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An Alumni Missionary Symposium

One of the outstanding features of the T. B. C. course of training is its world wide missionary outlook. It aims to bring the needs of the whole world before each generation of students as they pass through the College. Every one of its graduating classes has provided missionaries for foreign fields—in some cases many of them. The number of students who have gone out from its classes into regions beyond during the past half century has almost reached a total of 500. They have gone into thirty-seven different countries outside of North America and the British Isles, under both the regular Church Boards and the Interdenominational Missions.

Many of these missionaries have passed away, and many others have had to retire from their fields, even before the present war broke out. The war has interrupted the work of many others, as it has changed the complexion of the whole world field. But, notwithstanding these limitations and obstacles, large numbers of our T. B. C. family are still engaged in the wars of the Lord in the fields of the world.

Some of these missionaries are now at home in Canada, either on furlough, or because compelled to leave their fields temporarily by war conditions. We have asked a number of them to set forth in brief statements whatever value they may have found in their Bible College course as they look back upon it from their missionary experience. These testimonies are presented herewith, and they are very illuminating. A discerning reader will notice two things about them—their widely representative character and their great variety. Nothing could more clearly illustrate the com-

prehensive character of the Bible College course, and the nature of its contribution to the Kingdom of God in the world. In a future number of the Recorder we hope to present a similar list of testimonies from ministerial members of our Alumni.

Mrs. E. F. Tatum (Elizabeth E. Hall '96, one of the first students to register when the College began) of the American Baptist Mission in China, a repatriated passenger on the Gripsholm:

What the sound teaching of the Bible College has meant through forty-eight years of service in China is hard to express. We were taught to use the Word of God in pointing others to Christ, and I will illustrate this by one instance, that of a very beautiful Chinese young lady.

She came to my study one day, and said, "Please tell me how to be saved". We sat down with our New Testament, turning from one passage to another, asking her to read them, such as John 1:12, 3:16, 5:24, and many others. After reading them over several times she said, "Let me read John 5:24 again—passed out of death into life. *out of, into*" (Chinese translation). She jumped up and exclaimed, "I see it, I see it; I am saved". I shall never forget her face as the truth reached her heart, making her face shine as the very glory of God.

Uberta F. Steele, of the United Church of Canada Mission in China: As I look back upon the short time spent in the Bible College I like to remember especially three things which were of great value to me in my work in China. (1) The fellowship with teachers and students, which resulted in the deepening of my own spiritual life. (2) The lectures, which furnished material to be used with my own students. (3) The emphasis on prayer. I remember the student prayer-meetings when the Lord was very near. I went out with missionary and evangelistic groups where the message was haltingly given by earnest but untrained and inexperienced students. But the prayers of the group prepared their way, and upheld them as they spoke; and always souls were won for Christ. Back in China I organized my own students into prayer groups with very precious results.

Isabel Elliott, Reg. N. of the United Church of Canada Mission in the empire of Japan: Although my attendance at T. B. C. was of short duration, being only a few months while on furlough in 1926, and again in 1935, yet I have never regretted the time I spent there. To any young man or woman preparing for the mission field, home or foreign, I would like to say: Let your preparation include a few months at least at this institution. The historic facts in God's Word, its unshakable assurances, its definite promises are all stressed in T. B. C. classes in a way not easily forgotten. Later, on the mission field, these pillars of our Faith, concretely stored in the mind, are more or less easily translated into simple truths which can be understood by folk of a different race or language.

Then, too, the happy, confident prayer-atmosphere of the College is a pleasant thing to recall, especially when we have the memory that all who have at one time or another passed through its halls are regularly remembered before the throne of Grace. Put into one sentence, my testimony for the College would be:—Here is Christianity in action, practised in living, practised in teaching, practised in outlook. God bless T. B. C.

Duncan E. McDonald '11, of the Canadian Presbyterian Mission in India: As I consider the value of the teaching and training received at the Toronto Bible College, there come to mind the words of a minister of one of the Canadian churches during my first furlough after a term of service in India. As a young man he had studied for one year at the Toronto Bible College. Acting on the advice of the staff, he then took the regular university and theological course prescribed by his denomination. His testimony was that he had received more help from that one year at the T. B. C. for the practical work of the ministry than from his three years in Theology. The training required for the student, whether he is to serve in the homeland or in the foreign field, is much the same. That training should fit him for the practical work of ministering to the spiritual needs of others, and the training received at the T. B. C. prepared us for such practical work.

In the practical work of proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ to demon-worshippers and idol-worshippers; in the practical work of personal evangelism; in the practical work of passing on in daily classes, to Christians young in the faith, some of the Biblical knowledge imparted to us at the T. B. C.; and in the practical work of training and fitting those raised up as people for His Name to serve their fellowmen—we have found, during more than thirty years' service in the foreign field, that the teaching and training as given in T. B. C. meets the need; and it also satisfies the heart hunger of men.

John C. Procter '16, of the South Africa General Mission: My Bible College course enlarged my Christian fellowship, as it brought me into contact with members of other denominations, studying the one Book in order to serve one Lord. It restored to me a whole Bible, every part of which was "profitable for doctrine . . . for instruction in righteousness". It brought me a fuller knowledge of God Himself, as revealed in His Son, Jesus Christ, and interpreted by His Holy Spirit. It gave me an expanded vision of God's purposes in Christ Jesus for the redemption of mankind. It led me to a deeper consecration to His will in relation to His command to "preach the Gospel to every creature".

Mrs. Ivory Jeffrey (Ruth Goforth '19, repatriated; her husband, also a graduate of the College, is still a prisoner in the Far East), of the Christian and Missionary Alliance in French Indo-China: The Toronto Bible College has been a veritable Bethel to me. Although the daughter of missionaries, I came home from China at eighteen with no desire to return to the field and no burden for souls. One day soon after our return to Canada, my father asked me to accompany him to the Toronto Bible College to hear a great preacher. The Christian and Missionary Alliance were holding their annual Missionary Convention at the time, and the preacher to whom father referred was the late Dr. A. B. Simpson.

I went to the meeting that afternoon with my heart cold and indifferent, without any sense of my responsibility towards the millions in heathen darkness. Dr. Simpson did not preach that afternoon, and to my great regret I never heard him preach. But God in His great mercy spoke with

deep conviction to my heart through the late Dr. Walter M. Turnbull; my life was laid on the altar for Christ and His service in the Regions Beyond. The next two years as a student at T. B. C. were indeed days of heaven upon earth. I definitely sought and received the infilling of the Holy Spirit. Christ became my Life and the study of His Word my greatest joy.

Mrs. Gordon Beacham (Marjorie Crothers '20) of the Sudan Interior Mission: That the Lord led me to Toronto Bible College for training for the foreign mission field I did not doubt; and as years on the field have passed, I have thanked Him many times for the precious days at the College. It has been a joy to see and work with many others from T. B. C. on our own field.

Not only were the thorough studies in the Word splendid preparation, but also the opportunities given us for putting the class-room work into practice. "Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling", took on a new meaning for us. The emphasis placed on prayer, and the need to live what we were taught and what we professed, has meant much, not only to me but, I am sure, to many others who have gone "unto the uttermost part of the earth". We have been able to prove and appreciate these lessons. Our T. B. C. course has indeed stood the test of the field.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hutchinson (Nellie Poole, both '21) of the European Christian Mission in Germany and Austria: Our years at T. B. C. loom the largest in their contribution to our spiritual life and service. The truth of God's Word received there has proved the bed-rock as well as the guiding principle in all our varied experiences. Its purity has kept us amid the worldliness of ocean liners. Its power has withstood the pressure of Nazi propaganda. Its accuracy has kept our minds during the onslaughts of European scepticism and the subtle theories of liberalism. Its love has enabled us to minister to the victims of Nazi hatred. A sympathy towards all God's children regardless of denomination has been created. A vision of a lost and needy world together with an all-sufficient Saviour has been presented to us. These things have all combined to enrich our lives and spur us on to reach the lost and give Christ the pre-eminence in all things.

Dr. J. E. Graham '22, of the Christian and Missionary Alliance in China: It is difficult to tell in a few words all that the T. B. C. course has meant to me. The Christian worker finds his greatest asset in a working knowledge of the Bible. The Word opens the heart and changes it. The convert on the mission field instinctively accepts the Bible without question as the rule of faith and practice.

While the T. B. C. course is not as highly academic as some, it gives the student a very practical and usable knowledge of the Bible. It enables him to visualize the progressive revelation of God. It might be compared to the structural framework of a building, which in after years the student may fill in and complete to his own satisfaction. Above all he is charged with the thought that the whole structure rests squarely on the Lord Jesus Christ, whose personality irradiates and illuminates it all.

Mabel Rowell '23, of the Central American Mission: As I look back over many years of missionary service in Central American countries, I am most grateful for the living truths from God's Word that were implanted deep down in my heart during my Bible College course. They continue to strengthen my spiritual life. Only a few of them can be noted here:

If you make God and His cause your chief interest in life and prayer, He will make you and your needs His concern—Keep the balance of your Christian experience, neither lagging behind nor running ahead of His will for you—The College course will not give you all the knowledge there is about the Bible, but it should help you to begin to study the Bible.—In spite of wars and in the face of conditions that disturb the minds of many, we know from God's Word that His eternal purposes are being fulfilled down through the ages. The words of the psalmist will surely come to pass, and the wrath of man shall eventually be made to praise Him whose right it is to rule.

Constance Bissex '26, a Captain of the Salvation Army in India: It is a great pleasure and a privilege to bear witness to the help that my T. B. C. training was to me on the mission field in India.

1. It was an aid to knowing God. While I knew Jesus Christ as my Saviour before I came to T. B. C., it was there, through the subject of Christian Evidences, that I learned to give a reason for my faith and hope.

2. It was an aid to daily communion with God. When we reach the mission field, where we need God's guidance and blessing so much, we find that He has become a comparative stranger to us if we have been neglecting our prayer life. In T. B. C. we learned that it was only as we met with God in daily prayer that we could receive daily grace and strength from Him.

3. It was an aid to Bible study. As we sat in T. B. C. it was wonderful to listen to the Word of God as it was unfolded to us. In the mission field we realize the importance of being taught to study the Word of God for ourselves, so that we can give out the Gospel story to those who have never heard it before and may never hear it again.

4. It was an aid to knowing how the Church of God was formed and how the Bible came to us. Interesting and helpful as this was to us personally, we found it of great importance when speaking to the educated people of India about the Saviour, because this was one of the first questions they asked us.

Mrs. Glen P. La Rue (Dorothy French '26) of the China Inland Mission: So many benefits deriving from the course at T. B. C. leap into one's mind that it is hard to choose the most outstanding ones. When I think it all over, two chief points among many stand out clearly, its soundness and its sanity. All the tendencies found in the religious world at home are also found on the mission field, often exaggerated, and two dangers lurk ever near. The first is the temptation to doubt the Lord and His Word, to begin to rationalize the Scriptures, and to grow cold and worldly. But, thank God, T. B. C. teaching is sound and lays foundations that are deep

and strong. The second, too, is a very real peril, at the opposite extreme—the snare of faulty Scriptural interpretation, leading to strange doctrines and practices, and excess of many kinds. How well T. B. C. prepared us to meet this by its sanity in teaching and practice, not allowing itself to be carried away by every wind of doctrine. Again I say, thank God for T.B.C.!

Mrs. Welford Russell (Ruth Rodger '26) of the United Church of Canada Mission in India: The teaching given in the Toronto Bible College stands up well under the stress of life in the Far East. The course of lectures absorbed during three years in College lays a foundation that nothing can shake, even in strange surroundings and when one is cut off to a great extent from contact with fellow Christians. It establishes a confidence in the reality of the Christian life, and prepares the student, by practical experiences, to present that reality to others. It gives a sense of being rooted and grounded in the faith, and enables one to give a reason for that faith, often as much to oneself as to others."

Mrs. C. R. Zabriskie (Irene Watkins '26) of the Sudan Interior Mission: Throughout the years of service in Africa since graduating, I realize what the Lord has meant to me through the training at T. B. C. The study of the Word as it was presented in the class-room has, of course, been a real source of blessing and strength. The Personal Work class has proved to be a great help to me. One realizes that there is a right way and a wrong way of doing everything, and how essential it is to know the right way, or the best way, to approach a soul about salvation.

These things truly were important; but the one thing, I think, that passes all others was the prayer life of our College family. I learned in those three years not only to pray, but when I prayed to look to the Lord for an answer to my prayer. This indeed has been one of my richest blessings on the mission field. "More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of." Prayer is not an easy task; and if one learns to pray believingly, Satan and all his hosts cannot withhold the blessing.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Forth ('27, and Lillian Hyndman '26) of the Sudan Interior Mission: After sixteen years in Nigeria we can say that the T. B. C. course stands the test of the mission field. When presenting the Gospel to a primitive people who are hearing it for the first time, it is necessary to start from the beginning in order to set before them their lost condition. Otherwise they do not realize their need of a Saviour. In subsequent visits to them one can build upon this foundation and present the Gospel in a fuller measure.

Later on the converts have to be instructed, not only that they may be built up in the faith, but also that they may be enlightened as to the evil of their former pagan customs and superstitions. It is only because of the comprehensive study of the whole Bible which we followed at T. B. C. that this wielding of the sword of the Spirit is possible.

Irene James '28, of the Heart of Africa Mission in Belgian Equatorial Africa: It was within the walls of the Toronto Bible College I passed from death into life, and learned that Jesus was my Saviour. It happened at one of the Saturday evening prayer meetings. And so, at the very beginning of my Christian life, knowledge of Scriptural truth was brought home to me at T. B. C. The revelation of the Word of God, which was brought to us morning by morning throughout the course, laid a foundation of faith which has carried me through many testings and adversities in dark Africa.

Mrs. Fred Owen (Mary Vickers '29) of the United Church of Canada Mission in West China: Perhaps no experience in my life has been so unique as that which I received at the Bible College. For within its walls I received a deeper knowledge of my Master and the consequent deepening of my inner spiritual life. The meeting together on a common ground, the sharing of a common life and need, with its intermingling of ideas and thought, the contribution of the faculty, working together in a spirit of unity hard to find anywhere—all these unique features of the institution have made a profound impression on my life and character. They have provided a solid foundation upon which I am now building.

Mr. and Mrs. John Trewin ('31 and Dorothy Richardson '28) of the Sudan Interior Mission: At the Bible College the reality of the unseen was emphasized, and we were repeatedly impressed with the fact that the real things, the things that last, are those not visible to the eye of flesh. On the mission field the forces of evil are very evident; and it helps us to carry on in the darkest times when we know that behind the veil our risen and triumphant Lord is leading the forces of righteousness, and that, however discouraging things may look at times, the final victory is His.

This leads up to a second thing which was also impressed upon us at T. B. C.—the power of prayer. As we come up against the powers of darkness, we realize how impotent is any wit or wisdom of our own. Thus we are driven to depend upon the spiritual weapon, prayer, for our conflict. We realize, too, that we are but the front line, and that those who pray for us at home are just as important in forwarding the Kingdom of Christ in heathen lands.

Fred G. Kreick '32, of the Evangelical Union of South America: It is an accepted fact that no superstructure is more secure than the foundation upon which it is built. The field to which we were divinely appointed was one in which the Gospel was unknown and undesired. It was the Holy Spirit who directed us in gaining an entrance to and making contact with its people. Through personal and public evangelism a group was called out, baptized and organized into a self-governing church. Sunday Schools, a day school especially for believers' children, out-station work, and a faithful ministry of personal evangelism are carried on by this native church. From the superstructure left behind we may conclude that the foundation-training laid in youth, and endorsed, enlarged, and directed by the training at Toronto Bible College, has prepared me for the above work. It has proved able to stand up on the mission field.

Ruth MacLeod '32, of the United Church of Canada Mission in Formosa: No course of studies for Christian workers, however erudite, can possibly take the place of the direct study of the Bible. True faith and the Christian life can only be nurtured through a knowledge of and a love for God's Word. T. B. C. offers this Word of Life in an incomparable way.

Every course presented at T. B. C. helps to make clear the scope of man's need, and at the same time places at our disposal the mental and spiritual equipment to ultimately meet that need in terms of the saving and keeping power of the Lord Jesus Christ. No course of studies can be an end in itself; it is like life, a continuous process, finding its inspiration in a deep and abiding faith in the will and purpose of God. However inadequate I feel when facing situations, this foundation laid at T. B. C. is, and ever will be, a chart and compass, urging on to a fuller attainment of the Great Commission "Go ye, and preach the Gospel. . . ."

Mr. and Mrs. John Percy (Mary Suttie, both '32) of the Sudan Interior Mission: One of the most difficult problems on the mission field is that of "compatibility"—having to live and work with someone of a different race, or denominational and theological outlook, from oneself. One is fully prepared to meet this problem after three years at the Toronto Bible College, because of its unbiased teaching, and because it instills into the hearts and minds of all students the great truth that we are "all one in Christ Jesus", regardless of our denominational affiliations.

The simplicity, yet completeness, of its teaching adequately prepares students for foreign service. The lectures we received at the Bible College have, in our personal experience, been easily adapted to Bible Schools in the foreign mission field.

We believe the above two qualifications endorse the T. B. C. method of training men and women for foreign service. Being so trained they are enabled to stand the tests and difficulties of the foreign mission field.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harlow ('33, and Margaret Burrill '32) of the African field of Christian Missions to Many Lands: It would be impossible to enumerate all the ways in which the T. B. C. training came to our aid on the mission field. The grounding in the Word of God was of inestimable value in personal devotions, and in preparing daily the simple messages given to a group of women and girls who came to our station for help in the problems of life.

The practical work of the College, the instruction in the class-room, and practice at the various assignments, were tremendously valuable, helping us to forget ourselves, and strengthening our faith by giving us an experience of the power of the Gospel. The joy of the prayer fellowship of the College is something which remains. In days of stress it was often a source of strength to remember the many times each day that prayer is offered on behalf of "the Bible College family scattered abroad".

The relaxation and sheer enjoyment of the Music Classes is still very vivid after many years. On the field it was our joy to try to pass on to the native Bible school students something of the joy of singing praises

to the Lord, and give them hints on how to go about teaching hymns to the people to whom they would be ministering without the benefit of written music. The lectures on Missions and the addresses of visiting speakers all helped us to face the natives with a degree of confidence, knowing a little of their background and of their mental outlook. T. B. C. is doing a real job and doing it splendidly.

Mrs. J. M. Rockness (Grace Weir '33) of the China Inland Mission: Did my three years at Toronto Bible College prove to be the special preparation needed for the mission field? Yes, indeed! How often I have turned to my T. B. C. notes when preparing a message in Chinese, or when planning a course of study for our women's Bible School. Yet the actual study of the Word was not the only help I received which proved essential to the work.

The leadership of the Holy Spirit, the counting upon Him to make the Word real in my life and in the life of others, proved to be the greatest stay and help for every circumstance and every experience during my nine years in China. This great truth, taught at T. B. C., dawned upon me during my last year in Bible College. When this truth becomes real to a child of God, he or she is then, and then only, ready to say: "Here am I; send me." Why? "For mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts."

Ulf Cronhielm '34, of the China Inland Mission and the United Church of Canada: As I think back over the days which I spent in the Toronto Bible College, I realize more and more of how great value the instruction I received there has been to my later ministry. The teaching of the Bible College, and especially the course in the English Bible and the study of the Life of Christ, helped me to a stronger faith and showed to me in a new way the wonderful depth of thought in both the Old and New Testament. These studies also helped me to clarify my own beliefs and to define and state my convictions, as well as to discern what is central and what is temporary in Christian thought and life. The study of Church History helped me to appreciate and understand other branches of the Christian fellowship, and thus widened my outlook.

Kathleen Henderson '35, of the South Africa General Mission: The chief benefit I received from my course at T. B. C. was learning how to study the Bible for myself. Not only the daily morning Bible study hour, but also every other subject of our course, contributed to that most important lesson—how to study the Word. Thus, when I found myself on a pioneer station in Angola, bereft of teachers and preachers and other spiritual helps to which I had been accustomed, and had to become a teacher myself, I was not unprepared for the new situation. I could continue the study of God's Word for myself, and I knew how to teach it to others.

Emma Sullivan '36, of the China Inland Mission: The memories of T. B. C. days brought refreshment many times while I was in China, and the notes of lectures which I kept with me were a source of inspiration. But the

value of the College course to me does not end there. It lies in the principles, the great eternal verities, instilled into heart and mind as a result of the whole course, centred around the daily Bible study, and emphasized and exemplified in the lives of our beloved faculty.

"Behold your God" sums up the outstanding message of the College course for me—perhaps it could be called the principle of the long view, and that is what I found necessary in China. There are times when the dark side of things overwhelms one, and it is easy enough to feel the impossibility of the task. Sin has such a hold on the people; there is such darkness of mind and heart. Often there is indifference and discouragement, as well as the subtle temptations of the enemy in one's own life—"fightings within and fears without". Then there comes the word: "Behold your God!"

I had to stand back and see my part, my station, in relation to all God's great purpose, think of the whole sweep of God's working through the ages, follow again the great unfolding of the profound plan of redemption. That reached even to me, and those about me. Strength, peace, vision, confidence returned, "Therefore we labour—because we trust in the living God" (1 Tim. 4:10).

Evangelism at Camp Borden

by Helena Rae

On Sunday morning, February 20, at 8.30 the Evangelistic Choir of the College, accompanied by members of the Baptist War Services Committee and Rev. H. W. Mollins of Brantford, left in a chartered bus for Barrie. The choir had charge of the morning worship service at the First Baptist Church there. Lunch was served by the ladies of the congregation, and by 1.30 the bus was ready to leave for Camp Borden.

The choir had nearly two hours in the hospital at the camp, and held ten complete services, each about 10 minutes in length, in various wards. The visitors distributed 350 packages of candy (provided by Mr. Mollins' church) and "Pocket Books" to the patients, and had profitable interviews with many of them. The supper hour in the Sergeants' Mess concluded with an inspiring singing of familiar gospel hymns, in which the men took part enthusiastically.

Over 300 men in uniform attended the evening service in the Y.M.C.A. The challenge of the hymns, testimonies and vocal selections reached its climax in the stirring message delivered by Mr. Mollins, with the result that thirty men signified their desire to follow the banner of the Lord Jesus Christ. More than half of these were dealt with personally, and we pray that the Holy Spirit may continue to teach and lead each seeking soul in the way of truth and life everlasting.

The Evangelistic Choir has had the opportunity to take the Gospel message to the men at Camp Borden on the third Sunday of each month during this Jubilee Year. The members of our T. B. C. family are asked to pray for the work at the camp, as it is likely to continue until the end of the war. The following article descriptive of this ministry appeared in "The Canadian Baptist" of February 15:

"A visit to Camp Borden on Sunday, January 16th, was a new and revealing experience to the writer. The War Services Committee of the Convention, on whose invitation this visit was made possible, arranges for a service at the camp once a month.

"The party on this occasion consisted of about forty members of the Toronto Bible College Choir, several members of the War Services Committee, a few visitors and Rev. Dr. Frank Orchard of Danforth Avenue Baptist Church, Toronto, accompanied by Mrs. Orchard.

"We set out from Toronto at 1 p.m. in a Gray Coach bus, with every seat filled. The weather was exceptionally fine for mid-January, bright sunshine, with a covering of snow on the ground (that is, beyond the city limits), and the temperature ranging around 30 degrees.

"On the way to the camp the chairman of the War Services Committee, Mr. Harold Bickerstaff, outlined in detail the programme for the afternoon and evening, assigning to each the part in the services which was expected of them. The choir leader gave a few instructions to his singers, and the speaker for the evening service, Dr. Orchard, led in prayer that the blessing of God might crown the service of these workers and that souls might be born into the Kingdom.

"On arrival at the camp shortly before 3 p.m. the party visited the camp hospital which was well filled with men most of whom were recovering from fractures or minor operations. The choir divided into several groups, each with a leader and two of the visitors. In this way several wards were visited at the same time. A short message was given by the leader, followed by the singing of the gospel hymns, during which time the workers visited and

talked for a minute or so with each patient leaving with each a copy of "The Pocket Book" and "The New Recruit," where these had not been previously received. Only one patient in a ward of about 30 had been there when a service was held the month previous. A gracious gesture on the part of Danforth Ave. church was the gift of 350 oranges, each wrapped in white tissue with a sticker attached reading "Cheerio from Danforth Ave. Church."

"At 5.30 p.m. a substantial and appetizing dinner was served in the Sergeants' Mess, and the Camp Borden atmosphere provided us with appetites suited to the occasion.

"In the interim between dinner and the evening service a song service was held in the Lounge. The men, hesitant at first, soon joined heartily in the singing of the gospel hymns, occasionally calling for their favorites. One of the men accompanied the pianist with his violin.

"The crowning event of the day was the evening service to which about 400 men gathered in the Y.M.C.A. hut. Dr. Orchard preached, his text being, "We Would See Jesus." It was a simple yet powerful presentation of all that Jesus has done and can do for those who receive Him as Saviour and Lord. Following the message, in response to an appeal for those who would receive Jesus to manifest by raising the hand, one could see that many hearts had been reached, and the Seed received into good ground. At the minister's request all these came to the front to have an interview with him after the service, and eleven definitely accepted Christ. Others were not able to reach a decision in the short time that the workers could remain with them, and were looked after by the chaplains and the Y.M.C.A. Secretary.

"The service rendered by the choir cannot be too highly estimated. Their singing and personal testimonies were a happy presentation of the Gospel, and were well received.

"There is no question as to this being a fruitful field for evangelistic effort. The men appreciate the little that can be done for them in one service a month. They are facing the serious situation that awaits them overseas when they go out from the camp. Many of the younger lads are bewildered. They need to be 'anchored to the Rock which cannot move, grounded firm and deep in the Saviour's love'."

The following note to Mr. Bickerstaff from Lt. Col. Sherring, Chaplain at Camp Borden, expresses the appreciation of the men for the ser-

vices rendered:

"I am writing this note to let you know how much the sergeants of A. 10 enjoyed your last visit to their mess. I heard nothing but the most complimentary remarks from all quarters, which also reached the Commandant's ears. May this give heart and encouragement to the splendid work that you and the members of the Toronto Bible College Choir are doing for the Master."

(As we go to press, the choir has just returned from another day of rich blessing at Camp Borden. After the evening service thirty-two men came forward to confirm their decision to accept Christ as their Saviour. We covet your prayers for them.)

Work among the Indians and Eskimos

By Margaret Riel '41

"Go ye . . . and preach the gospel." All mission work has had a small beginning, and the work among the Indian and Eskimo is no exception.

In 1815 Governor Semple mentioned in his report to the Hudson Bay Company the lack of places of worship and education for the Indian and Eskimo. Five years later, in 1820, Dr. John West went to the Red River Settlement (Winnipeg) with two Indian boys and money to start a school. Thus our residential schools began. Other schools were built at various places across Canada as the need arose, till now there are about seventeen of them. A number of mission hospitals have also been established as an extension of the work.

The staff capacity of the schools is now two hundred. The ordained Principal is assisted by the head

matron, qualified teachers, supervisor, engineer and general assistant. The hope of a nation lies in her children. In the schools they are taught to take their place in the world and in the Christian Church. Some have become ministers to their own people.

What are the opportunities? Living under the same roof with the children untold opportunities to help them arise from morning till night. As a candidate I was supervisor for boys and girls. The supervisor hears the evening and morning prayers. One little experience which occurred at that time is still most precious and encouraging to me. I caught one of the boys, about eight or nine years old, in a misdemeanour which deserved severe punishment. I took him aside, explained the sin and told him how God sees him and knows that he had done it. Before I had

finished, he asked me to go upstairs to the dormitory and ask God to forgive him. He wept bitterly, and further punishment was unnecessary.

Last winter when one of the boys was taken from our midst to his heavenly home, the children came to ask about eternal life. One had to be very cautious, for these young minds take in everything, but He Who is ready to give understanding

to the young was ready to help His servant.

Is the work worthwhile? Indeed, it is—and so far-reaching. All glory and praise to Him Who said, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me . . . for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

Here in our own land the fields are white unto harvest, but where are the labourers?

Citizens Honour Graduate of Class '14

Margaret F. Baird '14, Fort Smith, Arkansas, has been for more than twenty years the superintendent of the Rosalie Tilles Home for Children. Recently she received the annual presentation of The Fort Smith Exchange Club, "The Book of Golden Deeds" which was presented to her at a banquet held in her honour. Among tributes paid to Miss Baird was one from Dr. Wallace R. Bacon, pastor of the First Christian church who stated that "Miss Baird had contributed much to the community in her years of service: but that her

finest contribution has been made to the homes in moral and material ways. She is not the type of person to talk about herself, and she doesn't like other people to sing her praises." The one hundred and sixty guests at the banquet were present to express their love for and gratitude to one who had been instrumental in helping to transform so many young lives in the course of her years of ministry in their midst. A few years ago, Miss Baird spent her holidays in Ontario, and was a welcome visitor at the College.

News of the U. B. C. Family

BIRTHS

To Mr. '36 and Mrs. John Crook on September 20 in China, a son, Vincent Earl.

On November 25 to Mr. and Mrs. Harold James (Grace Whatley) both '40, a daughter, Judith Anne, in South Africa.

In Ancaster, Ontario, on December 20 to Mr. '39-'42 and Mrs. Robert Wade (Tina Humenuk '41) a daughter, Ruth Alene.

To Rev. '36 and Mrs. Douglas Percy (Betty Willis '35) in Nigeria on January 2, a daughter, Dorothy Carolyn.

A son, Richard Laurence to Rev. '35 and Mrs. C. Alvin Armstrong on January 3 in Sudbury, Ontario.

At Moundou, French Equatorial Africa, on January 26, a son, John, to Mr. '38 and Mrs. Jack V. Brotherhood (Madge Edgson '38-'39).

A daughter, Kathleen Muriel, to Dr. '35 and Mrs. Alex. Henderson on February 5 in Angola, Portuguese East Africa.

On February 12 in Toronto to Pte. Wm. '43 and Mrs. Hawkey (Janet Deans '40-'42) a daughter, Marion Ruth.

To Dvr. George '38 and Mrs. McDonald in Toronto on February 19, a son, Thomas Alexander.

To Rev. '38 and Mrs. Albert D. Bolster of Brooklin, Maine, a son, Paul Douglas, on February 6.

MARRIAGES

M. Jean Miller, R.N., '40 to William J. Sharp on October 9 in Brantford. Ella Miller '33 attended her sister.

On November 27 in Elim Chapel, Winnipeg, Robt. M. Arnold '34 to Mabel A. Scarff.

In Centre Mount Church, Hamilton, Robert Hawkins, R.C.A.F., '42-'43 to Vera May Weston on December 4.

DEATHS

Rev. E. Halliwell '02, one of the early graduates of the school, on February 3 at his home in Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. Jos. Flavelle (Doris Barrow E.C. '29) on December 12 in Toronto.

Evelyn Softley '33 in Toronto on February 22, after a long illness.

Rev. James Jaffray, B.D., '10, on March 3 in Toronto.

Rev. C. Edward Burrell, D.D., '96, on February 8 at Farmville, Va., where he lived since he retired from the active ministry five years ago. Dr. Burrell was a member of the first class that met in Walmer Road Church, and since that two of his nieces have graduated from the College.

Rev. C. C. Boyter '24 has accepted a call to the Calvary Baptist Church, Brantford, Ontario.

Constance Bissex '26 is at her home in Hamilton, Ontario, on furlough from India, where she has done missionary work under the Salvation Army.

Mr. '31 and Mrs. John A. Trewin (Dorothy Richardson '28) have returned to Canada on furlough from Nigeria, where they have been working under the Sudan Interior Mission.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Rockness (Grace Weir '33) are on furlough from their work in China under the China Inland Mission.

Dora Howe '35 has accepted a position with the Bishop Horden's Memorial School, a Church of England mission school at Moose Factory, Ontario.

Word has been received from Betty Laing '38, who was serving with the Door of Hope Mission in Shanghai and is now in a Japanese internment camp, that she is safe and well.

Robt. Cochrane '39 has accepted a call to Bremner Baptist Church, Galt, Ontario.

Eria Robinson '39 is doing mission work at North Bay under the United Church.

PERSONALS

Uberta Steele '11-'12, who served in West China for 35 years under the United Church, has returned to her home in Bolton, Ontario.

Rev. David Ivory Jeffrey '15 has remained in French Indo-China to continue his work as opportunity affords under the Christian and Mis-

The Bible College Week at Keswick will be August 26 to September 2. The rates will be the same as last year, \$12.00, plus \$1.00 registration fee. Reservations may be made direct to the Canadian Keswick Conference, 366 Bay St., Toronto.

The Gateway

The Jubilee issue of the annual publication of the Graduating Class will contain interesting accounts of the development of student activities during the fifty years of College history.

As the publication is limited to the same circulation as last year, we would advise members of the Alumni who desire a copy to secure it early. The price is 55c. postpaid, and copies will be sent in the order that requests have been received, as soon as the book is off the press. Send your order, accompanied by a postal note, to: The Secretary-Treasurer of the Gateway, 16 Spadina Road, Toronto 4.

Hall Mission, Montreal, Que., on February 1.

Andrew Steer '42 has been appointed the port missionary in Quebec of the British Sailors' Society of London, England, and the Quebec Seamen's Institute, of which he has been the superintendent for the past two years, has become one of the 146 units of this worldwide work among the sailors.

Dorothy Bean '43 is attending Goshen College, Goshen, Indiana.

Alvin McIntosh '43 has entered Western University, London, Ontario.

Ethel McIntyre '43 is attending Wycliffe College in Toronto.

Caroline Newell '43 has been appointed secretary-deaconess to Knox's Presbyterian Church, Galt, Ontario.

Joan Robertson '43 has arrived safely in Nigeria, where she is to be working under the Sudan Interior Mission.

Mary Nichol '43 is training in the Royal Victoria Hospital, Barrie, Ont.

Alice Tremain '43 has been accepted for missionary service by the Sudan United Mission.

Mary Johnson and Dorothy Perkins, both '43, are working at the Children's Aid Society in Toronto.

tionary Alliance, but Mrs. Jeffrey (Ruth Goforth '19) arrived home on the Gripsholm in December.

On January 1 Rev. H. E. Buchner '23 began the pastorate of the Hartford Baptist Church.

Mary Sinclair '40 began her duties as city missionary at the Welcome

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STUDENT BODY

will be held in the Assembly Hall of the College

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, at 8.00 P.M.

when Graduating Testimonies will be given.

The Alumni Supper will be held the same evening at 5.45 when the Graduating Classes will be the guests of the

Alumni Association.

Former students and friends are invited.

THE ANNUAL COMMUNION SERVICE

of the College will be held on

Sunday, April 23, at 11.00 a.m.

in the Assembly Hall

Sermon—Principal McNicol

You are cordially invited to attend

Enid Morrison '41-'43 is studying this winter at the Gordon College of Theology and Missions, Boston, Mass.

Stuart Dixon '43, Ronald Elliott '43, Robert Arnott '44 and Stanley Campbell '42-'43 enrolled at McMaster University last fall.

The following changes have been made in the location of chaplains: Rev. G. W. Medley '24 is in Italy, Rev. Dixon Gordon '32 in England, and Rev. Walter T. Steven, a former member of the faculty, has been transferred back to Canada and is an assistant to the Chief Protestant Chaplain with the rank of Major.

Rev. Sydney E. Cooper '15 is pastor of the New Street Evangelical Church in Birmingham, England.

In addition to those already reported the following are now serving in the forces: in the army—Dorothy Seary '40 and Ruth Sweet '42-'43 (C.W.A.C.); Geo. McDonald '38 (R.C.A.S.C.), Douglas Berck '42 and Leland MacDonald '41-'42 (R.C.A.M.C.), Wm. Hawkey '43 (R.C.O.C.), Frank Haner '42 and Alvan Cleland '43 (C.A.T.C.), Grant Sloss '41-'43 (Dental Corps); in the R.C.A.F.—Ida Drake '41 (W.D.), Floyd McReynolds '40-'42, and Edwin Jones, Richard Lambert, Pat. Maloney and Torrey Sneath, all '42-'43.

Rev. Allister Morrison '36 has been called from Halifax to the Presbyterian church at New Glasgow, N.S.

THE GRADUATING EXERCISES

of the

FIFTIETH SESSION will take the form of a

SPECIAL JUBILEE SERVICE

to be held in the University of Toronto Arena

Bloor Street West, near St. George

THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 27, at 8.00 p.m.

Tickets may be secured by applying to the Secretary

Doors open at 6.15

7,000 Seats

Offering