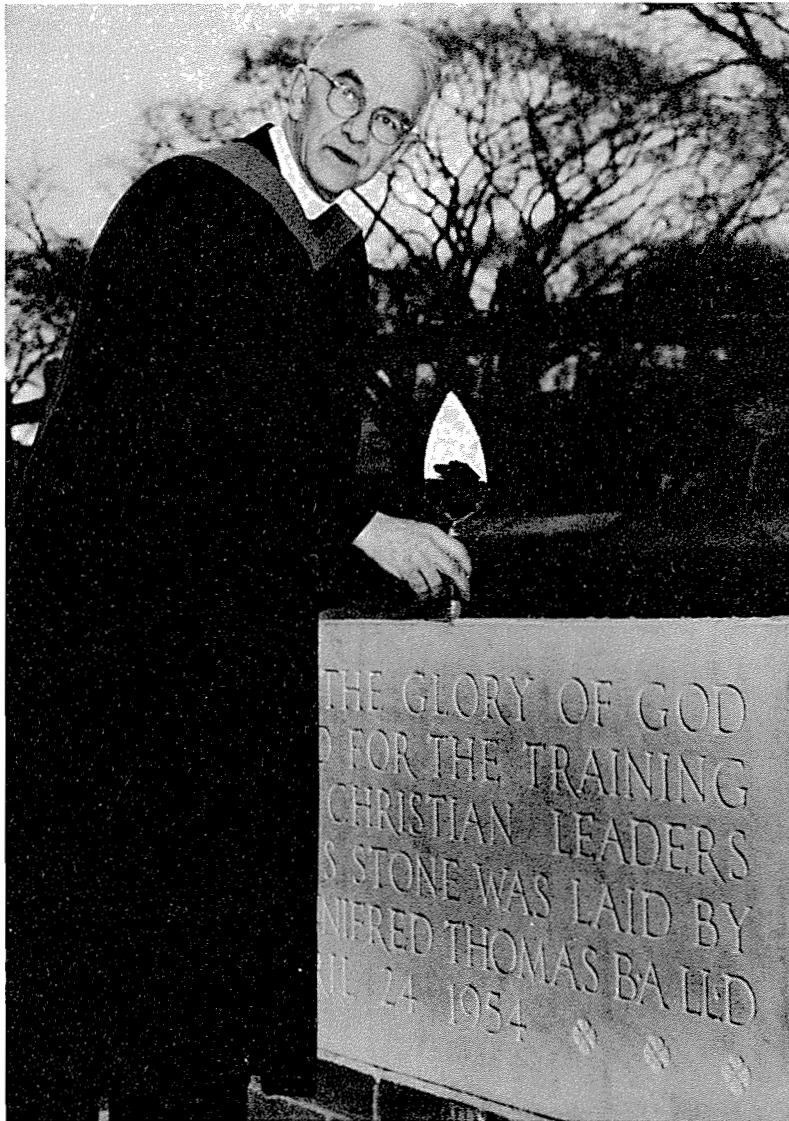




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THE
UNITED CHURCH
TRAINING SCHOOL



Rev. J. Lavell Smith, B.A., B.D., D.D.,
at the Laying of the Corner Stone
of the new School.

TO THE MINISTERS
AND CONGREGATIONS
OF THE
UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

We are thankful to Almighty God and grateful to our countless friends in the Church that the Campaign for the new United Church Training School has been successfully completed. It has provided a building at once commodious, convenient, and beautiful, and will make possible the expansion of the work of the School, which has an important place in the life of the Church. In a very real sense the new building belongs to the whole Church for a large proportion of the pastoral charges have contributed to the Campaign Fund which totals over \$700,000. We are grateful for the confidence in the School and in its future which is indicated by this generosity, and for the enthusiasm with which the Campaign was undertaken.

For sixty years consecrated young women in the constituent Churches and later in The United Church of Canada have been educated for full-time Christian service, and, while the whole concept of the place of professional women in the Church has altered with the passing of the years, it becomes more and more apparent that there is an ever-broadening field for such workers. We must now look to the whole Church to be watchful to direct promising young women to our halls so that the need of the future years may be more fully met.

The United Church Training School has pleasure in presenting this brochure descriptive of its work, past and present, and of its hopes for the future.

J. Lavell Smith

Chairman of the Board of Management of the
United Church Training School.

THE CAMPAIGN

The Campaign for the new United Church Training School, which has just been completed, has an interesting history.

The Campaign was made necessary because of the inadequacy of the two private residences in which the School had been housed since 1943, and the greatly increased demand of the Church for women trained to give full-time service in the Church.

Convinced of the need for a new building, the Board of Management was searching for a new location when the Board of Regents of Victoria University offered a site on the campus. As this was an ideal location for the new School, the offer was accepted with gratitude. Immediately plans for the erection of a new building and for a Campaign to raise the required money were undertaken by the Board of Management. The General Council, meeting in Toronto in September, 1950, authorized the Board to conduct a Campaign throughout the Church, and the Board of Finance set the dates for the Campaign — March, April, May 1952 — contributions to be received over a two-year period.

The Board studied carefully the methods to be followed in the Campaign. It was unanimously agreed to ask the women of the Church to undertake major responsibility. The Dominion Board of the Woman's Missionary Society and the Dominion Council of the Woman's Association endorsed the project and appointed representatives to a National Campaign Committee. To these were added representatives of the Board of Management and selected Church women. Mrs. C. M. Nicholson, of Halifax, wife of the Moderator, agreed to act as Chairman of the National Committee, Mrs. A. Roger Self, as Chairman of the Executive Committee, and Mr. George Fallis, as Treasurer. The Board of Management of the United Church Training School decided that Miss Harriet Christie, Dean of the School and later, Principal, should devote the major portion of her time to the Campaign, acting as National Executive Secretary. Its success was due in no small measure to her gracious and efficient leadership.

Campaign Committees were set up in every Conference and in every Presbytery, composed of representatives of the Woman's Missionary Society and of the Woman's Association, and other women named by the Church, as well as a number of men whose advice and assistance were invaluable. The same plan was followed in congregations and pastoral charges, as the result of a request sent simultaneously to the ministers and to the Presidents of Woman's Missionary Auxiliaries and Woman's As-

sociations. The plan worked admirably and the Campaign brought together all of the women of the Church to work, for the first time, on a national project for which they were jointly responsible.

The objective set for the Campaign was \$600,000, although it was recognized that the new building would cost over \$700,000, and that with the lower objective it would be necessary to use money from the sale of the former properties to cover the full cost.

The Campaign was conducted with vigour during March, April and May of 1952 and continued without national promotion until February 28th, 1954. Instead of \$600,000. the Church contributed over \$700,000.

<i>Conferences</i>	<i>Contributions</i>
British Columbia Conference	\$ 25,016.51
Alberta Conference	24,620.69
Saskatchewan Conference	36,237.99
Manitoba Conference	23,429.87
London Conference	95,524.59
Hamilton Conference	84,185.44
Toronto Conference	176,962.12
Toronto Presbyteries	(135,484.37)
Bay of Quinte Conference	53,572.43
Montreal-Ottawa Conference	73,835.95
Maritime Conference	51,842.01
Newfoundland Conference	6,099.41
Graduates of the United Church Training School	2,742.50
Dominion Board of the Woman's Missionary Soc.	30,000.00
Other Individual Gifts	32,885.64
TOTAL	\$716,955.21

Chairmen of Conferences Campaign Committees

Mrs. William Taylor, Vancouver; Mrs. O. W. Thorne, Red Deer; Rev. Dr. R. C. Chalmers, Saskatoon; Rev. S. R. McLeod, Winnipeg; Mrs. W. A. Shepherd, London; Mrs. A. E. Livingston, Hamilton; Rev. R. Webster, Orillia; Mrs. Ralph C. Carter, Toronto; Rev. J. E. Griffiths, Castleton; Mrs. A. M. Porritt, Montreal and Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Ottawa; Mr. J. A. MacGregor, Westville, N.S.; Mrs. E. F. Peters, St. John's, Nfld.

This was indeed a Campaign by the whole Church. No "Special Names" Campaign was conducted; with the exception of grants from the Atkinson Charitable Foundation and from the Flavelle Trust, and a few large gifts from firms and individuals, the money came from churches of all sizes and circumstances. Every church had a sense of responsibility for the Campaign and a conviction that its help was needed if the new School were to be erected. Thus all but 260 pastoral charges have shared in the Campaign; 630 exceeded, and 1233 reached their objective.

Gifts of a few dollars from small charges were sent and received with the same enthusiasm as those of \$5,000 - \$7,000 from large churches. Originality, generosity, and hard work produced enough money to finance the total project while the interest on the money collected cared for the campaign costs.

THE NEW BUILDING

The new building, located at 77 Charles Street West, at the easterly end of the campus of Victoria University, was designed by Mr. Arthur H. Eadie, F.R.A.I.C. The General Contractors were the Redfern Construction Company, with Mr. W. H. Bonus, P. Eng. as consulting engineer.

The building is constructed of John Price red stock brick with Indiana limestone trim. It consists of a ground floor and four storeys above ground level. The building is 441,000 cubic feet in size and cost \$715,000. to date, including furnishings and acquired property. 70 people can live in; other accommodation for 100.

The flooring for the ground floor is hardwood and mastic tile, and for the kitchens and washrooms terrazzo. Stair treads, corridors, and most of the rooms are in rubber tile in various colours. Ceilings on the ground floor have been acoustically treated. Fabrics used include, "Old Bleach" linen from Ireland for draperies and bedspreads; textures from Scotland; printed linens from England and Sweden; cottons from the United States and plastic and hand-woven Canadian fabrics.

The members of the Building Committee were as follows: Mr. G. Dean Maxwell, Chairman, Mr. George Fallis, Prof. G. Ross Lord, Mrs. T. C. Newman, Dr. J. Lavell Smith, Dr. Winnifred Thomas, Mrs. J. D. H. Hutchinson and Miss Harriet Christie.

The Furnishings' Committee included the women members of the Board of Management with Mrs. T. C. Newman as Chairman; the "Working Committee", chaired by Mrs. Hugh McLaughlin, was composed of Mrs. W. C. Lockhart, Mrs. George Fallis, Miss Muriel Laidlaw, Miss Joan Peck, Mrs. J. D. H. Hutchinson, and Miss Harriet Christie. Mrs. Zelma Rothwell, of the Contracts Department of the Robert Simpson Company Ltd., was consultant.

LAYING OF THE CORNER STONE

On a chilly afternoon, April 24th, 1954, the corner stone of the new building was pronounced "well and truly laid". The Chairman of the Board, Dr. J. Lavell Smith, had first presided at the Installation of the Principal, Miss Harriet Christie, in the chapel of Emmanuel College, and following this ceremony led a procession to the site of the new building. There, substituting for Dr. Winnifred Thomas who was ill, Dr. Smith laid the corner stone. Assisting in the ceremony were: The Right Rev. A. A. Scott, M.A., B. Paed., D.D., Moderator of The United Church of Canada; Miss K. Harriet Christie, B.A., Principal of the United Church Training School; Mrs. J. D. H. Hutchinson, M.A., Past Prin-

cipal of the United Church Training School; Rev. A. J. Johnston, B.A., D.D., Professor Emeritus, Emmanuel College and a former Chairman of the Board of Management; Rev. F. W. Langford, B.A., M.R.E., D.D., Dean Emeritus and Professor Emeritus of Religious Education, Emmanuel College; Mr. G. Dean Maxwell, B.A.Sc., P.Eng., Chairman of the Building Committee; Mr. Arthur Eadie, F.R.A.I.C., architect.

The Corner Stone contains the following: The Order of Service for the Installation, and the Laying of the Corner Stone; a statement regarding the building, a review of the Campaign, copies of:— the Calendar of the School; the Year Book; the Campaign material; the Alumnae Bulletin; the Handbook of the Deaconess Order; *The Missionary Monthly*; *The United Church Observer*; recruiting material; a daily newspaper; coins.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at Wymilwood, the Victoria University Student's Union.

FORMAL OPENING AND DEDICATION

Eleven months after the laying of the corner stone the building was formally opened and dedicated. At 2.30 p.m. on Saturday, March 12th, 1955, a company of 250 men and women, mainly representatives from the Boards and Courts of the Church and its Schools and Colleges, assembled in the chapel and common room of the School for a service of dedication. This was followed by a reception and a tour of the new building. The Order of Service, extracts from Dr. Lockhart's sermon and Miss Christie's address will be found on pages 16 to 20. Open House followed for three days of the next week and on the first Friday of each month thereafter. Visitors signing the guest-book gave addresses from many towns and cities across Canada. Over 4,000 people have toured the School and are unanimous in their approval and appreciation of the building.

The Procession to the Laying of the Corner Stone.



A TOUR OF THE NEW BUILDING

Beginning our tour of the building we enter through wide glass doors, up steps of terraza in a grey green tone. The main hall and stairway are also in green terraza.

On the wall facing the entrance hang two African portraits by Margaret Dawson of Angola, impressive in themselves, and eloquent as to the purpose of the building.



Reception Room.

On the right of the hall is a small reception room, its wide windows curtained in soft green, brown, and gold. Lamps in this and several other rooms were made by the Canadian Potters' Guild as a special project. Their warm light is reflected in the furniture of bleached mahogany.

On the left of the entrance are the general office and the staff offices. The office furnishings and equipment are in desert sage with curtains of green and white. In the Principal's office, designed to accommodate small committee meetings, rose drapes



Student Common Room



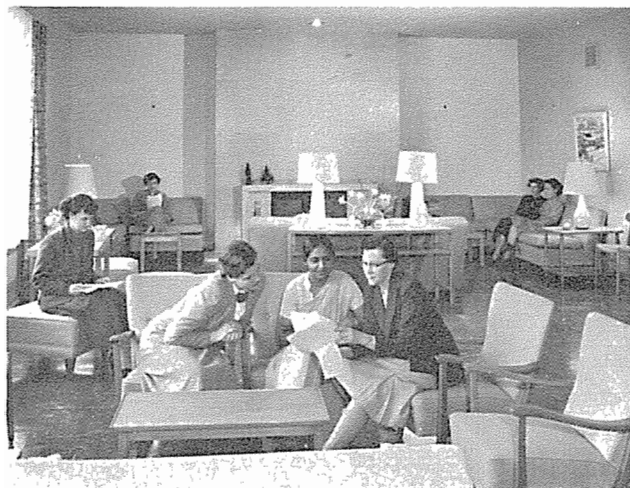
Staff meeting in Principal's Office.

with accent of yellow provide an interesting variation from the other offices.

Let us go down the stairs. Cloakrooms for men and for women are on the left. This left wing also contains the service rooms, heating unit, laundry and storage space. On the right there is a classroom to seat eighty, which can be divided by Modernfold doors into a seminar room and smaller classroom. Next door is the Library, with seating capacity of forty, which will specialize in books and resources in Christian Education, supplementing the Library of Emmanuel College in this regard. It has several interesting devices for the filing of teaching pictures and pamphlet material and for magazine display with concealed storage shelves. A fireplace at one end is the centre of a reading area. Across the hall are two adjoining rooms primarily for recreation and for crafts, separated by Modernfold doors. Actually these are many-purposed rooms, with folding games tables, comfortable stack-chairs, arborite-topped craft tables, and a small kitchenette. Here, also, typing may be done, committees may meet or a large group gather for a lecture; classes in religious drama and in audio-visual aids have space for their needs.

Let us take the elevator to the top floor. In the very centre of the building, its wide windows looking up St. Thomas Street, is a common room for students, its furnishings brought from the two former residences, and refinished. Chintz drapes, chesterfield covering and cushions in apple green and rose with accent of purple, combine with the warm tones of the walnut furniture to make a beautiful room in the traditional manner. It has its own small kitchenette, with tiny refrigerator, for evening "snack", the occasional breakfast, and coffee at exam time.

We go down the corridor to the study-bedrooms. Each has a desk-chest unit, with a chest of drawers on one side and desk drawers on the other, study chair, a "big" chair in textured plastic, a bookcase, continental bed with headboard and lamp, and, in the lighted cupboard, a towel rack below a cosmetic shelf and mirror. Four colour schemes in drapes and matching bedspreads of "Old Bleach" linen, coral gold, cinnamon and green—provides variety for the rooms. The wood used is Canadian birch in a very hard finish.



Main Common Room.

The third floor duplicates the fourth save that the common room here is modern in decoration: furniture in birch finished in a soft beige; drapes of coral patterned in royal blue and white; chairs in textured plastic, in the blue of the drapes; and a piano in off-white. Three big plastic-covered cushions in the same off-white and coral rest on the brown floor; a small extension table outside the kitchenette, a chesterfield and two big chairs complete this informal common room.

On the second floor the Principal's apartment occupies the space used for common rooms on the floors above. On this floor also, are a two-bed infirmary and a guest room, and at the easterly end are rooms for resident household staff, with sitting room and tiny kitchenette. On the third and fourth floors accommodation for other members of the administrative and teaching staff is located. Each floor has a student utility room for hand laundry, and on the third floor are the mending and linen rooms for the School.

The stairway at the east wing of the building brings us to the kitchen, carefully planned, well-lighted, pleasant. Through the kitchen we come into the dining-room and thence through Modernfold doors into the main common room. These three rooms occupy the full length of the building. For large gatherings dining-room and common room

form one spacious room as the Modernfold door is opened.

Our first impression on entering these two rooms is of light; large windows and a door leading to a small garden run the full length, facing south. The windows are curtained in white dacron, with drapes in a soft green and white with accent of yellow; chairs in the common room are in textured plastic in white or turquoise and in fabric coverings of yellow and green. The walls are in the same soft green; lamps in white and green tones, wood is in bleached walnut and flooring in dark green linoleum tile. A Heintzman baby grand piano in ebony finish, and a radio-record player complete this charming yet practical common room.



Dining-Room.

In the dining-room where up to one hundred may be seated, walnut tables in natural finish with formica top, each seat eight. Green plastic mats and Royal Doulton china in a green on white design complete the furnishings in this room. Here and elsewhere throughout the building pictures brought from the former residences and Canadian silk screen prints selected by Mr. A. J. Casson have been hung effectively.

We end our tour in the Chapel. Our attention is drawn at once to the Communion Table and Pulpit in light and dark oak, modern in design. The chapel, which will seat one hundred, is of grey stock brick; pews are in birch in natural finish; the flooring grey linoleum tile; the ceiling sky blue. Coloured glass in gold, rose and blue sheds soft light through a series of windows on the west side. A dorsal curtain, hand-woven in brown with woof of gold thread, hangs the full width of the Chapel; a similar curtain with colours reversed encloses the organ which is the gift of the graduates of the School. There are many other memorial gifts in the Chapel, a permanent record of which is kept in a memorial book.

THE SCHOOL

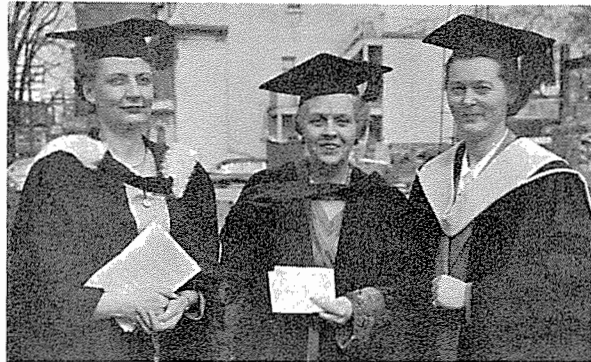
The United Church Training School is the educational centre of the United Church of Canada for the training of women for all types of professional work in the Church, with the exception of the Ministry of the Word and Sacraments. It is a national School authorized by General Council and under the supervision of the Board of Colleges and Secondary Schools. The students come from every Conference of our Church, and also from Churches overseas, the latter under the auspices of the Woman's Missionary Society. There is great value in a national and international centre where students from a variety of geographical, economic, and professional backgrounds share together in training, and develop in understanding of one another and of the Churches and the countries they represent.

The Board of Management of The United Church Training School is appointed by the General Council. It is composed of a Chairman, ten members-at-large, and representatives of the Council of Emmanuel College, the Dominion Board of the Woman's Missionary Society, the Board of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the Committee on the Deaconess Order and Women Workers, the Dominion Council of the Woman's Association and the Boards of Home Missions, Overseas Missions, Christian Education, and Evangelism and Social Service, and members of the School staff. Financial support is drawn from the Board of Colleges and Secondary Schools and the Woman's Missionary Society, together with students' board, income from residence and interest on a small Endowment Fund. Travel costs are paid for all students, by the School, or, in the case of those appointed by the Dominion Board, by the Woman's Missionary Society. A number of scholarships and bursaries are available but gifts are needed to build up a more adequate Scholarship Fund.

Being in affiliation with Emmanuel College in Victoria University, the School plans its course of study and entrance requirements in consultation with the College. Almost half the course is given by the staffs of Emmanuel and Victoria Colleges. These courses, in Old and New Testament, Christian Doctrine, Church History and Hymnody, provide a knowledge of the Bible and of the meaning* of the Christian faith which are essential if graduates are to help others to answer their questions and to know God in Jesus Christ.

The remainder of the course is in Christian Education and methods and skills for the communication of the Christian Gospel. The basic courses in Christian Education are provided by professors of Emmanuel College and members of the staff of the Training School. Some courses are taken with the students of the Presbyterian Missionary and Dea-

coness Training School and the Anglican Woman's Training College. They include Recreational Leadership, Handicrafts, Religious Drama, Public Speaking, Music, Social Work, Pastoral Theology. Every student spends two periods a week in a local church giving leadership to a Sunday and mid-week group of children or young people, under the guidance of a field work supervisor.



Principal, Miss K. Harriet Christie, B.A., Diploma in Theology from Emmanuel College.
Lecturer, Mrs. J. D. H. Hutchinson, M.A., Diploma in Theology from Emmanuel College.
Dean, Miss Katharine B. Hockin, M.A., Ed.D.

Living in residence is an important part of the training. Fellowship with students who share a common life purpose, and who represent the work of the Church in Canada and overseas, provides an experience of the World Church. Religious thought and experience find growth and expression through morning prayers, shared residential responsibilities and varied student activities. There are few restrictions other than those necessary for a well-ordered community. Staff and Students work together to serve the best interests of the whole School.

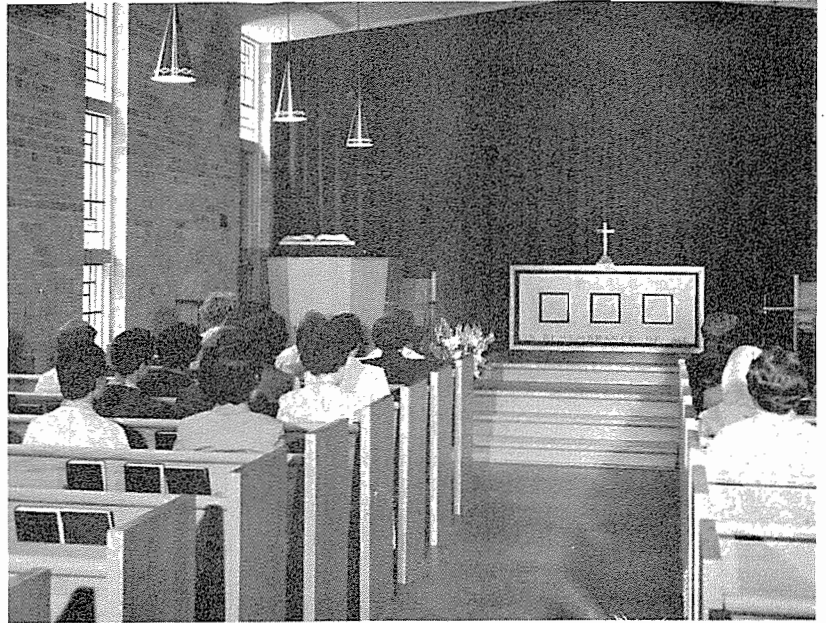
Academic qualifications for entrance to the School are a university degree, or senior matriculation (Grade XIII or its equivalent) plus business or professional training and successful experience. The course of training is two years and leads to the Diploma of the School. University graduates may also enrol at Emmanuel College for the Bachelor of Religious Education degree.



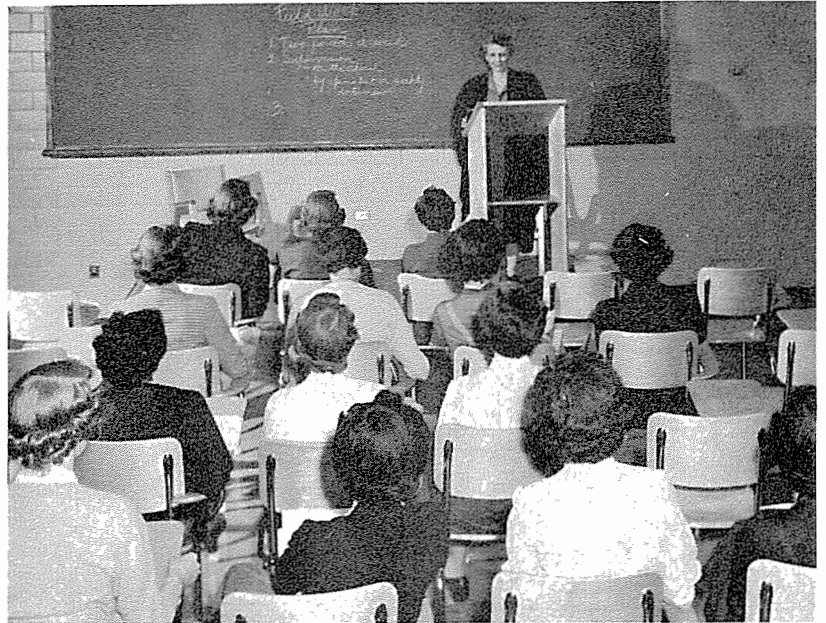
Exterior of United Church Training School.

LIFE IN THE UNITED CHURCH TRAINING SCHOOL

The day begins with worship in the chapel, conducted by students and staff.



The students attend classes in the classroom and seminar room of the School, and in Emmanuel College.



The library is a quiet and convenient place to study. The library of Emmanuel College is also used by students of the School.





Crafts, music, religious drama, and recreational leadership are part of the course of study.



During the two years of the course most students have the opportunity both of sharing a room and living in a single study-bedroom.



At the end of the day students gather in the two student common rooms for "snack", relaxation, and discussion.

The United Church Training School is commemorating sixty years of service to the Church by women especially prepared for their tasks in the training centres of the Methodist and Presyterian Churches and later of The United Church of Canada.

THE PIONEERS

Twenty years before the founding of the Training Schools, however, namely from the year 1876, young women in the Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational Church began to join the ranks of the pioneers in Overseas Missions and in certain Home Mission areas.

From the *Presbyterian Church*, in 1876, Miss Rodgers went to India and Miss Blackadder to Trinidad; in 1884 Dr. Elizabeth Beatty went to India; and in 1889 Misses McIntosh and Graham to Honan, North China.

From the *Methodist Church*, in 1881, Miss Cartwell was sent to Japan; in 1882 Miss Hendrie to the Crosby Girls' Home in Port Simpson, British Columbia; and in 1893 Miss Brackbill and Dr. Retta Gifford (Kilborn) set out for the province of Szechwan, West China, 2000 miles inland from Shanghai.

From the *Congregational Church*, in 1890, Miss Minniehaha Clarke went to Angola (Portuguese West Africa) where she died two years later.

FOUNDING OF DEACONESS ORDER AND TRAINING SCHOOLS

It was in 1890 that the *Methodist Church* authorized the establishment of a Deaconess Order, being influenced by the revival of this ancient Order in the Protestant Churches of Germany, England and the United States. The Methodist National Training School was opened in 1894 for the preparation of deaconesses for seivice in the Church and as a "Deaconess Home" for those who were at work in the city of Toronto. The School, however, was from the outset recognized by the Women's Missionary Society as the training centre for young women who were to be appointed as home and overseas missionaries. The first class, graduating in 1895, numbered five, three of whom were appointed to churches in Canada and two to overseas mission fields.

It was the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the *Presbyterian Church* which in 1897 established the Ewart Training Home to prepare missionaries for work in Canada and overseas. When in 1907 the Deaconess Order was authorized, the School enlarged its scope and became the Missionary and Deaconess Training Home. It also served as a residence for women medical students, many of whom were "student volunteers".

From the year of their inception until 1925—the year of Church Union—these two Schools sent out each year graduates who served under the missionary societies and in Deaconess Orders. The Schools were housed in gracious and adequate buildings, the Methodist School at 135 St. Clair Ave. West, Toronto, and the Presbyterian School at 60 Grosvenor St., Toronto. Both Schools early established co-operative relationships with their respective Theological Colleges in Toronto, Victoria College and Knox College, whereby the courses in Bible, Christian Doctrine and Church History were taught by the theological professors. Later advantage was taken of the courses offered by the School of Social Work and the Canadian School of Missions.

THE UNITED CHURCH TRAINING SCHOOL

At Union the two Schools were united to form the United Church Training School which was housed at 135 St. Clair Ave. West, Toronto. In January 1943, this building was requisitioned by the Government as a residence for women in the C.W.A.C. and the School was re-established in two private residences, 214 St. George St., and 25 Bedford Road, which proved most inadequate. Finally, in January 1955, the School moved into the fine new building at 77 Charles St. West, on the campus of Victoria University.

In the thirty years since Church Union opportunities for women to serve the Church in Canada and overseas have increased and they have received greater recognition. The Deaconess Order is becoming increasingly a unifying factor. More and more women in executive positions, in self-supporting congregations, and in home and overseas missions are enrolled in the Order.

GRADUATES OF THE UNITED CHURCH TRAINING SCHOOL

IN 60 YEARS — 1350 ENTERED THE FULL-TIME WORK OF THE CHURCH
(many others took the course)

TO-DAY — 260 ARE IN ACTIVE SERVICE

18— ON THE STAFF OF THE BOARDS OF THE CHURCH

The Board of Christian Education, Provincial Girl's Work Boards, The Dominion Board of the Woman's Missionary Society, The Dominion Council of the Woman's Association, The United Church Training School.

5— IN SOCIAL WELFARE INSTITUTIONS

These include Homes for Older People, an enlarging phase of the work of The United Church of Canada.

97— IN HOME MISSIONS

67 in Community Missions

14 in Chinese and Japanese Churches and on Indian Reserves.

16 in Mission Hospitals.

104— IN OVERSEAS MISSIONS

20 in Angola (Portuguese West Africa) and Northern Rhodesia.

2 in Hong Kong.

38 in India.

21 in Japan (as well as 7 J3s—short-term missionaries.)

11 in Korea.

12 in Trinidad.

36— IN SELF-SUPPORTING CONGREGATIONS

Conferences

Newfoundland	2	London	3
Maritimes	2	Manitoba	0
Montreal-Ottawa	3	Saskatchewan	2
Bay of Quinte	1	Alberta	4
Toronto	14	British Columbia	3
Hamilton	2		

More than one half of the graduates have married. Some are wives of overseas missionaries; many are wives of ministers; all are active in Church work.



TOP ROW, Left to Right: Margaret Brown, Louise Cox, L.Music; Ruth Glanville (Mrs.), B.A.; Sara Harrison, M.A.; Enid Horning, B.A.; Essie Johnson (Mrs.), A.T.C.M.; Gladys Julien, B.A., A.T.C.M.; Margaret Kee.

MIDDLE ROW, Left to Right: Margaret Martin; Audrey McKim, B.A.; Ruth Scoular; Ethel Cline, Reg. N.; Norma Dick, Reg.N., B.A., B.S.N.; Jean Galbraith, Reg.N.; Claire Moore, Reg.N.; Jean Sheppard, Reg.N., P.H.N.; Helen Stockton, Reg.N.

BOTTOM ROW, Left to Right: Julia Angus; Jane Johnstone, B.A.; Joen Frederick; Pauline Topp.

THE 60th GRADUATING CLASS — THE CLASS OF 1954.

CHURCH WORK - A VOCATION FOR WOMEN

Every Christian everywhere is called to share his Christian faith with those who have not known or accepted Christ, and to lead them into the fellowship of the Church. Some men and women, however, are called to make full-time service in the Church, their vocation. The United Church of Canada offers young women an opportunity to use a great variety of gifts and training in a vocation within the Church.



Miss Dency McCalla, B.A., as Girl's Work Secretary, leads a Bible Study group at C.G.I.T. Camp.



Miss Audrey McKim, B.A., Director of Christian Education in Islington United Church, Toronto, explains to a group of children the worship centre in the new Church School.

IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

To-day the majority of women workers are engaged in Christian Education. In Canada, they serve as Childrens' Work and Girls' Work Secretaries; as Directors of Christian Education in self-sup-

porting congregations in cities and towns; and as community missionaries in downtown churches and Churches of All Nations, in Japanese and Chinese Churches and on Indian Reserves, in new housing areas and in rural Presbyteries.

Miss Hedwig Bartling, B.A., a missionary at work among the Oriental groups in British Columbia, plans a gathering for mothers and children at the United Church kindergarten in Steveston, B.C.





Miss Elma Inman introduces a family in Trinidad to literature designed to strengthen Christian Home Life.

Overseas, women engaged in Christian Education, serve with the Churches of Angola and Northern Rhodesia (Africa), India, Japan, Korea, and Trinidad. They supervise hundreds of village Sunday Schools, give leadership in the Christian Home Movement, direct camps for girls and young people and Summer Schools for leaders, and lead Bible Study groups of High School and University students, both Christians and non-Christians.

IN SOCIAL WELFARE

The Church has been the fountain head of social service and welfare work. While only a few of the women workers of the United Church are engaged exclusively in social work, many are called upon to counsel individuals and families and to assist those in need—the sick, the aged, the unemployed, the delinquent. A number give all their time to hospital visiting and work among old people or in institutions for unmarried mothers and delinquent girls.



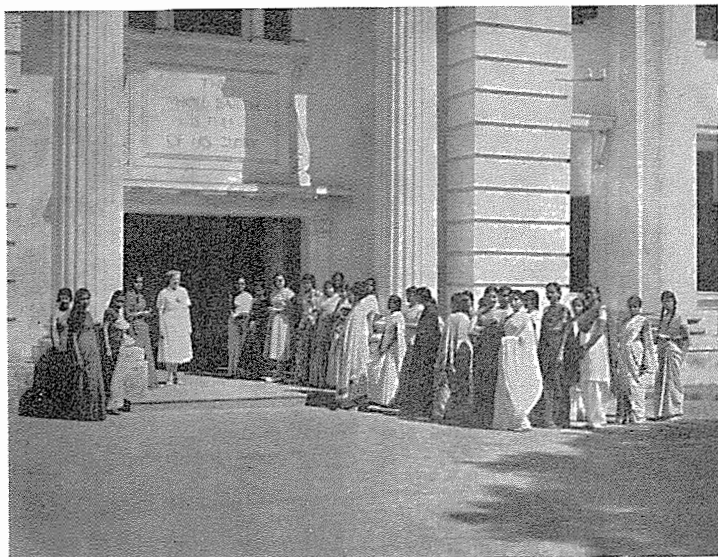
Miss Marvel Clapham, deaconess in Woodgreen United Church, Toronto, chats with three members of her group of older women.

Overseas, the Church of Jesus Christ has pioneered in all forms of social welfare work. The Specialized Agencies of the United Nations and other “technical assistance” programs, with their larger financial resources, are expanding the service rendered for decades by missionaries and frequently utilizing leaders trained in Church institutions. In countries like Africa and Korea the women workers of the United Church are in the very centre of creative welfare work among very needy people.



Miss Anne Davison, B.A., M.S.W., an experienced social worker and a missionary of the United Church, is on the staff of Church World Service in Korea. She is pictured here with a group of Korean women, each of whom is director of a Widows' Workshop in Pusan (there are 300,000 widows in Korea). The occasion is the opening of a Sales' Shop where their products will be sold.

CHURCH WORK - A VOCATION FOR WOMEN

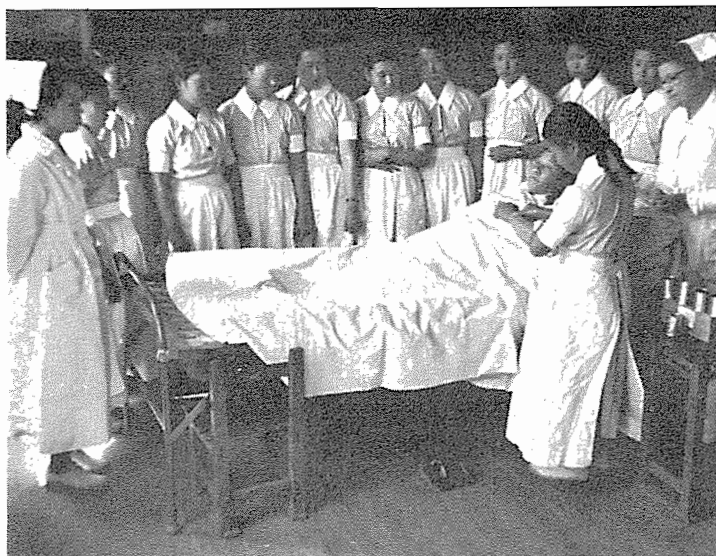


Miss Dorothy Pearson, M.A., Nutritionist, welcomes students of Queen Mary's College to the Nutrition Exhibit in Madras Women's Christian College, India.

IN MEDICAL WORK

A few women doctors and a number of nurses are at work under The United Church of Canada. All of the nurses who are serving overseas and a proportion of those in mission hospitals in Canada have received a year of special training at the United Church Training School. In Canada, missionary nurses serve as superintendents and staff nurses in mission hospitals in needy areas of Northern Ontario and Western Canada.

Miss Ada Sandell, Reg. N., demonstrates operating room procedures with a group of pupil nurses in an emergency hospital in Korea.



IN EDUCATION

In Canada, Education is now largely state-controlled, hence graduates of The United Church Training School who wish to serve as educationalists must look chiefly to the overseas fields for their opportunity. In countries like Africa they are still pioneering in the field of Education, supervising hundreds of village schools and training primary teachers. In Japan, India, Korea, and Trinidad they hold strategic positions in High Schools and Vocational Schools for Girls, and teach English, Household Economics, Bible, Christian Education and Social Work in such women's universities as the Madras Christian College, India, the Women's Christian College, Tokyo, Japan, and Ewha Women's University, Seoul, Korea.



Miss Mary Clark, Reg. N., a missionary nurse at the hospital in Cold Lake, Alberta, holds in her arms twin Indian babies.

Overseas, in Angola, India and Korea, missionary doctors and nurses have pioneered in healing and in the medical and nursing education, training African, Indian and Korean doctors, nurses, midwives and laboratory technicians. They have initiated Public Health work in all three fields, and in Korea are now doing relief work in centres of great need.

IN LITERATURE AND LITERACY WORK

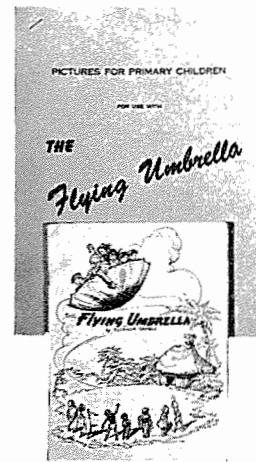
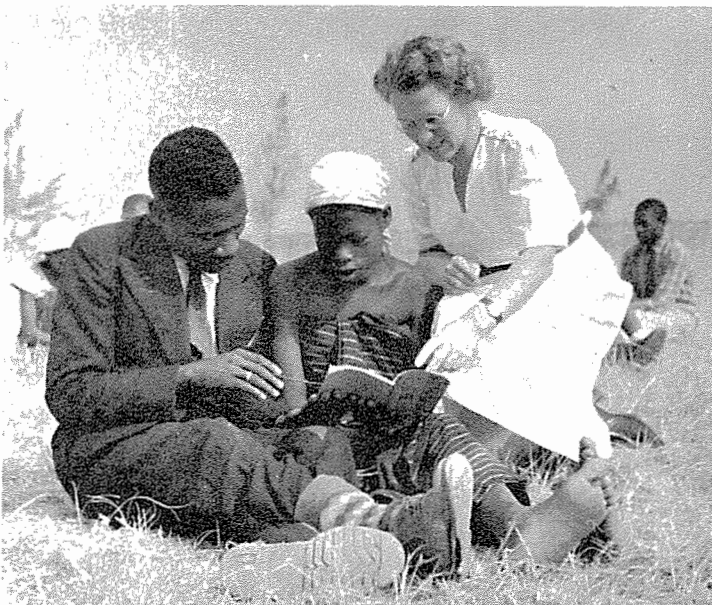
The United Church of Canada offers great opportunities for women who have literary gifts. To a natural gift for writing and a broad general education should be added the course at the United Church Training School and experience in the work of the Church. Overseas, a knowledge of the language of the country is essential. In Canada, women are editing such magazines as "The Canadian Girl" and "The Missionary Monthly", writing and editing Sunday School Lessons and preparing leaflets, booklets, and program guides in Christian Education and Missionary Education.



Miss Eleanor Gamble, B.A., Director of Christian Education in Kingsway-Lambton United Church, Toronto, discusses with primary teachers of the Sunday School the use of "Flying Umbrella" a Missionary Education children's story and Leader's Guide, written by Miss Gamble. Drawing on her experience in Christian Education, Miss Gamble also wrote a series of Sunday School lessons for junior children.

Overseas, graduates of the Training School are assisting in translating the Bible and other books, preparing Sunday School Lessons and curriculum material for day schools, Normal Schools and Nurses' Training Schools and editing magazines for women and children. Adult Literacy claims the time of many overseas missionaries as they assist in teaching adults to read and prepare and translate books and booklets for the newly-literate.

Miss Frances Walbridge, B.A., Supervisor of District Vocational Schools in Angola, West Africa, encourages adult literacy campaign as an African man teaches his wife to read.



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NOW IS THE TIME TO RECRUIT YOUNG WOMEN FOR CHURCH WORK

URGENT REQUEST FOR NEW WORKERS

If the United Church Training School were constantly full to capacity, about thirty-five young women would be ready for appointment each Spring. The Church is now calling for far more than that number; and in view of Canada's expanding population, the building of new churches, and the appeals for colleagues from North America which are coming from the Churches of Africa and Asia, the need for trained women workers will increase as the years go on.

By its generous contributions to the Campaign Fund, the Church has demonstrated its faith in the graduates of the Training School who are serving in Canada and overseas. The whole Church has been challenged by this achievement, to present to girls and young women the claims of Church Work as a vocation. Leaders in the life of the congregations and Presbyteries can assist in this effort by securing and studying such booklets as "Church Work a Vocation for Women" which sets forth the openings for service in Canada and overseas and the qualifications and preparation required for this important vocation. Addresses and discussions on Church Work as a vocation should be part of the program of all youth groups in United Church congregations and of Conferences, Camps and Summer Schools as well. Some Presbyteries are planning special gatherings for this purpose such as a dinner meeting or week-end conference. Addresses in Universities, Nurses' Training Schools and Normal Schools should be included in the itinerary of visiting Church leaders who are able to give first-hand information about vocations in the Church.

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FROM CANADA

The United Church of Canada is calling for:

30 women for positions in self-supporting congregations for leadership in Christian Education and for social welfare work.

5 for appointment as executive and field secretaries under Church Boards.

25 for appointment as home missionaries in city missions, rural Presbyteries, new housing areas and mission hospitals.

FROM OVERSEAS

The Churches of Africa, India, Japan, Korea and Trinidad are calling for:

11 Church Workers for Christian Education and Evangelism (Northern Rhodesia 1, Korea 1, India 6, Trinidad 2, Japan 1). 2 Social Workers (Korea 1, Northern Rhodesia 1).

3 Nurses (1 for nursing education in Korea, and 1 for Public Health and 1 for nursing education in India).

1 student secretary for Korea.

8 teachers (1 for supervision of village schools in Angola, 1 Household Science Teacher for Angola and 1 for Trinidad, 1 High School Teacher for Korea and 3 for Japan and 1 Science teacher for Trinidad).

For further information regarding these and other opportunities write to the Personnel Secretary, Wesley Building, 299 Queen Street W., Toronto 2B, Ontario.

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at the

DEDICATION OF THE NEW BUILDING AND CHAPEL

of

THE UNITED CHURCH TRAINING SCHOOL

77 Charles Street West

At the hour of three o'clock

SATURDAY, MARCH THE TWELFTH

Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-Five

Dedication Service

Conducted by the RIGHT REVEREND GEORGE DOREY, B.A., D.D.,

THE MODERATOR OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain
that build it.

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made
heaven and earth.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, from henceforth,
even forever.

PRAISE: Ye gates, lift up your heads on high,
Hymnary 638.

THE SCRIPTURE READING:

THE REVEREND A. D. MATHESON, M.A., B.D., D.D.
PRINCIPAL OF EMMANUEL COLLEGE

The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof;
the world, and they that dwell therein.

For he hath founded it upon the seas, and estab-
lished it upon the floods.

Who shall ascend unto the hill of the Lord? or
who shall stand in his holy place?

He that hath clean hands and a pure heart; who
hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity nor sworn
deceitfully.

He shall receive the blessing from the Lord, and
righteousness from the God of his salvation.

Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all
generations.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever
thou hast formed the earth and the world, even
from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.

Let thy work appear unto thy servants, and thy
glory unto their children.

And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon
us and establish thou the work of our hands upon us.

Yea, the work of our hands establish thou it.

Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righ-
teousness; and all these things shall be added unto
you.

Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall
find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.

The hour cometh, and now is, when the true
worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in
truth; for the Father seeketh such to worship him.
God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must
worship him in spirit and in truth.

Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make
you free.

I am come that they might have life, and that they
might have it more abundantly.

Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and
that the spirit of God dwelleth in you? The temple
of God is holy, which temple ye are.

Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreig-
ners, but fellow-citizens with the saints, and of the
household of God; and are built upon the foundation
of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself
being the chief cornerstone; in whom all the build-
ing fitly framed together groweth unto a holy temple
unto the Lord: in whom ye also are builded together
for a habitation of God through the Spirit.

PRESENTATION OF KEYS
TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
OF MANAGEMENT.

G. DEAN MAXWELL, B.A., SC., P. ENG.,
CHAIRMAN OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

Today brings to a climax the work of the Building Committee, the end result of some five years of endeavour; the choice of site, the co-ordination of requirements and planning and now the completion of the project — all this made possible by the magnificent financial contributions of the members of the United Church across Canada. As you look over the building, may you have the eyes to see around you wisdom, strength and beauty: wisdom of the Board of Management in building and today dedicating this edifice to God's service, strength as exhibited by the Redfern Construction Company and their subcontractors in supplying the men and material for the execution of the work, beauty of line and proportion, the masterly workmanship of the architect, Mr. Arthur Eadie, and his associates, together with the beautifying hand of the women's furnishing committee, all providing the necessary accommodation at a cost within the estimate made in November, 1953.

Dr. Smith, on behalf of the Building Committee, I present this key to you symbolizing the completion of the project. I assure you, sir, it is more than a symbol for it will unlock all the exterior entrance doors to the building. However, once inside, you will have to depend upon the principal and her staff, as they alone carry the inside master key.

Dr. Lavell Smith replies:

Thank you very much, Mr. Maxwell, for this beautifully engraved golden key. This is but the most recent in the long series of your generous and thoughtful actions on behalf of this School. It symbolizes also those unnumbered gifts and benevolences received from so many of our friends across this land. For all these, we are deeply grateful today.

RESPONSE:

MISS HARRIET CHRISTIE, B.A.,
PRINCIPAL OF THE UNITED CHURCH TRAINING
SCHOOL

This is a very joyous and significant day in the life of The United Church of Canada. On behalf of the Board of Management of the United Church Training School, I am privileged to welcome you to this Dedication and Opening of the new School. Most of you are here, both because of your own interest in the life and work of the School and in a representative capacity. We are honoured that the Moderator of our Church has conducted this service of worship, and, also, that Dr. Sidney Smith, President of the University of Toronto, Dr. A. B. B. Moore, Vice-Chancellor of Victoria University, and Dr. G. Stanley Glenn, Principal of Knox College are present. To the representatives of other Colleges and of the Boards of the

Church, to the members of the Sub-Executives of the Dominion Board of the Woman's Missionary Society and the Dominion Woman's Association Council, to the representatives of Campaign Committees from London, Hamilton, Toronto, and Bay of Quinte Conferences, and to everyone present, we say "welcome" to this happy and solemn occasion.

We are accompanied in thought and spirit by many friends in other parts of Canada and of the world, as is evidenced by telegrams and letters of greeting which have been received.

To-day we, and this "great cloud of witnesses", are sharing in one of the miracles of the Christian Fellowship, and our hearts are so filled with joy and thanksgiving that it is difficult to find words adequate to the occasion. When the United Church Training School came into existence at the time of Church Union, the Uniting Churches stated their conviction that the School belonged within the context of the University and expressed the hope that as soon as possible the School should be located close to Victoria University. At a meeting of the Board of Management in December 1928, the plan of the building envisaged was outlined as follows:

"The Committee advises that the need of the School is for a residence to accommodate from forty to fifty students, with common room, reception room, library, assembly hall, or chapel, and other necessary rooms."

The new building includes all these facilities envisaged nearly thirty years ago. To-day this dream has come true and we are here to celebrate the realization of that dream, — a miracle of God which has taken place.

God has used people as He alone can do for the fulfilling of His purposes. It is difficult to select from among the many who have worked for the achievement of this goal, but there are some who must be mentioned:

Dr. A. J. Johnston, Past Chairman of the Board of Management, who has come from Sarnia to be with us to-day; Mrs. Murray G. Brooks, Principal Emeritus of the School, is with us in spirit to-day even though she cannot be present; Miss Eva Macfarlane, who guided the Household Management of the School through all its changes from 1927 until last Summer, and Mrs. J. D. H. Hutchinson, Past Principal and now Lecturer, who gave leadership during the difficult period of the decisions involved in securing property, arranging for a Campaign, and deciding on the kind of building required.

No institution could have a more convinced and devoted Board of Management than ours. Our chairman, Dr. J. Lavell Smith, has given hours of time and careful thought as he has guided the Board in its decisions. We have had, on a voluntary basis, the expert services of a lawyer, Mr. George Fallis our Treasurer; and an engineer, Mr. G. Dean Maxwell, Assistant Superintendent of Construction for the University of Toronto, and Chairman of our Building Committee. These men, and the members of the Building Committee have demonstrated by their wise and generous work and their constant attention to our welfare, a conviction about the worth and work of the School without which it could not have reached this point in its history.

The building being dedicated to-day was made possible through the co-operation and efforts of the women of the United Church under the leadership of the Woman's Missionary Society and the Woman's Association. The Campaign conducted throughout the Church by the women of the Church raised \$697,500.00 to date, plus the interest on this money which has been invested by the Church. The new interest in the School developed by the campaign should ensure that the building is kept filled with students from this time onward.

The Architect of the new School, Mr. Arthur Eadie, has taken a personal as well as a professional interest in the building because of his long association with the Board of Management prior to being appointed architect. To him, to Mr. Bonus,

the consulting engineer, to the Redfern Construction Company and to the workmen who have laboured with skill and care, we express our sincere thanks.

The Building Committee had associated with it in the completion of this project a Furnishings Committee whose working executive was chaired by Mrs. Hugh McLaughlin, with Mrs. Zelma Rothwell of the Robert Simpson Co. Contract Department, acting as consultant. These women have worked with infinite attention to every detail that the furnishing of the building might be in keeping with the building itself, — a combination of beauty, utility, and durability.

This building has been constructed and furnished with the hope that it will contribute to the development of the whole person, that as students live in a building which has beauty as well as utility, — beauty of colour and design and texture — their spirits may be nourished and made more sensitive to beauty, to truth, to goodness. We pray that they may leave these walls, adjustable to new situations, but more able to reach the hearts of other people with God's love because they have grown closer to Him in this place.

THE CALL TO THE PEOPLE

Believing men and women, most of them members of The United Church of Canada, have freely contributed of their substance, committees have given time and thought, architects have designed and supervised, skilled artisans have wrought and labourers have toiled that a building might be erected at this centre, to the glory of God and for the training of church leaders. There are rooms for residence and recreation; classrooms and a library for the intellectual training of those who are to interpret God's message to this age; and central to all is this place for united daily worship of God whom we have seen in the face of Jesus Christ and to whose image the redeemed souls of men are to be conformed. This building having been completed in the good providence of God, I do now invite the congregation to join with me, in behalf of all who have had any share in its erection, to dedicate it to the worship and service of Almighty God, our Heavenly Father.

THE ACT OF DEDICATION

(The whole congregation standing will say in unison the words printed in capitals)

Our Father which art in heaven: Father of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ:

TO THEE WE DEDICATE THIS HOUSE.

Son of God, the Only Begotten of the Father: Head of the body which is the Church: Head over all things to the Church; Prophet, Priest and King of Thy people:

TO THEE WE DEDICATE THIS HOUSE.

God, the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father, and the Son: given to be our abiding Teacher, Sanctifier, Comforter; Lord and Giver of Life:

TO THEE WE DEDICATE THIS HOUSE.

THE DEDICATION PRAYER

THE REVEREND W. H. YOUNG,

M.A., B.D., D.D., LL.D.

SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF COLLEGES AND
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OF CANADA

THE DECLARATION OF DEDICATION

THE REVEREND J. L. SMITH, B.A., B.D., D.D.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF THE
UNITED CHURCH TRAINING SCHOOL

On behalf of the Board of Management of the United Church Training School, I declare this building to be dedicated to the service of Almighty God, for the maintenance of Christian learning, for the pursuit of truth under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and for the propagation of the Christian faith by those who have consecrated their lives to fellowship with the Lord Jesus Christ in service to mankind through his Church.

PRAISE — All things are Thine; no gift have we.
Hymnary 207.

THE SERMON

THE REVEREND W. C. LOCKHART,

M.A., PH.D., D.D.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF COLLEGES AND
SECONDARY SCHOOLS OF THE UNITED CHURCH
OF CANADA.

On the occasion of the formal opening and dedication of this new School, I would suggest for your consideration these words of John the Baptist:

"Do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham for our father,' for I tell you God is able, from these stones, to raise up children to Abraham." (Luke 3:8).

We need not dwell too long over the setting for this utterance. John has grown impatient with the manner in which his contemporaries have been lulled into a soft sense of security and complacency because of their religious inheritance. In true prophetic fashion he shatters their religious and racial pride by affirming that even if those who claimed Abraham for their father were to perish, God could raise up children to Abraham from the lifeless stones of the desert. God is not dependent upon or confined to any particular religious tradition. He is the Lord God of the universe, the creator and the giver of life.

Now I want to suggest that John's outburst has relevancy to our present situation and the occasion for which we are met.

In the first instance, the appearance of this School for the training of women workers for the service of the Christian Church is in itself something of a challenge to the Church's age-long reliance on men for leadership.

This is hardly the occasion to go back and discuss the rightness or wrongness of Paul's views on women and their place in the Church. But there is no escaping the fact that whether due to the force of Paul's opinion, or to the place

women occupied in the contemporary scene, the early Christian fellowship did not provide them with an opportunity for equality of position and privilege. Despite Paul's affirmation that in Christ "there is neither male nor female," the Church, while doing much to enhance the position of women, continued to rely upon her religious inheritance in Judaism, which gave a definite priority to the male of the species as far as prerogative of authority and leadership were concerned.

The truth is that down through the centuries, while the Church has proclaimed the equality of the sexes, and has played a tremendously important and crucial role in the emancipation of women, not until this century have women been accorded any real parity in the Church. The Church not only continued to rely on the so-called superior male for leadership, but debarred women from her ministry. It was actually the pressure of the secular world which, having provided opportunities for women in professional and business life, finally brought some sections of the Christian Church to see that they could not longer maintain their own narrow, prejudiced position. It was only then that the Church saw more clearly the implications of her own Creed and has been ready to make concessions. Thus did the ranks of the Christian ministry open to both sexes, and thus have trained women workers found their way into positions of leadership. At least we can rejoice that our own Church has recognized that there is virtue in men ceasing to argue about women and beginning to think jointly and work co-operatively with them.

Now I would be wrong to suggest that the final breaking of the Church's age-long tradition concerning the relative places of the male and the female in the divine economy of the Church's life is due exclusively to the developments in the secular world or the pressures of contemporary culture. Surely it is a manifestation of the operation of the Holy Spirit, a clear indication of the truth which John was affirming, that the activity of God is not limited to any tradition, no matter how exalted or valuable that tradition has proved itself. Surely the appearance of this School in this place and at this time, planned and financed largely through the initiative, the ingenuity, the hard labours and the sacrifices of the women of our great Church, is indication in itself that God's Spirit broods over his Church, looking for new and creative opportunities for expression. It is not that this School is in itself something peculiarly novel; it is rather that it is symbolic of a growing and developing movement which heralds the dawn of a day in the life of our Church when the unusual gifts, the qualities of the feminine mind and heart and spirit are being made available for leadership and service in the Church. This surely is the work of God as he raises up new children of Abraham for this generation.

The second implication of our text is to be derived from the words, "God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham."

We need vision to see this School not only as a beautiful building, but as a place in which the creative power of God will be operative. We require to be able to look down the long vista of the years ahead and see the young lives who come through the entrance doors of this place with hope and great desire in their eyes, young hearts dedicated to Christ, waiting for guidance and instruction in the way of His truth, young spirits awaiting to be moulded and shaped by the example and inspiration of those about them for the service of their Church. Can you not hear the sound of their happy laughter throughout these halls now? Does not the voice of their praise to God sound dimly in your ears? Can you not hear the agonizing of their doubts and the struggle of their minds as they grapple with truth? Can you not see already the miracle of transformation taking place as God translates the brick and mortar of this place into new life? In all this, God is working to accomplish through his Church what he wants most of all to accomplish—

the creation of persons, redeemed persons, who have found emancipation from the bonds of ignorance and sin and whose gifts and capacities are released for their fulfilment in His service.

Throughout this miracle of transformation which we believe and know will take place, God is the chief actor. He is the central figure in the drama. But linked with Him is not only the building which has been so adequately supplied, but those who shall staff and maintain it and who become by virtue of their position the chief instruments in God's hands.

It is a sobering moment when one realizes the degree the activity of the Holy Spirit is conditioned by one's human limitations and frailties, to be suddenly seized by the thought that one may not only be used of God to aid in the miracle of new life, but that one's pride and ambition, one's frailty and sin may also block this transformation and nullify God's purposes. I feel sure that those who have been entrusted with leadership in this School cannot escape being both awed and apprehensive by the great responsibility which is theirs. One can only assure them of our sincere prayer — that they may have such a measure of God's grace that they may be kept humble enough so that their dependence upon God may assure the possibility of God working through them to raise up from these stones 'children of Abraham.'

However, if this miracle of new life is to be made possible, if these stones are to become 'children of Abraham', God will require more than devoted and consecrated teachers and administrators in this School — He will require that those who serve here and those who come and go shall be surrounded by an atmosphere of positive concern by the Church which has put these buildings here and entrusted this work to them. I mean by an atmosphere of positive concern, the prayers of the whole Church which will day by day and Sunday by Sunday, bear before the throne of God the deep desire of the Church that God's will may be done in this place. I mean also by an atmosphere of positive concern the sustaining interest of the Church which stands ready to lend its counsel and encouragement to those who labour here, lest they be left isolated and forgotten by those who entrusted them with so great a task. I mean also an atmosphere of positive concern which expresses itself in the kind of concrete material support which makes it possible for God to continue and complete what has been so splendidly launched. In the creation and maintenance of this concern, we may all be given by God a part to play in the turning of these stones into "children of Abraham." We believe, under God's guidance, that this day brings to completion one stage in the creation of those conditions that will enable God to raise up daughters of Abraham unto our generation. It is our confidence and our hope that if we continue our labours under the same leading of the Spirit, this miracle of new life will be repeated over and over again. May it ever be so.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

THE REVEREND J. L. SMITH

PRAISE — Christ is made the sure foundation.

Hymnary 163.

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