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WHAT
NAME

Our friends are invited to suggest an appropriate name, one not already being used and one that will suggest its purpose.

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THE LONDON BIBLE INSTITUTE

The London Bible Institute, Incorporated, is an interdenominational school organized to prepare Christian young people to serve as Sunday School Teachers, Christian Workers, Missionaries and as a preliminary preparation for the Ministry, in their own churches. A thorough grounding in the great teachings of Holy Writ is provided as well as training in several related subjects. Training in Singing and Conducting Sacred Music has proved a very successful and important subject. Young people desiring to fit themselves for more effective work in the Master's service will find help and inspiration in either the day or evening classes.

EVENING SCHOOL
ATTENDANCE

The Evening School has been large this term. It was true of the first term last year. There were only twelve registered then. This year there have been twenty-seven registrations. The second term last year jumped to forty. At the same rate of increase we shall have a large evening school beginning the second term, January 11th. The Day School registrations this year to date are thirty-four against twenty-eight at the same date last year—an increase of 20%. The registration of the Evening School at St. Thomas is around forty for the first term, making a total of 101. Some seven or eight young people have been coming from St. Marys each Thursday evening to the School in London. Students wishing to join the Spring Term, beginning in January, should apply as soon as possible.

EXTENSION WORK

An important feature of the Institute's program is its Extension Work. One of the largest and most interesting Extension Classes yet held is that which meets in the Y. W. C. A. in St. Thomas every Tuesday evening. The sec-

ond term for this year will open January 9th with a special program to which all are invited. The Choral Club (30 voices) of the London Bible Institute will sing, and Dr. Albert Hughes of Toronto will bring a special message. The curriculum for this second term will be as follows:

Archæology and the Principles of Bible Teaching—Mr. J. E. Hartill.

Old Testament Synopsis—Mrs. J. E. Hartill.

Exposition of the Gospel of Luke—Dr. J. W. Mahood.

The class meets at 8 o'clock sharp each Tuesday evening. Come for the opening night. Silver collection.

For full information see Dr. E. J. Gray, 83 Curtis Street, St. Thomas. Phones 203 and 2832.

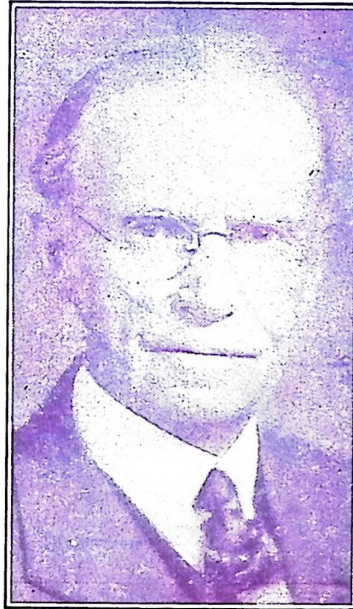
NO FINANCIAL
SECRETARY

Some friends of the Institute may have been waiting for a representative to call on them soliciting funds for the work. Since the resignation of Rev. Donald Fraser we have not made any appointment of a successor to him and our plan now is to depend on voluntary contributions from our friends being sent direct to the Institute at 517 Queen's Avenue, London.

Ont. Please consider this as a personal request to consider our work prayerfully and to support it as liberally as the Lord directs.

Rev. Donald Fraser is now happily at work as Pastor of the Baptist Church at Tyler, Texas, U.S.A.

May the Lord put it on your heart to send a New Year's gift to the Institute so that the burden of debt may be lifted from the hearts and minds of our faithful teachers who otherwise may not have a very joyful holiday season. \$1,500.00 is needed to pay up all salaries to the end of this year. When we say that this means pay for an average of nearly five months for each of four teachers you will realize that they are not overpaid and should not be required to wait so long for their modest remuneration. Your prompt help will be appreciated at this time.



DR. J. W. MAHOOD

FACULTY

JOHN WILMOT MAHOOD
President of The London Bible Institute

It will be interesting for those who know Dr. Mahood only as the beloved President of L. B. I. to learn something of his long and fruitful ministry, not only on the North American Continent but in Great Britain.

Dr. Mahood was born in Canada. Some of us have visited his birthplace at Fordwich, Ont. He received his advanced education in the United States and received the degree of D.D. from the College of the Pacific. He served for a number of years as a Pastor in the Methodist Church in Iowa with great success. At the turn of the century he began his career of Evangelism, which has extended to all parts of the United States, Canada and abroad.

In the great simultaneous movement under J. Wilbur Chapman he was in charge of the movement in New York and Philadelphia. He studied Mission and Evangelistic work in the British Isles and for years has been known as a master at the important task of assisting Pastors and communities in Evangelistic work.

The depth of his thinking is evident in the pages of his books, of which he has written ten or more. "The Art of Soul-Winning" and "The Victory Life" especially have enjoyed the commendation of numerous editions.

Dr. Mahood first entered Bible School Work on the Extension Department of the Moody Bible Institute. After years of successful service in this work, he saw the great need in Western Ontario for an institution which would afford a spiritual, thorough and practical Bible Training. Thus began the L. B. I.

Through all the trials and difficulties of establishing our School he has retained the same depth of spirituality, far-sightedness, direction and forcefulness that made him so successful in other fields. So now we present to you Dr. Mahood, Evangelist, Author and Scholar and, last but not least, President of the best of schools — London Bible Institute.

RELIGIOUS NEWS

ARE CHILDREN READY FOR THE GOSPEL? We would believe so, considering the number of Sunday Schools that have been opened by Rev. Dr. H. H. Savage of Pontiac. We understand that this well-known radio preacher has been instrumental in opening twenty Sunday Schools that the Word of God might go forth to the little ones. "Suffer the little children to come unto me."

STEWARDSHIP

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"Who is that faithful and wise steward whom the Lord will make ruler in his household to give them their portion of meat in due season?"—Luke 12:42.

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Many Christians have adopted the principle of tithing or proportional giving. It is a sane, systematic and Scriptural method of financially supporting the great task of spreading the Gospel. Julius Earl Crawford, in his book, "The Call to Christian Stewardship," writes as follows: "A tithing steward is one who manifests his faith in God's ownership and man's stewardship by paying the tithe, as distinguished from another who, professing to believe in stewardship, says, 'All I have is the Lord's,' but fails to evidence his sincerity by systematically setting aside a definite portion of his income."

While in complete agreement with the principle of proportional giving for the Master's work, we do not believe that the individual's responsibility as a steward of the Lord's money ends here. To use this money indiscriminately in the sense of contributing to every appeal advanced is, in all probability, the easiest way of distributing this fund. But it may result in careless stewardship and failure to promote the work of the Kingdom to best advantage. In our day the calls for financial assistance are so many and varied that the non-discriminating giver, in fact any contributor, is liable to become confused. Nevertheless thought and prayer combined with an intelligent interest in the various causes for which appeals are being made will disclose the fact that the Lord's money, like one's personal funds, will "go farther" and accomplish much more if put to certain uses rather than others.

In our ordinary monetary outlays we do not spend an equal amount of money on each commodity bought. Such a policy would be utterly foolish. We distribute our expenditures in such a way as to secure the greatest amount of satisfaction from the payments made. For instance, under circumstances of a restricted food budget an intelligent person would not buy cake if bread were urgently needed. If, then, we exercise care in the utilization of money as it relates to our temporal needs, how much more should we use discretion in allocating the funds which are set aside for investment in the Lord's work? "Pray - Study - Give" was and is a good slogan and it sets forth the right order.

Bible study in Lucknow, under the leadership of Miss Pearl Henderson, is continuing and being greatly blessed. Miss Henderson endeavours to secure a special speaker each Friday evening. Dr. Mahood spoke at the first meeting of the class and will speak again on December 15th. Please pray for this work.



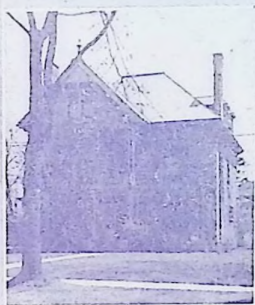
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NIGHT CLASS



STUDENT COUNCIL



GIRLS' TRIO

PRAYER HELPERS

The main purpose of this pamphlet is to interest as many as possible of God's people to join with us in prayer for God's guidance and blessing on the work of The London Bible Institute. Will you join with us by signing and mailing the enclosed card?

As one interested in the Lord's work you will be glad to hear that a wonderful spirit of prayer and thanksgiving prevails in the student body of the Institute. God has answered prayer again and again in opening doors for service and in taking care of our material needs. There has been a fine spirit of co-operation among the Faculty and the students.

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Even at this early stage in the history of our School we are pleased to announce that the Lord is thrusting some of our students out into His service.

Space only permits us to mention one of these dear young people, in the person of Miss Edna McQuiggan, who is now labouring in Gallup, New Mexico, among a variety of different nationalities, namely, Japanese, Indians and Mexicans.

In a recent letter Miss McQuiggan requests that we pray for the following and we invite you, dear friends, to join with us:

1. Pray for two young girls, who have had much light and are talented, that they will yield to the Lord.
 2. Pray for a young girl who is the only Christian in a Buddhist home and has much persecution.
 3. Pray that hearts will be reached and won for the Master.
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Friends within easy reach of London are invited to join with others for prayer at the Institute Building, 517 Queen's Avenue, every Sunday afternoon at 4.15. This meeting is open to all students and friends of the Institute. It is a time of refreshing. Won't you join us?

THE QUINNS IN INDIA

From "Busy Days in Bhililand," a publication by the Canadian Presbyterian Mission, we learn that Dr., Mrs. and Ruth Quinn, in their home at the Mission Hospital at Jobat, are healthy, happy and busy. Dr. Quinn is surgeon in charge of the Jobat Hospital. He writes:

"The objects aimed at in this work are to alleviate suffering and to help in the healing of disease, which is so abundant here, and to bring the Light and Liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to these people."

We must sincerely pray for this consecrated family and for the noble work that they are doing in the Name of our Blessed Lord.

DR. ALBERT HUGHES COMING

Dr. M. K. Inman, of Western University, will speak in St. Thomas on January 16.

Dr. Hughes will speak at Central Baptist Church, London, on January 10th under the auspices of the Institute. The Choral Club will sing at both these meetings.

Dr. Hughes has also agreed to accept a position on our Staff and will represent the Institute at the numerous conferences where he speaks in the United States and in Canada. This will be good news to his many friends in London and to the student body. We welcome him.

MISSIONARY

THE FAIRBROTHERS IN CHINA

Two recent letters from the Fairbrothers have conveyed to us the good news that souls are being won to the Saviour in the South China Boat Mission. In Canton one evening Albert was preaching about the blind man of John, Chapter 9, and when the invitation was given a blind Roman Catholic accepted Christ as his Saviour, and went away singing in his heart "Once I was blind but now I can see the Light of the world is Jesus." Praise the Lord!

The other good news is that the Lord, in answer to believing prayer, has provided them with a new Gospel Boat. It is fittingly called the "Gracious Light Gospel Boat." Albert tells us the promise of God, on which they went forward from London, has yet to fail them: "As thou goest, thy way shall be opened up step by step before thee."—Prov. 4:12 (Hebrew Version).

Anna and Albert have asked for your prayers.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Since the first of July, 1939, we have operated without the services of a Financial Secretary. Several good friends of The London Bible Institute are convinced that once the splendid work of the Institute is made known to the Christian people of Western Ontario God will put it into their hearts to supply all the financial support necessary to carry on and extend its usefulness.

Voluntary contributions, registrations, etc., received from the first of July to the first of December amounted to \$2,544.24.

There was at the first of December \$1,200.00 due to the paid members of the Faculty for back salaries. All current accounts were paid in full but there are outstanding notes amounting to approximately \$700.00. Of this amount \$400.00 represents a balance of a note arranged by our former Financial Secretary to make the semi-annual payment on the building in the spring. The payment due the first of October was met in full, and a good friend of the Institute has undertaken to pay the interest on the indebtedness against the building.