April, 1940, 1,000 merchant vessels and nearly 30,000 officers and men answered the call to support King Haakon and the loyal Norwegian Government. This was four-fifths of Norway's fleet. The other one-fifth did not answer the call because the ships lay at the bottom of the sea, and the men lay with them or else were prisoners of war.

Today one-half of the gasoline and oil which reaches Britain and her Royal Air Force is delivered on Norwegian ships by Norway's sons of the sea. Her fleet, which at this hour is Norway's only empire, has been reduced ship by ship by the Nazi sea raiders, yet the nation of only 3,000,000 souls, through her fleet, is making an inestimable contribution to the cause of human freedom. —From a radio address of Hon. Lester Hill, from W.R.U.L., Boston, Mass.

Canada's Youth Serves Its Country

How many Canadians know about the work of the Frontier College established in 1900? The college has performed a unique service, the kind of voluntary service which builds morale and understanding and helps in the laying of a sound foundation for our democratic way of life. What is this service? The College places young men with a university background as teachers and instructors among camp men and migratory workers. Known as labour-teachers, they go into the camps as labourers, using pick and shovel, axe and saw. In the evenings they give instruction where desired. Since 1900 no less than 2,200 men have served in camps across Canada. The Frontier College is located at 26 Queen St. East, Toronto.

Wheat from Brandon to Angola

"At Pentecost," writes Dr. Tucker, "the Dondi Church ordained three new pastors. It was a great occasion. Two full days were taken with the examination and ordination of the candidates. Grace rested on all. The attendance was smaller than we had expected, only three thousand, three hundred attending. What held folks back was the sowing of wheat seed, ninety-three tons of which had been imported by the government from Brandon, Manitoba."

Wheat all the way from Canada to Africa! More and more we are all realizing that the world is one economically. It is even more important to know that the world is one spiritually, and to express and to enjoy this grand fact in all our relationships.

A Canadian Firm Serves Its Employees

Leaders in Lever Bros., Toronto, one of Canada's large industries, in cooperation with the University authorities have worked out an excellent plan whereby University Extension courses will be available without cost to all office and plant workers. The company pays all tuition fees and the University of Toronto, through its Extension Department, provides evening lectures in subjects selected for their practical and cultural value to the individuals concerned. The French course has been planned with special reference to its potential importance in promoting mutual understanding between English speaking and French speaking Canadians.

Profiting from the Liquor Traffic

The amount spent on intoxicating liquor in Ontario, during 1941 including permits, etc., will amount to about \$73,-500,000, from which the Ontario Government will receive a profit of \$10,500,-000; this coming year \$12,000,000 is confidently expected. Drunkenness is rapidly mounting, similarly an increase in traffic accidents is everywhere reported.

Inasmuch . . .

(Mrs. E. C.) Claudia Wilford, Chengtu, West China

Mrs. Wilford is the wife of Dr. E. C. Wilford, of the College of Medicine and Dentistry, West China Union University. Through her fine musical gifts she has made her own unique contribution to the Christian community in West China.

THE sun shone brightly over the city as the hurrying crowds passed up and down the busy streets. People rushing to and fro, trying to get done what business they could before an air alarm should come. These long summer days made possible destructive raids over crowded cities of the West.

In a little shop, the boy Ah Lee worked away at the tasks set him by the shop-keeper. His thoughts were not all on his work, for his mind was back on the farm with his little brothers and sisters. "No fear of Japanese bombs out there," he said to himself.

Glancing up from his work he felt the policeman pulling on his yellow sleeve! The air alarm was on! Suddenly the streets were filled with hurrying crowds bent toward the city gates. Mothers and children, students and clerks, all who could leave, running madly along the hot street.

Ah Lee was not afraid. So far no bombs had fallen in that part of the city. Besides it was a hot day to tramp away out to the country and sit in a field until the planes would fly by.

The shrill siren once, twice, and then the deadly quiet of a city awaiting the destructive birds of prey. The sound of planes—the thunder of anti-aircraft guns—and then the thud and roar of cruel bombs.

The planes were past. Where a few moments before stood a busy street was now a shambles. Timbers at crazy angles, outlined what had once been a shop. And there in a crumpled heap was little Ah Lee, his poor small head, struck by shrapnel lay bleeding in the sun. Red Cross workers rescuing the poor mangled victims picked Ah Lee up and laid him on a stretcher. Quickly he was carried to the mission hospital where the nurses and doctors were striving to relieve the worst cases with first aid. The

lawn was covered with heartbreaking sights.

All night long, little Ah Lee moaned and cried, "Ai la, Ai la," no light of reason in his big brown eyes. For days and nights he tossed back and forth on the straw mat spread on the chapel floor. Every bed, every corner in hospital and school was filled with these helpless victims. From night till morning his anguished cries racked the ears of others lying awake in pain. One night a patient, crazed with pain crawled to his side. "Be quiet," he cried, and raised his hand to punish the unconscious child. The watchful nurse quickly stayed the hand and said, "Can you not see he does not know he is troubling you?" So little Ah Lee was carried down stairs to another room where he would not trouble those near by.

The X-Ray guided the hands of the skilful surgeon and the harmful shrapnel was soon removed. Each day the patient surgeon laboured to lessen the suffering of the little lad. The gentle nurses with pitying care wondered if it were truly kind to save the child. Would he ever be able to work again? Would he ever play like a child again?

Gradually the heartbreaking cries grew less—each day the patient father felt he could see an improvement, there surely was a chance. Until at last four weeks have passed! Today little Ah Lee walked out of the hospital, eyes alight and face aglow! Ready once more for the quest of life.

Through days of wanton destruction of human life the mission hospital stands with open doors, reaching out loving arms to restore those in need of healing power. If you cannot come and work beside us, you can strengthen our arms with prayer and gifts. It takes water to turn the water wheels.

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Picture sent by Miss Edith M. Clark.

MEANS' SCHOOL GIRLS MAKE BEAUTIFUL BASKETS This is a basketry class in the Home Economics Building. The large conical baskets are used for field and general work baskets and are made of bark string. The smaller ones are made to sell for pin money.

"It Was a Joyous Occasion"

Marjory Millar, Dondi, Africa

As this year marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of Means School, the occasion was celebrated by a reunion of former graduates and students. As always, the best part of a reunion is meeting again those from whom we have been separated by the years and the miles. It gave one quite a thrill to see former school companions, now with babies on their backs, rush into each other's arms, and their joy at recalling old times.

On the opening morning our elder, Salomao Kapuka and his wife Nahosi, were our honoured guests, as they have been the guiding spirits of the school through all the years since its founding. They reviewed for us in vivid word pictures scenes of the early days.

Sunday was an outstanding day. Beautiful musical numbers were rendered by Miss Mary Hurlbut and under her direction. Miss Elizabeth Mackenzie led the morning church service, the sermon being preached by Rev. Lauretta A. Dibble, who also conducted the inspiring communion service in the afternoon.

To give some brief glimpses of the conference, one could not, perhaps, do better than to send a translation of the letter written on behalf of those present by Ester Afonso of Camundongo, one of the outstanding graduates of the school, to Mrs. Marion Webster, dearly beloved mother of Means School from the time of its beginning until her retirement from the field in May, 1933. If any are interested in corresponding with Mrs. Webster, she could give much interesting first-hand information about the early days of the school. Her present address is: 3035 Berkley Ave., Los Angeles, Calif., U.S.A.

April 29th.

Our parent, Dona Webster,

Your children of Means School send loving greetings, to inquire how you are these days. We, your children, are very well.

Just now we are very happy because our teachers invited us to come back to Means to commemorate the beginning of the work of Means School in 1916 (from then until the present time makes a period of twenty-five years), and to review the lessons we had had, as well as to learn new things. It is a joyous occasion.

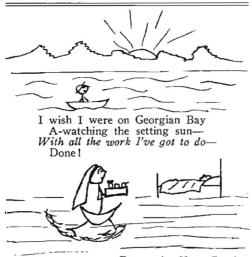
We arrived here on April 20th, and will close on April 30th. On the morning of the 21st, we had a little service remembering the beginning of the school and of the community round about. And you, our mother, at the first, you and Dona Lucy (Miss Stimpson) were in the new village. So, too, when school closed, and your fellow missionaries went back to their own mission stations, D. Lucy going back to Camundongo, D. Maggie (Miss Margaret Mel-ville) to Chissamba, and D. Cecilia (Miss Redick) to Bailundo, each year a different teacher being sent. You, however, didn't have any dry season or wet season, because you stayed on the year round. We cannot express how our thoughts go back to you.

On the 22nd, those of the first class, who had come to the reunion, put on a play showing the beginning in that first year. To see thus presented how you began and to call to mind your perseverance and your love, which you all had then and still have today, made one homesick. From the beginning of the plays, depicting the outstanding events from 1916 right down to the

That Sense of Humour

Hilda M. Johnson, Central India

SEVERAL years ago a group of uni-versity students were discussing the qualities necessary in a missionary candidate. One who had been several years on the mission field added quietly, "I would put a sense of humour first, for



-Drawn by Vera Boyd, Ratlam, C. India. present, there weren't many years in which you did not figure. . . Then, too, we are meeting in Webster Hall, where we can see your picture, with your face of love and goodwill, which recalls the kindness with which you cared for us

The number of those gathered is about one hundred and forty. The missionaries who had worked here at Means, even though they are at present at other mission stations, came, and they and those that are there now divided classes to teach us. Our lessons are varied and include among other things, Bible, sewing, knitting, embroidery, cooking, games and hygiene. The Bible lessons warmed our hearts. Many thanked God for His goodness, and realizing His kind-ness, rededicated themselves to Him. We came to carry away a fire. We came to sharpen our axes. We shall light the fire. Our axes are sharpened, and we shall clear out the stumps in the bush with them, ready to cultivate.

So we pray you, our mother, to continue to remember us in your prayers. So we say, Fare-well. May the peace of God our Father keep you and bless you all the time. We are your Means School children, who

remember you with longing.

(The writer) Rosalina Ester Afonso, of Camundongo.

without it the strain of mission work will take heavy toll of all those other most necessary qualities.'

It has happened many times. While singing with a group of village children, I notice that one bright-eyed boy has become fascinated by something about my face. He nudges the one seated next to him, whispering something, and soon the whole group are much more intent on my mouth than they are on the words of the hymn. Alas, that gold-crowned tooth -fourth from the front on the left side -shows when I sing!

Many of my Indian friends believe that I have had the gold tooth put in for the one purpose of adding to my beauty. Do not some of the Indian men have gold wire inserted into their two front upper teeth to add a golden gleam to their smile? Several have asked me why I had the tooth put at the back. "Why not right in front where it would show?"

Three days ago I was travelling by bus. We all laughed over an amusing

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incident and a few moments later I noticed that a village woman sitting opposite me was regarding me with deep thought and a most interested expression. She leaned forward and asked with great earnestness, "Is that tooth made of brass?"

One evening returning from a walk, I took a shortcut through the yard of one of the higher officials of our town. He and his family had only recently moved here and I had not yet met his wife. As I approached, she came to meet me and invited me to sit and visit with her. We talked of the weather, of her family, of the college and school. Then she asked me about the Sahib and his work. I replied as best I could, adding that the Memsahib was at present in Darjeeling where three of their children were in school, but that she would be returning to Mandleshwar shortly.

The lady, who was clearly of the older school of orthodox Hinduism, looked puzzled. After a moment of hesitation she said, "But I meant *your* sahib."

I explained that I was a Miss sahib. Then the conversation continued:

The lady: "You are not married?" Me: "No."

The lady: "And you are not the doctor Missahib?"

Me: "No"

The lady: "And you do not teach in the school?"

Me: "No"

The lady: "Then what do you do?"

Five village women were seated before us and the Bible lesson was about to begin. The oldest woman of the group spoke up, "It is no use to try to teach me. My brain is no good. I can't remember anything."

With a quick change of subject we ask "When is market day?" Then follow a series of questions, each addressed to the oldest woman, and to each in turn she gives full and accurate answers. "What things are sold in the market? What is the price of wheat? Where does your brother, Ganpat, live? How many children has he? What are their names?" The conversation is a most interesting one to the old woman, but with another quick change we say, "So your brain is all right and you really can remember?"

The women see the joke, and after a good laugh all are ready to start the new lesson.

May our sense of humour keep us free: to laugh at ourselves, at our own importance, and at our blunders, knowing that after one good laugh the mistake is not apt to be repeated;

to see the amusing side of many a discouraging event;

to look for glints of kindly humour throughout the day;

to laugh with the pure joy of living.

Truly a sense of humour preserves and enhances those qualities which we count as the most essential ones.

She was Always Young

THE Homemaker in the Globe and Mail of August 27, pays this fine tribute to Dr. Margaret MacKellar: "To the professional world and the missionary world in which she played so important a part she was Dr. Margaret MacKellar, LL.D., K-I-H., but to us in the Homemaker's page she was Moti. Sometimes it appeared as Moti and sometimes Mote. We remember that we had a little correspondence about the spelling but that she herself continued to vary it from time to time.

"Looking back over her contributions, we see her love of fun in a number of 'Homely Happenings' sent to the page, and all who knew her testify to her delight in a good joke. In her purse when she died was a funny story about a Salvation Army lass and a Scotsman, that her niece had clipped for her.

"This love of fun had much to do with the appeal to youth which, in her eightieth year, she had never lost. She was always young and vital in spirit, and Miss Aikenhead, in charge of the United Church House, where she lived, said she had many young visitors. The same qualities endeared her to older people, too, and even when far from well she could always make a joke.

"She never lost touch with the friends of her girlhood, whether rich or poor, humble or exalted. The child's prayer, 'Lord, make the bad people good, and the good people nice' seemed to have its answer in a personality which won new friends all through life, yet never lost an old one."

Let's Take a Look at Our Building Plans

(Mrs. Frank J.) Effie Jamieson Day, Chairman of Home Organization Committee

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed."

ANY builder consults quite often his building plans. He compares the progress of his work with the blue prints, watches to see that all is well, the plumb line adjusted and the walls rising true and solidly. This is the time for us who are workmen on the Five Year Plan for New Organizations, to consult our blue prints, see our progress and

make provision for the furthering of the task. Let us remind ourselves that from the first, this movement was intended to be redemptive and recreative, a high spiritual adventure; we prayed for a new vision of Jesus through service, for

- "It were not hard, we think, to see Him,
- If we would only serve."

We are in the second year and should now take a look at what has been accomplished and make plans for

the future. Our first action was the preparation of surveys and out of 106 Presbyterials, 91 responded and reported a possibility of some 900 new organizations in two years time, within the areas surveyed. How have we succeeded?

The first year, 1940, yielded 373 new organizations, a little better an average than one a week. It is too early yet to have full reports of 1941, but in the early part of the year the average was ten new organizations a week, a little better than the first year. But even if the total is about the same as last year, we shall have approximately 750 new organizations, a very splendid achievement and one which causes us to thank God and take courage.

Let us analyze some of the results of this new organization. In all, 85 new congregations were reached with some form of organization. This is, we believe, the outstanding accomplishment,



"LET US GO FORWARD WITH OUR BUILDING"

for the entrance of missionary education cannot but have a stimulating effect upon the whole membership. Then among the Younger Groups, there was considerable new organization. Think of the mothers of the Baby Bands, as well as the babies themselves; also, the Mission Band boys and girls, the Affiliated C.G.-I.T. Groups and the Mission Circles.

vouth with a wealth of freshness and enthusiasm pouring into our organization. One of them may be David Livingstone and а another a Mary Slessor, who knows? "I decided to be a missionary when I was a member of the Mission Band," said a young lady to the writer recently. She is now in the midst of her nurse's training in preparation for her life's work. New leaders; new missionaries: new life!

Now first of all, where are those other 15 Presbyterials, which have not as yet made a report of their survey? Could we not have a complete report? Will Conference Branch Presidents help us locate those missing?

Our thought at first was to concentrate upon Auxiliaries, realizing that it is almost impossible to have organization of the Younger Groups without an Auxiliary to give leadership and direction. Now for the Third Year of our Plan, while not relaxing our work for senior organizations, the decision reached at the conference held during the Board meeting last year, was that we would this year stress especially organization among the Younger Groups.

Training for Leadership of Youth

To accomplish increased organization in this area, one essential need stands forth and that is trained leadership. The Home Organization Committee is addressing itself to this problem and hopes

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to work out constructive plans along the line of suggestions made at the last Board meeting. Prepare your minds for some forward steps to meet this need. Schools must be held, schools for leadership training, many schools, in co-operation with other departments of the Church it may be, but alone if that must be, and it may mean giving ourselves sacrificially to this task. We have our Summer Schools now, what about Winter Schools? There is almost unlimited opportunity for work among children and youth if we can provide the leadership.

Making of Charts

To give visibility to our whole plan, we suggest that each Presbyterial prepare a chart. Set down the name of each congregation within the Presbytery and the organization you already had when the Plan began, marking each with a gold star. We are suggesting stars of different colours for each year. These will be provided by the Literature Department if they cannot be purchased locally. The first year the stars will be red, the second year they will be blue, and new coloured stars will be provided from year to year. They should be large and uniform size. Place these stars on your chart in those places where you have succeeded in securing new organizations and thus you will be able to see clearly the progress you are making. When the stars for the third, fourth and fifth years are in place, you will have a complete picture and the chart will be both an inspiration and a challenge. The making of the chart will provide a fine project for a Mission Circle or Affiliated C.G.I.T. Group, under an artistic leader. Conference Branch Charts should also be prepared, using the same colours, and giving each Presbyterial credit for its new organizations.

Cultivation

There is in almost every Presbyterial some area which might be known as "barren land" or "waste land." It may only need cultivation to make these bear much fruit. In a charming book on English life by Harold Brett Young, he tells of a farm which had some upper

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pastorage land which was almost worthless, and had been so through generations, the farmer just accepting it as Two of the sons of the waste land. present owner attended Agricultural College and applied scientific methods for the redemption of the land. By "persistent pitch-boiling and harrowing and liming and slagging," the sour land became richly productive, covered with sweet clover, and the gorse and bracken which once had it all to themselves, have been kept in check and destroyed. Surely if so much work and trouble can go into redeeming barren land, the same hard work, devotion and fine educational methods should be applied for the redemption of barren areas in the Church's life. An abundant harvest will be your reward.

Working Plans

We have recently received a very heartening report from one Conference Branch, telling of a fine method. At the autumn Executive meeting, each of the eight Presbyterial Presidents gave a map talk under the following heading: "Healthy, Weak, New or Disbanded Organizations, and Prospects." Months of study and preparation had gone into the undertaking, maps had been made, drawn to scale and showing highways and railroads, the organization as it existed clearly marked, the prospects and locations defined. The various secretaries for the Younger Groups had also made surveys through a questionnaire, but their enthusiasm rose at the sight of those maps and although it meant copying eight maps each, they eagerly requested the privilege. With this full before the Conference information Branch Executive, many plans were made to channel information and inspiration throughout their territory. When an architect draws his main plan, he has many blue prints of detail, so here is a blue print for Conference Branch work which highly commends itself. Please pass along your working plans for the help and inspiration of all.

Care of the Work

And last, but by no means least, there is the necessity of caring for the organizations we have, both old and new. It

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is not sufficient just to organize, neither is it easy to maintain interest and enthusiasm in lonely, far-off places, away from the sources of inspiration. We have a wide and appealing programme and we should ever keep before us the promo-tion of the whole work, Missionary Education, the reading of our magazines, THE MISSIONARY MONTHLY and World Friends, Christian Stewardship, Community Friendship, Temperance and Christian Citizenship, etc., etc., so that the whole programme of study and service may grip our membership whereever located.

As we go forward into the Third Year, let us redouble our effort, thankful indeed for God's blessing and looking unto Him who is the author and finisher of our faith and of our task.

In Time of War, Youth Prepares for Peace

 $\mathbf{F}_{Mail}^{\mathrm{ROM}}$ the Editorial Page of the *Globe* and *Mail*, the editor is happy to print in full the following account of a youth venture in international friendship.

"An example of the spreading goodwill between the people of the United States and Canada is provided by the setting aside of an island in the St. Lawrence River, near Gananoque, as an international study camp for vouths selected in the United States and in the Dominion.

"This is not to be just another boys' camp. The object is to bring together youths of high scholastic record for the study of citizenship - national and international - and its responsibilities. This group will be addressed at intervals by leaders in the cause of democracy, in the cause of better relationships between the people of the world when peace is restored. Selections for this course will be made solely on the basis of character and ability; youths who give promise of adult leadership to humanity's progress along sane

lines. Neither 'underprivilege' nor wealth alone will ensure admission.

"The primary purpose of the Rotarian promoters of this camp plan is to assure for future generations in Canada and the United States the friendly relations now providing an example to all the world of how neighbouring people should get along. Gananoque Rotarians are preparing a beautiful, wellwooded island for the accommodation of these classes in citizenship, boys generally in their late 'teens. A start was made this autumn with ten youths from each country; and it is expected that next year the camp will be in full operation.

"It would be difficult to overestimate the potential importance of this international venture in the development of good citizenship. It is sponsored by men of vision, enthusiasm and goodwill; practical men also, who realize that the character of the next generation of adults depends upon what is done with and for the youth of today."

To All Who Serve Youth

The following dedication expresses a truth not only about this particular educational institution, but also about all institutions and organizations, which are serving their day and generation, and especially serving our youth.

Not to any particular moment or event, nor to anything material, but rather to the Uni-

versity of Toronto which is itself timeless, embracing those many moments and events which create Varsity's traditions and spirit and ideals, do we dedicate this issue of *The Varsity*. To the springs of knowledge from which we may drink deeply; to the warm comfort of college friendship; to the peaceful beauty of the campus as dusk slowly settles; to its freshness in spring; to the cheers rolling down from the crowded stands; to the peal of the carillon; to the indelible memories of college days—to these things we have loved, we dedicate this issue.

To her sons who served and died a quarter-century ago, watched over by Soldier's Tower; to her sons who are serving and dying today; to the stream of trained men and women filling the ranks of Canadian life; to the research from the labs which is improving that life—to these things which Varsity pours forth to the world, we dedicate this issue.

To the men of vision who once dreamed the dream; to the men and women of vigour who carried it through; to the men and women of knowledge who hand on the torch; to the thirsty young minds who are seeking the truth-to those who have made, and are continually making. the Varsity we know, we dedicate this issue.

"We Celebrated Christ's Birthday"

Bessie French, Crosby Girls' School, Port Simpson, B.C.

PREPARING for the Christmas season in any home can be a thrilling task, but in a home where thirty-three teachers and girls live and work together it becomes a real festival.

Christmas at the Crosby Girls' School is not just an occasion to sing a few Christmas songs or say a few Christmas recitations; nor does its chief significance centre around the Christmas tree, the dinner, the cake; nor does the receiving and giving of gifts have the central place, important and all as these things are. Christmas is rather an atmosphere so meaningful that one girl when asked what part of Christmas she enjoyed most, summed it up by saying—"Christmas Eve, when we sang our prayer together— O Holy Child of Bethlehem, descend on us, we pray—I felt something I don't know what."

It is difficult to say when Christmas begins, perhaps early in November when the girls and teachers get together to make plans for the Christmas cake. It has become a tradition that every one must stir the cake, and make a wish, being quite sure that if the wish is kept a secret, it is certain to come true. Thus Christmas is introduced with lovely smells of spice and fruit coming from the kitchen-the cake is being baked! Then just before Christmas, the senior girls meet one afternoon to ice and decorate it. Then it sits in the diningroom for all to see until Christmas Eve, when the tiniest girls blow out the candles and the oldest girl cuts the first slice.

In trying to recapture the spirit of past Christmases, many other lovely events stand out such as our C.G.I.T. candlelight service, carol singing, the spirit of the concert, the stocking hanging, the decorating, in all of which the girls play the major part.

The school is a large place to decorate but a lot of enthusiasm goes into making preparations. These start by gathering large armfuls of cedar boughs, ivy, stag moss, and other greenery. Yards of festoons, cedar and ivy wreaths are made,

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Indian girls have a happy time at the Crosby Girls' School.

so that with candles and holly, we think our house looks very festive. The three dormitories cause the greatest excitement as the girls who belong to each one vie with each other to see which will be the most original and pretty. Last year saw some new ideas, such as a fireplace made from a cardboard box, and dolls, stockings hanging. A tree was decorated with cotton batting set in an old butter box. Some of the girls had brought tinsel and paper and carefully concealed it until the time came to use it. The great moment comes, of course, when after the concert the parents and friends are taken around to see and admire everything.

The assembly room is perhaps the prettiest of all, the tree is set up there and the girls, with very few suggestions, do all the trimming themselves. Of course, the gifts are Santa's responsibility. The staff rooms are not forgotten and quite often some special bit of decoration is saved for that.

Time must also be set aside for Christmas shopping. We all felt very important last year when the Hudson's Bay Company's manager made a special concession and opened the store for us on Thursday afternoon, allowing us to have the store to ourselves with all the clerks to wait on us. It was fun going in the back way, and having all the time we needed. All the girls had a little money to spend, and it was a matter of great importance that each one purchased just the right gifts for fathers and mothers, and little friends and teachers. With parcels all done up in pretty wrapping paper the girls go back to the school to wrap and unwrap each precious possession many times over.

A candle-light service is effective at any time, but at Christmas it is especially beautiful. The C.G.I.T. girls meet with the Mission Band and others as guests in the staff sitting room and sit around the fireplace in groups on the floor, carols new and old are sung, selections from "Bird's Carol" are read, oranges passed around, a vesper is sung, and every one slips quietly away with a feeling of gratitude for our Christian heritage of Christmas music, literature and customs.

Our concert centred around the theme, "Where love is God is." The opening number showed one of the little girls with blackboard and chalk, drawing, "The Little Town of Bethlehem," a large yellow star over all, marking the special event. At the same time another little girl read the Bible story as given in *World Friends*, another played very



A snow decked tree at Kilamaat, B.C. Picture sent by Miss Ruth Nelson.

quietly on the organ, "Silent Night," all climaxing at the same moment. After the concert and tree, the parents stayed to have lunch with the girls and to enjoy and share their gifts.

On Christmas Eve we all go carol singing. Last year, the doctor and his wife and the nurses joined us. What fun it was! All dressed up warm and cosy, carrying flashlights and hymn books we started off, stopping first to sing a request number for a very old lady, after which the family came out to thank us and brought a big basket of apples, enough for all. The girls decided to sing for their parents and old people, which they did. We arrived back at the school all comfortably weary and sat around the fireplace while some one played the piano, and the doctor hung all the stockings as the two tiniest girls handed them to him. On each stocking in large letters the name was pinned, for Santa must make no mistakes. Lunch was served in the candle light, one of the nurses sang, and we all joined in our Christmas prayer together, then said "good night" and a "Happy Christmas" and slipped away to bed, all making plans to be downstairs first in the morning.

We have our Christmas dinner the day before Christmas, as all the girls go home with parents or friends on that day. Last year we had turkey for all, a gift of the Hudson Bay Company. The table centres, favours, etc., are all made by the girls themselves and with crackers and serviettes made a pretty table.

On Christmas morning, things are changed around—the girls call the teachers. Such a noise, but a lovely happy, merry noise, shrieks and screams of "Merry Christmas," "Look what's in my stocking." All too soon it's time for breakfast, church and home. What a lovely happy time it is.

Bed time comes a little later than usual on Christmas Day and a very weary group finds its way to bed, but over all there is, I think, a consciousness that it is Christ's birthday that we have celebrated, and as such there is a song of gratitude in our hearts for what the day has meant to us and others all down the ages and to all the world.

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Praying and Giving

(Mrs. A. R.) Muriel L. McMurrich

The observance of the World Day of Prayer for 1941. This year the date is February 20th.

Theme: Thy Kingdom Come

WE know that "throughout the whole wide earth" the prayers of Christian women are daily and hourly ascending to the Throne of Grace—but this is the story of the day that is set apart for women to pray together, when from a given theme and using the same programme printed in many languages and

adapted to meet the particular need of each country an ever growing multitude sends forth as with one voice its prayers and supplications to the Father of us all. Then out of the fullness of the heart and in deep thankfulness gifts are offered so that the knowledge and love of our Lord

Jesus Christ may spread through the medium of Christian Literature to those who know it not, and have not yet learned how to pray.

Since its beginning there has been no ebb in this tide. Steadily and surely it has deepened and widened, more meetings have been held with larger attendance and offerings, more translations have been made, greater numbers of programmes ordered, new projects have been included in the allocations and rich have been the resultant blessings. In Canada the amount of the gifts in 1941 totalled \$10,374.29, this being an increase over 1940 of \$1,855.39. The number of letters received with donations was 1,771, an increase of 183.

Again a nation-wide broadcast explained the meaning and purpose of the day. This time the voice was that of Mrs. R. E. Wodehouse, Dominion President of the Woman's Auxiliary to the

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Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada, and her earnest presentation aroused much new interest and prepared the way. Other countries including England, Australia and New Zealand, made the same use of radio and many messages received tell that through it groups were started in new centres. "So the day grows and becomes a day of

Prayer is so wonderful, I love to think That I, so feeble in myself, can bless
By prayer unnumbered souls, and be a link
Between All Power and needy nothingness.
No spot too distant and no depth too deep To feel the touch of that Almighty Hand
Pledged to supply all need, to guide, to keep

And strengthen with a might none can withstand. —Santer.

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Ukrainian community, with women from the Greek Orthodox, Greek Catholic and Roman Catholic churches taking part along with the Protestant women."

Indian women from the Anglican Indian Reserve joined at that Anglican home —with all the white farm women of their neighbourhood. "Our attendance was the best on record and the meeting was permeated with a desire for divine guidance and help to face the future and its tasks with courage and fortitude. Also we are pleased to report this is the largest collection we have been able to send you."

From "a wee town on the bald prairie" —"We are thankful we were able to gather once more in the little Presbyterian Church to join with women all around the world in prayer. Forty-one women and four girls were present and I believe homes are better homes tonight because we gathered for that brief hour together." "We asked two High School teachers to take charge of the 'Youth Programme.' There were girls from C.G.-I.T., the Friends Church Club and St. Andrew's Church Club. The leaders conducted the service beautifully and girls from each group took part."

A fine report comes from Greater Winnipeg. 850 women were present at the big central meeting held in Knox Church with all denominations taking part. Many other meetings including those of young women's and girls' organizations, were held throughout the city and suburbs with a total attendance of over 2,000.

Montreal reports that additional centres held meetings, there were increases in attendance, offerings, and effort on the part of leaders. Italian and French speaking women of Mission churches joined with Anglican, Baptist, United Church, Presbyterian, Salvation Army and Pentecostals. The Church of All Nations held a Youth Service in which Boy Scouts joined. A sub-committee of French ladies worked hard to promote the greater use of the programme in French, having made the translation. "L'Aurore," a French Protestant religious paper with a wide circulation, published the programme in their issue of February 28th, the cost involved having been met by arrangement with the Fund sub-committee.

From "The Eternal Stars Shine Out," the beautiful story of observance from Great Britain, we glean that the gravity of the world situation makes the Day of Prayer of special significance. Also that, "It seems right to lay stress on prayer for those conditions which will inevitably bring about a righteous and lasting peace, forgiveness of national sins, cleansing from graft, greed and dishonesty and a new spirit of love, unselfishness and co-operation throughout the world."

From a New Zealand missionary in China comes word of the Day there. "Feb. 28th — At mid-day we held a special service for the Day of Prayer and invited the few refugee Christians from the village below. There were just about 21 of us present. The room where we worshipped was decorated with the flags of the nations symbolic of the fact that all women were united in this act of intercession. One of the Chinese students led the service. As our service ended the women of Canton were gathering, one of our graduates having organized in that centre. In a Christian home nearby another tiny group had met early in the morning."

And now a few of the acknowledgments—

From the "Christian Farmer," China: "This is a generous gift and undoubtedly an answer to our earnest prayer, helping us to be confident in the guidance of God for this badly needed Christian service to this country . . . The paper has increased miraculously in circulation from 6,000 to 32,000 in one year's time."

From the Christian Literature Society of Korea — "Thank you for the interest in the 'Story of the Bible' which has gone into a third printing. It fills a need for Christian nurture in the home. We are glad that funds from the prayer offerings have helped make it possible to put out the book so well and sell it so cheaply."

From the Christian Literature Society of Japan — "'Little Children of Light' is going out to small children throughout the country. We wish to express our sincere thanks for your continued support in which we have a concrete manifestation of Christian brotherhood and trust."

With what thankful hearts we of the Inter-Board Committee met for the apportioning of the offerings when having a larger amount we were able to increase allocations and to make a few new ones. We have asked that a part of the additional grant to the Christian Literature Committee for Women and Children on Mission fields, New York, be used for Latin America and this will be a new contact. A recent speaker from South America was heard to say to a Canadian audience, "The only way we people have. been able to arouse your interest is by staging a revolution!" And when there is a League of Christian Women comprising all denominations, "Missionary Torch" and an annual devotional book

used as we do our study books—when the women of the Argentine print a Christian magazine "Guide of the Home" and Chile publishes a very excellent religious paper for young people, "The Friend of Youth," surely it is timely that the Christian women of this other America should show our interest and appreciation by a small measure of support.

This account is in no sense complete but if it gives some impression of the unity of spirit in which Christian women of all races and every denomination meet together in communion and intercession it will have served its purpose.

As a former member of the Inter-Board Programme Committee whose duty it was to adapt the programme (which in 1941 was prepared by women of 8 nationalities in Shanghai, China) for Canadian use may I bespeak your greater interest in that programme? Much time, thought and prayer is spent

in its preparation. Does it mean to you just an order of service to be used for an hour and then left behind in the seat? Surely it is far too valuable to find its way so soon into the waste paper receptacle! It is all suitable for use again and again. Could it not be taken home and studied for the information and sacred material it contains, and used as a help in arranging other meetings, or form part of services or private devotions? Next year's programme, from the theme "I am the Way," is one of the most beautiful and satisfying that has ever been distributed. It was prepared by four returned missionaries of the Anglican, United, Baptist and Presbyterian churches and the hope is that it may be used with gratitude and discernment-not just for convenience.

The World Day of Prayer is always observed on the first Friday of Lent and in 1942 this will be on February 20th.



Courtesy, The Evening Telegram, Toronto.

DR. GORDON AGNEW AND FIVE-YEAR OLD RUTH Bombing is a familiar story to Ruth. Here, safe in their home in Toronto, Dr. Agnew is showing her a piece of metal, shot from a bomber over Chengtu.

Mostly About People

Miss Ada Sandell, Reg.N., formerly of our Korea Mission staff, has taken up her new duties as Superintendent of Nurses for the Lamont Hospital, Alberta. Miss Sandell took her nurse's training and graduated from Lamont Hospital.

In speaking of the picture of herself and her Korean assistant, Miss Sandell wrote: "For three years, Miss Synn and I worked together in the Mission Hospital in Hamheung, Korea, in happy co-operation and comradeship. No superintendent of nurses ever had a more faithful advisor or friend. Miss Synn received her early education in our mission Primary and High Schools in Lungching."

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An honoured guest, Dr. Alice Appenzeller, until recently President of Ewha College, the only college for women in Korea, received a warm welcome from her many friends in the Woman's Missionary Society on the occasion of her recent visit in Toronto. The Executive of the Dominion Board entertained for her at a delightful tea at the School of Missions, when she addressed the members, giving a résumé of the founding of the College, its value to Korea in producing a trained devoted Christian leadership and its present valiant efforts to carry on.

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The Chinese United Church in Toronto recently sent \$200.00 to Madame Chiang Kai-Shek for her relief work in China.



Misses Synn and Sandell-East and West are friends.

Rev. Olivia Lindsay, of our Japan staff, has been appointed to work among the Japanese in the Fraser Valley, B.C.

Miss Florence Tyler, one of the Secretaries of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, is retiring after many years of devoted service. A woman of broad interests, she has made perhaps her greatest contribution in the field of Christian literature, specializing in providing books for the libraries of Women's Colleges and Schools in the mission fields.

Miss Sue Weddell has been appointed to take Miss Tyler's place. Miss Weddell is at present General Secretary of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America.

Miss Gertrude Tweedie has evacuated from Japan and has gone to Australia where she expects to stay for the duration of the war.

Misses Delight Hilliard, Alice Munns, Elizabeth McLeod, Frances Buchholz and Dr. Jean Whittier have sailed for India, via the Pacific.

Dr. Margaret Forster and Miss Mabel Carroll have sailed for China, while it is expected that Miss Kate Rutherford and Miss Frances Walbridge will leave for Africa early in December.

> Misses Eko Kanno, a Canadian Japanese, and Helen Mah, a Canadian Chinese, both from the west coast and both W.M.S. scholarship students, are in the final year of their Nurses' Training Course in the Woman's College Hospital, Toronto. Miss Ming Chong, another scholarship student is in her final year in Medicine and is an interne in the Woman's College Hospital.

Furlough Study

Miss Christine MacDougall of Trinidad, and Miss Maimie Gollan, recently from the Church of All Nations, Toronto, will spend the spring term at Union Theological Seminary, New York; Miss Leona Douglas will study at Union Theological Seminary and also Teachers' College, New York; Miss-Mary Mansfield will take the course in Rural Evangelism at Cornell University, followed by a course at Union Theological Seminary.

Miss Beryl Morson of India, and Miss Henrietta Campbell, recently from Newfoundland, will spend the spring term at Scarrett College, Nashville, Tennessee.

Miss Mildred Matthewson of Japan, will

Correspondence Column

University Lectures on W.M.S. Work

"The lectures at St. Andrew's College, Saskatoon," writes Mrs. W. W. Forsyth to Miss Thomas, "are over for another two years. The second and third year students join forces for the lectures. One of the students this year suggested that we give the lectures to first year students also, so that they might have some background when they go out on their mission fields where such work is badly needed—it is a fine thought and we shall see what we can do.

"We had a record attendance of students this year—if one of the boys had not been absent for the second lecture, there would have been a hundred per cent attendance. Isn't that grand? Also great interest was evinced and many questions were answered.

"I wonder if you have our division of topics so that some other province may be helped if they made inquiries. I believe Manitoba has already written Mrs. Bennee. This is our course:

Lecture 1. The Woman's Missionary Society, its history and organization. This deals with the place of the Society in the life and work of our Church in Canada, and includes a reference to similar national societies in the other churches in Canada and U.S.A.; their federation into the Foreign Missions Conference of North America and through this into the International Missionary Council.

Lecture 2. (a) The work of the Woman's Missionary Society in Canada, the volume and various types of the work—achievements and promise. (b) The W.M.S. work abroad —treatment similar to section (a) to be illustrated if possible. complete the first year of the Theological Course at Emmanuel College, Toronto, and will also take work at the College of Education leading to the degree of B. Paed.

Miss Mary Scott of Japan, will take selected Courses in Emmanuel College, Canadian School of Missions and other centres.

Misses Alberta Reid, Wilma Gardner, Florence Bird and Mrs. E. H. Durnin will take selected courses at the Canadian School of Missions.

Lecture 3. 'The Woman's Missionary Society in the local congregation, showing its organizational set up, its relation to other organizations, its value as an educational and spiritual force and the opportunity of the pastor to further its interests.

"You will agree that this is a great deal of ground to cover in three lectures. While we do not pretend to cover it all thoroughly, I know we give sufficient to arouse interest and obtain results.

"Dr. Dix and Dr. Stewart both expressed the thanks of the University staff and Lawrence Sealey spoke for the students."

The Baby Band Special Wins Many Friends

"I was so glad to have a copy of World Friends with me on my holidays," wrote one of our members from Muskoka, "for this reason. Just a few days after the magazine arrived, one of the American families on the island invited every one over for an evening 'gettogether' at their cottage, and one of the guests during the evening began telling the ladies about her little boy and another little fellow they have staying with them for the summer holidays. She told us of reading the story of the seven pennies and how much the boys had loved it. She had to repeat it again and again. The ladies from Pittsburgh wanted to know what all this was about-'What magazine was it?'-'Where was it published and by whom?' and so on. Wasn't I glad I could join in with my praises, for I had read it too, and I enjoyed to the full all the nice things that were said about our children's magazine."

S. E. S., Toronto.

"Thank you for your international heart," was the tribute paid to one of our Woman's Missionary Society workers by a New Canadian.

Soldiers Welcome in Our Churches

DEAR EDITOR: "We read with interest the soldier's letter in December Friendship Corner and rejoice that his experience is being duplicated many times in Christian homes and churches throughout Canada. May we refer to our local effort in Toronto at Danforth United Church?

"Our city has a unique opportunity—being a military centre and crowded with fine young manhood from 'the uttermost parts of the earth.' As we see them on duty or on leave, we are reminded that each one represents a home and loved ones, and most likely, a church home with its Honour Roll, and to us comes afresh the challenge of Mr. Churchill's famous statement, 'Never before in history have so many owed so much to so few.' The War Services Committee of our church plan to meet that challenge.

"In addition to our Red Cross Unit and also keeping in constant touch with the young men of our church, numbering almost one hundred enlisted in the various services, we plan to share in Christian fellowship with eighty to one hundred of these lads in training —once a month inviting them for Sunday evening supper in our homes, then on to the church service and following that a social fellowship for which every department seems eager to be responsible for 'their special Sunday night.'

"Our hope and prayer is that this may prove a two-way blessing—blessing him that gives and him that takes, and all in fellowship with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ." -A.M.A., Toronto.

Christian Women as Citizens

Dear Editor:"Women appear to be finally taking a greater interest in their duties, their rights, and their privileges as Christian citizens. One is highly gratified to find in recent MISSIONARY MONTHLIES such headings as 'W.M.S. Women and Social Issues' and such quotations as 'Freedom is a responsibility which imposes duties.' A member of the Woman's Missionary Society of my own church in Toronto is a municipal candidate this year, while another member has been a member of the Board of Education for the last several years. I should like to urge women to accept their responsibilities as citizens, and to take out from their homes into the field of government those high principles of Christian living and right thinking and fair play, which women of all ages have sought to establish in family life.

"Whenever possible, women should join Women Electors' Associations and seek, in such non-partizan organizations, information which will qualify them to be intelligent voters. At the Association meetings, candidates for civic election are invited to speak, reports from Board of Education and City Council are read, and discussed; timely topics debated. Already in Toronto, in several important issues, the women have presented to the Council constructive and carefully thought out plans, which have been accepted and acted upon.

"We have in our hands that greatest weapon of democracy—the ballot. If women fail to use their franchise they must accept their full share of blame for 'the corporate sins of the world."—J.B.P., Toronto Conference Branch.

EDITOR'S NOTE—There are many centres throughout Canada where Women Electors' Associations and other groups are at work for the improvement of our political life—a fine piece of service for Christian men and women to underlake. We would be glad to hear from any other of our members who are engaged in such activities. If anyone wishes further information with regard to the Toronto plan, the acting Corresponding Secretary, Miss Helen B. Petrie, 20 Dale Ave., Toronto, would be glad to give information.

A Dollar Put to Good Use

I enclose herewith one dollar. Please have sent to me by return mail as many copies of the November MISSIONARY MONTHLY as that amount will pay for—and cover postage.

"Our next meeting is next Tuesday. Our programme is a double-decker—First half— The Stewardship play about the Alabaster Cruse—put on for us by a neighbouring Auxiliary. Second half—Material from the November MISSIONARY MONTHLY (some condensed) under the following headings:

1. Historical (A Romany Patteran, condensed)

2. After Fifty Years (condensed)

3. Is there work to do now?

4. Thou hast set my feet in a large room.

5. They Hold the Key.

"You have probably guessed that I want the magazine for distribution to non-subscribers, following the programme. I do not believe any other woman enjoys this magazine more than I. Therefore, I'm anxious to have others read it and enjoy it."

-H. F., Bay of Quinte Conference Branch.

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Letters from Our Missionaries

Indian Woman Heads Municipal Department

"WE, in Kharua," writes Miss Florence E. Clearibue, on September 23rd "are E. Clearihue, on September 23rd "are looking forward so much to the coming of our neighbours, Rev. Moir Waters, Mrs. Waters and Baby Jimmie. There is great activity on the F.M.B. Compound in anticipation. No one has lived there since the Clark family left for home in January. Inside the house colour washing is going on. Walls in India are never papered, at least only once in over thirty years have I seen wall paper in Central India. Walls are whitewashed, or colour washed, usually a pale buff shade, which goes with most other furnishings. While this operation is going on, much colour is dropped about on floors, doors, window-sills, so that when the walls are clean there is much to do elsewhere. The gardener is using all the arts known to him to make things grow quickly, and he really has been very successful, for his tomato plants, Cape gooseberry, corn and cucumbers are looking very healthy. In the flower garden he is pinning his faith on zinnias with which to impress the new Mem Sahib.

"This week-end the schools close, and teachers and most pupils go home for a short midterm holiday. The Teachers' Refresher Course takes place at this time in Indore. This week-end I expect to go to Ratlam for a meeting of Executive of Council. Ratlam is a couple of hours away by train."

Miss Clearihue kindly enclosed two items from The Bombay *Times*: Bombay has elected as Secretary of the Schools Committee an Indian woman, Miss Kapila T. Khandwala, the first time a woman has been chosen as head of an important municipal department. Miss Khandwala will have nearly 116,000 pupils and some 3,000 employees under her charge.

Miss Sarosh M. Thanavala, of our W.M.S. Girls' High School, Indore, won one of the coveted gold medals in the high school examinations.

Greetings from Dr. Appenzeller

From a letter from Dr. Alice Appenzeller, former President of Ewha College, Korea, to Miss W. Thomas: "As I think of the welcome you gave me in Toronto, the beautiful room, the faces of those people who have lived for Christ and His cause, and who find such joy in His service, I am encouraged again, as I always am when I meet Canadian Christian workers. It was a great privilege for me, and I feel strengthened for our common task. Your help in Ewha is still meaning so much, and I am happy to know that somehow we are still serving Korea.

"My birthday in Cleveland on the 9th was another reunion of Korea missionaries. Here I find five lovely Korean young people in the University of Michigan, eager to go back to work in Korea. One is getting her Ph.D. I gave her all her Ewha diplomas, from kindergarten through college. Another Ewha girl is studying music. They are winning high respect for their people among the students and faculty here. So the light is still shining! Thank you and all the friends."

"It Was a Gay Sight"

"At Christmas the Women's Society in Kiating," writes Mrs. Hockin, "wished to do something for the patients in the hospital. They spent an afternoon decorating small Christmas trees with tinsel, paper and red berries which grow profusely around Kiating. Each one



Picture sent by Mrs. D. F. Smith. "We're Coming Home for Holidays"—Kharua School, Central India

was made firm and gay in a bamboo tube filled with sand, surrounded with a band of red paper. These cost them practically nothing. There was a small tree for every ward. Christmas Monday at dusk they all gathered and with lighted tapers, carrying their trees and a couple of big baskets filled with bags of oranges and cookies, about twenty women made their way to the hospital, singing the old Christmas songs. It was a gay sight as they walked through the wards, singing and distributing their trees and bags. Each patient also received a gospel and several Christmas messages."

Christmas Greetings from Angola

Miss Millicent Howse, Chissamba, West Africa, under date of September 10th sends the following:

"We out here in Angola have had practically no foreign mail of any kind, magazines or letters, for nearly a year. That I am afraid made us very lazy for we assumed that if your mail wasn't getting through to us ours wasn't getting through to you and we didn't feel very encouraged to write. About three weeks ago, however, things began to move and our magazines and papers have been piling in, all the back numbers since October and November. Letters also have begun to trickle in, though not so copiously due perhaps to harassed censors. From the letters we are realizing that our friends have been getting a few letters we have sent more or less regularly. So now I am sending off this circular letter just to greet you all and to say 'All's well' with us out here.

"The one-week School held for our deaconesses was a bit of a new idea. We are realizing that if the hundreds of women in our congregations now are to be helped at all regularly, it will have to be mainly through African women leaders, one or two missionaries can't begin to tackle the job. So this year we called in four women leaders from each of our ten Chissamba areas. We had lessons with them for a week, Bible, hygiene, cooking, etc., etc., with the idea that each group was to go back and have a similar school for the women of its area. We gave them typed helps, lessons, etc., in addition to all kinds of practical advice. They were all very enthusiastic about the idea and many of them are already planning their schools. It will be quite an experiment and we are eagerly waiting to see just what the results will be. In both the Sunday School camps and the Deaconess School this year, we have emphasized family life and the Christian home.

"This letter may probably reach some of you about the time of the Christmas season. May I wish you all a very happy Christmas and New Year."

Our Japan Missionaries Write from Trinidad

"A little more than a month ago," writes Miss Rorke, "Miss Saunders, Miss Thomas and I arrived in Port of Spain after a very pleasant voyage of six days from New York. Since then we have been learning to know our new surroundings and beginning our new work. Miss Thomas is in the Tunapuna field at St. Augustine but Miss Saunders and I are here in San Fernando together, she in evangelistic work and I in the school. Miss Beattie, the Principal, and Miss Duguid are also in the school, so we are a family of four-unless you count MacDuff, the dog, Timothy, the cat, Lu and Vi (two fine kittens born the day , we arrived), and the mother cat who is just 'The Cat.'

"School opened on September 9th. I am enjoying the work very much. The majority

The Scotsman Calendar

THERE has been a splendid response to the appeal for the Dry Canteen Fund overseas through the sale of the Scotsman Calendar. The following telegram from the General Officer Commanding Palestine and Trans Jordan will be of general interest. "To the Convener, Church of Scotland Committee on Hut and Canteen Work for His Majesty's Forces, Edinburgh.

"Deeply grateful for all the kind help and assistance given to the troops under my command by your committee. Will appreciate any further assistance you can provide to meet the pressing needs which have arisen by troops occupying Syria. The needs here are most urgent and exceed the means we have at our disposal to meet them."

of the girls are East Indian, the remainder being West Indian or Africans who have been here for many generations. The original inhabitants of the island, the Caribs, are almost all gone. I am teaching mostly English and Bible, with a little algebra, two classes in hygiene and two in current events. Just now I am in study hall as I am on duty for prayers and study this evening. Of the three hundred girls in the school, about fifty are in dormitory. Most of them are from Christian homes, though some are Hindu or Mohammedan. It seems strange to use and hear English entirely. Though it is not necessary to do so, we have begun to study a little Hindi in order to be able to use the Hindi hymns. Even though almost every one speaks English, many people love to sing the Hindi hymns. . . .

"I have just come in from watching the bread baking. The girls in the dormitory bake bread on Saturday as a Sunday treat and as a lesson in home-baking. They make cake as well. Last night we watched four of them mixing the bread. This morning at sixthirty, a fire was lit in the large brick bakeoven out of doors. At about nine o'clock, the coals were raked out, the heat of the oven tested with a bit of flour thrown in, and when it was cool enough the pans of nicely risen bread were put in and the door shut. Another group of girls are mixing up the cake to have it ready to go in when the bread comes out. We are told that sometimes the heat will last for a third baking. We were amazed at the efficiency with which all this was being done. The girls learn much more than the requirements for a Cambridge Entrance examination."

A Word to the Wise re Bales

A most amusing letter has come to Mrs. Loveys from Rev. J. C. Cochrane, describing the difficulties which arise when bales are too large:

"In the matter of clothing, Kamerad! ! ! A shipment came in this week which has filled my little store room to the roof.

"In the morning a man from Ottawa came with a consignment of books for distribution in the north. I just got those stacked up in a corner when along came the cartage man with bales and cartons. When these were finally deposited I felt like the man who told me he built his stable too small. He said that when

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Picture sent by Miss Irene Thompson. W.M.S. ANNUAL CONFERENCE, 1941 ST. AUGUSTINE, TRINIDAD

he got his horse inside he had to push on its tail before he could shut the door!

"Some time ago I wrote your Society about the size of bales. I suggested then that your organization was the unwitting cause of much profanity on the part of railway and cartage men because they made their clothing bales too large to handle conveniently. Well, this Presbyterial has surely never heard anything about that request, judging by the size of their bales! They sent some monsters! The cartage man had difficulty getting them up the stair 'and now that they are in the room I don't know what I am to do with them! . . . Putting it that way, perhaps the ladies can remember this when packing their bales!"

Winter Twilight

Walk a mile in the winter twilight, Mark its whiteness and breathe its cold, Reach your hand to the sunset embers, Warm them there, and when you are old . . . You will have drawn to your heart for ever That hour—the snow—the light in the west— Walk a mile in the winter twilight, And store its beauty within your breast.

-Grace Noll Crowell.

Friendship Corner

THE following story (source unknown) illustrates how the attitude of race prejudice may be replaced by friendship:

A traveller journeyed along a winding highway towards a distant city. Three things he did daily, daily he read from a Sacred Book, a Book of beautiful teachings, a Book that taught that all men were brothers, having a common Father. The white traveller pondered these sayings and said he believed them. Daily he knelt in prayer to one whom he addressed as "Our Father." Daily he gazed at his own white face in the wayside brook when no one was looking and loved the fair image he saw reflected. One day he met another traveller who was journeying in the same direction. Both men drew aside lest they touch the other's garments. Because the one man's face was yellow, the white man said to himself, "He is deceitful, he is treacherous, he must be because his face is not white like mine." The white man believed these things that he said to himself and hated the yellow man intensely. And the yellow man said of the white man, "He is proud and conceited and arrogant. I shall go my way myself." Neither looked closely to see what the other was like.

The two travellers met others on the highway who were not as they were. They said of the brown ones, "They are cruel, wicked, they murder and kill, we fear them because their faces are not like ours." When the travellers met a black man, they said, "He is not as good as we are, he is dangerous, we know because his face is black and not like ours."

All through the years the white traveller was very religious. Daily he read from the Sacred Book, daily he knelt in prayer, and daily, in secret, he admired his own image as it was reflected back to him from the streams. The black and the brown and the yellow travellers kept to themselves likewise and would have nothing to do with races other than their own. As the years passed all the travellers came nearer their destination. Each traveller hated more intensely all those not of his own race and thought up good reasons for drawing away from the others.

One day all the travellers quite suddenly found themselves within the gates of the city which had been their destination for so long. So many travellers were there that there was not room for one to draw away from another.

Then they found themselves passing through the centre of the city and there in the midst of them was a Radiant Presence.

The white man said, "Behold how fair is the White King."

The yellow man shouted, "Lo, the Majestic Yellow King."

The brown man called out, "Hail, the Mighty Brown King."

The black man exulted, "Glory to the Mighty Black King."

But the white man stamped his foot and screamed, "No, no, He is white. I tell you the King is white."

The black man shouted, "No, He is black, black like I am."

Then they all fell into a dispute about the colour of the Great King, but the Radiant Presence interrupted them saying, "My children, my children, how blind you are. You are blind with the earth dust that fills your eves so that you cannot see clearly. All these years you have loved the colours of your own faces so much that you have been blinded to the beauty of other men's souls. All these, years colour has divided you. Half of the sweetness of your life you have missed with your colour blindness. Would the earth be half so lovely if everything were one hue? If all the leaves and all the flowers and all the sunsets were brown, how monotonous a place it would be. While you were on earth did you draw away from the poppy because it was not yellow like the sunflower? Did you hate the grass because it was green instead of crystal like the streams? My children, in this city, colour does not matter. Here it is only the heart that matters and the radiance of the soul. Shake the earth dust from your eyes and look about you and tell me what you see."

The yellow man looked at the brown man and whispered, "I see no colour, only a soul of shining beauty." Then they who had thought of themselves as black and white and brown and yellow, looked at each other deeply and said gently, "Brother, my brother." They knelt down, all the radiant souls and looked at the King and behold, they saw Him not as black or white or yellow or brown, but as a Great Radiance, a Shining Soul. So kneeling together they murmured, "Our Father, who art in Heaven."

> (MRS. J.) LILLIAN M. MCKILLOP, Community Friendship Secretary.

Auxiliaries

Come, Study China

To the Auxiliaries, Evening Auxiliaries and Affiliated Societies in our large cities and in smaller places who are not planning any programmes on China, we would say again with great earnestness, COME, STUDY



CHINA. We hear of such every few days and in urging the importance of reading and studying about China this year, we can speak in superlatives. Never has there been such a widespread interest in our subject of study as there is this year. Everyone is eager to learn what is happening in China. The story of missionary work in West China is

the most encouraging we have ever had to tell. The Christian Church is today faced with one of its greatest opportunities in West China. The three books on our own mission in West China are among the best we have ever produced. The books and booklets on the Bookshelf and those on China in Public Libraries are the most varied and attractive we have ever had available on our study theme. With some good preparation, you can have this year the most interesting programmes your Auxiliary has ever known. 'So once again we say, COME, STUDY CHINA.

What Shall We Do for China Now?

As a result of our study of China this year, some things should be *done* for China, which otherwise would not be done. The following Seven-Point Programme of Service for China is adapted from Ruth Seabury's answer to the question, What shall we *do* for China now?

1. Keep on with our own work in China.

Every dollar given for our own missionary work in China means new opportunities for our missionaries and fellow-Christians. That support was never so much needed as now. China is more than a Rice Bowl to be filled. She is a nation in the making, anxious as never before for an interpretation of "new Life." So keep on and don't be discouraged. Indeed, let us try to do even more than ever before, since the

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cost of living for missionaries and for Chinese doctors, nurses, teachers and pastors is at least ten times as great as when war began in 1937.

2. Write letters to our missionaries in China.

Correspondence is not easy in China today. Life is uncertain from month to month. The missionary often feels a long way from home and friends. If from the Society which supports her there comes from time to time a letter or a message as a sudden indication of *Partnership*, it will mean more than we can realize: (Postage, 30 cents. Send via San Francisco, air mail: Hong Kong to Chungking.)

3. Pray constantly for our missionaries and fellow-Christians in China.

A Chinese doctor writing in time of crisis to a friend at home said, "Time after time I have been conscious of the prayers of my friends. They lift me up. I feel supported." "Thank your people for their prayers," said one Chinese woman to a visiting Board Secretary. Let prayer go up as a great spiritual force, Christians remembering each other in prayer.

4. Help to secure new missionaries for China.

Almost every mail from West China brings an appeal for new missionaries. The Chinese characters in the word, "Crisis," mean "danger" and "opportunity." This is a critical time in China; we are faced with a "dangerous opportunity." If we place this opportunity before the young men and women of our Church they will respond, as did those large groups of young missionaries who went out from Canada to West China in the first decade of this century.

5. Be propagandists for China.

Women are "great talkers." Why not talk about China whenever you have the opportunity? Could you get the cause of China presented somewhere else than in your own group? What about assisting with the missionary programme of the Sunday School or Young People's Union? Could you arrange for a speaker on China to address the Public School, the High School, or one of your community clubs. Can the Press Secretary send to the press more news items about the Christian Church in China?

6. Read books on China and lend or give them to others.

One member of the W.M.S. gave a copy of *The Amazing Chinese* to a High School teacher. It was used by teacher and pupils in connection with their social studies until it was worn out. Nothing is more influential in creating lasting interest in a country and its people than a good book. Get books on China into the homes, the churches, the schools, and the Public Libraries of our Canadian villages, towns and cities.

7. Make contacts with the Chinese in Canada.

"Let the Chinese know that there are Christians in Canada as well as in China," said some one, rebuking us for our unfriendliness toward the Canadian Chinese. Perhaps we can cooperate with them in a China Relief project. Perhaps they can help us with a Chinese meal or a China programme. Best of all we can visit each other in our homes. One of the loveliest memories we carried away from the Bay of Quinte School for Leaders was of the afternoon when a Chinese baby, six months' old, with his mother and grandmother were guests of honour at tea.

China In the Headlines:

The Chairman of our Literature Committee, Mrs. Carscallen, recommends these articles in recent issues of well-known magazines:

"China's North-west Back Door," by Ramon N. Lee, Asia, December, 1940.

"My Most Unforgettable Character" (Li Yung Ku) by Manuel Komroff, Reader's Digest, April, 1941.

"Triumph of the Human Spirit" by N. Peffer, New York Times Magazine, March 30, 1941.

"Her Day," by Martha Gellhome, Collier's August 30, 1941.

"No Union without China," by Pearl Buck, Asia, September, 1941.

"China Can't Lose," by W. H. Donald, Collier's, September 13, 1941.

"Greatest Migration in History," by H. Maurer, *Travel*, September, 1941.

"Worth Ten Divisions," by F. T. Durdin, New York Times Magazine, Sept. 14, 1941.

"The Soong Sisters," by Marjorie Macdonald, The Canadian Girl, September 21, 1941.

"Career in China," by Terry Brick, Mademoiselle, October, 1941.

"A Reporter's Adventures in War-scarred

China," Illustrated London News, October 11, 1941.

"The Double Tenth," Illustrated London News, October 18, 1941.

"What Chinese Parents Can Teach Us," by Pearl S. Buck, *Parents' Magazine*, Nov., 1941. WINNIFRED THOMAS.

Calling All Presbyterial Secretaries

Annual Reports. In presenting your annual report to the Presbyterial meeting, you have an opportunity to tell of the progress made during the past year and to bring the aims of your department before the whole Presbyterial. A chart or poster or display of literature will make the report more vivid. For your Conference Branch Secretary prepare a *full* written report including in it not only the chief facts about the year's work but also interesting items gleaned from the reports received from your Auxiliary Secretaries.

Correspondence. Through circular and personal letters you can become acquainted with all of your secretaries. Correspondence strengthens the bond between the Presbyterial and the Auxiliaries and is one of the best methods of promoting the whole work of your department. See the directions for using a hectograph in duplicating circular letters, given below.

The Conference at the Presbyterial Meeting

Community Friendship. To make your conference worth while: 1. Begin by seeking God's guidance in prayer and by outlining the purpose and scope of the department. 2. Consider the questions selected for special discussion, notice of which has been given to your secretaries in advance. Allow time for the replies volunteered and make some constructive suggestions for future action, yourself. 3. Give your secretaries a fair proportion of the time to present their own problems and to discuss them. Some important questions to discuss are: In what way can the Church, through our department, be of vital service to our community? In what way can our department be of vital service to the Church? What is our part in visitation evangelism? (MRS. J.) LILLIAN M. MCKILLOP.

Supply. Your conference this year will undoubtedly take the form of a lengthy discussion of our new policy in supply work, with which you will need to be thoroughly familiar. Stress the important points covered in the

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statement "A Forward Step in Supply Work" and seek to answer all questions raised. Remember that this is a new venture and if we stumble now and then over a rough spot, we must just pick ourselves up, smile, and carry on !-- (MRS. N. R.) ALMINA M. FALLIS.

Associate Helpers. In your conference on the Associate Helpers' department discuss: 1. Ways of increasing the enrolment of Associate Helpers, so that there may be ever-widening streams of new workers coming into our Auxiliaries. May not our department share thus in the Five-Year Plan for New Organizations? 2. The importance of having on hand always a supply of envelopes and mite-boxes for those who wish to share in sending the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the world. 3. Ways of helping shut-ins, especially through visits and by the distribution of literature. Ask two or three of your secretaries to give a word picture of how they carry on their work. Have on display the "Little Bookshelf" and other books or booklets of special value for use in our department.-(MRS. R. A.) LILLIAN M. SNODGRASS.

Temperance and Christian Citizenship. Use the first part of the conference to discover what use was made of the new programmes "What Would You Do If?" and "Our Canadian Homes" and to hear of other programmes of interest on any of the four topics. With the help of your secretaries, make a list of books and pamphlets useful in our department. Then hear reports of social action, of local problems faced and of attempts made to solve them. In giving direction for the future, emphasize the importance of total abstinence; the great need for social welfare; our responsibility for keeping in the forefront of our thinking and action, the Christian ideal of brotherhood as opposed to racial antagonism. If Canada is to face the great problems of the present and of the near future, and to be prepared to work for world peace, Canadian women must study, pray and work.-(MRS. T.) MURIEL A. TRICKEY.

Presidents of Auxiliaries, Evening Auxiliaries and Affiliated Societies. This conference is one of the most important and the range of discussion is great. The topics to be considered should be determined by the Presidents, themselves. The Literature page gives an excellent list of material every President should possess. Urge all Auxiliaries with 20 or more members to adopt the group system as outlined in the Handbook for Auxiliary Officers and the How to Use. Consider the article in this issue on the Five-Year Plan for New Organizations.

WINNIFRED THOMAS.

Use a Hectograph for Circular Letters

Materials---3 oz. white pulverized glue; 6 oz. water; 12 oz. glycerine.

Directions—Soak the glue in cold water for 24 hours. Melt, and let it boil hard for 5 minutes, stirring constantly so it will not burn. Put in the glycerine after it comes to a boil, and boil hard for 10 minutes. Pour out into a pan set on a perfectly level surface. Break any bubbles with a toothpick or match. Let it stand for 24 hours before using.

Dimensions of pan—A pan $10^{"} \times 12^{"}$ and $34^{"}$ deep is of suitable size (ordinary cookie tin is excellent). The pan should have a cover, if possible.

Method of Using—Make the first copy with hectograph ink, using a stub pen. Lay the copy right side down on the hectograph and press evenly all over. After about two minutes, remove the copy and apply the paper on which the transfer is to be made, observing the same caution as with the first copy. When the desired number of copies has been obtained, wipe the gelatine surface clean with a soft cloth or fine sponge, dipped in lukewarm water, keeping the surface level so that it is ready to be used again.

Questionnaire for Presidents

W^E would like to ask a little favour of all the presidents of Auxiliaries who are readers of THE MISSIONARY MONTHLY. Would they please take time in their busy lives to ask themselves these questions and answer them conscientiously:

What is your responsibility to the Mission Bands and Baby Bands?

Are you interested in the literature which is recommended for them?

What do you know regarding the purpose and the aim of *World Friends?*

Have you ever read one copy of *World* Friends from cover to cover?

Have you ever drawn it to the attention of your Auxiliary, or made them acquainted with any of its contents?

Are all the members of the Mission Band under your jurisdiction subscribers to *World Friends?*

If not, are you helping to promote subscriptions, and if you do not, who will?

There is one expiration date for World Friends-the same as for THE MISSIONARY MONTHLY-all subscriptions run from January to December. The price of World Friends is fifteen cents for each subscription in parcels of ten or more sent to one address;

individual subscriptions are twenty-five cents each. Mission Band leaders are asked to use the green order forms, and have all orders for World Friends come through the Presbyterial Secretary. Subscriptions not coming from Mission Bands should be sent direct to World Friends, 433 Wesley Buildings, Toronto 2.

(MRS. E. J.) VIOLA W. PRATT, Editor.

A February Programme for Auxiliaries and Mission Circles

The Service of Worship

Theme for the Year: "The Faith by which we Live."

Theme for February: "The Bible, our Guide to Christian Faith and Conduct."

Call to Worship: Lord, Thy Word abideth, verses 1, 2, 3 and 6 read slowly by the Leader as the pianist plays the tune, The Hymnary, 186.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 19, The Hymnary, 696.

Hymn: The heavens declare Thy glory. Lord, The Hymnary, 28 (Choose a familiar L.M. tune.)

Prayer of thanksgiving for the Bible by one of the members.

Leader: "We believe that the great moments of God's revelation of Himself to men are recorded and interpreted in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament. To Israel He made Himself known as a holy and righteous God and Saviour; the fulness of truth and grace came by Jesus Christ." Let us listen to great passages of Scripture in which men recorded those timeless truths about God which He had revealed to them: (Note: Those who are to read these passages should study them carefully so that the reading may fitly express the dignity of the truths which they present and the beauty of the language.)

First Reader: Isaiah 40: 9-15, 25-31. Second Reader, John 1: 1-14.

Leader: "We acknowledge in Holy Scripture the sure guide to Christian faith and conduct." Let us listen to other great passages of Scripture in which men speak to us of God's will for our lives:

Third Reader: Psalm 51: 6-13; Micah 6: 6.8. Fourth Reader: 1 Corinthians, 13.

Talk: "How I Use the Bible as a Guide to Christian Faith and Conduct"-a brief talk by one of the members in which she speaks, out of her own experience, of her daily study of the Bible and of how this time set aside for Bible reading and meditation may be most helpful.

Prayers by two of the members in which they voice the desire of all to study God's Word more constantly and to follow more faithfully the guidance to Christian faith and conduct found in the Bible.

Responsive Prayer: The Hymnary, 752.

Prayer Hymn: Break Thou the bread of life, The Hymnary, 187.

The China Programme

The Chinese word for "crisis" is made up of two characters which mean "danger" and "opportunity." Chapter IV of Serving with the Sons of Shuh, entitled "The Chinese People Rise," tells of a former crisis in the history of China, 1922-27, the time when, for the masses of the Chinese people, the Revolution reached its climax. It was then that Chiang Kai-shek first came into a position of leadership. For the West China Mission it was a period of grave danger, when all but six of our missionaries were evacuated. The Chinese Christians were severely tested but, as this chapter relates, they met the test gloriously and became the stronger for their sufferings. The *How to Use gives a Programme for February and interesting additional suggestions in "Talking It Over."

The Closing

Leader reads Isaiah 40: 6-8 and Matthew 24: 35 and presents some of the facts from the article, "This Bible Hungry World.'

*Pr' e 60 cents (when ordered together). Order from The Literature Department, 410 Wesley Br dings, Toronto.

Offering: Acts 20: 35 may be repeated before the offering is taken, and it may be dedicated by a prayer of thanksgiving for our share in giving God's Word to people of other lands, especially to China, and of intercession for our missionaries in China who print and teach the Bible.

Hymn: O Word of God Incarnate, The Hymnary, 182.

Benediction: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen.

A Guide to Personal Bible Study

We believe that the great moments of God's revelation of Himself to men are recorded and interpreted in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament.

We believe that while God uttered His Word to man progressively, the whole is sufficient to declare His mind and will for our salvation. To Israel He made Himself known as holy and righteous God and a Saviour; the fulness of truth and grace came by Jesus Christ.

So we acknowledge in Holy Scripture the true witness to God's Word and the sure guide to Christian faith and conduct—From The Statement of Faith.

Read Highways of the Heart, a very helpful devotional book giving daily readings and prayers for three months, based on *The Statement of Faith*, and prepared by the Board of Evangelism and Social Service of The United Church of Canada. (Price 25 cents; in cloth binding, 50 cents.)

Prayer: O God, who hast given the Bible to be a revelation of Thy great love to man, and of Thy power and will to save him, grant that we may receive Thy truth into our hearts, in faith and love. By it may we be taught and guided, upheld and comforted, that we be no longer children in understanding, but grow to the stature of perfect men in Christ, and be prepared unto every good word and work, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Day 1: If you would enter into some of the great moments in God's revelation of Himself to the Hebrew people—read Genesis 1; Deuteronomy 5; Isaiah 6: 1-8; Isaiah 40 (written by the prophet who proclaimed God's revelation to Israel during their years of exile in Babylon). If you would learn how men and women in Old Testament times responded in faith and devotion to God's revelation of Himself—read Hebrews 11.

Day 2: If you would meditate upon God's supreme revelation of Himself in Jesus Christ—read Hebrews 1: 1-3; John 1: 1-14; Luke 23: 33-46. If you would understand how Jesus fulfilled and yet superseded the progressive revelation of God's truth and grace, as given to Israel—so that in reading any portion of the Old Testament we should ask: "Is this in harmony with the mind and spirit of Christ?"—read Matthew 5.

Day 3: If, turning to the Bible as a guide to Christian faith, you would know the mind, the nature of God—read Psalm 19; Isaiah 55; Luke 15; and John 10: 1-16.

Day 4: If you would learn the will, the purpose of God for the salvation of man-read Micah 6: 6-8; Ephesians 1. If you would discover the will, the purpose of God for the salvation of society-read Amos 5; Micah 4: 1-4; Matthew 6: 9-11; Revelation 21: 1-5.

Day 5: If you seek to find in the Bible a guide to Christian conduct—read Psalm 51; Matthew 7; 22: 34-40; 1 Corinthians 13.

Day 6: If you would understand the value of a study of God's Word—read Psalm 119: 105; John 20: 30-31; 1 John 1: 1-4; Luke 8: 8-11; 2 Timothy 2: 15. If you would discover how the Hebrew people used their Scriptures, how Jesus went regularly to hear them read, and how Paul exhorted the early Christians to regard the sacred writings—read Deuteronomy 6: 1-9; Luke 4: 16, 17; 1 Thessalonians 2: 13; 2 Timothy 3: 14-17.

Day 7: If you would gain a new vision of our missionary task in making God's Word known to all peoples read—Psalm 67; John 17: 6-10; Matthew 28: 19-20. If you would renew your faith in the abiding power of the Bible in the lives of men and women of all races and times —read Isaiah 40: 6-8; Matthew 24: 35; and the following extracts from an article in *Christian World Facts*, Autumn 1941, entitled "This Bible Hungry World":

"The circulation of the Scriptures in Chini in 1940 was 5,277,537 which is larger than in 1939. For several years China has been the world's first customer for the Scriptures. Germany reports sales for 1940 of 289,013 Bibles as against 127,234 in 1938. (No report for 1939.) The British and Foreign Bible Society distributed in Finland in 1940, 243,000 volumes as against 43,000 in 1939. In Hungary in 1939 there were 169,000 volumes distributed—more than double the circulation of the year before. The circulation in prostrate Poland increased over 1938 from 54,000 to 135,000. The circulation in Latin America in 1940 was almost double that of the year 1935. The Roman Catholic Church in the United States published in 1941 the first official revision of the New Testament for Catholics since 1750 and have launched a programme to put a copy into every American Catholic home. Facts like these indicate that wherever the Bible is known there is a hunger for it, and in most places, a growing hunger."

WINNIFRED THOMAS.



"Extras"—For Our China Programme Great Sayings From China



ROM among the teachings of Jesus and other New Testament writings, discover a saying which is similar to each of the following quotations from the "sayings" of the great r eligious leaders of China:

> What you do not like when done to yourself, do not to others.—Confucius.

> Those shepherds of men all love to destroy men. Were there but one who did not, the people would

hasten to obey him as rushing waters that cannot be stayed—Mencius.

To save one life is better than to build a seven-storey pagoda.—A Wise Man.

Those who aspire to greatness must humble themselves.—Laotze.

A great man never loses the simplicity of a child.—*Mencius*.

Good-will subdues its opposite as water, fire.—Mencius.

Under heaven, one family .- Confucius.

Weapons, even when they are victorious, are not blessed among tools.—Laotze.

"I Only Read Novels."

"The president of the missionary society was saying fervently 'But if you have never read a mission study book how can you know if they are interesting or not?"

"Answered the pretty young thing, 'I just never did like books of that kind. I only read novels. Of course, sometimes when I get really interested in something, I like to study about it but—'

"To myself I said, 'The same old argument: which comes first, the egg or the chicken? Do you study first and then get interested or do you get interested and then study?"

Whatever may be the correct answer, the young woman who likes novels, books on art and travel, and biographies better than "study books" has a wide choice when reading about China. For example, there are The Keys of the Kingdom by A. J. Cronin, a novel and a best seller, and Dawn Watch in China, an exciting book of travel by a twenty-six-year-old American newspaper woman-both of which were reviewed in the November issue of THE MISS-IONARY MONTHLY and may be secured from your Public Library. The Mission Circle Book Shelf (complete for \$1.00) includes a novel, Life Has No Ceiling by Frank T. Cartwright; a book on Chinese history and art as well as present-day happenings. The Amazing Chinese by Willis Lamott, excellent for use by teachers in their social studies; and two biographical sketches, On Foot to Freedom by Newton Chiang, and Wings Over China by Basil Mathews, a brief story of the Generalissimo and Madame Chiang. The play in the C.G.-I.T. packet, With Wings as Eagles, is excellent and Circle members would enjoy reading it aloud or presenting it to an audience.

What Shall We Do For China Now?

Read the answers to this question given on the Auxiliary page. Select some things you can do for China *now*.

WINNIFRED THOMAS.

A Message to Presbyterial Secretaries

E are eagerly looking forward to your annual reports. Seek to make yours accurate and comprehensive. Even though you can present only a brief report at the Presbyterial meeting, send a full and interesting written report to your Conference Branch Secretary. We can help each other by sharing our most successful experiences, and the annual reports afford an ideal opportunity for doing that.

Correspondence is a very necessary part of our work. I write to the Conference Branch Secretaries, both personal and circular letters, and they in turn write to you. It is then your responsibility to send on to your Mission Circles the ideas contained in these letters, as well as special suggestions of your own. For some of you the sending out of circular letters will be quite a task as you have so many Circles, but for others it will be easier. (See directions for using a hectograph, as given on the Auxiliary page.) The personal letter is a thing of great beauty. Many fine friendships can be made and kept by writing. Through correspondence, also, you may learn of the individual problems of your Circles, and thus be better able to help them.

Have you planned for your share of the programme for your *Presbyterial?* If the Advisory Presidents of Mission Circles are meeting with you, they will certainly have many problems on which they will want your advice, so the entire period of your conference should be given to discussion. If the Circle members are able to meet with you during the evening, as so many Presbyterials plan, present a few ideas for their consideration. Our Circle young women are facing many perplexing situations today, and we want to give

them as much guidance as possible. There will be times when they will need help, stronger than we can give, and we should show them to Whom they can go for this help and guidance, even to God, Himself. If you have an open discussion, I would suggest that you look up your reports, and suggest to the different Circles that they tell of the items on the reports that you think were most worth while. In that way many new phases of our work will be presented. The question, "What was your most interesting meeting?" usually brings forward many fine ideas. May I tender my sincere hope that you may have a very successful Presbyterial, and that your conference with your Mission Circle leaders and members may be the best one that you have ever had.

EVELYN G. FOLLETT, Secretary.

Affiliated



Dr. McClure's Stories of China Margaret Govan

AVE you started the missionary project in your group? Not yet? Suppose you begin in January. It is such a good time of the year to be doing solid work. Christmas and its attendant excitement are over for the year, and everybody is ready to make a good beginning in line with their new year's resolutions!

If your group is an "old one" the missionary project will be taken in their stride. "Trinidad was so interesting last year; what's this year's special mission study?" You need only produce the materials and be ready to help with the plans.

If you are a new leader and your group is a new group, it may not be quite so easy; at least you have a feeling of that sort. But you're wrong, for this year's study is ideal. It's China. We are all so interested in China these days—the C of the ABCD group. We are interested because she is a democracy, because of her heroic stand, because her Generalissimo and his wife are such fascinating figures. Mention the Burma road and your whole group will sit up and pay attention. They will pay even more attention when they are introduced to *Tales from Free China*. It Groups

is one of the most thrilling of adventure stories written by a modern Canadian hero, Dr. Bob McClure, who is over there now doing Red Cross work. Yes, your group will read the stories, and want more.

Tales from Free China is having a record sale. The Packet is already three hundred in advance of the sale last year, while 2,300 copies of Dr. McClure's book have been sold in addition. These stories have aroused interest in the United States as well as Canada four hundred copies of the book having gone "across the line," and the request comes: "Give us more of these tales."

The book, *Tales from Free China*, is part of the Missionary Packet for this year. There is also a pamphlet full of ideas for projects, additional information on Chinese customs and worship services. Included in the Packet is *With Wings as Eagles*, an exceptionally good play for a senior group. (They could use some intermediates in the cast, too.) The price of Packet is 65 cents.

Ask a member of the Auxiliary to lend you her study book, Serving with the Sons of Shuh: it is good. Read THE MISSIONARY MONTHLY each month and pick up all sorts of interesting facts and stories about China. Go to the public library and borrow Dawn Watch in China by Joy Homer, This Brave New

China by Lady Hosie, and The Keys of the Kingdom by A. J. Cronin. The C.G.I.T. Bookshelf costs only \$1.00 and includes Wings Over China (8 cents) by Basil Mathews, a short biography of Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-shek; Life has no Ceiling (60 cents) by Frank T. Cartwright, a romance; and The Amazing Chinese (price 35 cents) by Willis Lamott, a splendid, illustrated booklet on ancient and modern China.

Long before this you will be so enthusiastic about China that you'll "bubble over" with it, and your group will catch the enthusiasm. It's more contagious than measles!

A Message to Presbyterial Secretaries

UNLESS yours are the exception which proves the rule, the C.G.I.T. leaders are less inclined to come to the Presbyterial meeting than any other of our leaders. We must remember that a C.G.I.T. leader, if she is doing her job, is a very busy person. She teaches a Sunday School class on Sunday, leads a C.G.I.T. Group once a week, and spends at least another evening on preparation. Also she must attend several additional gatherings such as teachers' meetings, leaders' council and girls' conferences. As a result the Presbyterial meeting must be made very attractive and helpful if C.G.I.T. leaders are to attend.

Perhaps it would be best, as a first step, to concentrate on securing the attendance of your leaders at a supper conference and at the evening session of the Presbyterial which follows. This year we wish to saturate the leader with interest in and understanding of China. If she is "converted" to missions she will do some vital missionary education. But she will also be grateful for practical help. The plans for a World Friendship Rally could be discussed. Problems, gleaned through the Presbyterial Secretary's correspondence and visiting, could be listed and conferred upon. A list of people within the Presbyterial who could assist the groups in their missionary projects would be helpful.

Attendance will depend upon three factors: (1) the helpfulness of last year's annual meeting; (2) the personal contacts between the Presbyterial Secretary and the local leader; and (3) the part taken in the programme of the Presbyterial meeting by the C.G.I.T. leaders themselves. Enlist the help of competent and interested leaders in planning for your conference and for the phases of the Presbyterial programme for which you are responsible: Ask them to lead in discussion, to supplement your annual report by telling of their best projects, to conduct the worship service or to present a dramatization. See that as many churches are represented as possible. Leaders will come if they have responsibility or if they know in advance that other C.G.I.T. leaders or girls are to have a part in the Presbyterial programme. This will mean that you will want to work with the committee that plans the programme of the annual meeting.

The Presbyterial Secretary's report to the Executive-which usually meets before and after the annual meeting-should be entirely different. To them she should report, for information, about the C.G.I.T. work in the Presbytery and about progress in affiliating C.G.I.T. Groups with the Woman's Missionary Society. She should present the literature provided for the missionary project on West China and answer their questions about the relationship of the Auxiliary to the C.G.I.T. Groups in the congregation. She will also consult the Presbyterial officers regarding her problems. An Auxiliary President can often throw light on a certain situation or glean from the Secretary a new attitude towards a local leader.

"I have visited the nineteen churches which are my responsibility. I enjoyed the contacts and got more than I gave," so says one secretary. Of course, she probably gave as much as she received, and she will give much more as a result, in the future. Try it. Friendly, personal letters, when travel is impossible are invaluable, as well as frequent circular letters. (See directions for using a hectograph, given on the Auxiliary page). Correspondence may be a strong link between the Presbyterial Secretary and the leaders of C.G.I.T. Groups. The names and addresses of all the leaders in your Presbytery may be secured from your Dominion Board Secretary for Affiliated C.G. I.T. Groups.

-MARGARET GOVAN, Secretary.

Personality is not an inborn gift. It is the outward sign of an inward power that men and women acquire as they cultivate the qualities and skills by which they can most effectively serve their fellows.—The Homemaker's Page, Globe and Mail.

Mission Bands



Then and Now in West China accompanies the book of delightful stories, Lanterns in the China Sky, and contains programme outlines for leaders of Mission Bands. One of the projects suggested for juniors is the making of "Then and Now Posters" (pages 30-33). The preparation of these posters will help the children to understand and appreciate the progress which has been made in China in recent years. Miss Lois M. Allan, Secretary of Mission Bands for the Bay of Quinte Conference Branch, prepared a fine set of "Then and Now Posters" for the school for leaders held at the Ontario Ladies' College, Whitby, in August. The one on Religion is reproduced here in the hope that it will help other leaders of Mission Bands to carry out this very interesting project.

A Message to Presbyterial Secretaries

REETINGS for the New Year! We Thave now come to the summing up of the work of the past year-report time. How eagerly returns are awaited! Shall we this year reach our goal: "no lost Bands, every Band reporting?" Presbyterial Secretaries! much depends on you. If your statistical reports are accurate and if you send on a full and interesting written report, your Conference Branch Secretaries can forward to me a comprehensive survey of the work of our Mission Bands across Canada. Even if your report to the annual meeting of the Presbyterial must be a brief one, send to your Conference Branch Secretary a written report which includes the new methods and progressive ideas of alert superintendents, the colourful incidents in the work of individual Mission Bands and novel features in their programme. There are phases of outstanding interest characteristic of localities; for example, the work among the Orientals; Indian Work, Mission Bands in Community Missions; Mission Bands in rural schools. If these are reported we shall be able to make a sort of Mission Band topographical map of Canada.

Correspondence plays a very important part in our work. Letters are a wise investment; to be niggardly with stamps and stationery is a grave error in judgment. To maintain a sense of comradeship, prompt acknowledgment of letters asking for information or assistance is of incalculable worth. Personally, I find letters a pulsating vein making the fellowship vital, happy, rewarding. We have been speaking about personal letters. There are also the circular letters. The secretaries of the Dominion Board take it for granted that the suggestions and information sent to the Conference Branch Secretaries reach the Presbyterial Secretaries, and that you in turn send a circular letter to your Superintendents two or three times a year. In the Auxiliary page you will find directions for a hectograph, which will assist you in preparing these circular letters which add so much to the effectiveness of our work.

Presbyterial meetings will soon be engaging our thoughts. Here are just a few suggestions:

1. In advance, send out to your superintendents (perhaps in a circular letter) a list of questions that will be discussed at the depart-• mental conference. You will probably cover local problems; the study for the year: a letter exchange among the Bands of your Presbyterial: how to make Mission Bands vital in a congregation.

2. Have a map or chart showing new Bands; also, alas! Bands that may be disbanded. Indicate the progress of the Five-Year Plan for New Organizations in our department.

3. Display Certificate of Recognition Honour Roll—up to date.

4. In cooperation with the Literature Secretary—be sure that the books used in Mission Bands are brought graphically to the attention of the delegation. Have sample copies of *World Friends*.

(MRS. J. L.) MARION S. SMALL, Secretary.

Directions for the Chinese House

PLANS for this interesting activity are, suggested in the Pattern Sheet and "Then and Now in West China." Experience this Autumn has shown certain improvements on these plans. Mission Bands which wish to undertake this project should write for fuller directions (free) to the Literature Department, Room 410, Wesley Buildings, 299 Queen Street West, Toronto.

New Year's—A Good Will Day

MONG our Indians at Moose Mountain New Year's is a goodwill day, a day when petty quarrels and grievances are forgotten and all begin again on a basis of friendship and goodwill. On New Year's Day you find enemies shaking hands and wishing each other a "Happy New Year" in all sincerity. It used to be the custom for the family to rise early, breakfast, and then set out to visit all their neighbours. But this made for complications, as with every one visiting every one else, no one could be found at home to visit. Now they have the more practical plan of community gatherings. Crees gather in their hall and the Assiniboines in theirs. Last year the Crees formed a parade of sleighs, drove to the Assiniboine hall and exchanged tribal greetings. Then they drove back to their own hall where a feast was held. The celebration ended in the customary Indian manner—a pow-wow.—Mrs. Mabel K. Waywell and Blanche Gerhard, Moose Mountain, Sask.

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Baby



Bands

A Message to Presbyterial Secretaries

TOW that we are entering upon a new Yyear, you will be asked to fill in your report forms for 1941. In these you will give a résumé of the work accomplished in your Presbyterial by this, the youngest organization of our Society. The statistical forms you will send to your Conference Branch Secretary and it is requested that you forward to her also a full written report summarizing the answers received in the reports of your Superintendents and telling of your own work as Presbyterial Secretary. Be sure to pass on all the interesting stories you receive in your reports. This is one way in which you may help other Secretaries in distant parts, and they in turn will help you through their reports. This is a true spirit of cooperation. Only thus can the Conference Branch Secretaries send me full information for my report of the year's work which appears in the Annual Report. We can also glean from these written reports interesting items for our pages in THE MISSIONARY MONTHLY and thus your experience can be shared with other Baby Band leaders.

As you look back over the past year, be assured that all the work you have undertaken will bring results. No effort will have been made in vain. In years to come you may be surprised at the harvest reaped from the seed you have sown.

Letters, personal or circular, bring results. In this way you may pass on to your Superintendents information about our missionary work, as well as methods of work used in other Baby Bands, which may help them in their own societies. Letter-writing besides giving information also brings inspiration. Then, when difficulties appear or methods of work are questioned, your Superintendents will write to you about them and your personal replies, giving what help you can, will be greatly appreciated. Even though you may never meet all your Superintendents, you may develop strong friendships with them through correspondence. (See the directions for making a hectograph, given on the Auxiliary page).

In planning for your Presbyterial meeting, keep in mind these suggestions:

(1) Encourage your Superintendents to attend the meetings. Women learn so much from the reports read and the addresses given, as well as from meeting other women who are engaged in the same work.

(2) See that you have a suitable room for your discussion group. Begin your conference on time, and end promptly.

(3) Arrange for a display of literature and posters and any handwork you may have. Posters help to display our literature and in a very effective way teach truths easily taken in by the eye.

(4) Know your "Guide" thoroughly and also be able to tell the stories from the Baby Band books.

(5) Study your Annual Report, especially the statistical table regarding Baby Bands in your own Presbyterial. Remember our aim, "A Baby Band in every Auxiliary." Draw the attention of the Auxiliary Presidents to the progress being made in achieving this aim

Now in Snow

Now in the feathery New fall of snow Hither and thither Little tracks go. This is field mouse's Exquisite trail; Dainty, and showing The drag of his tail;

And this one is squirrel's, Feet close, and keeping Near to tree holes, For all of his leaping;

And this is cottontail's, Unlike the others, Pressed into runways, By him and his brothers.

Now in snow, furry Forms pass, unaware They leave a lovely Patterning there. —Elaine V. Emans.

and enlist their interest and cooperation in organizing new Baby Bands. Tell them how the Baby Band often assists in bringing new members into the Auxiliary and into the Church.

(6) If you have an Open Forum at your Presbyterial, be prepared to give leadership in discussing these questions: (a) How do we organize a Baby Band? (b) How can we enlist leaders for a Baby Band? (c) What can an Auxiliary do to help a Baby Band? (d) What is the value of a Baby Band in a congregation? (Stress the good results which come from calling in the homes as told, for example, in the Annual Report, page 328.) Should this be your last year, do give your successor all the help you can. Hand on to her the material you have, such as the Guide, booklets, cards and reports of Baby Bands in the Presbyterial. Make her feel she can depend on you for advice and encouragement at all times.

Remember, as in war-work, every individual has an important part to play in the great world of missions. We should all seek to maintain and strengthen these forces which forward Christ's Church and His Kingdom in this time of war.

(MRS. E. D.) LILLIAN EDDY, Secretary.

Christian Stewardship and Finance

Hold Fast the Life Line

WE have a life line to hold at all costs. The freedom and faith of a farflung Christian fellowship.

We Must Keep Open

1. Our supply line of missionary workers and money, to keep alive those younger churches abroad that are dependent on us.

2. A continuous line of support of our institutions at home and abroad, which must keep on producing leaders for the Christian world that is to be.

3. Every means of strengthening the British Empire, the sheet anchor of this world life line of ours.

Therefore We Must See to It

As we respond to pressing and worthy emergency appeals, that our gifts to these projects do not lessen our gifts to the regular work of the Church.

We appeal for sustained support of the work of the Woman's Missionary Society for 1942.

In order to keep open our lines of communication, Branch Secretaries must keep in constant touch with Presbyterial Secretaries and they in turn with the secretaries of local organizations. Each in turn should be ready to direct, advise and assist those in need of such. Frequently and particularly at the beginning of the year, call attention to details of placing allocations (i.e. those to younger groups in the congregation), building budgets, distribution of thankoffering envelopes and other matter, the knowledge of which would be conducive to a smooth business-like conducting of our organization.—(MRS. H. T.) BEATRICE M. THOMP-SON, Secretary.

Conference Branch Returns for Third Quarter of Year 1941 and Compared with 1940 Returns

Branch	Third Quarter 1941		Result for Quarter		s Result for Three Quarters	
Alberta	\$4,100.00	Inc.	\$100.00	\$14,100.00	Dec.	\$400.00
Bay of Quinte		Inc.	683.00	36,317.20	Inc.	630.20
British Columbia	3,900.00	Dec.	400.00	17,325.00	Dec.	175.00
Hamilton	12,400.00	Inc.	600.00	46,400.00	Inc.	600.00
*London		Inc.	300.00	45,150.00	Inc.	1,450.00
Manitoba		Dec.	322.81	26,136.21	Dec.	770.50
Maritime	11,500.00	Inc.	350.00	39,804.00	Dec.	2,046.00
Montreal-Ottawa	8,500.00	Dec.	500.00	37,900.00	Dec.	1,200.00
Newfoundland	294.00	Inc.	294.00	906.00	Inc.	166.00
Saskatchewan	3,655.00	Dec.	945.00	13,855.00	Inc.	455.00
*Toronto	17,250.00	Dec.	2,000.00	68,050.00	Dec.	3,350.00
Totals	\$00 4 38 50	Net Decrease	\$1 840 81	\$345 043 41	Net Decrease	\$4 640 30

Literature Department

Helen G. Day, Secretary

Dear Scribe:

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I can imagine your surprise when you picked up the envelope with this letter in it, and saw a Chinese seal with "Wen Dee Dee" written below it. I could almost hear you say "That's Pedlitt's handwriting, but



"WEN DEE DEE"

who is Wen Dee Dee?' It's me, scribe-well, if you must—it is I, Ped-litt! For the New Year I am to be honoured with a Chinese name, "Wen Dee Dee," and it is much more dignified than "Pedlitt" — it means "Son of Literature," forsooth! I have written the characters very carefully for you, and when I come home, I'll be able to do some beautiful autographs in the books about China which you have been reading.

The Amazing Chinese is one in which I'd love to write it, because it is the best small book on the subject, and the

longer I'm here, the more I realize it. It provides in brief, a background of history, art and literature, and it depicts China today and the Chinese Church—all this with a clever pen and excellent photographs. Most useful in school Social Studies, as well as in missionary groups. Price, 35c.

I'm delighted to know there are two new leaflets on China, reprinted from the West China number of The United Church Observer:

The Rhythm of Chinese Life, by Isabel Brown. A vivid description of a Chinese village. Illustrated by Mrs. John Kitchen. Price, 5 cents.

Bombs, Bills and Babies, by Dr. Gladys Cunningham. A stirring story about young Chinese women today. Price, 3 cents.

"It will be a fortunate girl who owns a copy of From Dawn to Dawn." Daily meditations, January to June. Don't let your teen-age friends miss this joy. Price 50c.

Helping Youth Today. A monologue on maintaining Christian Standards of marriage in wartime. This is a leaflet which every United Church woman should read with interest and concern. "Mrs. Gray" discusses, with herself, with her daughter, and with her Church group, the critical situation which faces Canadian young people today, and the duty of Christian adults in helping youth, if they are to maintain basic Christian standards amidst the strain of present conditions. Free.

The New Year! Annual Meetings! You will need: **The Installation Service**—revised. Price, 5 cents.

The New Year! New Presidents! You will need: Primer of Parliamentary Law. A clear, concise statement of the essential points to be remembered in conducting a business meeting. Price, 20 cents.

The New Year! New Officers! You need: The Handbook for Auxiliary Officers— Price, 10 cents.

The Handbook for Mission Circle Officers-Price, 10 cents.

The New Year! New Supplies! You need: Contribution Envelopes

Weekly 15c. a package Monthly 03c. a package

Auxiliary or Associate Helpers

Secretary's Book	•			85c.
Treasurer's Book				70c.
Mite Boxes .				Free

The New Year! Presbyterial Annual Meetings! The Pageant of the World Church will provide an inspiring evening programme, as through song and drama and lantern slides, it tells the story of missions and women's part therein. Suggestions about its preparation by groups in different churches can be obtained on request. Price, 10 cents.

The above may be obtained from

The Literature Department, 410 Wesley Buildings, Toronto

or from the Literature Depots:

Mrs. E. L. Pike,	Mrs. H. W. Woollatt,	Miss E. F. Alcorn,	Mrs. J. E. Wodell,	Miss Marjorie Thomson,	
705 McIntyre Block,	3015-13th Ave.,	412 Dominion Bank Bldg.,	842 Rideau Rd.,	18 Leslie St.,	
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Alberta

Press Secretary, Miss Helen Morrison, 117-11th St., Medicine Hat, Alta.

Treasurer, Mrs. J. E. White, 1626-13th Ave. W., Calgary, Alta.

HIGH RIVER PRESBYTERIAL — Mrs. Margaret Scott of Cayley, a pioneer in W.M.S. work, having served as President of the Cayley Auxiliary since Union, passed away in her seventyfourth year.

CALGARY PRESBYTERIAL — At the autumn thank-offering meeting of the "Catherine Smith" Auxiliary of Acme, a beautiful new communion table was unveiled and dedicated to the memory of the late Mrs. J. W. Mc-Culloch, who for many years had been active and enthusiastic in church and missionary work. The guest speaker of the afternoon was Mrs. F. E. Graham, Alberta Branch President.

Miss Elizabeth Bagossy, of the Community House at Newcastle, was the guest speaker at the thank-offering meeting of the "Angus Robertson" Evening Auxiliary of Knox Church, when her address on "The Vision of the Mosaic," was a challenge to all missionary women.

Members of the Calgary Presbyterial Executive were guests of the Strathmore Auxiliary when Miss Elizabeth Hawkin, Strangers' Secretary under the Dominion Board, was the special speaker.

This being the season of thank-offering meetings, Crescent Heights Auxiliary held theirs in the form of a supper meeting, when the special speaker was Rev. Wesley Bainbridge, Judge of the juvenile court. The Auxiliary of Central Church had as their guest speaker, Rev. H. E. Nordlund of the Baptist Church, whose address was on Temperance.

DRUMHELLER PRESBYTERIAL—An Executive meeting of the Presbyterial was held at Delia,

when Mrs. T. Taylor, Delia was appointed as the MISSIONARY MONTHLY Secretary for the remainder of the term, and Mrs. Sibbald, Munson, as the temporary Corresponding Secretary. The appointing of a missionary for the Lethbridge district was discussed and approved by the members.

EDMONTON PRESBYTERIAL - Beautiful October weather contributed its share to the success of the annual fall rally, which was held in Central Church. Rev. A. E. Armstrong, Foreign Mission Secretary, gave an inspiring and challenging address, while Mr. George Bruce, recently returned from Manchukuo spoke on "W.M.S. Work in Korea" a talk full of information and interest. Presidents of Auxiliaries, in a two-minute review, outlined outstanding results obtained by their Auxiliaries. Central Church Mission Circle presented a review of the "Life of Dr. Mac-Kellar." A sketch "Sixty-one Years After" indicated the development and expansion of the Woman's Missionary Society since its origin in Hamilton sixty-one years ago.

RED DEER PRESBYTERIAL—Didsbury held its first annual joint Baby Band and Cradle Roll party recently. The games, singing and stories were much enjoyed, especially by the little folks. A picture was taken of this happy group, and a delicious lunch served.

The Red Deer Presbyterial rally was held in Olds, with about 150 members in attendance. Mrs. F. E. Graham, President of Alberta Conference Branch, was' the guest speaker. The Literature Secretary reported a successful sale of books and leaflets, etc., during the rally.

Bay of Quinte

Press Secretary, Mrs. A. Nill, Roseneath, Ont. Treasurer, Mrs. E. J. Corkill, Box 142, Napanee, Ont.

COBOURG PRESBYTERIAL-Mrs. S. J. Gray, Presbyterial President, was the guest speaker at the annual Mission Circle rally held at

Roseneath. Mrs. Gray's subject was "The Bondage of Christ, the Highest Freedom." The rally was held in the form of a supper meeting, and Cobourg Circle had charge of the worship service, when Mrs. Muriel Maughan spoke on "faith." Many Circles reported extensive Red Cross activities.

Bethesda (Harwood) autumn thank-offering service featured an address by Miss Henrietta Campbell, home on furlough from Newfoundland. At this service, ladies from Plainville and Gore's Landing Auxiliaries, and Harwood Anglican Church were entertained by the local Auxiliary.

Mrs. F. Harris, Peterborough was the special speaker at Cold Springs autumn thankoffering. She spoke on "The School in Missionary Work." This Auxiliary has held cooking sales and promoted membership by holding special meetings, one of these having an attendance of ninety.

At a recent meeting of Port Hope Mission Circle, Mrs. J. B. Reynolds, Port Hope, was guest speaker, taking as her subject, "Friendship."

Gore's Landing Auxiliary has lost by death two valued members, Miss Eulah Latter and Mrs. Sidney Pomeroy.

PETERBOROUGH PRESBYTERIAL—The twelfth Mission Circle rally was held in George St. Church, Peterborough, and took the form of a supper meeting. The guest speaker, Miss Wilma Gardiner, missionary in the Oriental Home, Victoria, B.C., now on furlough, told of the founding of the Oriental Home, originally a haven for Chinese girls who escaped from the white slave traffic, now a fine stone structure, the only home of its kind in Canada. It cares for Oriental girls and boys from eighteen months to sixteen years of age, and is supported by the Woman's Missionary Society. Miss Gardiner also spoke of the cooperation received by the missionaries from the Chinese and Japanese mothers.

A feature of the rally was the presentation of the efficiency banner won this year by the George St. Circle. Mrs. F. K. Harris, Presbyterial Candidate Secretary, made a plea for volunteers for active missionary service, presenting a challenge to all the young women of the thirty Mission Circles.

The fiftieth anniversary of Bridgenorth Auxiliary was fittingly observed this autumn. The highlight of the meeting was the reading of the history of the society, written by Miss Lillie Udy, complete with names and dates, by Miss Olive Sidey. Mrs. W. H. Morton, Peterborough, Presbyterial President, was the guest speaker. Mrs. A. J. Throop, Community Friendship Secretary, outlined the activities of her department. During the supper hour a three-story birthday cake was cut by Mrs. E. McIlmoyl, the oldest member of the society.

Live and Give!

You should know of the Guaranteed Annuity Gift Plan, combining a gift with an income. An Annuity Gift with the Woman's Missionary Society will assure you a fixed regular income for life and will also assure the missionaries of support.

Write today for booklet, "A Safe and Reliable Investment" to---

Your Will

In the making of your will and in the disposition of your estate, it is fitting you should make provision for perpetuating that faith and the missionary enterprise which in your lifetime you have believed in and have helped to maintain. By providing a legacy for the Woman's Missionary Society you will have a share in answering the prayer, "Thy will be done, Thy Kingdom come." For suggestions as to the form of clause, etc., communicate with:

Miss Myrtle M. Buck, Assistant Treasurer 413 Wesley Buildings, Toronto

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Circulation Corner

A Good Way to Win Subscriptions

"Yesterday (Tuesday) was our W.M.S. fall rally. On Monday morning I decided I had better have a progress report ready in case I was asked for one. When I realized we had only ten of the fourteen subscriptions required to make up our share of the decrease, my first thought was to dash out to see if I could get a few more subscriptions, but, on second thought, decided Monday morning, wash morning, wasn't the time to approach even a missionary-minded woman. However, I did a little thinking, and after dinner went out and came home with seven subscriptions and a dollar from a lady who wasn't interested in taking the magazine herself, but was glad to send it to four shut-ins in our church. Was I thrilled? If Missionary Monthly Secretaries would make personal contact with the W.M.S. members, things would be different. Do you agree?

"Thought you would be interested in the story of the eleven late subscribers. Must admit they are a bit late. The old story says 'Better late than never,' but there is a better one, 'Better never late'." -E. H., Onlario.

British Columbia

- Press Secretary, Mrs. T. S. Paton, 257 E. 60th Ave., Vancouver, B.C.
- Treasurer, Mrs. John Macpherson, 1061-24th St., West Vancouver, B.C.
- Life Membership Secretary, Mrs. J. N. Armstrong, Box 284, Nelson, B.C.

Menibers of the British Columbia Branch Executive met at the home of Mrs. D. A. Stewart, Vancouver, to welcome Miss Ida MacKenzie, Travelling Secretary, who has just completed a tour through the Cariboo and Prince Rupert Presbyteries. Miss MacKenzie delighted the members as she related her experiences, and inspired them as she told of the faithful women carrying on in the isolated districts of this far-flung province. She found everywhere great interest shown and in many places spoke to groups of young people and boys and girls. Some of the places visited were Jasper, Quesnelle, Wells, Barkerville, Fort Fraser, Burns Lake, Hazelton Hospital, Prince Rupert, etc. At Kispiox, Miss Mac-Kenzie spoke to the Indians through an interpreter. She found a need for reading material, Sunday School papers and a portable organ. The Branch Executive recommended that Miss MacKenzie be requested to go back over the whole trip soon, while the interest is still fresh.

VANCOUVER PRESEVTERIAL—Some of the children of the Chinese Mission Band with Miss McCargar, their leader, gave an interesting meeting to some of the members of the Shaughnessy Auxiliary, and to some mothers of children of Mission Band age. The Chinese children put on a very worthwhile programme and as a result Shaughnessy Church has been able to reorganize the Mission Band and has made a splendid beginning with a membership of over thirty.

"A Traffic Problem" was the theme of the Temperance address given by Mrs. R. C. Weldon, Social Service Secretary of First Baptist W.A., Vancouver, when she spoke at Shaughnessy Auxiliary on November 17.

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Mrs. Hugh Herbison was introduced to the members of the Vancouver Presbyterial Executive in St. Andrews-Wesley Chapel when she was presented with a corsage and wished Godspeed in her new field. Rev. Hugh Herbison has been appointed in charge of the United Church Mission Boat, "The Melvin Swartout" operating from Alert Bay, and he and his wife and baby daughter will leave shortly for their future home.

Miss Kay Smith, new Girls' Work Secretary, was present at the thank-offering meeting of Ryerson Auxiliary, and led in the devotional service. The guest speaker was Rev. Burton Thomas of Holy Trinity Cathedral, New Westminster, who took for his thanksgiving message, his family motto, "Think and Thank." The Georgian choir rendered two beautiful numbers.

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WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAL—Miss Charlotte McClure, a charter member of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society at Brampton, Ont., and for fifty-four years active in the work of the Woman's Missionary Society, and President of Hatzic Auxiliary for ten years, passed away recently. Miss Mc-Clure's kecn delight and interest was to place The MISSIONARY MONTHLY in the homes of the district.

KAMLOOPS - OKANAGAN PRESEVTERIAL—Mrs. J. R. Standen of Penticton, related the highlights of the Dominion Board meetings to the special meeting of the Kamloops Auxiliary and Evening Auxiliary. She also addressed the thank-offering meeting at Vernon, carrying her audience across the Pacific to China, Formosa, and other mission fields, explaining the splendid work being done.

Kelowna has had the privilege of hearing three outstanding speakers recently, namely Mrs. Campbell Brown, Miss Emma Palethorpe and Rev. S. Forbes. The "Lucy Black" Mission Circle is a newly organized group, named after the wife of Dr. D. Black of Korea, who now resides in Kelowna.

Hamilton

Press Secretary, Mrs. A. Salt, 867 Wilmott St., Niagara Falls, Ont.

Treasurer, Miss M. L. Fawcett, 219 Prospect St. S., Hamilton, Ont.

Life Membership Secretary, Mrs. Talbot Crosbie, Guelph, R.R. 3, Ont.

BRUCE PRESBYTERIAL—At the Presbyterial Executive meeting, two resignations were received with regret. Mrs. C. E. Schwartz, Port Elgin, was appointed to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mrs. J. C. Halliday, Community Friendship Secretary, and Mrs. John McCrindle, Kincardine, succeeds Mrs. H. Campbell, Secretary of Temperance and Christian Citizenship. A Mission Band was reported to have been organized at Clavering, and Miss Leona Douglas, missionary on furlough from Japan, was on an itinerary of the Presbyterial during the first half of October.

St. John's Auxiliary, Wiarton, held a special service to mark the fortieth anniversary of the organization of the Auxiliary in 1901. There were fifteen charter members; Mrs. Farley, Kincardine, and Miss Linton, Wiarton, are the only two living today and they sent greetings to the meeting. Mrs. T. J. Moore and Mrs. J. F. Davies reviewed the history of the society.

GUELPH PRESBYTERIAL—The Presbyterial Executive was held in Chalmers Church, Guelph, at which time a letter from Miss Kathleen Renton, a new missionary assigned to Sudbury, acknowledging the gift of a cheque from the Presbyterial, was read. Mrs.

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J. Ure Stewart, Vice-President, from Moorefield resigned on account of ill-health.

Guelph Presbyterial led all other Presbyterials in the Dominion of Canada in the sale of literature in 1940.

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At the thankoffering open meeting of Erin Auxiliary, Rev. Lydia Gruchy, first ordained woman minister in Canada, spoke on "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord." Her sister, Miss Florence Gruchy, a missionary on furlough from Central India, also spoke, telling of her work in the mission hospital.

HALTON PRESBYTERIAL—Mrs. C. R. Carscallen, formerly of China, was the speaker at the anniversary service of St. John's Auxiliary, Oakville. She told of early history of Chinese missions and present-day conditions in war-torn China.

Mrs. Emerson Ford of Bethel Auxiliary, is a gifted storyteller and her story of the book, "The Soong Sisters" has been told by her to several Auxiliary and Evening Auxiliary gatherings throughout the Presbyterial. She has also given her stories at two missionary meetings in Peel, Presbyterial and a home and school organization at Boston in Halton County.

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Another Auxiliary, Wesley, has passed its fiftieth milestone, having been organized on September 3, 1891, by the late Mrs. J. S. Deacon of Milton, with an enrolment of ten members. The first President, Mrs. J. Fish, now with Oakville Auxiliary, is still an interested worker, and the first recording Secretary, Mrs. J. Switzer, formerly Miss Lila Fish, has been living in Hamilton for many years.

HAMILTON PRESBYTERIAL—Mrs. C. A. Bennett, for thirty years a member of the Methodist and later of the Ancaster United Auxiliary, a former Treasurer and a life member, passed away.

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The sixty-second birthday of Zion Auxiliary was featured with the usual birthday cake and candles, and Mesdames Kerr, Harker, Cole, McLachlan and Elliot, former Past Presidents, were in attendance. The summer project in the form of an honorarium to Mrs. W. H. Kerr was a decided success.

London

Press Secretary, Miss Alice Stone, 63 Metcalfe St., St. Thomas, Ont.

Treasurer, Mrs. W. F. Purdy, 44 Jefferson Blvd., Riverside, Ont.

Life Membership Secretary, Mrs. E. Fahner, Port Stanley, Ont.

Perth PRESBYTERIAL-Main St. Church, Mitchell, was selected this fall as the meeting place for the sixteenth autumn rally. Mrs. W. J. Campion, St. Mary's, extended a welcome to the ministers and laymen of Perth Presbytery, convening in Knox Church, who enjoyed dinner with the ladies in Main St. Church. A joint devotional period was held previous to the repast, when the gathering was addressed by Rev. H. Royle, Talbotville, President of the London Conference.

The "Grace of Liberality" was the theme of Mrs. T. H. Ackert's talk as Christian Steward-Several Stratford ladies. ship Secretary. under the direction of Miss B. Robertson, Literature Secretary, depicted "Glimpses of China," each reviewing a book on China.

The special speaker was Mrs. C. Maxwell Loveys, Home Mission Executive Secretary, who told of her visit to Newfoundland where the missionaries sent out by the Woman's Missionary Society are carrying on nobly, sometimes experiencing great hardships.

St. John's Auxiliary, Stratford, lost a valued life member in the passing of Mrs. T. B. Johnson, aged seventy-eight years.

Zion Auxiliary pays tribute to Mrs. George Webster, a life member, who passed away on November 3 in her eighty-second year.

LAMBTON PRESBYTERIAL-With representatives from most of the missionary organizations of the Presbyterial present, a successful rally was held in Wyoming Church. In the absence of Mrs. L. F. Stephens, Dominion Board President, who was ill, an interesting address was given by Miss Mary Mansfield, Watford, on furlough from the Community Mission at Smoky Lake, Alta, Dr. Margaret Forster, on furlough from Honan, China, and who recently left to return to her duties overseas, was also present and addressed the meeting. A quartette from the Brigden C.G.I.T. sang a number with guitar accompaniment and the Arkona Mission Band trio also contributed to the musical programme.

OXFORD PRESBYTERIAL-A life member, Mrs. Joseph J. Hunsley, of Dereham Centre Auxiliary, passed away in her eighty-fourth year.

The passing of Mrs. Mary Miners, aged seventy-nine years, was a severe loss to Cullodon Auxiliary.

Two meetings were held in the south section of this Presbyterial, at Ingersoll and Brownsville. At each meeting a report from the School for Leaders held at St. Thomas, Highly inspiring and practical was given. addresses were given by Mrs. Herbert Childs, President of London Conference Branch.

MISSIONARY MONTHLY AND WORLD FRIENDS SECRETARIES

NNUAL meetings are just ahead! Sample copies of both THE MISSIONARY MONTHLY and World Friends should be on hand at these meetings, so I would remind you to write Toronto office, 433 Wesley Buildings, stating the number you can use, the date they should be sent, and to whom they should be addressed—these are free. Make a simple poster by pasting on a sheet of cardboard a cover of each magazine, print in clear large figures the number of subscriptions for 1940 and 1941. Perhaps your comparison will show an increase—per-haps a decrease. Then urge the members to be loyal to their magazine and subscribe for 1942, drawing their attention to such splendid issues of THE MISSIONARY MONTHLY as the Youth issue (October), the West China issue (November), and also to World Friends, especially the Baby Band issue (August). Please turn to page 47 for list of new organizations; try to contact the members of

these new groups and endeavour to enrol them as subscribers.

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During the second week in October the four sections comprising Huron Presbyterial held their annual conventions. Special musical numbers, in some cases by the children, and also a dialogue at the south meeting, were enjoyed. The west convention held at Holmesville, had two guest speakers—Mrs. E. H. Durnin, missionary at Kitamaat, B.C., and Mrs. J S. MacKay, Toronto, for many years a missionary in India. At Kippen, the meeting place for the south section, and at Constance, the meeting place for the centre, Rev. Reba Hern of Varna, brought inspiring messages.

ESSEX PRESBYTERIAL—A devoted W.M.S. worker of Central Auxiliary, Windsor, Mrs. J. F. Gordon, passed away recently.

HURON PRESEXTERIAL—Dungannon Auxiliary lost a valued life member in the passing of Mrs. Robert Treleaven in September.

Mrs. Herbert Childs, President of the Conference Branch, was the guest speaker at the annual supper rally held in Ontario St. Church, Clinton, recently. This rally, which had a record attendance of around two hundred, was for C.G.I.T. Groups, Mission Circles and Evening Auxiliaries of this Presbyterial, and was conducted by the President, Mrs. R. G. Nay. Mrs. Childs led a very helpful discussion on "The Regular Meeting," bringing out the ideal procedure, and finishing with an inspiring message on "The Kingdom of God."

Manitoba

Press Secretary, Mrs. W. G. Corbett, Stonewall, Man.

Treasurer, Mrs. C. E. MacLean, 181 Home St., Winnipeg, Man.

Life Membership Secretary, Mrs. W. W. Emerson, 235 Elm St., Winnipeg, Man.

The full Executive meeting of the Manitoba Branch was held in Westminster Church, Winnipeg. The delegates to the Dominion Board and all secretaries presented reports on their work. The Presidents of all Presbyterials gave information on the discouraging as well as the encouraging features of each Presbyterial. Carefully prepared maps made these reports most interesting.

BIRTLE PRESBYTERIAL—The tenth annual sectional rally was held in Blaris Church.

This is a Good Idea

Toronto East Presbyterial Executive are holding their next meeting at the Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto. They will be taken on a conducted tour of the Chinese section, as this will assist them in their study of West China.

The meeting was shadowed by the absence of two loved members, Mrs. J. M. Fraser, a former President, by death, and Mrs. A. L. Decker, President, by illness. The programme of summarized reports from the Presbyterial Secretaries was interspersed with nusical items from Chumas Mission Circle, Isabella C.G.I.T. Group and a reading from Blaris Mission Band.

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At a sectional rally held at Solsgirth, a letter was read asking the Auxiliaries to discuss the advisability of changing the name of THE MISSIONARY MONTHLY and to report to Presbyterial MISSIONARY MONTHLY Secretary. Mrs. Bell, Angusville, First Vice-President of the Presbyterial and Secretary of Christian Stewardship, was guest speaker.

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Five Auxiliaries and three Evening Auxiliaries were represented at a sectional rally held at Newdale. The address was given by Mrs. L. J. Reycraft, Manitoba Branch President, and she took as her theme, "Co-operation." A discussion period followed when Mrs. Reycraft gave advice on various problems brought forward by Auxiliary members.

Basswood Auxiliary mourns the passing of one of its oldest members in the death of Mrs. Stewart Crerar. Mrs. Crerar was a life member of the Society and a charter member of the Basswood Auxiliary.

Maritime

Press Secretary, Mrs. B. D. Earle, St. Stcphen, N. B.

Treasurer, Mrs. A. P. Hayes, Box 63, Yarmouth, N. S.

FREDERICTON PRESEVTERIAL — Thank-offering meetings have had a good attendance, with well-prepared programmes. Wilmot Auxiliary,

We Could Try That!

Hospital visiting, especially of strangers, has been stressed by the members of Evening Auxiliaries in St. John's, Nfld., during recent months. Gower St. members report that these visits have been appreciated very much. Many survivors from dread attacks in the Atlantic, men from South Africa, West Indies, and other parts of the world, have welcomed these regular visits, in a land where they are friendless. This is true missionary work at home.

Fredericton took a collection for more warm clothing and quilts to be sent to Labrador and Newfoundland. Miss Edna Durrant, a missionary from Honan, China, told of W.M.S. work there.

The autumn rally held in Donald Fraser Memorial Hall, Fredericton, had representatives from twelve of the twenty-one Auxiliaries. Special mention was made of Wilmot Auxiliary, whose tireless Associate Helpers' Secretary, Miss Bertha Chase, has one hundred Helpers. She has collected more than \$200.00 for her Auxiliary, thus taking first place in the Maritime Conference Branch for this particular line of work. The guest speaker was Miss Jane M. Kinney, retired missionary from Japan (1905-1941), who stated that she left Japan satisfied that there an alive and active church will withstand the stress and strain of the days to come through the efforts of vigorous Christian leaders, both men and women.

MIRAMICHI PRESBYTERIAL—A special Executive meeting was held in St. John's Church, Dalhousie, when the guest speaker was Mrs. T. T. Faichney, who had spent several years in China. The Temperance question and the Five-Year plan received special consideration.

SAINT JOHN PRESBYTERIAL—At Fairville, Miss Bessie Bentley, recently returned from Trinidad, spoke to the members of St. Mark's Auxiliary, and exhibited pictures of the children of the Naparima School in San Fernando. She also addressed the senior Auxiliary of Portland St. Church, Saint John. At this meeting plans were furthered for the November tea to be held at the mission rooms in aid of Miss Bentley's work as city missionary. Through the interest and help of Auxiliary members of St. David's Church, Saint John, a new Mission Circle has been organized, bearing the name, "Margaret Jamieson," as a tribute to the life and work of a former President of the Conference Branch, Mrs. R. A. Jamieson. At a later meeting, the girls were addressed by Miss Louise McCully, lately returned from Korea.

Similarly a new Mission Circle was formed through the efforts of West Side Kirk Auxiliary, Saint John. At a recent meeting a letter was read from Miss Dorothy McBain, formerly of Korea, now doing W.M.S. work in Montreal.

The Margaret Reid Circle of St. David's Church, Saint John, meets regularly for quilting and sewing. During the summer months sewn and knitted garments and quilts were made for overseas shipment.

ST. STEPHEN PRESBYTERIAL—Previous to a recent meeting of Milltown Auxiliary, the W.M.S. members entertained at supper for the Associate Helpers and former members who were in town. Mrs. W. H. Laughlin read a paper reviewing the work of the Woman's Missionary Society in Milltown from its beginning in the last decade of the nineteenth century. Other speakers were Rev. A. R. MacIver, Mrs. George Caswell, Associate Helpers' Secretary, and Mrs. Stuart Busby, Presbyterial President.

A "get together" meeting of the Evening Auxiliary and the senior Auxiliary was held in Kirk Church, St. Stephen, recently. The guest speaker was Mrs. Scoates, of Scotch Ridge, who, with her husband, Rev. Donald Scoates, has laboured for the past six years among the Cree Indians in Northern Manitoba. She told of her work as teacher in the school and of her various personal contacts with the Indian people.

Miss Bessie Bentley, now city missionary in Saint John, was the speaker on a recent Sunday evening in St. Andrew's Church, Harvey, when the W.M.S. ladies held their fall thankoffering service.

PICTOU PRESBYTERIAL—A rally was held at Loch Katrine Community Hall, with over one hundred delegates present, representing fourteen Auxiliaries. Mrs. Charles

Wilkie, aged eighty-five years, led in a beautiful and inspiring prayer during the service of worship under the leadership of the Antigonish Auxiliary.

A highlight of the sessions was an address by Mrs. J. H. A. Anderson, Truro, Branch President. Addresses were also heard from Miss Hannah Nicholson, our missionary at Stellarton; Miss Annie Graham, New Glasgow, on "Special Objects"; Mrs. D. W. MacDonald, New Glasgow, on the War Savings' Campaign for the Church, as well as a colourful report of the Conference Branch meeting held in Sackville.

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAL—Members of the Mission Band attended the thankoffering meeting of Trinity Auxiliary, Oxford, in a body, also having a part in the programme. An exercise, "The Use of My Talents," was ably given by members of the Executive.

SYDNEY PRESEYTERIAL—There has been an increase in givings of \$20.00 as compared with the same period a year ago, it was reported at the Executive meeting of the Presbyterial held in Sydney. Two new societies have been organized, one at Leitche's Creek and one at Catalone; also an Affiliated Society at the United Mission, Sydney.

Montreal-Ottawa

Press Secretary, Mrs. E. J. McLelland, 4014 Harvard Ave., N.D.G., Montreal, Que.

Treasurer, Mrs. George Fleet, 1500 Crescent St., Montreal, Que.

DUNDAS-GRENVILLE PRESBYTERIAL—The four sectional rallies of Dundas-Grenville met at Winchester Springs, Maynard, Algonquin and South Mountain. Mrs. E. E. McKendry, President, gave "Highlights of Whitby School for Leaders" at each gathering and Rev. Duncan McRae of South China, and Mrs. Donald Nicoll, native of India, were guest speakers. A temperance skit impressed the danger of having liquor in the home. A travelling library was introduced to make missionary literature available to all.

A pageant, "The Rise of the Superintendents," with an illustrated poster, ably represented the departments. The various themes were: "Christianity in Action"; "Build Now for Future Peace"; "Our Responsibilities for a New World Order" and "Victory."

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Mrs. Ella Briggs, an aged and valued member of Hainsville Auxiliary, passed away recently.

OTTAWA PRESEVTERIAL — Rev. Kenneth Beaton, author of the Auxiliary study book, "Serving with the Sons of Shuh," addressed an open meeting in Bell Street Church. Devotional exercises were taken by members of the Evening Auxiliary and the junior missionary societies. Mr. Beaton spoke of the wonderful advances being made in China, and the great opportunities of the Christian Church there at the present time. An interesting discussion followed.

St. Paul's Auxiliary observed its twenty-fifth anniversary at the church manse when the Munster and Victoria Auxiliaries were guests and several members of the Ottawa Presbyterial were present, including the President, Mrs. W. E. Perrin. A résumé of the society since its inception was given by Miss H. A. Nesbitt. Mrs. W. H. Avison of Dominion Church, Ottawa, was the guest speaker.

QUEBEC-SHERBROOKE PRESBYTERIAL—About one hundred C.G.I.T. girls attended a rally held in Lennoxville Church, organized by Miss Thelma Crawford, Presbyterial Secretary for ' Affiliated C.G.I.T. Groups. The theme of the rally, "Loyalty," was introduced by Mrs. T. R. Barbour, Farnham, who later gave an address on "Loyalty to God." Group discussions on these topics—"What form does our loyalty to C.G.I.T. take?" and "What can we do for our Church?" took place. A vesper service conducted by the Richmond Group brought the successful meeting to a close.

Mrs. J. G. Fuller, President of Granby Auxiliary, was the guest speaker at the Bedford sectional meeting held at Knowlton in October. She gave a thought-provoking and practical address on the strangers in our midst and how we as Christians, should treat them. Mrs. T. R. Barbour, who, previous to her marriage, served as a missionary in St. Columba House, Montreal, gave a vivid account of some of her experiences there. Miss Ada Sandell, Reg.N., Magog, who spent several years as a missionary in Korea, was also present, and spoke briefly.

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Mrs. W. O. Rothney, Presbyterial President, brought a helpful and interesting message from the Dominion Board to the fall sectional rally at Kinnear's Mills. Mrs. A. R. Ross, recently from Korea, stirred all those present by telling of living conditions as they now exist in Korea. This sectional meeting was honoured in having present at their gathering Mrs. William Allan of Lemesurier, the oldest member of the Quebec-Sherbrooke Presbyterial, who is eighty-nine years old and has been a member of the Woman's Missionary Society since 1884.

The Sherbrooke-Stanstead section met at Waterville, when interesting outlines of the inspiring addresses heard at Conference Branch meeting in Prescott were given by Mrs. R. Havard, and of the Dominion Board meeting in Toronto by Mrs. W. O. Rothney. Mrs. A. R. Ross, Korea, told of how the Korean Christians are carrying on the work of the Christian Church, despite the fact that so many of the missionaries have had to return home on account of government regulations. A forum conducted by Mrs. F. A. Johnston, brought forward a number of ideas and methods used in connection with raising allocations and increasing interest in meetings.

GLENGARRY PRESEVTERIAL — Newington Auxiliary mourns the passing of Mrs. Mary McIntyre, a faithful and much loved member.

Mrs. C. R. Patton, Montreal, was guest speaker for the autumn thank-offering meetings of the afternoon and evening Auxiliaries of Knox Church, Cornwall. At the afternoon meeting, refreshments were served in honour of some of the older members of the Auxiliary whose birthdays occur in the autumn months.

The study book slides, "Serving with the Sons of Shuh," have been used by the afternoon Auxiliary of St. Paul's Church, Cornwall, and for the thank-offering meetings of Maxville Evening Auxiliary at which meeting members of the Maxville afternoon and other neighbouring Auxiliaries were present.

We Could Try That!

The "Pearl McNeil" Evening Auxiliary Fonthill, Hamilton Branch, held an instruction night when four of its members spoke—one on Associate Helpers' work; one on Community Friendship; one on W.M.S. Literature and one on Temperance.

Newfoundland

Press Secretary, Miss Louise Whiteway, 153 Le Marchant Rd., St. John's, Nfd.

Treasurer, Mrs. H. M. Dawe, P.O. Box 394, St. John's, Nfid.

ST. JOHN'S PRESEVTERIAL—On November 3rd at Gower Street Church, the members of the Evening Auxiliary and the Afternoon Auxiliary united to hear Mrs. W. J. Morris, Branch President, give an excellent talk on "These Fifty Years in China." Mrs. Morris also addressed the thank-offering meeting of Wesley Auxiliary, giving an interesting résumé of the discussions at Dominion Board.

A very fine lecture on "Australia" was delivered by the Hon. J. C. Burchell, Commissioner for Canada in Newfoundland, at Gower Street Church on November 4th, under the auspices of the Auxiliary and was attended by a large representative gathering.

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With fifty members, Corner Brook Auxiliary has an average attendance of twenty-five. Each year in December a box is packed for the social worker in Notre Dame Bay, and their special money-making plan has been the sponsoring, with the assistance of the choir, of a sacred song service on Good Friday evening. The first half of the programme is devoted to Good Friday selections, and the second half to the Easter music with the performance of a pageant.

The missionary groups of all city churches report renewed activity in preparation for the study of missions and the raising of funds. "More study, less speakers" is the watchword for the year. Wesley Church reports that N.G.I.T. are devoting one meeting per month to study, and they presented in September to meetings of the Auxiliary and Evening Auxiliary, an excellent review of the study books for the coming year.

George St. Auxiliary sponsored an inspiring rally of missionary groups recently. Mrs. Lewis Bartlett's account of the discussions at Dominion Board was timely and excellently reported, and a stirring message was delivered by Mrs. Brigadier Acton of the Salvation Army. CARBONEAR PRESEVTERIAL—The Hants Harbour Auxiliary has raised \$10.00 over last year at date of writing and the autumn thank-offering and fees are yet to come, so a definite increase is anticipated this year in finances. The Auxiliary began the new study book at its October meeting. In this Presbyterial 139 copies of THE MISSIONARY MONTHLY are subscribed for and 194 copies of World Friends.

BURIN PRESEXTERIAL—Grand Bank Auxiliary is doing well. In 1941 no fewer than fifty members subscribed for THE MISSIONARY MONTHLY. Grand Bank also subscribed for thirty-nine *World Friends* this year. Nine Associate Helpers contributed \$16.50 to Auxiliary funds. This Auxiliary reported an increase of \$30.00 for the year.

Saskatchewan

- Press Secretary, Mrs. T. H. Sendall, Melville, Sask.
- Treasurer, Mrs. D. J. McIntyre, Keewatin Apts., Saskatoon, Sask.
- Life Membership Secretary, Mrs. J. A. Menzies, 2142 Robinson St., Regina, Sask.

SHAUNAVON PRESBYTERIAL—An interesting meeting was held in Govenlock recently, where there are now seven Associate Helpers. Many thanks to Mr. Faundrick, Mr. Browatzke and Mr. Jansen who so kindly took the ladies in their cars.

Two valued members of Aneroid Auxiliary passed away recently: Mrs. Sarah Orr of Wallard, the mother of Mrs. J. Sloan, Presbyterial President, and Mrs. J. Sayers, of Reliance.

QU'APPELLE PRESBYTERIAL—A sectional rally of this Presbyterial was held in Grenfell, when over a hundred ladies listened with keen interest to an address by our scholarship student from Trinidad, Miss Wilma Samlalsingh. In the evening the C.G.I.T. girls from Wolseley, Summerberry and Grenfell were delighted to have the pleasure of hearing and meeting Miss Samlalsingh.

WEYBURN PRESBYTERIAL—Good roads and fine weather added much to the success of the annual fall rally held in Grace Church, Weyburn. Approximately eighty ladies attended and all Auxiliaries within the Presbyterial were represented.

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Stewardship was the theme for the day. Mrs. C. H. Dixon kindly loaned her "Stewardship Fleet" to the Presbyterial and as these posters of ships were displayed a representative from each Auxiliary responded in turn with a short talk. Members of the Presbyterial had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. T. H. Sendall, Press Secretary of the Conference Branch, who thrilled her listeners with her picture of the work of the Dominion Board.

SASKATOON PRESBYTERIAL—A most enjoyable tea was held at the home of Mrs. G. S. Packham, Saskatoon, when the Executive of the Presbyterial entertained in honour of Dr. Jean Whittier, missionary on furlough from India.

In her informal talk, Dr. Whittier, in native costume, explained that Christianity meant for the women of India a free and normal life as compared with their former restricted one. She urged Canadian Christians to maintain their interest, sympathy and support of the missionary enterprise.

PRINCE ALBERT PRESBYTERIAL—In spite of rain a very successful rally was held at Nipawin. Mrs. W. W. Forsyth, Branch President, gave an excellent report of the Dominion Board meeting. Mrs. E. Given, Mrs. F. D. Culp and Mrs. R. R. Paul brought reports from Conference Branch, and Mrs. A. Blakely gave a splendid address on Baby Band work.

Rallies in this Presbyterial were held on October 7th in Melfort Church and on October 8th, at Shellbrook. The guest speakers at both meetings were Mrs. W. W. Forsyth, Conference Branch President, and Mrs. P. M. McCarrell, Corresponding Secretary. Mrs. Forsyth reviewed the work of the Woman's Missionary Society in the foreign fields and challenged every one to carry on without ceasing, the important work of this great Society. Mrs. McCarrell conveyed vivid word pictures of her experience and the spiritual enrichment she gained at Dominion Board.

ASSINIBOIA PRESEVTERIAL—Kincaid Auxiliary held a successful "family party" recently, when Baby Band and Mission Band members, with their mothers and friends were special guests. Also present were several Presbyterial officers. Numbers on the programme were contributed by Baby Band, Mission Band and Auxiliary members. Miss Emily Hopkins, President of the Auxiliary, was presented with a W.M.S. life membership certificate, in appreciation of services rendered. Mrs. J. E. Hood, Superintendent of the Mission Band, received congratulations upon her twenty-five years of continuous service in Mission Band work. She was the Conference Branch Mission Band Secretary for a number of years. Gifts were presented to Mrs. Hood from the Auxiliary, Mission Band and several Branch officers.

ARCOLA PRESBYTERIAL—Members of the-Presbyterial Executive met at the home of Mrs. John A. Hall, Kisbey. The president's address reviewed the international situation. Reports were given and plans made for the coming Presbyterial at Fillmore in January or early in February.

Toronto

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Life Membership Secretary, Mrs. D. F. Baird, 18 Dawlish Ave., Toronto, Ont.

TORONTO CENTRE PRESBYTERIAL—Members from many Auxiliaries and Mission Circles attended the fall rally of Toronto Centre Presbyterial held in Bedford Park Church. Miss A. Bishop has resigned as President, and introduced Mrs. G. A. Williams, who will act for the balance of the year. Mrs. G. Ernest Forbes gave a challenging address.

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Westminster Central held a joint Afternoon and Evening Auxiliaries thanksgiving meeting in the chapel. Addresses were given by Emmanuel College students, Miss Amy E. Schauffler, Mr Edwin Cowan and Mr. Don Ray, who spent their vacations on mission fields in Southern Saskatchewan and islands in the Bay of Fundy.

Mrs. H. J. Mullett, for twenty-four years a missionary in China, spoke on "Women of New China" at the thank-offering meeting of Fairlawn Auxiliary.

The sudden passing of Mrs. J. W. Graham, on October 14th, removed one of the most outstanding and beloved members of Trinity Church, Toronto. A life member of the Woman's Missionary Society, she was, during her more than thirty years of residence in Toronto, a valued and devoted member of the Tovell Auxiliary and for the past four years Honorary President of the Elizabeth Lee Auxiliary. Mrs. Graham was one of the instigators of the World Day of Prayer in Canada.

Her interest in student life found opportunity for expression during Dr. Graham's term of office as Secretary of the Educational Department of the former Methodist Church and later The United Church.

GREY PRESBYTERIAL-Sectional conferences were held in Elmwood, Badjeros, Woodford and Hepworth, with a good representation of delegates and members from the various Auxiliaries. The Presbyterial President, Miss Edna Evans, Owen Sound, was present and brought a message at each meeting. The guest speaker at all four conferences was Mrs. Hugh Taylor, Foreign Mission Executive Secretary, and a former missionary in West China. Mrs. Taylor, in speaking from the topic, "The Christian Church in This World of War, and Our Share in that Church," declared that the world mission of the Church Universal of Christ is preaching the Gospel and that if this Church is to be victorious it must be a unit, strong parts rallying to help the weak.

Miss Kate Rutherford, missionary on furlough from Angola, Africa, was present and conducted a questionnaire on African work. The new study book, "Serving with the Sons of Shuh," was presented in an interesting way at all four conferences. Mrs. A. Clement, Meaford, gave a splendid talk on "Temperance Education," stressing the fact that "Temperance is essentially a spiritual issue." Splendid musical selections included a chorus by the Badjeros C.G.I.T. Group.

Nine Auxiliaries of Grey Presbyterial were represented at the rally of Evening Auxiliaries which took place at the supper hour in Knox Church, Owen Sound. Mrs. S. L. Krompart, Vice-President for Evening Auxiliaries, was in the chair. An interesting number, "A Chat About Grey Presbyterial," was given by the Division Street Auxiliary. Mrs. Hugh Taylor, the guest speaker, vividly described her visit to the Angola Mission field.

SUDBURY PRESBYTERIAL—A family party held in St. Andrew's Church, Sudbury, included members from the Mission Circle, Evening Auxiliary and C.G.I.T. Groups as well as the afternoon Auxiliary. Miss Kathleen Renton, W.M.S. missionary at All People's Church, led in the worship service. Dr. J. C. Cochrane, Superintendent of Missions for Northern Ontario, told some delightful stories about his work and then showed very interesting moving pictures of the places he had visited. Tea was served by the Auxiliary and C.G.I.T. members at the close of the meeting.

Mrs. C. H. Frezell, Baby Band Secretary of St. Andrew's Church, and her assistants entertained the mothers and babies and the Executive of the Auxiliary, at a delightful tea held recently. The children played happily in an adjoining room with blocks and toys. Mrs. C. M. Henley, President of the Auxiliary, spoke to the mothers, explaining the various stages of missionary work from the Baby Band to the Auxiliary.

TORONTO EAST PRESBYTERIAL—A luncheon meeting was held in Danforth Avenue Church recently, when Mrs. G. Ernest Forbes gave an address using "Now More Than Ever" as her theme. Mrs. J. R. Seaman and Mrs. H. T. Thompson spoke on "Christian Ideals and Giving." The Evening Auxiliaries of Toronto East Presbyterial held a supper meeting in Riverdale Church, when two C.G.I.T. girls led in the worship service. Miss Helen Day, Literature Secretary, introduced the new study book, "Serving with the Sons of Shuh," and Mrs. A. J. Manchester presented a number of books which would be helpful in the study of West China. Mrs. Theodore Trickey was the special speaker and she took as her subject, "Christian Citizenship—Local and World."

TORONTO WEST PRESEVTERIAL—Guests from the Church of All Nations, the Chinese Mission and St. Paul's Italian Mission, were heartily welcomed at the November Executive meeting of Toronto West Presbyterial held in Alhambra Church, Toronto. Miss Winnifred Thomas introduced the visitors and their leaders. Mrs, C. Maxwell Loveys led a beautiful worship service on the theme, "The Practice of the Presence of God." Closing hymns were sung in unison by each in her own tongue. Tea was served when visitors and members had an opportunity to become better acquainted with each other.

New Organizations

Newly Affiliated C.G.I.T. Groups do not appear in the list of New Organizations, since they are reported annually.

Evening Auxiliaries

Bay of Quinte Conference Branch—Oshawa Presbyterial—Bowmanville, Trinity—Mrs. Clare Allin, Bowmanville.

Newfoundland Conference Branch — St. John's Presbyterial—Grand Falls—Mrs. Hedley Rowswell.

Toronto Conference Branch—Toronto West Presbyterial—Islington—Mrs. J. Macpherson.

Affiliated Societies

Alberta Conference Branch-Red Deer Presbyterial-Big Bend-Mrs. Herbert Munro, Innisfail; Mrs. W. Spensley, Bowden; Westcott-Mrs. E. B. Parker, R.R. 1, Didsbury; Westerdale-Mrs. W. Herbert, Didsbury.

London Conference Branch—Algoma Presbyterial—East Korah—Mrs. H. McQueen, East Korah, Sault Ste. Marie.

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Saskatchewan Conference Branch—Prince Albert Presbyterial—White Fox—Mrs. Eliz. James.

Toronto Conference Branch—Temiskaming Presbyterial—"Hillview"—Mrs. W. Scott, R.R. 1, New Liskeard.

Mission Circles

Bay of Quinte Conference Branch-Renfrew Presbyterial-Pembroke, Calvin-Mrs. C. L. Brown, 280 Church St.

British Columbia Conference Branch—Kamloops-Okanagan Presbyterial—Merritt, Trinity —Miss Jean Wells. Vancouver Presbyterial— Vancouver, Dunbar Heights—Mrs. N. Mc-Leod, 3505 W. 15th Ave.

Maritime Conference Branch-Saint John Presbyterial-West Saint John, West Side Kirk-Mrs. J. Hugh McLean, 3 Champlain St. W., Saint John, N.B. Newfoundland Conference Branch-Burin Presbyterial-Burin-Mrs. Earle Brown, Burin Bay.

Saskatchewan Conference Branch—Prince Albert Presbyterial—GowanBrae—Mrs. G. Sutton, Gowanbrae, Kinistino P.O.

Toronto Conference Branch—Toronto Centre Presbyterial—Toronto, St. Paul's Italian—Mrs. Ralph Daquano, 185 Grace St.

Mission Bands

Alberta Conference Branch—Lacombe Presbyterial—North Star—Mrs. E. Kenworthy, R.R. 1, Clive.

Bay of Quinte Conference Branch—Cobourg Presbyterial—Frankford—Mrs. George N. Spencer.

British Columbia Conference Branch—Westminster Presbyterial—New Westminster, Keary St.—Mrs. Gordon Lee, 215 Blue Mt. Rd., Maillardville.

Hamilton Conference Branch—Hamilton Presbyterial—Hamilton, Olivet—Mrs. Edna Taylor, 37 Empress Ave.; Hamilton, Redeemer —Miss F. Marion Hodgins, 14 Murray St. E.

London Conference Branch-Middlesex Presbyterial-Appin, Mrs. A. H. Stone. Manitoba Conference Branch-Carman Presbyterial-Opawaka-Miss Scott, Darlingford; School-Mrs. O. M. Andrews, Treherne. Portage La Prairie Presbyterial-Gordon School -Miss Harvey, Teacher at Gordon School, Franklin. Winnipeg Presbyterial-Dufresne. Mrs. C. Buffy.

Montreal Conference Branches-Montreal Presbyterial-Shawbridge, Que.-Rev. S. Rowe. Quebec - Sherbrooke Presbyterial-Birchton, Que.-Mrs. R. C. Belbin.

Saskatchewan Conference Branch-Moose Jaw Presbyterial-Minto-Mrs. Irving Robson, 1045-5th Ave. N.W., Moose Jaw, Prince Albert Presbyterial-Davis-Mrs. W. S. Poulton, Fern Glen School-Miss E. Umphrey, Runciman.

Baby Bands

Manitoba Conference Branch—Brandon Presbyterial—Harding—Mrs. E. Noecker.

Toronto Conference Branch—Cochrane Presbyterial—Matheson—Miss Jessie McGhie, Rosedale Memorial Hospital.

Toronto Centre Presbyterial—Toronto, College Street—Mrs. S. Large, 152 Campbell Ave., —Toronto East Presbyterial—Toronto, Dentonia Park—Mrs. F. Turner, 73 Coleman Ave.

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