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—at the Dominion Board Meeting, 1961—



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Mrs. Sin Ai Gyoon Hyun (*centre*), Korean Church leader in women's work, points out her country's relationship to Canada, and discusses it with Miss Wilna Thomas (*left*) and Miss Sara Thomas of The Church of South India, who has been studying in Canada on a W.M.S. scholarship.

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DOMINION BOARD, 1961

ISOBEL McFADDEN

Have you been asking

- Was Dominion Board 1961 a "good" Board?
- Was it different?
- In what ways was it special?
- Did it give direction for the future which sometimes seems exciting, sometimes unpredictable?

Last year's Dominion Board meeting was considered the busiest in our history; this one was busier still, with four evening sessions and no tea breaks, and everyone called it "good." The delegates, missionaries and visitors from your area who attended may each give individual emphases, or mention some events or people as they answer the other three questions. They are almost certain to tell you fine things that cannot be squeezed into the following pages. Ask them!

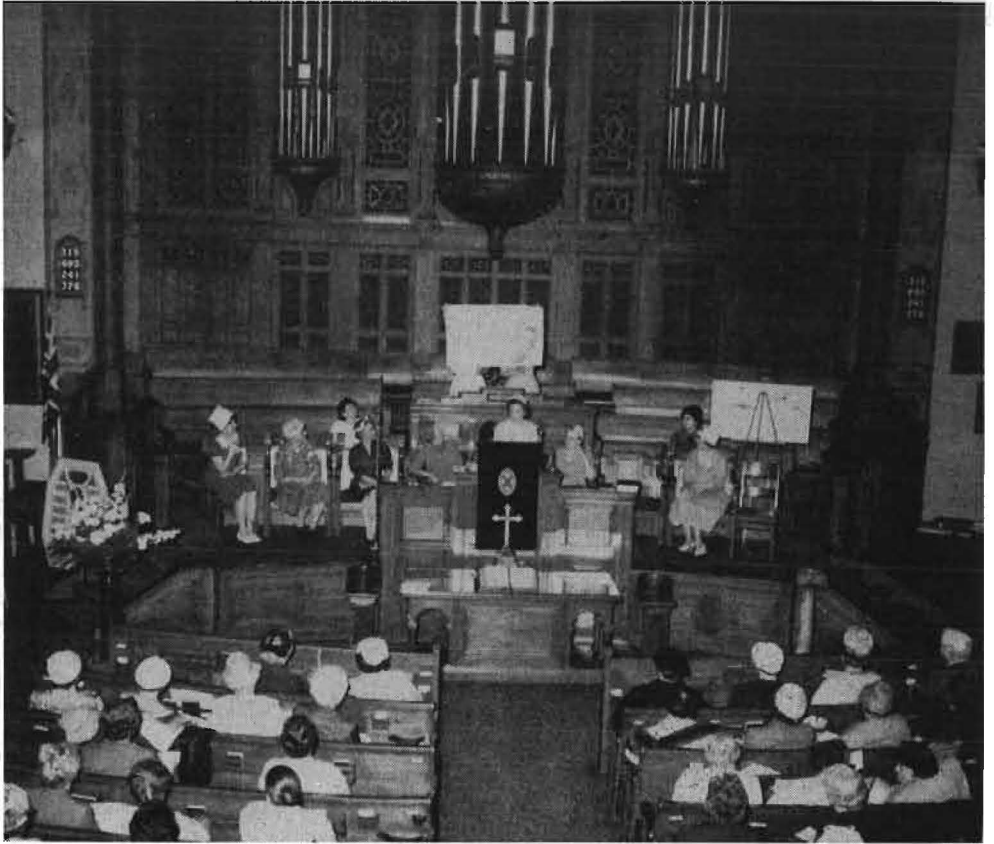
The presence of missionaries was, of course, a major "special" in a somewhat different way than in other years, because there were so many more of them, and it was obvious that they felt this happy reunion with their colleagues of the past or near present very special indeed.

All retired missionaries, as well as all the ones on furlough were especially invited to see the old era out. "Isn't it wonderful?" one of them was heard to exclaim two or three times a day, as



AT THE REGISTRATION DESK

—D. Sada



DURING A SESSION AT TRINITY CHURCH

—D. Sada

she stepped starry-eyed out of a session or managed an ice-cream-or-coffee date with a former colleague from Japan or western Canada. Their excitement was heart warming and, as did the missionaries themselves, it enriched Board for all around the table at meals, on the walks or drives between Trinity United Church and the residence. They provided good stories, such as the one told by a retired missionary nurse about the patient at Nelson House who came off alive from a fight with a bear. They provided a stimulant, particularly when they announced that they had not yet found any of the leisure they had been advised to fill with new hobbies and recreation. Their presence, added to that of the the missionaries who were

officially part of Board for this year, revitalized the strong relationship between the women of the home churches and single women missionaries that has been characteristic of our Society, and which we look forward to enlarging as *all* the women of the church become interested in *all* the missionaries.

Another special, on the first afternoon, was the presence of three Past Presidents who not only delighted their listeners, but in their talks illustrated that what seems so new was born in the past.

CHANGE OF SETTING

That 1961 meant the last Annual Meeting of the Dominion Board of the Woman's Missionary Society was the other thing that made it unique. It was



THE BOOK DISPLAY FEATURES POSTERS, TOO

—A. McKim

because of this that more missionaries and more visitors attended the sessions and that more husbands attended the Board Dinner. This increase in attendance resulted in differences in set-up.

Instead of the complete University setting of former Boards, with meetings held in Emmanuel College and residence in Annesley or Addison Hall, this one took place in Trinity United Church,

seven blocks west of Emmanuel College. Delegates who were athletic, on time and not lazy, walked there from Annesley or Addison Hall, walked out of the College surroundings into a different area—of small shops, boarding houses and older apartments, of an international community, on mellow, tree-lined streets. Trinity Church's women provided delicious luncheons, and by their smiles and



THE SPACIOUS BOOK DISPLAY DREW MANY VISITORS

—D. Sada

kindness, made everyone feel welcomed. So did the minister and the thoughtful church secretary. The Book Display in the Sunday School hall lured everyone to tables covered with yellow-golden cloths and brightened with tulips and posters. There was room for extra chairs and small tables so bookworms could relax with a book or a packet.

In a local church, of course, professors and serious graduates did not thread their way through buzzing groups of delegates. Instead an interested Explorer wandered into a front seat one afternoon; choir members passed through the Book Display when they sang for an evening session; on Saturday morning two boys could be heard shouting to two others of their junior group to "be quiet"; and while a few members of Board lingered to rehearse for Periodicals' and Home Organization's joint program on "Seeing It Whole in the Congregation," the cheerful sexton was arranging candleabra for a wedding. This congregational atmosphere fitted the accent of the above presentation, "Seeing It Whole—in the Congregation," into the 1961-62 Mission Theme of "Churches for New Times," and into the many other hours in which we strove to tie the practical to the theoretical and to relate ideals to warm, living different people.

Three motifs seemed woven and interwoven into the tapestry that was the historic 1961 Dominion Board.

I. FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS

II. PEOPLE AS PERSONS

III. LIGHT

"FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS" was first of all the theme of Miss Wilna Thomas' address at the crowded public service on Wednesday night, May 25th. Miss Thomas had just returned from almost a year's tour of our Overseas areas, and as you read this she will have begun her work as Overseas Missions Executive Secretary.



READY FOR LUNCH!

—A. McKim

"Who knows whether you have not come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" said Mordecai to Esther, as he urged her to act on behalf of her people. "During this year," said Miss Thomas, "I have felt the terrible urgency of the call that comes to the Church in this hour of world history. I have felt fear for the future, but there has been hope in the midst of fear. God is seeking to speak through His Church in such a time as this to bring men and nations into a redeemed relationship to Himself and thus to each other."

The audience expected to hear many of the heartbreaking facts and issues Miss Thomas discussed in relation to Africa, India, Korea, Hong Kong, Trinidad and Japan and to be staggered by the acuteness of the issues. But the account by one who had been stunned when *children* looked at her with hatred because she was white and thus an enemy, and who had heard the anguish in the voices of missionaries seeking the will of God in everyday contacts and tensions, probed deeply.

"This means that the Christian Church is faced with a glorious but an almost terrifying mission in these days," she claimed. "We are entrusted with the gospel of reconciliation—a gospel of redemption for both black and white. Can we be used by God for such a time as this to build spiritual foundations for multi-racial states?" Repeatedly Miss Thomas urged Canadian Christians to pray—for the British government and the colonial secretary—for African Christians and European congregations in Africa—for Christian lay people overseas (who do pray)—and for missionaries. She emphasized our need to do more serious study of the problems faced by our friends around the world and to enter into their experiences in a much more imaginative and creative way than we have ever done before.

THE W.M.S. IN SUCH A TIME AS THIS

The world's complex emergencies in such times as these is one of the reasons for our integrations in woman's work, in Home Mission and Overseas Mission work. Most sessions of Board and the most casual conversation referred to matters that must be accomplished during the months before 1962, but there was a sense in which the time of Board

itself marked the last days of a tremendous organization.

The last days of any good era naturally produce moments of that all-gone feeling. Can you remember the last days of the last long summer before you entered the working world? The weeks approaching marriage or some dramatic change of vocation? It exists side by side with a sense of expectancy and a desire for direction and assurance, not the hot-milk-at-bedtime assurance, but the kind that makes men volunteer for special service on short rations. The Reverend John Wilkie, in three noon hour talks, put before us the reality that "we do not live in an age of burgeoning, but in an age of problem," so dark that no "rest and fresh air cure" will banish it. So also was the psalmist's world as he wrote Psalm 43. So also was Paul's who longed to witness for Christ in Spain, but came a prisoner to Rome. Yet, by going to Rome and writing his Letters Paul made it possible to take Christ to the limits of a world further away than Spain. Among the truths expressed by Mr. Wilkie were:

"Jesus Christ who said, 'Be not afraid; it is I', is our guarantee of the sovereignty of God's way. He gives us the privilege of entering into the hate and fury of the world *with love*."



IN CONFERENCE—BETWEEN SESSIONS
Miss Anne Ward and Mrs. J. Scofield

—A. McKim

"We would like a little map of Christ's coming; but He always comes in the unexpected—the stable—the storm . . ."

"Abraham, Jesus, Paul . . . all died without seeing their dream bloom, but not one of them seem to feel cheated."

These and others left us with renewed willingness to undertake any journey God may require of us, and a sense of having a limitless supply of protein to carry with us.

The President's opening address (see July issue) under headings such as *The Past Inspires Us*, *The Present Heartens Us*, and *the Future Beckons Us* was invigorating and had a number of sugar-plums of wisdom and practical psychology tucked into it. Dr. H. L. Pottle's clarifying address "Seeing It Whole—in the Congregation" can also be enjoyed by MISSIONARY MONTHLY readers in the September issue. To women who are laying foundations for change it introduced the joint Home Organization-Periodicals presentation on the same topic. This took the form of an imaginary committee meeting with a luncheon break. Before lunch and following Miss Dorothy Young's and Miss Mary Harton's reports, Rev. Catherine McKeen, Mrs. J. L. Carder and Miss Audrey McKim discussed the changing set-up of younger groups and their relationship with other Boards. As C.G.I.T., Primary groups and so on were mentioned, Mrs. P. Varley of the Periodicals Committee illustrated their points by looping orange, blue and green ribbons from one spot to another on a large chart.¹ The discussion period afterward was all too brief but many who were concerned about Education in Mission for younger groups asked questions during lunch. When the meeting reconvened, eight committee members and a clever cartoonist exchanged practical ideas for putting the vision, "Seeing It Whole—in the Con-

¹May appear in a later issue.

gregation" into operation in the congregation. The ideas included suggestions for possible articles and other program aids for United Church women—which could help us all in enlarging our ideas of Missionary Education, of stewardship, of the total mission of the church, and of what the congregation is. Open discussion from the floor followed.

BOOKS AND BUSINESS

Business periods were, of course, very much "for this special time" of transition. But so well had committees done their jobs during 1960-61 that only a few practical items from Finance, Home Missions and Overseas Missions reports required discussion. Some clarification regarding bequests was given—and the ability of Mrs. Coburn, Miss McIlwain, Mrs. Cavers and Mrs. Lowery to transform figures into people in all financial questions is remarkable. By-laws for the new organization were studied. Mrs. Taylor's and the Reverend Floyd Honey's reports of our future work in Brazil evoked a question as to why single women missionaries were not requested there as yet.

Mrs. Hickeson's twice-a-day original book reviews and a half hour presentation, directed by Miss Bonwick, of the new study packets under the theme, "Churches for New Times" highlighted these printed materials as sources for help for all age groups as they seek to understand such times in Canada and to witness effectively in them.

An evening in which visual aids were not only played and screened, but during which methods of using them as learning tools and project starters were demonstrated, was stimulating. It was under the direction of Rev. Anson Moorhouse. Audio-visuals used were

- (a) *Outside the Walls* (see page 24);
- (b) A tape recording of conversation with George Webber of East Harlem;

(c) A New Language for Kim Poh-children's filmstrip on overseas relief.

The above were only some of the ways in which direction was found for such a time as this in our congregation, our community, our world.

PEOPLE

PEOPLE READY—PEOPLE NEEDED

People included the class of "live" boys and girls who, in varying degrees of confidence and shyness, discussed the children's filmstrip (as above); the newly appointed missionaries and short-term workers; Miss Dickie Sada who, like a little navy blue shadow, hovered in the balcony and down the aisles with her curious camera.

The new women workers numbered ten. Two will serve in community work in the West and one in All People's Church, Hamilton. (But 25 are needed in Canada). Trinidad will have an ordained woman missionary and another principal to replace the short-term principal leaving Archibald Institute, and India, a physiotherapist and another nurse. Northern Rhodesia will soon greet a village worker who is a public health nurse, and Japan two short-term English teachers. These are enthusiastic, trained, committed young women, but Trinidad alone would like seven missionaries! Mrs. Taylor's report on Overseas situations, Miss Highfield's on Home Mission needs, Miss Christie in her report on the Training School, and the participants in a panel on Recruiting stressed the urgency for more personnel.

Miss Ida Mackenzie talked of the need for workers in Canada and answered the question "What kind of women?"

For Homes—a homemaker kind of person, but Homes need a "father" too. Single women can be on the staff as Christian educationist and counsellor.



—A. McKim

The President welcomes Rev. Douglas Brydon, speaker on "Rural Canada."

For the Inner City—a trained social worker and counsellor.

For Indian work—one who can advise Indians in both city and reserve situations.

For Medical—an administrator as well as a nurse or doctor.

Chaplaincy—requires up-to-date psychology as well as theology.

Miss Lois Boast pointed out that since interested teenagers will not be ready for ten years, we must find young professional women to meet the present emergency immediately. Miss Ward stressed the need for maturity in a candidate for service. She added that "the whole church must recruit. We need a climate in which a congregation automatically accepts the church as a vocation for its own young people." For the missionary serving the overseas churches Miss Thomas stressed the need for the attitude and personality that can live happily in another culture, knowing that relationships are as vital as the "work."

SPECIAL PEOPLE

Retiring missionaries are very special. This year, in addition to the W.M.S. missionary service pins presented to the twelve retiring in 1961, pins were also sent to all missionaries who have been

with the Woman's Missionary Society for twenty-five years or more.

Scholarship students are always special. Now that more and more of them can receive post graduate courses in their own or neighboring countries, we may have fewer among us. Three of them—wearing the sari, the kimono or the mandarin-styled traditional dress of their country—were introduced by Mrs. Donald McLean. In order to “bridge the gap between writing for children and writing for adults,” Mrs. Jean Cheng, editor of *HAPPY CHILDHOOD*, is studying journalism so that she can edit a journal on the Christian Home, in Hong Kong. Miss Yoko Kojima, who never wore a kimono until she arrived in Canada, is taking special social work studies to prepare her for work with crippled children in Japan. Miss Sara Thomas, from a Christian Ashram in India is in our United Church Training School course in preparation for directing a Bible Training School.

Mrs. Hugh Taylor was a Very Important Person at Board; she is winding up her enormous responsibilities as Executive Secretary of Overseas Work.* Mrs. Daniher quoted Milton's lines:



—D. Sada

Mrs. H. D. TAYLOR



—A. McKim

Left to right: Mrs. J. A. Barclay, Secretary for India, Miss Bessie Matheson, President, Maritime Conference Branch, Miss Sara Thomas, Scholarship student from India

“Thousands at His bidding speed
And post o'er land and ocean
without rest”

and then said, “That's Mrs. Taylor!” To Miss Helen Day, although she is *not* yet winding up her responsibilities but is very much in the midst of them, this last Dominion Board paid its warm tribute for her many years of service to its printed, missionary communications.

From Korea Mrs. Sin Ai Gyoon Hyun brought greetings and spoke of W.M.S. women there who, in the midst of “a cold war and the threat of a hot one”, are making prayerful efforts to reach the rural people.

MISSIONARIES ON FURLOUGH

Four furlough missionaries spoke on Missionary Night.

“I speak for a sorrowful people,” Miss Kate Rutherford said, quoting from one of Dorothy Sayers' plays. “Angola needs our prayers. We cannot enjoy our security until they be saved from despair.” She paid tribute to many African Christians including many who—in more than one way—have been elder brothers and sisters to her and her colleagues.

*Although Mrs. Taylor has retired from the position of Overseas Missions Executive Secretary, she will remain on the Dominion Board staff until the end of November to give assistance in several departments.



—D. Sada

Among the "Special People" at Board were: Mrs. Peter Wong, of Hong Kong, Mrs. J. Y. MacKinnon, President, Dominion Council, W.A., Dr. Ernest E. Long, Secretary of General Council

Miss Mildred Matthewson brought a message from Mrs. Watari of Japan, who keeps United Church of Canada women in mind and heart. Miss Matthewson emphasized that the early efforts of missions to educate girls had contributed greatly to the swift progress of Japanese women since World War II. Recently twenty-five Christian women ran for election and twenty-two got in! These twenty-two, regardless of party, meet together each day for prayer.

Miss Margaret Martin, just completing her first furlough, told about Indian people at Norway House and in Winnipeg. She spoke of children from broken homes and men desperately in need of employment; of young leaders like Walter, Eva, Dulak (who once talked into his collar but now preaches in All People's Church); of the Mc--'s with six children, struggling to find a place in an often unfriendly city. "Many people are needed who will appreciate as well as help the Indian," Miss Martin stated. "It cannot be done by one person, by a worker alone."

A little boy who thought "Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from people," was correct, was one of the silhouettes sketched by Miss Aileen Ratz,

a veteran port worker. As her audience smiled Miss Ratz witnessed that there is "nothing so satisfying as to share our lives with people," and went on describing young and older people who have come to Canada from other lands. She commented on the sense of welcome and friendliness created by the simple gifts which church women and children had packed and sent.

These are only some of the people who made Board valuable, and provoked thought.

LIGHT

"There will be . . . sure stars shining."

SARA TEASDALE

Sunlight glowed through all but one day, glowed comfortably down on delegates' shoulders as they walked through the cool atmosphere provided by the weatherman, and helped the new leaves to make patterns on the stained glass windows of the church. An enormous moon sailed through the nights. Light supplies many metaphors and has many connotations. It brightens and warms our emotional world. It banishes shadows and shows us the way. It penetrates a dark problem and transfigures the ordinary. It stands for vision and inspiration and glory.



—D. Sada

A "SPECIAL OCCASION" WAS THE LAST BOARD DINNER
 Left to right: Mrs. A. Roger Self, Dr. John Leng, Mrs. C. S. Patterson

Dr. Ernest Long's address on "Long-range Planning" was something in the way of a floodlight turned on the future which has now begun, seeking to banish all fuzzy thinking in congregations. "Is there a people of God who realize they are in the world for the *renewal of the world?*"

One afternoon several turned penetrating beams on phases of Christian work that we need to see in a new way: the mission of the church in today's rural areas; on the college campus; in the inner city; and the responsibility of the church to work with hospital chaplains in supporting and rehabilitating the sick. Ask your delegates to relate some of the bright nuggets of that particular Friday afternoon.

THE LAST BOARD DINNER

The last Board Dinner shines brightly under the motif "Light." It could so easily have been a night of tears and shadows. Instead it sparkled with laughter, and was radiant with gratitude, with bright prospects, with fellowship. Husbands who were among the guests at the attractive tables served by the ladies of Timothy Eaton Memorial Church, basked in the appreciation long due them for the years of co-operation.

Dr. John Leng, within two days of saying goodbye to the Home Mission Board to begin a new era of his own, reminded the guests of "expectations of the future and reflections on the past which cast a light on that future." He recalled people—a music teacher, a mission boat captain, a paymaster, an accountant, a bereaved family—whose faith, as ours can be, was strengthened by those they served.

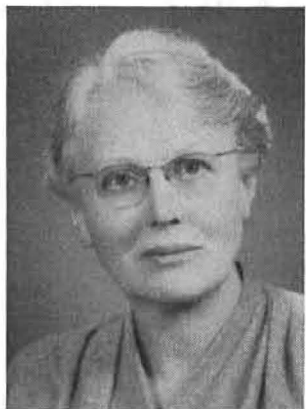
Mrs. Peter Wong, speaking of Hong Kong as in a state of crisis, described how each night the fishermen build a grass fire around their beached boats to burn off barnacles and seaweed. The stranger watches to see the boats leap into flame! But they do not. So can suffering burn the barnacles of pride, self-satisfaction and complacency from the human spirit. While the listeners searched their own hearts, Mrs. Wong told how many in Hong Kong are, through great suffering, aware of human limitations and responsive to God's leading hand.

As the experiences of the week mounted up and the great tasks still unfinished and the many more needing to be done stood before us and beck-

(Continued on page 26)

STORY OF THE YEARS

Guests of honor at this final Dominion Board dinner were twelve missionaries of the Society who will be retiring in 1961 and 1962. Below we quote from the tributes paid to them by the Board.



DR. FLORENCE J. MURRAY

The year 1961 marks the completion, for Dr. Florence Murray, of forty years of distinguished service as a medical missionary in Korea.

A daughter of the manse in Nova Scotia, she took her medical course in Dalhousie University and, thereafter, offered her services to the Korea Mission of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Arriving in Korea in 1921, she spent the first twenty years of her missionary life as superintendent of the hospital in the city of Hamheung. Under her capable management the hospital was enlarged and modernized, a T.B. wing added, and the medical and nursing services so improved that the hospital was generally recognized as one of the best in Korea. Her work was so highly appreciated that the Japanese allowed her to continue during the first year of the war when all other missionary doctors were either interned or on their way home.

After the war, unable to return to her hospital in North Korea, she found ample scope for her unusual gifts in the chaotic conditions prevailing in the

south. Once asked what her speciality was she replied: "Filling in wherever there is something to be done and no one else to do it." Requests for advice and co-operation poured in from many quarters, and Dr. Murray responded generously. She served in Severance Hospital and College, in the Seoul Women's Medical College, in the Red Cross Hospital, in Ewha University and in work for paraplegic, T.B. and leper patients.

The communist invasion brought added responsibilities. She concerned herself with medical work for refugees; she assisted the Danish Red Cross in their hospital ship work for civilian war casualties; she helped organize the Pusan City Hospital for Orphan Children. She was the first doctor to venture back to the besieged city of Seoul, within sound of enemy guns, to begin rehabilitation of Severance Hospital.

But Dr. Murray could never be content to end her career with a job of "filling in." Her last contribution to Korea was to initiate and carry through to completion the building of a beautiful, modern, hundred-bed hospital, built by The United Church of Canada, in co-operation with the American Methodists, in the city of Wonju. In addition there is a leper village near-by which now receives adequate medical service, and a mobile T.B. control project has been organized.

Such a personality could not escape recognition. Her Korean friends have repeatedly expressed formal appreciation of her services. The Danish Government presented her with a medal for her work with their Red Cross Hospital Ship. Her own alma mater, Dalhousie University,

honored her with the degree of LL.D., and Pine Hill Theological College bestowed on her the degree of Doctor of Divinity. This last honor was the first ever given by the college to a woman, but was a fitting recognition of the fact that Dr. Murray was always an eager evangelist who stressed equally the healing of the body and the cure of souls.

We content ourselves with a sincere "well done, good and faithful servant."



MISS LOUIZA MAYOVA

When the late Dr. Denzil Ridout, Secretary of the Missionary and Maintenance Department, needed an interpreter in Europe, a young Czechoslovakian woman living in Poland, already trained as a nurse and deaconess, was chosen to serve him because of her language ability. She was conversant in at least seven languages.

Returning to Canada, Dr. Ridout approached the Woman's Missionary Society regarding bringing this competent woman to Canada under its auspices and, in 1930, Miss Louiza Mayova arrived in Montreal, where a position as Port worker in St. John, N.B., was awaiting her. As she served there, the Society knew it had made no mistake in its decision to bring Miss Mayova to Canada.

The United Church Training School made its appeal to her and in 1931 she

became a student. After her training she was appointed to All People's Churches in Hamilton. Following her first furlough, Miss Mayova was appointed to Northern Ontario, where she worked in the mining areas of Kirkland Lake and Sudbury. In the Porcupine Camp, also, Miss Mayova made lasting friends and her holidays have many times been spent in the Northern areas, which remind her of her homeland.

During furloughs Miss Mayova always took further study and in 1938-39 she attended Hartford.

During her years in Northern Ontario few people were coming to Canada but when the Immigration development again became active Miss Mayova was transferred to Montreal in 1949 to serve in a dual capacity at the Church of All Nations and in Immigration work.

Her devoted service in relation to incoming Canadians, known to us as immigrants, cannot be estimated. It was never too late or too early in the day if a needy person sought her help. She worked in railway stations, at the docks and in hostel and church. Her sympathy was always expressed to her fellow-men and her ability in languages made her a sought-after interpreter for police, railway and dock officials and in other places where this knowledge of language made her a valuable person.

Miss Mayova, well-known across Canada because of her deputation work, which endeared her to all who met her, retires as one who has given her life work to New Canadians, interpreting to them the country of her choice, to which she has made her contribution. Our abundant good wishes will follow her and we trust she may have health, happiness and continuing service.





—York Studio

MISS MARGARET HALLIDAY

After thirty-two years of outstanding service in Angola, Miss Margaret Halliday is now joining the ranks of our greatly respected retired missionaries.

In 1928 she went to Portugal for a year's study of Portuguese and the following year proceeded to Angola for study of the Umbundu language, prior to taking up her duties as supervisor of village schools.

On return from her first furlough Miss Halliday joined the W.M.S. staff at Lutamo and took as her special responsibility the care of the girls' boarding school. She helped to build the first W.M.S. residence and showed a gift for detail, precision and patience which was to be of great help in the construction of buildings erected later in Lutamo and elsewhere in the mission.

The life of the women and girls in that area was enriched by the help which Miss Halliday was able to give them in music in the schools, in camps and in the women's conferences.

However, Margaret Halliday will always be best remembered for the contribution she made to the older, underprivileged girls by the founding and developing of the Home Economics School in Lutamo. The challenge came from a village teacher asking for help for the girl he was to marry. The school

started with a handful of girls with no accommodation other than a part of the already crowded girls' boarding school and no equipment at all. The girls had had no previous schooling.

Later on, two-months-long regional dry-season Home Economics schools were started and the entrance requirements for the school at the mission were raised to include the ability to read the Bible. From this small beginning the work grew until in 1959-60 there were 103 girls in their own building with 63 taking the certificate or one-year course and 40 graduating after two years.

Miss Halliday developed this work only as the church expressed the desire and need for new aspects of it and was always sure of their approval of the methods used.

We would thank you, Margaret Halliday, for the remarkable contribution you have made to the enrichment of the home life and the church in Angola. Our best wishes go with you for much happiness and further opportunities for service in the years to come.



MISS S. CHRISTINE MacDOUGALL

After professional training and experience in teaching in her native province of New Brunswick, Miss S. Christine MacDougall was appointed in 1921 to educational and evangelistic work in British Guiana.

During 1924-1925 she attended and completed the course at the Presbyterian Missionary and Deaconess Training School, and for the next six years she served as a home missionary in the Maritime Home for Girls.

Appointed to the Overseas Field of Trinidad in 1931, Miss MacDougall began her service there in the Iere Home in 1932. In 1937 she was appointed to the San Fernando field as an evangelistic worker, and with variations in field arrangements at times, that has been her assignment until her retirement at the end of this year.

Her business training led to her carrying for many years the added responsibility of the office of field treasurer of the Woman's Missionary Society. Her sincere faith and wide knowledge of the Bible put her in demand as a Bible-class teacher for older boys and girls at the Susamachar Sunday School in San Fernando, in conferences and from time to time for courses in the Theological College. She also served as a member of the Theological College Board, and her intelligent common sense made her useful on many committees of Presbytery to which she was appointed as a lay delegate.

This year, on February 17th, when the World Day of Prayer Services were held in Trinidad, the women were reminded that it was Miss MacDougall who first instituted these annual services in their churches.

Her keen sense of humor, and her natural friendliness made her a welcome visitor in many a home, and broke down the barriers between the generations. It made her a permanent friend of all those who, through the twenty-nine years of her service, shared the W.M.S. home with her.

This Board is deeply grateful to her for her service and the witness she has given. We trust that she may enjoy many happy and active years of retirement.



—Photo by Belair

MISS MIRANDA A. BROWN

Miss Miranda A. Brown is the daughter of a minister who served in the Canada Conference of the Evangelical Church. She was a Public School teacher and sought further Christian training in Toronto Bible College, from which she graduated in 1929.

When Miss Brown made application for employment under the Woman's Missionary Society she was readily accepted and her first appointment was to the School Home in Battleford, Sask., in 1930.

Those were the days of unorganized Northern Territory, where schools had not yet been built, and boys and girls, eager for an education, filled our Residences. Miss Brown did excellent work and during her years in Battleford decided that she would take leave of absence and attend the United Church Training School. She was designated at Brantford, Ont., in 1934.

Upon completion of her course she again accepted a Western appointment, this time among the New Canadians in Wahstao, Alberta, where our Church was giving leadership among the younger Ukrainians. Here she saw both the school and the Church develop and grow. When her furlough was due she continued her studies by enrolling in a course at Hartford, Conn., where, during

a later furlough, she completed the work for a B.R.E. degree.

Among the colored people in Sydney, N.S., Miss Brown became one with them and through her influence both the colored folk and the New Canadians in the area were directed, advised and led into paths of service. One can single out from among our Church leaders today many who, as children and young people, attended her groups and who were influenced by her.

Her love for the European people made her most acceptable later in All People's Churches, Hamilton, and the Church of All Nations, Toronto, where she won friends and saw lives consecrated to better service.

Miss Brown has musical gifts and speaks German sufficiently to be helpful as an interpreter, but her real interpretation has been the love of her Master, which she left with those in every centre in which she worked.

Our wish for her is a busy, useful future which will be a continuation of her past.



—York Studio

MISS BESSIE FRENCH

Miss Bessie French comes from Morton's Harbour in the Newfoundland Conference. The sea, the rocks and the hills had their influence in moulding a character of strength and wisdom.

It was the desire of Miss French in her early years to be of assistance to others and with this as her goal she completed her deaconess and Social Service training and made application to the Woman's Missionary Society.

Her earliest service was at Norway House under the Board of Home Missions and her first appointment by the Woman's Missionary Society was with the Indians on the File Hills Colony in Saskatchewan. In those days, before cars were available, Miss French walked over every mile of that Reserve, which was populated by selected Indians who were given land and working equipment. She knew well where every Indian lived and she helped solve their problems. The door of her home was always open to them and they regarded her as their friend and counsellor. It was a sad day when the Indians gathered at the church where she had preached and sung, to bid her farewell.

The Indians at Port Simpson, B.C., claimed her services for a short time and after a furlough her request to be nearer her home was granted and she was appointed to the coal-mining area of Glace Bay, Cape Breton. During strikes that caused great problems she was ready to visit, feed and clothe the needy and her Church program among young people was evidenced by their attendance and enthusiasm.

The musical ability which Miss French developed made her popular at the church organ, in the assembly hall or in the choir. She was sought out to sing in choirs at conferences and churches.

In 1956 she was a delegate to General Council in Ottawa, attending from the Montreal-Ottawa Conference, where she was now serving in St. Columba House, Montreal. This Settlement House, in an area with a growing population needing direction and help, gave Miss French scope for her experience and training.

Here she made a lasting impression in many groups.

Following furlough she served in All People's Churches, Hamilton, again in an area of development where her gifts were taxed to capacity and from where she is retiring.

Miss French will find joy in further service in some avenue of Church work and our wish for her is a continuance of her vivacious spirit, good health and happiness.



MISS EMILY A. MAXWELL

Miss Emily Maxwell, a Maritimer, was designated for missionary service in Halifax in 1923. She arrived in Banswara, Central India, in September of that year for language study.

Following assignments in Dhar and Mhow she was stationed in Banswara as the W.M.S. evangelistic missionary and has served there almost continuously ever since. Her whole long period of service has been spent in ministering to the needs of the Bhils in the most isolated of our mission stations.

Emily had the joy of witnessing the development of the work among the Bhils from the time when there were only a few Christian families in widely scattered villages to the present when there are now eight separate well established congregations.

Emily has also been principal of the

mission school in Banswara where so many of the Bhil children received their basic education. She knew it first as a mud-walled hut which housed only a few ambitious boys. Now there are about 200 pupils in the school, over 100 of them are Christian Bhils from the villages.

It is indeed significant of the high esteem and affection which the people have for their devoted Missahib that they arranged, four years in advance (1960), to observe the 50th anniversary of the opening of the Christian work in the Banswara area while she was still with them.

We wish her many years of happiness in her retirement.



MISS SUSIE I. SMYTH

Miss Susie Irene Smyth came to the United Church Training School from Blenheim, Ontario, in the London Conference.

Miss Smyth, a school teacher, did kindergarten summer work in connection with her teaching and her background was evidenced by the courses she chose—Household Science, Agriculture and Horticulture—all of which were helpful in her service.

In 1921 Miss Smyth became associated with All People's Churches in Hamilton, where many New Canadians in the area

were finding a congenial fellowship and a church association. Miss Smyth's own training was evidenced in well-conducted church groups in a well-managed building. Her influence and example were a pattern for many.

After a second furlough, Miss Smyth was one of the first workers in the Cochrane Presbytery. She travelled the long distances from Timmins to Nakina, giving Christian Education leadership in the small and large towns along the railway. Timmins, then a fast-growing mining town, had programs among children that helped many find their place in church and society.

By 1941, when Miss Smyth was appointed as missionary-at-large in Winnipeg, the Church Extension program had started and with the assistance given by Miss Smyth, plans were made for new churches.

For a short time a similar program was carried on by Miss Smyth in St. John, N.B., until the Society, at the request of the Board of Home Missions, asked her to undertake the Immigration work in Halifax. For two years ships were met, people assisted, names sent on from the ships' list, and from the source of entry folks were followed into their new homes and to a new church.

Miss Smyth's last appointment in 1958 was to the new housing area in Regent Park, Toronto, where a new church had been erected after the slum clearance and the re-settlement of people in this district needed the gifts displayed by Miss Smyth in the adjustment period.

Due to health reasons, Miss Smyth was granted early retirement. She has returned to Blenheim where her local church is using her gifts of leadership, and our wish for her is better health and the ability to continue her Christian service.



MISS ANNIE C. THEXTON

Miss Annie C. Thexton was born and spent her early life in the historic Red River settlement in Manitoba in which province she procured her Second Class Professional Teaching Certificate and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Winnipeg.

After four years of teaching, Miss Thexton was commissioned in 1918 and sailed with a party of seven W.M.S. missionaries for West China where she was assigned to educational work at Chengtu, capital of Szechuan province.

Upon completion of language study Miss Thexton was appointed to the Primary Boarding School where she served until her furlough. Upon her return to China, she was appointed as Dean of Women to the newly opened Women's College, a part of the West China Union University. This gave her an unique opportunity of service as the opening of the College in 1924 marked the beginning of university education for girls in West China.

After her second furlough Miss Thexton's work was at the Union Normal School. Again her executive ability, her wide knowledge, Kindergarten and Normal School work and her deep understanding of the Chinese people, made her services invaluable to the Chinese principal, Miss Pearl Chiang. In 1943, she made another outstanding contribu-

tion to Kindergarten work when, under her leadership, a Child Study Centre was opened—a project of our Woman's Missionary Society.

Forced to withdraw from China she returned to Canada in 1951 and was granted leave of absence to do nursery school work in Winnipeg.

In February 1954, the Winnipeg Press in selecting twelve "Winnipeg Women of the Year" nominated Miss Thexton "in recognition of her three decades of missionary work in China, her interest in education, her personality, and her work for others."

But her work overseas was not finished and in January, 1955, Miss Thexton was appointed to Hong Kong to be the Woman's Missionary Society representative there when Miss Margaret Brown returned to Canada.

Here, she again proved herself in the educational field—working to organize classes for the refugee children who poured into that city and with the Hong Kong Council of the Church of Christ in China, helping to establish the Family Life Centre and the Roof Top Schools. In 1955 she was appointed as representative of the Woman's Missionary Society on the Board of Governors of Chung Chi College.

She used pen and camera to good advantage to keep a clear picture of Hong Kong's needs and opportunities before the Home Church.

Her great ability to see life from the Chinese viewpoint and to form deep and lasting friendships with the Chinese people were valuable qualifications for her mission work also, and she will be long remembered by many to whom she brought knowledge and love.

We are grateful for her years of selfless service and wish for her the blessing of health, contentment and happiness in the years ahead.



MISS R. EVA L. EMPEY

For some years prior to her attendance at the United Church Training School Miss R. Eva L. Empey made plans to enter the service of the Church. Alberta seemed more distant from Toronto in 1920 when Miss Empey made her application to the Training School than it does today. Having completed High School, and with a musical education, she was an acceptable candidate and at the conclusion of her course she was designated in 1925 and requested to undertake work in a School Home in her own Province of Alberta.

Radway, Alberta, was a challenge for those who worked in the Residence. The large brick building accommodated young people from the outlying farm areas and not only were they given an academic training but Canadian ways opened up to many of them the advantages of Canadian culture and opportunity. This led to a number of young people seeking further education.

Miss Empey read, wrote and sang in Ukrainian and her School Home work was followed by evangelistic work in the town and area of Smoky Lake. Even today this district continues as a fine Ukrainian community where many of the old customs, mingling with the new, still prevail.

From the Prairies Miss Empey served

at Sault Ste. Marie—a similar type of work centred in a city and an established church. She did similar work in Sutherland Mission, Winnipeg, and was transferred to Windsor in 1955.

Northern Ontario asked the Society to continue its service in Kirkland Lake and Miss Empey answered that call. Soon the Superintendent of Missions emphasized a greater need in the rural field in Matheson, Ont. Miss Empey found real satisfaction in her community work in Matheson, entailing, as it did, visitation, Church Vacation Schools and guidance instruction.

Miss Empey's thirty-five years of service culminate in satisfaction to herself and those she served, and the Society wishes for her a happy and well-earned retirement.



E. Dollimore, Winger Studio

MISS MARY L. MANSFIELD

From Watford, in the London Conference, Miss Mary L. Mansfield applied for entrance to the United Church Training School in the year of Church Union. A year later she entered the School and in 1927, when it was impossible for her to go to Africa, she chose to serve the incoming New Canadian population in Alberta.

The area known as the "Colony" was her first field of service and continued for nearly twenty years, where she saw the area around Smoky Lake and Vilna

turned into a veritable garden by Europeans who chose to make their homes in this part of Canada.

Miss Mansfield, a successful school teacher, with office experience and musical ability, has used all her gifts in the interest of others. Christian Education in the schools, services in homes and churches, visitation in village and country homes were all a part of the program to which Miss Mansfield brought her varied gifts. She has always been ready to give Christian leadership, leaving people better and happier than when she met them.

Over mud roads and through long hours of the day and night Miss Mansfield drove her car to carry out her appointments. Today when she returns to Alberta it is to find many of the young people whose lives she helped to mould serving in influential places in the Province.

In 1949 Miss Mansfield, always a country woman, accepted an appointment in the Superior Presbytery, where again she travelled by car from Port Arthur to the Ontario border, teaching Christian Education in the schools, preaching in the churches and becoming acquainted with people in their own homes. She knew the roads, and the people knew her car, for it seemed to be always on some errand of mercy. No one was ever too far distant for a Church visit.

In 1957 she began work in the Larger Parish of Muskoka United Charge. Associated with a minister and a layman, the 19-point charge was well served by these devoted servants. Miss Mansfield saw the ministers and laymen come and go, having others replace them, but she continued on her field, giving devoted service. The beauty of the area in which she worked wove itself into her being and often, as she travelled the curved roads over hill and dale, she quoted the Psalms and gave thanks for the privilege

of service which was hers, while many blessed her for her words of comfort and joy.

To few are given the opportunities which have been Miss Mansfield's. She lived not for herself but for others and her law of kindness knew no limits.

In her years of retirement Miss Mansfield will continue to serve her Master and her fellow-man. We wish her years of good health and happiness and give thanks for her service.



MISS HELEN F. McDOUGALL

Miss Helen F. McDougall claims Petrolia in the London Conference as her home and she has given service in Honan and Canada.

Miss McDougall had business experience, after which she attended and graduated from the Toronto Bible College in 1921.

She was designated in Petrolia the same year and sailed in November to China as an evangelistic missionary. During one of her furloughs she attended the United Church Training School.

For two terms Miss McDougall served at Weihwei in Honan and because of the war situation she was transferred to Jenshow, West China. During this term she was one year with the English Methodist Mission at Fukien, so that in all she served over 20 years in Honan and West China.

When Miss McDougall returned to Canada she had been isolated from her family for many months, as no mail had been transmitted. Her aging parents needed her care and the Society granted her leave of absence in 1943, which extended over 14 years.

In September 1957 she returned to work under the Society and was appointed to the coke-oven area of Sydney, N.S., where her quiet, efficient service was welcomed by the community and all those interested in this downtown mission.

Miss McDougall opened her home to the old and young. Boys and girls found a welcome at her door. She taught with patience and love many of the rudiments of Christian living and in a very self-effacing way she won the hearts of all whom she served.

She gave Camp leadership and was chosen as Director. The colored people of Sydney made up her parish and she found that her influence and effective service were necessary and appreciated.

Miss McDougall retires from active service with a modesty that only one who has given herself so humbly and wholeheartedly could claim. She served her Lord and Master, with Whom she lived closely. Wherever Miss McDougall journeys, the Society will follow her with good wishes for the devotion with which she has served.

More Workers for Overseas

In September we hope to present the pictures of three short-term workers for overseas. They are two "J3's" and one "I3":

Miss Mary Alice Scott of Kinisto, Sask. and Miss Andrea Fay Foster of Barrie, Ont., formerly of Bedford, N.S., will go to Japan as teachers of English for a three-year term.

Miss Moyna J. Gordon goes for a

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OUR TRIBUTE TO MISS GLADYS THORNER

Friends and associates of Gladys Thorner, both in Canada and India, were stunned by her sudden and untimely death on May 13th in Montreal, and many are they who have spontaneously paid tribute to the fullness and influence of her life and work.

Miss Thorner was born in Fort William in 1921. Her family moved to Westmount, Quebec, when she was fairly young. She graduated from Westmount High School and took her Bachelor of Arts degree at Sir George Williams College, Montreal. In 1947-48 she took one year at Emmanuel College and a year later graduated from the United Church Training School. She was commissioned as a missionary to India in 1950 with special concern for evangelism. She served one full term and part of another, having to return to Canada because of her parents' frail health.

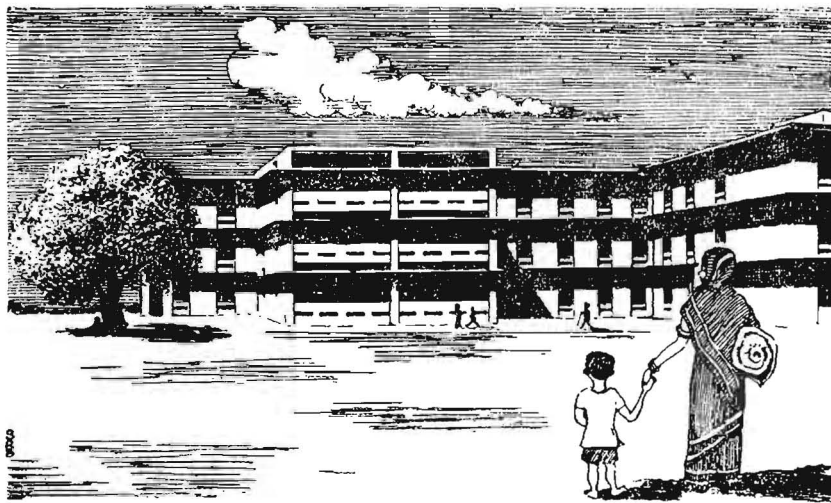
Gladys Thorner combined in one happy personality a great enjoyment of life, sincerity of purpose and a deep dedication to Jesus Christ and His mission in the world. "Whatever thy

hand findeth to do, do it with thy might" is an injunction that she followed to the fullest. With quiet efficiency she accomplished an amazing number and variety of things and was truly "a workman that needeth not to be ashamed."

Miss Thorner arrived in India at a period of transition when old things were giving place to new. She had the happy capacity of being able to adapt to new and different situations and to work in harmony with senior colleagues who had been long associated with the era that was ending and yet she remained in the forefront of those who saw the need for changes and shared actively in making them possible.

Gladys Thorner will be mourned with deep sincerity by a wide circle of friends in India, including the Princess in the Ratlam palace and countless humble folk from a host of villages throughout the Ratlam district. Her knowledge and command of the Hindi language made her a ready and welcome speaker. Coupled with this, her interest in and appreciation for the villagers

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LUDHIANA CHRISTIAN MEDICAL COLLEGE, INDIA

INDIA'S CORAL STRAND

"From Greenland's icy mountains. . . ." But it isn't like that any more. Today when you think about India you think of politics rather than of geography, of people rather than of scenery. India is no longer a mysterious land of elephants and bazaars and the British Raj. India is strategic, hungry, immense, politically conscious, with a mind of her own and an important place in world affairs, and the ability to influence your life and mine and the lives of all of us in the West. India has grown up. She is no longer our difficult, exotic, petulant child. She is our sister, and she speaks as an equal, with authority and with strength. Like it or not, we must listen to her words.

This is one of the curiously uncomfortable experiences of the Western peoples in the middle of the twentieth century—to hear countries like India and Africa speaking to us in our language. I don't mean simply that they have learned to speak English. I mean that they have learned our specialist vocabulary—the vocabulary of the politician and the statesman, the economist, the educationist, the trades' unionist, the social reformer. When the British prime minister talks of the balance of power and the ideals of liberty and human rights and a decent standard of living for everyone in the country, that sounds right to us. When the Indian prime minister says the same things in the same words and the same confident tone of voice, that sounds strange.

Never since the mythological city of Babel have so many different nations spoken the same language together. Never since those disastrous times has so much fear and suspicion clouded the international sky. When men speak different tongues they are kept apart. And their apartness, whilst it is an affront to the will of God, carries with

it a measure of safety. But when all men speak in one language, and that the language of power politics, then they have achieved a dangerous brotherhood. The brotherhood of prejudice. The brotherhood of fear.

How many times have you heard it said that this state and that is not yet ready for independence? And how often the truth has been that we who have our own freedom are not ready to reckon with new free states. We speak of the need to raise the standard of living in countries like India and Africa, the need of education and medicine and housing and economic wages. But when these things begin to appear, we are afraid. We are caught in the dilemma of needing to raise the poor and hungry and ill-housed out of their misery into a true emancipation, and at the same time fearing to see these things done lest those whom we have helped should usurp our place in the sun. India on the way up is a tolerable idea. India on top is unthinkable.

Who can help us solve this dilemma? Who can deliver us from the threat of our own fear? Not the politicians, whose words perplex and worry us. Not the statesmen, who smile and shake hands and fly into the arms of the enemy. Back there in Babel they saw the danger of one speech and one language. The danger is still here in our midst. Who can rescue us from this danger?

Out of the myth of Babel, with its pungent, historic truth, into the reality of the New Testament where truth, for the first time, is allied to love, where men and women of many nations come together not in fear and prejudice but in fellowship and hope and mutual esteem. This is the meeting place of the nations—not in Geneva, New York, Paris, London or Delhi, but in the Acts of the Apostles, in the timeless, exciting,

healing atmosphere of the upper room, where they were all together in one place and the Spirit of God came upon them. The room from which they went in power and grace—the power to speak a common language so that all men, hearing, understood. The grace to receive the gifts of God in the nations and with these things build a new people, the people of the Way.

At Whitsuntide the Church rejoices in the coming of the Spirit. The Church that in India and Africa and Britain and America and every country in the world seeks in the power of that Spirit to set men free to speak a common language

and still survive. Free to be close to each other, not as enemies, but as brothers. Not with suspicion and intrigue and pride and fear, but with understanding and fellowship and love. The Church that speaks the word of her Lord: There shall be one flock and one Shepherd, and they shall come in and out and find pasture.

STUART JACKMAN,
in "Chronicle," June, 1960
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The W.M.S. Goes to the Pictures

There is no one major film for adult groups related to the theme "Churches for New Times." There is an excellent variety of visual aids related to the topics you will discover in "SIGNALS FOR THE SIXTIES" and "HASTEN THE DAY", the books in the adult mission packet. The visual aids will be reviewed on this page each month, but there are two information leaflets which will help you plan ahead. They are:

1. Audio-Visual Materials for the theme "Churches for New Times."
2. National Film Board Leader's Suggestions.

If these are not already among your

literature material for 1961-62, write to the Audio-Visual Centre for them and discuss their contents at your program planning committees. Among the topics for which films are suggested are: Retirement, the Inner City, the Rural Church, Minority Groups and Prejudice, the Responsibility of Christians in the Community, Christian Values in Modern Business.

A special effort has been made to include suggestions for using the visual aids recommended for this year. This should be helpful to leaders who are eager to initiate good discussions after the film and perhaps discover some follow-up project.

OUTSIDE THE WALLS

Black and white 16mm film with sound
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Youth and adults
12 minutes

A young man is a leader in the small group of church members who feel responsible for the migrant laborers who come to their community each year. His father, also active in the church, is hostile to this "sentimental" attitude and has more supporters than his son, especially among the prominent citizens. The young woman who is the wife of one and daughter-in-law to the other is caught in the conflict. The question asked—and answered—in the film is: What responsibility has the church congregation for a minority group living in sub-standard conditions in or near its community?

Before the film is shown explain that it deals with migrant workers who, we are apt to think, are almost non-existent in Canada. But, as some rural churches know, these workers do exist in such places as fruit belts, cannery areas, tobacco growing. Canada also has many "seasonal" workers whose problems are similar, as well as a growing population which is shifted from one mushrooming industrial centre to another. Migrancy results in material and psychological insecurities, children uprooted from schools, families uprooted from social and religious relationships.

Ask half the audience to note any mentioned or suggested need of the migrants. Ask the other half to discover the real and the stated reasons why the church members tried to frustrate attempts to meet those needs.

After the film

1. Ask several from each group to report, writing their points briefly on a flip chart or blackboard. If differences of opinion are noted invite a general discussion.
2. Ask if there are any unreached, rootless groups in or near your community. If the program committee knows of one it might be a good idea to plan ahead for someone to mention this, *if no one does so spontaneously within a minute or two.*
3. Groups using the mission study programs will find background material in Sessions I, IV, V and VII and in stories 6, 7, 8 in "HASTEN THE DAY", also in the adult packet.

Order "OUTSIDE THE WALLS" from The Audio-Visual Centre, Board of Information and Stewardship, 85 St. Clair Ave. East, Toronto 7, Ont.

N.B.—Order all literature from The Literature Distribution Centre.

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World Mission Festival

—Parkdale Church, Ottawa—

(MRS. D. W.) THERESA E. THOMSON

Symbolic of world friendship and fellowship an International Tea Party and program brought together representatives from East and West and North and South in the Memorial Hall of Parkdale United Church, Ottawa, against a colorful eight-country background provided by booths extending along both sides of the hall. Curios, handicrafts, artifacts, pictures, posters and books were attractively displayed. Among the guests from United Church Mission fields were Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Collins, Africa, Miss Evelyn Ricker, Ottawa Chinese Mission, Rev. and Mrs. Ian MacLeod with Miss Luella Rorke from Japan, and Rev. and Mrs. John Wayling from India.

The Festival was officially opened by Dr. Norman Coll on the Friday evening, at which time the guests were introduced including those from various Embassies, who appeared in native costume; and greetings were recorded from Miss Jean Macdonald, Parkdale's missionary in Japan.

Sunday services promoted the theme "Into all the world together" in a morning message by Dr. Coll entitled "The

Church in Today's World—Is it a Failure or Force?" and in the evening, a missionary film "Household of Faith", with the display open after both services. In the afternoon a gathering of some 350 children were guided through the exhibit and participated in the Presbyterian Mission Band Rally which had been arranged to take place in Parkdale Church on World Mission Sunday and form a part of the World Mission Festival.

The Festival continued throughout the weekend with programs of plays, films and filmstrips, informal talks, national songs and dances for every age group in the various church activities.

Organizations engaged in the preparation and presentation of this World Mission Festival were Parkdale's Missionary and Maintenance Committee, the three Woman's Missionary Society Auxiliaries, Mission Band, Explorers, Canadian Girls In Training, Young People's Union, Young Married Couples' Ark Club and the Church School under the able leadership of Mrs. L. A. Rickey and Mr. H. Tennant. All helped to make this a memorable and successful event.

Dominion Board, 1961

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oned, human limitations seemed limiting indeed. It was then rather than when they were spoken that Miss Ward's assertion came home:

"We are aware of the challenge that is before us and as we face the future it is with hope that God will go before us and bless that which we endeavour to do."

When the last Dominion Board of the Woman's Missionary Society rose from the re-dedication of the final communion service it was aware that God's pillar of fire goes before His people still.

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P.S.—For further information ask your delegates, and read "The Missionary Monthly," "Facts and Figures" and the new "Outreach" which replaces "Missionaries at Work."

Concerning NEIGHBORS

Inner City Neighbors—One of the basic aims of the current theme, "Churches for New Times," is—to find out how the kernel of the gospel is being translated into effective living. Because every congregation is involved in its own particular situation, it is under obligation to make decisions on the special needs at its own door.

The East Harlem Protestant Parish in New York City is a good example of how churches can speak directly to their surrounding community. People representing various ethnic groups living on low incomes in crowded tenements with a wide range of social and economic problems, are found there.

The Parish was begun in 1948, sponsored by seven Protestant communions: Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian, Congregational and others. From the beginning the two churches in the parish (the Church of the Ascension and the Church of the Resurrection) have been open to all residents of the area regardless of race, education or income. In addition, the Parish maintains a health clinic, family camp, retreat centre, credit union, problem clinic, children's library, drama and arts groups, a youth program and information centre.

As a direct means of Christian testimony, a small sign was distributed to each church member to post on his front door. It reads, "Welcome in the name of Christ," in both Spanish and English. Under an illustration of clasped hands over a cross were printed these words:

Look for this symbol. When you find it posted on the door of a neighbor, it marks the home of an East Harlem Protestant Parish member. Behind this door seal you will find a warm welcome and a helping hand.

FRANCES BONWICK



—LeRoy Toll

Mrs. J. L. CARDER

The Board of Christian Education has announced that on July 1st, 1961, Mrs. J. L. Carder, B.A., assumed responsibility for the development, testing, interpretation and promotion of the new program for Primary Children.

Mrs. Carder is a graduate of the University of Toronto and the United Church Training School. For the past year she served as interim Secretary for Girls' Work in The United Church of Canada. As our Dominion Board Portfolio Secretary for Mission Bands she brings to her new responsibility knowledge and understanding that will be of great value in preparing for the new ways of working in 1962.

Martin Luther Letter

A letter written by Martin Luther in 1518, and missing for more than 300 years, has been found in Boston. Until recently scholars had assumed that this priceless one-of-a-kind letter had been destroyed some years ago. Dr. Spencer Glidden of Tufts University School of Medicine, who acquired it from a collector, feels it unlikely there will ever be any explanation of its long hiding.

BOOK REVIEWS

on the theme

CHURCHES FOR NEW TIMES

(MRS. E. W.) ISABEL HICKESON

Dominion Board Secretary for Literature

"SIGNALS FOR THE SIXTIES" and "HASTEN THE DAY" are the two books you will find in the Adult Study Packet (\$3.00 complete with worship booklet and programs). I hope you will also find extra copies of these important first editions in every Auxiliary and church library and in many homes for personal reading.



The green light says "GO" from the beginning of the first page of "Signals for the Sixties" and although the Church must go slowly at some points, there is never a "STOP" sign for the effective witness of the people

who ARE the Christian Church. The authors, Marjorie Oliver and Ron Kenyon, point out the signs along the highway we must travel if we would make the voice of the Church relevant to the needs of these "sobering, soul-searching sixties."

"In Canada the changeover from a rural agricultural society to an urban industrial nation brings drastic repercussions in many areas of life—housing, education, municipal government and employment. The United Church of Canada is caught in these new times affecting Canada's people, its civic and national life, and every facet of living. These new times are complex and baffling. Yet the Church must have a voice in the nation's life. . . . The chosen theme

has definite applications for every member of the congregation in terms of study and action." This is the challenge thrown out by the authors.

The book is written in easy style but none-the-less with penetrating analysis of the crying needs of all segments of our society. Controversial statements are made that will stir deep reactions within us and will make ready-made discussion-starters in adult groups. "Psychiatrists are finding that new suburbs are neurotic places" is from the chapter on "Church and Community" under the traffic sign "UNEVEN ROAD." "WATCH OUT FOR CHILDREN" points us to the chapter on "Family Life" and this statement, "The home is no longer the character-building force it once was." Under the signal "DANGEROUS CORNER" come youth problems, and "BUMPS AHEAD" warns of changing patterns in rural communities. Concerning declining moral standards, "KEEP RIGHT" is an apt admonition in view of the questions, "Are there no church members among people who fix prices, cheat bosses, and draw unemployment insurance while working? Can it be that church members do not, in their personal lives, tell lies, cheat custom officials at borders or pilfer from the office?"

The authors do not raise questions or sound the voice of doom without suggesting answers and giving signs of hope for these times. They do present facts in a way that will hold your interest, rouse your ire and compel you to do

something constructive. They will make you think for yourself and re-consider your own witness to Christ or lack of it. They tell of successful projects undertaken by churches and individuals, of ways we can make an intelligent contribution to the growth and relevance of the Christian witness to the community and situation in which we live, pointing out that "each of us who considers himself a member of the church is charged with inescapable responsibilities . . . in the place where we live, work and worship."

Marjorie Oliver, under a pen-name, is well known to people of Ontario as a columnist for the Toronto *Globe and Mail*. Ron Kenyon is also a journalist. They were commissioned by The United Church of Canada to write this book for us.

You will be fascinated by "Signals For The Sixties" by Marjorie Oliver and Ron Kenyon—\$1.25.



"HASTEN THE DAY" is the reading book of the year, companion to "Signals For The Sixties." Jessie L. Beattie whom you will remember as author of "Black Moses," was also commissioned by the United Church to

write for us. She has travelled across Canada gathering information from the people who were actually involved in situations similar to those depicted.

Here are ten of the "human interest" stories, set in our own country, which you are constantly requesting, the kind you could use to illustrate talks, emphasize points in programs or addresses, or read for personal enrichment. Each story tells of a way in which the church is speaking relevantly to the needs and situations of these "New Times."

You will find persons you are sure

you know. As you read, there may be instant recognition of Rev. Charles Mavor and his wife Mamie. At seventy, Charles was retired though he felt there was still plenty of energy in his body and wit in his head. Rather resentfully he says, "Yes, I'm old, so old they've turned me out to pasture like Black Beauty."

But Charles was not really that old, in spirit anyway, for he scraped up an acquaintance with little Johnny Lee who was pre-school age, as they stood watching the bull-dozer in a new housing development. Neither had anything better to do at the time, but their friendship led to setting up a nursery school and that led to a new church eventually. Before too long the retired minister was busier than ever, moving from one new housing area to another, staying with each group until they were on their own feet and a new congregation begun.

We know a minister whom this story fits to a T, and you probably know another. You will recognize your own church situation in other stories also. There is one story of an inner city church, an old building surrounded by people with critical social problems, one about the service of a coastal mission boat, and one about "Jeanie" and a storefront church. Such intriguing titles as "The Red Silk Dress" and "Chrysanthemum Transplanted" all introduce stories told with deep understanding of human nature and frailties.

Young and old and in-betweens—all adults will want to read "Hasten The Day" by Jessie L. Beattie—118 pages, \$1.25.

In 1961, 1,200 young people from around the world share in the largest work camp program yet conducted by the World Council of Churches—53 camps in 36 countries. The first began in April in Thailand, the last ends in November in West Pakistan.

LITERATURE PAGE

(MRS. E. W.) ISABEL HICKESON
Dominion Board Secretary for Literature

COMMON SENSE AND UNCOMMON CENTS—In other words, it's clearly common sense to look out for book bargains, especially when the prices are uncommonly low—\$1.00 and less.

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The World Council of Churches—Third Assembly—New Delhi, India, November 18-December 6, 1961.

Delegates from The United Church of Canada will attend, including Miss Dorothy Young, W.M.S. Home Organization Secretary. They need your support and prayers. The study material on the theme of the Assembly, "**Jesus Christ The Light of the World**" is available to assist your understanding of the work and discussions. Price: 50c.

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MISS WILNA THOMAS, M.A.

Miss Wilna Thomas, M.A., was born in Saskatchewan, and her home is in Victoria, B.C. She is a graduate of the University of Saskatchewan, and the United Church Training School. She was appointed as a missionary of the Woman's Missionary Society in 1940 and served in Hamilton for two years, after which she became the Dominion Board Secretary for Younger Groups. In 1944 she entered the Chaplaincy service with

the Canadian Women's Army Corps. Following her years in the army, she studied at Columbia University and Union Theological Seminary in New York (1947-1948) obtaining her Master of Arts degree.

After serving another year as Secretary for Younger Groups she was appointed to Japan where she worked for eight years, largely among college students. In 1957 she became Associate Missions Executive Secretary, with special responsibility for overseas scholarship students. During the past year she has visited the countries or areas overseas in which the United Church has workers (Angola, Northern Rhodesia, India, Japan, Hong Kong, Korea and Trinidad). On July 1st she took over the work of Overseas Missions Executive Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society succeeding Mrs. H. D. Taylor. She has been appointed an Associate Secretary of the new Board of World Mission which, in January 1962, becomes responsible for the overseas work now done by the Board of Overseas Missions and the Woman's Missionary Society.

Looking Forward

We Welcome

To many United Church women across Canada Mrs. Hutchinson is probably best known as a Principal of the United Church Training School, which post she occupied from 1945-1954. But there are other things to tell about our Chairman-elect. She is a

native of the Maritimes, born in Truro, N.S. Her father, Mr. Peter Moriarity, was a well-known Y.M.C.A. Secretary, who served in Halifax for many years.

Mrs. Hutchinson received her M.A. degree from Dalhousie University, and, following graduation, taught school in Halifax. She lived some years in Montreal and moved to Toronto in 1929. She received her diploma in theology from Emmanuel College, Toronto, in 1938, and served on the staff of Sherbourne United Church as Director of Christian Education. She took an active part in the Student Christian Movement and was Toronto Secretary for five years, and National Secretary for one year.

Since her term as Principal of the Training School, Mrs. Hutchinson has continued as a staff member, responsible for the teaching of the New Testament. She has served on many Church Boards and committees and is an Elder at Saint Luke's United Church. Her husband, who is treasurer of Simpson-Sears, Toronto, is a very active layman in Saint Luke's.



MRS. J. D. H. HUTCHINSON
Chairman-elect of the Board of Women



MISS ANNE I. WARD
Secretary



MISS BEATRICE WILSON
Associate Secretary

While introductions are unnecessary for two leaders so well-known to W.M.S. and W.A. members across Canada as Miss Ward and Miss Wilson, we would like to remind our readers of a few "vital statistics."

Miss Ward is a native of London, Ontario, and graduated in arts from the University of Western Ontario. She also holds an A.T.C.M. degree from the Toronto Conservatory of Music. In 1930 Miss Ward graduated from the United Church Training School and was designated as a missionary, going to West China under the Woman's Missionary Society. During her term of service she became head of the Fine Arts Department of the West China Union University. She returned to Canada in 1951 when all missionaries were evacuated from China.

After a year's furlough Miss Ward was appointed General Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society, a position which she will retain until the new Board of Women comes into being on January 1, 1962.

Miss Beatrice Wilson was born in Bolton, Ontario, and is a graduate of the University of Toronto and the United Church Training School. Following graduation, she served as Director of Christian Education in First United Church, Truro, N.S., and at Metropolitan United Church, Regina. She taught school in Toronto and Winnipeg and worked in the Y.W.C.A. in Saint John, N.B.

Miss Wilson was Executive Director of St. Christopher House in Toronto for ten years and resigned from that post in 1953 to become the first Executive Secretary of the Dominion Council of the Woman's Association. Like Miss Ward, Miss Wilson will hold her present position until the Board of Women is established.

SURPRISE!

ALICE B. MUNNS

While I was on deputation work in British Columbia recently, I went to speak at a certain church one Sunday evening. I noticed a man of dark skin in the audience. I knew he wasn't a Negro and he did not look a man from India. At the Friendship Hour following the service, I spoke to him and asked him who he was. He replied that he was just an ordinary seaman and that his ship had arrived in Vancouver the day before. He said that his ship had brought sugar cane to Canada and would take lumber back with it.

"Where is your home?" I asked him.

"I live in Fiji," he replied.

"Do you know the town of Suva?" I asked him, with some curiosity.

"Yes, that is my home town," was the reply.

"I am most interested to hear that," I

replied, and then in answer to his questioning look, I added, "For seven years I was editor of a Hindi Sunday School paper in Central India, and a missionary in Suva had subscribed for 50 copies. So each week the 50 copies are sent to Suva, Fiji Islands."

The young man interrupted me to ask, "Was the name of the paper 'Jyoti Kiran' (Rays of Light)?"

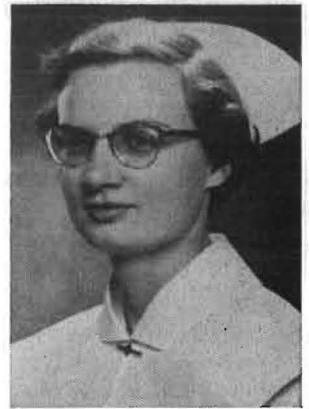
With great surprise I answered, "Yes, it is!"

"I learned Hindi," was his quick reply, "and I have often read that little paper."

Little did I think as the paper was sent out week by week that some day, in Canada, I would meet a young man from the Fiji Islands who had read the stories in that little paper. Its "rays" certainly travelled far! Truly it is a case of "Into All the World Together."



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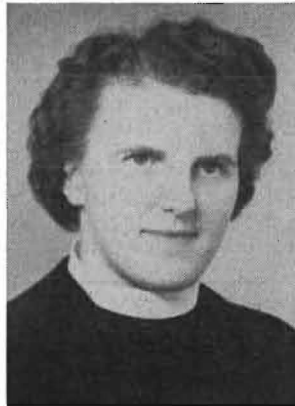


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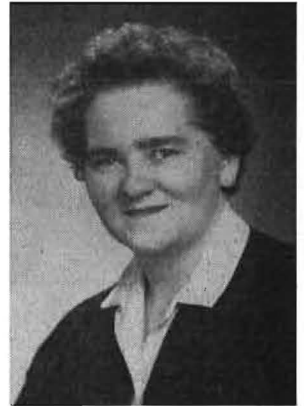
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MARY R. HARTON,
Secretary-Treasurer, Periodicals

An old Chinese proverb says, "The world is a beautiful book, but of little use to him who cannot read it." We might go as far as to say, in our day and continent, "we have many illiterates." So many people with an opportunity to see the world yet so few who actually see the world of people; so many with a knowledge of the need but so few responding; so few with an awareness of the call to Christian vocation yet so many requests for just such a witness!

One of the greatest sources of challenge to the world is the wealth of words that are available to those of us who use the English language. Books can bring us to the world of people—they can help

us respond to a need—and they can challenge us to a mission in our vocation. We are continuously ashamed of our own adult inadequacies in the use of such a source.

"The pen delays.....Words fail
Before the loveliness which phrases will not
capture—
Maple leaves—
They hold their fingers open to the air
And rain, their forms are eery
In a half revealing fog.
Storms bring them strength.
Earth vibrates when a breeze
Day-dreams through their branches.
Though clouds be gloomed on some too early
winter morning,
The woodland trail is full of light."

Catherine Baker

The Crest of the Present

Because women in congregations, ministers and members of Provisional Committees are still asking questions about the reasons for organizing "The United Church Women" and because many people are still confused about the changes being recommended, this article attempts once more a review of The United Church Women. It may be useful resource material for conference periods at Autumn Rallies, where Constitution, By-laws and Program materials for the new organization should all be dealt with in some way.

There is a saying by an unknown writer that "the past rides on the crest of the present as it moves into the future." Certainly in these days we are finding this to be true. As members of The Woman's Missionary Society sort over historical records destined for archives they are moved by the stories that come from the early days of church life in Canada—stories of pioneer women who blazed a path "where highways never ran."

Some women set up little fellowships of the concerned—Guilds, Female Benevolent Societies, Ladies' Aids, Auxiliaries—because they wanted to be sure of a church home for their own families in the rough and ready communities of a pioneer land. Others reached out to include in their concern women and children of far away lands, then strange and unknown: Africa, China, Formosa, Japan, Trinidad, India, Korea.

One cannot read these records from the past without realizing that miracles were wrought because women in the Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational churches were people of faith, vision and courage. Nor is it surprising to find that when Church Union came women moved quite naturally into new patterns of organizations within The

United Church of Canada, leaving behind them, "cherished patterns of working and the comfortable security of known ways" in order that new forms of pioneering and partnership, new patterns of mission might prevail.

Now, thirty-five years after Union, women in The United Church of Canada face a new challenge to change! As they do so there are certain factors that need to be taken into account if re-organization is to have purpose and meaning.

This is a time when in many ways and in many lands the role of women is changing. Increasingly they are being afforded more opportunity to work in co-operation with men, and this is being reflected in the life of the church. In The United Church of Canada women may hold office in church courts and they may be ordained as ministers. Now they are finding that they do not need to organize their lay organizations outside the structure of the church, as they did once, in order to find opportunity to make an effective contribution to its life and work. When in the nineteenth century societies of women, like our Woman's Missionary Society, were formed they tended to function parallel to the life of the church itself. Now it is possible to have a "Board of Women" within the church's organizational pattern and for women to serve on other Boards of the church.

Today strategies and policies for carrying out the many "missions" of the church are changing. For example, we are realizing that the time has come when Missionary Societies which once established and supervised "mission causes" on their own, must become an integral part of the churches they represent if they are not to be by-passed by the very movement of church history.

Today it is the Christian *churches* of all lands, who must stand together in a universal fellowship with a *concern for mission in all they do*, if the gospel is to be brought to bear on the life of the world.

Again we must recognize that ideas about the meaning of "mission" are being enriched and enlarged. Today we think of mission not only as a matter of good news carried to another part of the world by persons especially set aside—although that must still be part of it—but mission is being interpreted today as the dynamic outreach of the church wherever it is to the world around it—the business of reconciliation in which every Christian, clergy or lay, must be involved and in which he shares with other Christians everywhere.

Then, too, there is a growing uneasiness within the church about the prevalence and depth of the evils in our society and the fact that the Christian impact of the church seems so very slight. One observer in a recent article suggests that we need to ask whether, as church members, we are "too Biblically ignorant, too spiritually illiterate, too incompetent in the use of our tools!" The plea is for less busyness, greater discipline in worship and study and a new sense of Christian vocation.

And what has all this to do with The United Church Women? Surely this, at least, that this movement among the women of our church must be more than a reshuffling of organization if it is to be equal to the opportunity and need of our time.

But what of the movement itself? How can it be interpreted so that women in our congregations understand the changes that are taking place? Let us review again the action of General Council 1960. At that time three new Boards were authorized, to come into being officially in 1962. A Board of World Mission which is to be composed

of men and women, clergy and lay, will have at least one woman on its administrative staff. This Board will assume the responsibilities previously carried by the Woman's Missionary Society and the present Board of Overseas Missions in the world-wide mission of the church. Moreover it will now look to the total membership of the whole church for backing and support.

A new Board of Home Missions will likewise include both men and women, in Board membership and in staff. It will assume the responsibilities previously carried by both the Woman's Missionary Society and the present Home Mission Board. This will make possible overall planning for both established patterns and new ventures in mission in Canada. This Board will look to the whole church including all the women of the church for encouragement and support.

Then in January 1962 a new Board of Women will be set up to replace the present Dominion Board of the Woman's Missionary Society and the Dominion Council of the Woman's Association. This Board will work in co-operation with other Boards in the interest of the church as a whole. It will initiate special projects for all women of the church and will give direction to a new organization, The United Church Women. The organization will function as The Conference United Church Women, The Presbyterian United Church Women and The United Church Women (in the congregation).

Provision has been made for representation of women on various Boards of the Church both as representing the new organization officially and as members in their own right. Conference and Presbytery Committees will be encouraged to include more women in their membership and provision will be made for specific representation on certain committees such as "Christian Educa-

tion" and "Missionary and Maintenance." In the congregation The United Church Women will be represented on the Official Board and the Committee of Stewards as well as on the Committees responsible for Christian Education and Missionary Education.

The United Church Women in the congregation will be so organized that all women may meet together regularly for General Meetings but in addition provision will be made for smaller Units, meeting monthly. Both the "General" Organization and the "Units" will be expected to fulfill the purpose of The United Church Women which is stated in the constitution thus: "To unite all the women of the church for the total mission of the church and to provide a medium through which they may express their loyalty and devotion to Jesus Christ in fellowship, witness, study and service." An Executive is essential for the effective functioning of an organization and Standing Committees will be necessary for efficient planning and action. In a small church with a small number of women the pattern can be adapted. In such a church there will probably be no Units; committee functions will need to be combined and/or carried by fewer people. A Handbook containing By-laws, Constitution and general information about organization will be ready in the autumn.

In Program, use will be made of resources selected from those provided for both General and Unit Meetings and care will be needed to see that balance is maintained. In many churches with no "Units" The United Church Women may wish to meet more than once a month.

In 1962 there will be a variety of Program materials for the use of the new organization: two booklets of worship material "Praise Ye The Lord" and "Beginning Again"; a Bible Study booklet—"The Church of Christ" adaptable

for three or six sessions in a Unit Meeting; the "mission study" packet on the theme "Churches for New Times", planned also for use in Unit Meetings. There is also a packet of miscellaneous material for use in General Meetings. Some of the materials planned for use by The United Church Women will be already in use by W.M.S. and W.A. groups in the autumn of 1961. Others will be ready for use in January 1962. Groups that "reshuffle" membership when they enter "The United Church Women" in 1962 will need to plan carefully about their use of the materials related to the theme "Churches for New Times" to avoid repetition of program topics but there is ample material on the theme for groups to select and choose. Inaugural services for use in congregation, Presbyterial and Conference are already available and may be ordered by Provisional Committees for use in congregations.

But programming involves more than the use of program material as the history of women's work has made clear. So the United Church Women will continue to witness through service and giving and social action. Visiting among members, non-members and shut-ins, provision of supplies for local welfare, for Church Institutions and Overseas Relief, co-operation in care for the manse and other needs of the local congregation are part of program. Study of current issues and social action to help meet human needs, promotion of good reading and the discriminating use of mass media, encouragement and support for Christian and Missionary Education of children and teen-agers, an emphasis on Christian family life—all these concerns must continue and they must be multiplied. Moreover what women claim for others in Canada they will help to make available for people in other parts of the world at the same time. In this way their share of the church's task may be seen in relation to the whole.

Money will be needed to undergird present responsibilities and to make new ventures possible. So The United Church Women will budget carefully to provide for an "allocation" for work of the United Church outside the congregation; for needs of the local congregation and manse; for a share of expenses of Presbyterian and Conference organization; and for those emergency or recommended projects that always claim a marginal amount in any proper budget!

New plans for the development of work with Younger Groups will necessitate new relationships between The United Church Women and any Committees responsible for Christian Education and Missionary Education. Baby Bands will be integrated with the Nursery and Kindergarten Departments of the church, a new Primary Program will replace the present Mission Band; contributions for "Special Objects" made by Younger Groups will be made through local M. & M. funds; the present cere-

mony of "Affiliation" for Explorer and C.G.I.T. groups will disappear but will probably be replaced by a ceremony of "Dedication to Mission" which will be shared by all younger groups with the support of the congregation as a whole. Mission Circles will find their place either as Units of The United Church Women or within the Christian Education programs of the Church.

Provisional Committees are now at work, planning for Inaugural Meetings, setting up Nominating Committees, ordering essential materials, conferring about allocations, drawing up budgets and preparing the way generally for a new day when the women of our church shall once more move out of "the securities that are no more secure and the boundaries that are too narrow for the Lord of all the earth." Truly "the past rides once more on the crest of the present" but the direction of movement is toward the future.

D. M. Y.

Worship Services 1961-62

A booklet of worship services for adult groups "Beginning Again" is included in the adult Mission Study Packet. It was written by Joan and Blair Colborne. It may be purchased separately from the Packet. (20 cents)

Another booklet of worship services being recommended for both W.M.S. and W.A. groups is called, "Praise Ye the Lord."

Persons responsible for leading worship or planning for it in adult groups should have both these books. They are available from the Literature Distribution Centre, 299 Queen Street West, Toronto 2B, Ontario, or from the regional depots.

AUGUST, 1961

We are grateful to God that we have caught a vision of the whole church sent to meet the whole world in its need.

In our gathering much has become clear to us which weighs upon our conscience and gives us cause for shame.

It weighs upon our conscience that:

- we so easily allow ourselves to be led by other lights than the Light of Jesus Christ, by money and material goods, by false ideas of happiness and success, joy and fulfilment.
- we are so ignorant of the Scriptures and of the faith of the Church, that we are unpractised in prayer and sacrifice.

-Ecumenical Youth Assembly in Europe, Lausanne 1960

MISSION CIRCLES

If your members are 18 years of age and over:

- Discuss with the Provisional Committee in your congregation where you will fit into The United Church Women in 1962.

If your members are under 18 years of age:

- Please make sure that your Presbyterian Secretary for Mission Circles knows the names and correct addresses of your President and Advisory President. You will receive special directions in the fall. In the meantime, continue as usual.

MISSION BAND SUPERINTENDENTS

- Begin your work this fall as usual.
- Secure and use the 1961-62 Mission Study Packet.
- Be sure that your Presbyterian Secretary for Mission Bands knows your name and address. (If you do not know who she is, write to the Secretary for Younger Groups, 85 St. Clair Ave. E., Toronto 7.)
- Directions (in leaflet form) regarding changing to the new Primary Program will be sent to you in the fall—if your Secretary has your name and correct address.
- If you have Juniors in your Band, special suggestions will be made for your group. Have you read Mrs. Carder's article, "How Many Are Enough?" in the June *Missionary Monthly*?
- Talk to your minister and Auxiliary President as soon as you receive the leaflet giving directions about next steps.

BABY BAND SUPERINTENDENTS

Use the fall months

- To visit the homes of Baby Band members.
- To distribute missionary education literature.
- To become acquainted with the Superintendents of the Nursery Roll, the Nursery, Kindergarten and Family Life Department of your Church School.
- To co-operate with these Superintendents in every way possible.

R. CATHERINE MCKEEN



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BAY OF QUINTE CONFERENCE BRANCH—The W.M.S. Auxiliary of Mark Street United Church, Peterborough (Peterborough Presbyterian), celebrated its 70th anniversary with a special meeting attended also by members from all the city churches. There were more than 90 guests. Mrs. N. D. Patterson found very little of the early history was available locally when she began to write an historic outline for the occasion. So she obtained information from the Archives Committee in Toronto. It is interesting to note that the present president, Mrs. N. H. Hewitt, is a granddaughter of Mrs. W. Wand, one of the early presidents—also that her grandfather, Mr. Wand, built the old church on Mark Street—and that two of Mrs. Wand's daughters took part in the anniversary proceedings. There were 19 charter members whose group was organized by Mrs. J. Kendry of George Street Church. From this organization came the first Mission Band, a Mission Circle which later merged with the Auxiliary, and another Circle which has now amalgamated with the Rowland Evening Auxiliary. Mrs. E. Alton was specially mentioned for having organized the first Baby Band Mothers Group in the city at Mark Street.

The special speaker was Mrs. F. W. K. Harris, whose theme was "Lessons from the Sermon on the Mount." Greetings from the Official Board of the church were extended by Dr. Patterson, from the Presbyterian by the President, Mrs. F. McIndoo, and messages came from former members who could not attend.

HAMILTON CONFERENCE BRANCH—A milestone in the history of the Auxiliary of St. Paul's W.M.S., Milton (Halton Presbyterian), was passed when the 75th anniversary was observed. "Highlights in History" prepared by Miss M. E. Hume was an interesting story of the beginning and growth of the Auxiliary. Miss Hume mentioned many names of the ladies who pioneered the group and gave leadership as other groups, including the Mission

Band, the Cradle Roll and C.G.I.T. were added to the church family. Two descendants of the first members were present, Mrs. F. L. Crawford and Mrs. H. Bundy. The guest speaker, Mrs. J. B. Moore of Waterloo, greatly impressed the meeting with her address and her enthusiasm for the missionary work of the church. Mr. Moore ministered to the congregation of St. Paul's during the war years. Since we are at the most only two days from anyone in the world, what travellers do and say is important as this is taken as an indication of the Christian western world. This happy occasion was indeed one of fellowship and goodwill, as well as one of gratitude.

Alberta

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CALGARY PRESBYTERIAL — A new venture under the joint sponsorship of Calgary W.A. and W.M.S. was undertaken to train Press Secretaries. The Canadian Women's Press Club, Calgary Branch, arranged a three weeks' Round Table Symposium for the press representatives of various women's groups in the city. The W.A. and W.M.S. paid the registration fee to send the Presbyterian Press Secretary to take the course. Professional people in the various media—radio, press, television and public relations consultants—gave excellent guidance and provided splendid manuals of study material. Assignments had to be completed and a diploma was awarded. The Presbyterian Press Secretary plans to hold a workshop for W.A. and W.M.S. Press Secretaries to pass on the information she gained.

The Explorer Group of Central United Church, Calgary, purchased a beautiful Japanese Bible and sent it to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd B. Graham in Japan. This represented sacrificial giving, money either directly earned or given from their allowance. This same group of girls donated \$30 to Miss Joy Vickery, on

furlough from Trinidad, to pay for one year's education for a girl in Trinidad.

SOUTH ALBERTA PRESBYTERIAL — A joint annual meeting of W.M.S. Presbyterial and W.A. Presbytery was held in Knox United Church, Taber, with delegates representing 24 churches. The sessions were presided over by Mrs. A. Duff, W.M.S. president, and Mrs. M. L. Roberts, W.A. president. Reports showed extensive work done by both organizations in contributions to overseas relief and missions at home and abroad. The W.M.S. surpassed their allocation with \$450 for Gifts for Building Advance. Inspirational worship services were conducted by groups from Lethbridge, Scandia, Ranier and Picture Butte. Mrs. Rushford of Grassy Lake, conducted a panel discussion on the workings of the new organization from local groups up to Conference and General Council. Literature was made available for the study of United Church Women. Two films were presented—"Household of Faith" which concerned Christian growth in fellowship and the sharing of one faith, and "World in a Word" which explained by word and artistic drawings the meaning of "ecumenical" and its significance to all Christians.

Bay of Quinte

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LINDSAY PRESBYTERIAL—The four sections each held a spring rally. The new organization, "The United Church Women" was the uppermost topic discussed. Miss Marion Thomson, Field Secretary, was the speaker of Coboconk and Udney, and Mrs. T. M. West of the Victor Home for Girls, addressed the rallies at Little Britain and Mount Horeb. At Coboconk, Miss Thomson conducted a most helpful workshop on program planning, all members present participating in one phase of preparing a program. This proved most enlightening. She also answered many questions regarding the functioning of the new organization. A questionnaire on the new organization was presented by Mrs. G. Avery of the W.M.S. and Mrs. J. M. Dack of the W.A. In her address, Mrs. West told of the wonderful work done by the Victor Home in caring for the unmarried mother and her baby. The training and understanding care the mothers receive change them from sad

and frightened girls into good citizens and many become good wives and mothers of families. Mrs. V. Lang of Omemee, gave an excellent report of the Conference Branch meeting. Reports of Explorer and C.G.I.T. Groups were most encouraging.

OSHAWA PRESBYTERIAL—The C.G.I.T. of St. Paul's United Church, Ajax, had their annual closing in the form of a Father and Daughter evening. There were approximately 65 girls, 34 fathers and 9 leaders present. The first part of the program was held in the sanctuary of the church with the senior group leading in worship on the theme "The True Light." Our affiliation service followed with Mrs. C. Downs of Oshawa representing the Presbyterial Secretary for Affiliated C.G.I.T. Groups. Affiliation badges were presented to 30 girls. The less formal program downstairs was started with a representative from each group giving a resumé of the year's work done by her group. The girls graduating into C.G.I.T. from the Explorers were introduced by one of their counsellors and welcomed by a C.G.I.T. leader. Each girl was presented with a booklet entitled "Presenting C.G.I.T." and asked to read it during the summer. At this point in our program our Camp Council representative was chosen. Girls who were interested in going and who were eligible were asked to come forward and state their names, age, length of time in C.G.I.T., camp experience, and why they wanted to go to Camp Council. The girls have always chosen wisely in this instance. The minister, Rev. T. R. Norman, closed our program with a few well-chosen words. Since there is not a W.M.S. Auxiliary in St. Paul's Church, the Affiliated W.A. has encouraged the girls in their program.

British Columbia

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KAMLOOPS - OKANAGAN PRESBYTERIAL — A study of the ecumenical movement sparked the idea for a get-together of women from various churches in Kelowna at a meeting held in First United Church. A large congregation was present. Women from each denomination spoke of the mission work of her church and it was evident that all are working toward the same goal. The mission fields mentioned were Angola, Algeria, British Guiana, Bolivia, Brazil,

Canada, Congo, China, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Formosa, India, Japan, Korea, Nigeria, Puerto Rico, Philippines, Rhodesia, Trinidad and others. Churches taking part were Anglican, Baptist, Mennonite Brethren, Pentecostal, Evangelical Brethren, Mennonite Mission, Presbyterian, Latter Day Saints, Roman Catholic, Salvation Army and United. After the program in the church the meeting adjourned to the hall where the Canadian Bible Society had a display which included the new English Bible (New Testament). Another display of interest was a large map marked with the mission fields of the various participating churches. The whole evening was planned with the idea of sharing ideals, methods, and bringing the women closer together in the carrying out of the great command, "Go ye."

VICTORIA PRESBYTERIAL—The fellowship of a box lunch opened the spring rally at Centennial Church. Highlights included the receiving of reports of the annual Conference Branch meeting. These were so well given that we almost felt that we had been there. Also we saw slides depicting the work in Bella Bella Hospital which made us very proud of the work carried on by the United Church. In the unavoidable absence of Dr. Darby, Mrs. Darby described these to us in an interesting manner.

Miss Ruth Saunders, on furlough from Korea, was guest speaker at the Thankoffering service of the W.M.S. of Centennial United Church. She told of the struggle for existence by 22 million people living in an area smaller than Vancouver Island. In spite of the many hardships, their devotion to their church givings is nothing short of miraculous. Out of their meagre possessions they still find by self denial that they have something to give. The president conducted the worship service which centred around the work of Mary Slessor. Mr. and Mrs. E. Jamieson assisted with the showing of pictures of Korea after which Miss Saunders answered several questions.

Hamilton

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BRANTFORD PRESBYTERIAL—At Wesley United Church, Galt, a joint affiliation service was held for the C.G.I.T. Groups of Hespeler United

Church, St. Paul's, Preston, Wesley United and First United Church, Galt. The Presbyterian Secretary for Affiliated C.G.I.T. Groups received cheques from each group for the work of the W.M.S. Mr. H. Perrin, dealing with illiteracy, said that 80 per cent of the people in India cannot read or write but the young people are eager to learn. He challenged the young girls to come to know their faith, a most vital need.

NIAGARA PRESBYTERIAL—Affiliation services were important events in this Presbyterian. At Central United Church, Port Colborne, it was the first time that the affiliation service was held at the regular church service, and C.G.I.T. and Explorer members took part in the service. The Rev. L. T. C. Harbour gave an address on "Burning Bridges." The Presbyterian Secretary for Affiliated C.G.I.T. Groups received the C.G.I.T. donation, and the W.M.S. President received the gift from the Explorers for the Presbyterian Secretary for Affiliated Explorer Groups.

The Presbyterian Secretary for Affiliated C.G.I.T. Groups also attended the re-affiliation service of the C.G.I.T. Groups at Jordan, and spoke briefly on the importance of the Christian challenge. An interesting filmstrip "The Year That Flowered" showed what is being done for refugees in Hong Kong.

London

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ESSEX PRESBYTERIAL—On one of the coldest days of the winter at Leamington a record attendance gathered for the final annual meeting of this Presbyterian. Among the reports that delighted us was the Treasurer's announcement of an allocation reached plus an increase of \$1,050 for G.B.A. A slight increase in membership and in life members was noted as well as increased interest in Bible study. The Candidate Secretary expressed hope for future professional church workers from contacts with eight girls from five churches in the Presbyterian. The Mission Circle Secretary reported the organization of one new Mission Circle. The Supply Secretary spoke of a generous response to requests for supplies. More personal reading was advocated because "reading stimulates stewardship."

The special address of the morning was given by the Rev. F. W. Schmidt, assistant minister of St. Andrew's United Church, Chatham. "The 20th century," he said, "is the cradle of two great ideologies which, to many, have become religions to which they have given their loyalty." He declared that it behooves the Christian Church to work mightily for God in Africa as Mohammedanism and Communism are making two converts to one made by Christianity. "Bible Study—a Challenge" was presented by five auxiliaries. Sandwich Auxiliary demonstrated that Bible study could take the form of drama; Chalmers, that it could be presented by pantomime; Harrow narrated a story; Glenwood, by choral reading, and Essex, through comparative study with a hymn.

The highlight of the afternoon was the address given by Miss Aileen Ratz who stressed the importance of "going into all the world together" by describing her work at Halifax, greeting immigrants. Her talk also illustrated "the changing patterns of mission."

HURON PRESBYTERIAL—Mrs. G. W. Tiffin of Wingham was returned as Presbyterial President when more than 300 delegates and visitors registered for the last annual Presbyterial meeting in Wingham United Church. Miss Mildred Matthewson, on furlough from Japan, told of the growth of Japanese Christian leadership in their church and in the political field. The Treasurer reported the 1960 allocation was exceeded by \$841 and the new allocation of \$26,000 was accepted. A new feature of the meeting was the holding of departmental conferences when groups were formed for study as follows: presidents and leaders, Mrs. O. Harrison; secretaries, Mrs. W. B. Cruikshank and Mrs. G. Michie; younger groups, Rev. C. Ferguson; mission, Rev. L. Brown; literature, Mrs. S. E. Lewis; treasurer and Christian stewardship, Mrs. E. McKinley; supply, Mrs. R. Harmer.

Manitoba

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CARMAN PRESBYTERIAL—Miss Betty Caldwell of the Indian Residential School at Portage la Prairie was the guest speaker at the Thank-offering meeting in Roland United Church. She gave a graphic account of "Operation

Crossroads Africa." Fourteen work parties, located at points in Nigeria, lived and worked with the people and were met with warm friendliness everywhere. The village where Miss Caldwell's group spent several weeks, had made remarkable progress in two short years due to the work of two local boys who were educated abroad and returned to serve their people. A short question and answer period proved most informative. Mrs. E. Pritchard called attention to the book display and gave a short review of "Split in the Sky."

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE PRESBYTERIAL—"Forward into all the world together" was the theme of the annual Presbyterial meeting held in Gladstone. There were 156 registered delegates. Conference Branch was represented by Mrs. C. N. Halstead, Past President. This being ecumenical year, she used this as her theme to show how to go forward into all the world together. To make this unity real, we must bring it into our own organizations. An interesting history was presented by a number of the executive members who told of the beginning of mission work in Manitoba in 1884, through the time of Church Union to the present when a change will again take place in 1962. Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Harris, of Portage la Prairie Indian Residential School, and one pupil were evening guests. They showed slides of their work which showed that total integration can really work. Bible study was conducted by Mrs. D. Conly, Winnipeg. The Literature Secretary gave an enlightening sketch of available books. Mrs. W. Drysdale led in a discussion of the new women's organization. Rev. W. Hogman gave a thought-provoking message when he said the Church faces an alien society in the world.

WINNIPEG PRESBYTERIAL—A well attended and profitable W.M.S. and W.A. rally was held at Warren in the United Church. Thirteen organizations from the surrounding district reported, and 20 Winnipeg women attended as visitors. Registration totalled 91. Morning and afternoon worship periods of a most inspirational nature were taken by Grassmere Federation, and Mrs. Enderwick, Superintendent of Teulon Boys' Home. During the morning session excellent reports were given revealing a multitude of activities in raising funds and donations to different Christian causes. The afternoon session consisted of a presentation of the coming new organization

"The United Church Women" by Mrs. H. Wilson, W.M.S. Presbyterian President, and Mrs. W. Friesen, W.A. Presbytery President, followed by a period of questions and discussion.

Maritime

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SYDNEY PRESBYTERIAL — Miss Winnifred Sitahal, of Trinidad, made a deep impression when she spoke at the annual Presbyterian meeting in First United Church. Speaking of the proposed organization of United Church Women, she felt that, being fused into a new movement would give us an opportunity to see how strong we are, how flexible we can be, and how we can continue to grow. The reports gave a very encouraging picture of the work accomplished in the past year. The Treasurer reported the allocation had been exceeded and the money was voted for RAVEMCCO and the Indian work at Moose Mountain, Sask. Mrs. W. Spencer reminded the members that there was a candidate from this Presbyterian who would be graduating from the United Church Training School this year. Eleven out of 18 Mission Bands received a Certificate of Recognition or a seal.

Women of the community, C.G.I.T., Explorers, Girl Guides and Brownies met together to share in the World Day of Prayer Service at Westmount United Church, C.B. This was the first time that this service has been held in the community. In previous years a few delegates attended services in Sydney, some four miles away. It was thought that a local service would provide an opportunity to reach more people and also eliminate any transportation problem, and thus it proved to do. A few ladies from Leitches Creek also attended. The service of worship prepared for girls was used and those taking part were representative of the United Church and Anglican Church, of Explorers and C.G.I.T., Brownies and Guides.

Montreal-Ottawa

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GLENGARRY PRESBYTERIAL—The annual Pres-

byterial meeting was held in Trinity Church, Ingleside, with 200 in attendance. The Rev. Ian MacLeod, Otaru, Japan, was the special speaker at both afternoon and evening sessions. "The influence of the Christian faith is far greater than the number of Japanese Christians would indicate," he said, "but we need to do more than influence them, we need to give them the power of the Holy Spirit." Mr. MacLeod also said that with all the high culture that the Japanese religions offer, they do not give men the faith and strength to bear their sins and failures, and this is witnessed in the large number of suicides each year. The Rev. J. Clare Kellogg, Cornwall, conducted the morning Bible study and worship service, basing the study on three events that happened as a result of the Resurrection—Thomas' doubt, the first contact of Jesus with Peter after his denial, and the visit of Jesus to the disciples in the upper room—and the outcome of each, which was the love and transforming power of our Risen Lord overcoming disbelief, denial and fear. "Lamps of Service—Into all the World", a historical sketch of the W.M.S. and particularly of Glengarry Presbyterian was presented by Mrs. G. W. Irvine, a Past President of both Presbyterian and Conference Branch. She paid tribute to the many missionaries who have gone forth from this district, the first of whom was Miss Lucy M. Baker, who served for many years in Indian work, and the latest Miss Winona McGill at present serving in Northern Rhodesia. "Together in Ecumenical Missions" featured ladies of Baptist, Presbyterian, Wesleyan Methodist, Anglican and Lutheran Churches, who spoke on the mission work being done by their churches and women's organizations. At the evening session the C.G.I.T. and Explorer girls led in a sing song of familiar hymns and conducted the worship service.

Due to a change in immigration laws here, many Chinese men who are now living in Canada have sent for their wives and families. As a result, there are an increasing number of Chinese ladies arriving in many communities, and in Cornwall the minister, Rev. H. N. Burgess, and members of the W.M.S. Evening Auxiliary of St. Paul's United Church had a special meeting and informal reception for all Chinese-born ladies and their pre-school children. Mr. Burgess has a special interest in the Chinese families, as he has been able to give assistance to two young men who were

bringing their future brides to Cornwall. When speaking to the Auxiliary some months ago, Mr. Burgess suggested they invite the Chinese mothers and their children so that they might become acquainted with our church, and also be welcomed as new citizens. The visit of Dr. Yau Szeto of the United Chinese Centre, Ottawa, to the Chinese-born families in Cornwall was chosen as the occasion and an invitation was sent to every Chinese-born lady in the city. The eager response was very gratifying as every lady accepted even though most of them could not speak English. Mr. Burgess and Dr. Szeto shared the worship service with Dr. Szeto acting as interpreter throughout. After a tour of the church and its educational rooms, an informal reception was held. Language difficulties proved no barrier as Dr. Szeto and Mrs. Szeto were able to talk with the guests and a very happy atmosphere resulted.

Newfoundland

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BURIN PRESBYTERIAL—When the Burin Auxiliary invited the local W.A. to a regular meeting, an ecumenical program was presented which included the filmstrip "World in a Word", a recording with commentary and prepared worship service. The meaning of the word "ecumenical" in its broadest sense was made clear to all who were present. The filmstrip "We are all in the same boat" was also shown.

In response to a call for blankets for Algerian refugees in Tunisia, Port Elizabeth Auxiliary sent four new blankets and a quilt and three pairs of socks.

Using the service "Crown Him the Lord of Life" by Dr. Winnifred Thomas, Garnish Auxiliary held their Easter Thankoffering service at 6 a.m. The following Tuesday they presented an Easter drama written by one of their life members.

At a regular meeting of the Fortune Auxiliary the Explorer Group affiliated with the W.M.S. The worship service was conducted by the Explorer leader and two girls. The girls presented a brief dialogue telling about their mission study which has as its theme "Adventures with the Bible." Mothers of the girls attended the meeting.

CARBONAR PRESBYTERIAL — "Into all the world together" was the theme for the last annual Presbyterial meeting held at Carbonar Central United Church, and despite bad weather and road conditions there was a good attendance. After registration the opening worship service was led by the president. Miss Ruth Tillman, Christian Education worker, led a thought-provoking Bible study on the story of the rich young ruler as given in St. Mark's Gospel. The Literature Secretary recommended a number of books from the fine literature display and much interest was taken in the literature table. Reports showed the allocation exceeded, and satisfactory progress in all phases of W.M.S. work. Mrs. A. Wilkinson led the evening worship service. Reports of all secretaries of Younger Groups were encouraging. The Secretary for Mission Bands presented awards and Miss Tillman gave much enlightening information regarding these groups. A tape-recording of a discussion regarding the new organization of United Church Women was heard. Miss Tillman installed the officers for the coming year.

Saskatchewan

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ARCOLA PRESBYTERIAL—This Presbyterial met at Antler for the last annual meeting and Mrs. R. J. Davidson, Conference Branch President, was the guest speaker. The theme, "Into all the world together" was carried out in worship services and Bible study led by Mrs. A. Henderson. Mrs. Davidson gave a brief résumé of work done in Saskatchewan by the W.M.S. and then outlined the set-up for the new women's organization which will be known as United Church Women. Three past presidents were present—Mrs. W. O. Turnbull, Mrs. A. Lockhart and Mrs. H. Brady—and each was presented with a gift of remembrance. Messages were read from those unable to attend.

PRINCE ALBERT PRESBYTERIAL — The annual Presbyterial meeting was held in the Melfort United Church. Miss Ferne Graham led the Bible study, a highlight of the meeting. The 1960 allocation was exceeded and G.B.A. was voted for Indian work at Moose Mountain, and scholarships for Home and Overseas. The 1961 allocation is \$5,800. The Candidate Secretary

was happy to report that Miss Mary Alice Scott of Kinistino, was going to Japan as a high school teacher for three years under the W.M.S. The Conference Branch President, Mrs. R. J. Davidson stressed "learn and teach one." She said churches of the West must be activated in helping the underprivileged to help themselves. Mrs. A. Dickson gave a very informative talk on the new organization, "The United Church Women", and also presented a chart showing the proposed changes in Baby Band, Mission Band, Explorer and C.G.I.T. work.

QU'APPELLE PRESBYTERIAL—In preparation for the one women's organization, the annual meetings for the W.M.S. Presbyterial and W.A. Presbytery were held jointly. The reports were given under one convener, in several different ways. The guest speaker, Mrs. R. J. Davidson, W.M.S. Conference Branch President, touched on Christian Education work, overseas missions, the work of our Saskatchewan missionaries, and the constitution of the new organization, "The United Church Women." Mrs. W. J. Rae, Past President of Saskatoon Presbytery, chose as her topic, "How homemaking can be a Christian career." "A mother is a steward of great opportunities and responsibilities. Witnessing should be the first concern of every Christian woman," she said. Reports were

received on Junior Groups under the leadership of Christian Education convener, Mrs. A. J. McConnell, Home Organization reports were given in question and answer form, chaired by Mrs. W. Hilton. Literature, *The Missionary Monthly* and *World Friends*, Press—all showed a profitable year. An enlightening talk on "Women of the Bible" was given by Mrs. H. Campbell. All past presidents of both organizations were honored at the evening banquet, and each one gave a few words of appreciation.

WEYBURN PRESBYTERIAL—The final annual Presbyterial meeting was held in Lang United Church, and the registration showed over 80 members present. The opening worship service was conducted by Colfax Auxiliary. The Treasurer said the allocation had not been reached last year and urged each auxiliary to work a little harder this year in order to be ahead at the end of the year. The afternoon worship service was ably conducted by Weyburn Auxiliary. The theme hymn was "How great Thou art." The roll call showed the auxiliaries well represented. Mrs. M. Wilkinson, Yellow Grass, read the "History of the Weyburn Presbyterial" which was received with a round of applause. The main item of the day was an address on the new women's organization given by Mrs. R. J. Davidson, Conference

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Branch President. Many had not been too clear as to what to expect in The United Church Women, but were well satisfied and understood much more after hearing her speak.

Toronto

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TORONTO PRESBYTERIAL—Approximately 100 officers of the auxiliaries, federations and affiliated societies of the Presbyterian attended the Presidents' Luncheon held at Kimbourne Park United Church, Toronto. Miss Dorothy Young, Home Organization Secretary of the Dominion Board, spoke on programming. She stated that when the new organization came into existence, programming would be harder because of the more varied interests of the members. In churches where federations are now working the new organization would mean very little change.

A challenging and inspiring worship service was presented by Mrs. J. E. Bell. The women were deeply moved by the report of Mrs. W. J. Binkley, of St. Luke's United Church, which dealt with the plight of the unemployed in downtown Toronto, and urged the members do their utmost, both individually and collectively, to persuade all levels of government to increase their efforts to combat the insidious and demoralizing enemy of all Canadians—unemployment.

YORK PRESBYTERIAL — The joint rally of the W.M.S. and W.A. was held in St. Andrew's United Church, Markham, with an attendance of 175 ladies. Mrs. S. Jones of Uxbridge presided for the morning session. Mrs. A. F. Binnington of Victoria Square, led the worship service with the Scripture Reading from St. Luke 22: 19-27. The Literature Secretaries gave concise reports stressing the reading of books on devotional programs and Bible study. Mrs. G. E. K. Howe, 2nd vice-president of Dominion Board, spoke on the new organization as part of a great organization within the Church. She explained the general structure of the present United Church, then brought us up to date on the many changes in the amending of the constitution of the Church authorized by the 19th General Council meeting. A general discussion followed, then we listened to the record, "The New Look", which deals with uniting all the women of the church in

the total mission of the church. During the afternoon session Mrs. W. Hodgson of Kettleby presided. Mrs. W. E. Howard of Toronto spoke on the new organization at the congregational level, stressing the use of co-operation, concentration, consecration and common sense. She said the concern of each one of us was necessary to help make this step forward as successful as it should be. A discussion followed.

Miss Gladys Thornber

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made her identification with them outstanding.

She had a great capacity for friendship with people in all walks of life. Her radiance and vivacity made her a real favorite with the children and young people. Perhaps Gladys will be most keenly missed by them, many of whom knew her as a personal friend. Her sense of humour and compassion spoke especially to them. They saw in her the attractiveness of the Gospel.

She will be remembered by the colleagues with whom she worked who knew her as a gifted leader and an esteemed friend, in whose presence it was always easier to be aware of the eternal values in life.

Have You Been Listening?

If not, there is still a chance to hear some of the special programs on "The Way of the Indian." A series of thirteen documentary programs on the CBC radio—Trans-Canada network, Tuesday evenings from 8.30 to 9.00 p.m. local time throughout Canada, August 15 to October 3 inclusive.

Months of special preparation and painstaking research have gone into the preparation of this series. It poses many of the questions Canadian Indians and non-Indians are asking and suggests answers to some of them.

This is *Your* opportunity to "listen in."

PINE CATHEDRAL

*I love the solemn sunset through the
Pines:*

*I think that no cathedral made by man,
On howso'er magnificent a plan,
With massive bulk and soaring upright
lines,*

*With great rose windows stained in
rainbow hues*

*And dim-lit arches spreading fan on fan
And carven saints that from their niches
scan*

*The heads that bow behind the carven
pews,*

*Can match the soaring pines for majesty,
Or groin a roof like needles 'gainst the
sky,*

*There is no organ like that surf-ghost
sigh*

*The wind breathes through the pine
boughs ceaselessly;*

*And God puts on his youth, who was
so old.*

*Here in the shadows and the sunset
gold.*

—Walter Pritchard Eaton.

A PRAYER FOR THE HOME

“Like that dear home at Bethany,
Where Thou didst love to be,
Lord, make my home a lovely place,
Where I may meet Thee face to face,
And show my love for Thee!

“With Martha’s service may I still
Have Mary’s loving heart,
Sit at Thy feet and learn of Thee,
And hear Thy Word; take not from
me,
Dear Lord, this ‘better part’.

“So may my home, my dearest Lord,
Be ever worthy of Thee,
Bless Thou its walls forever-more,
As Thou did’st bless in days of yore,
The Home at Bethany! Amen.”

More Workers for Overseas

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similar term to Vellore, India, to serve as a physiotherapist.

Another new worker for overseas, but one who is *not* a new missionary is Miss

Pauline Topp. She has been working as a Home missionary among the Chinese in Vancouver but will be going to Hong Kong this autumn to teach in one of the schools, probably Hip Woh.

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