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About People and Places

Ask Government Study of Immigration Integration

Concerned about the integration of the immigrant into Canadian life, the Board of Home Missions at its recent annual meet-



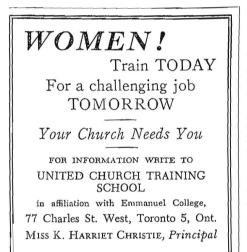
ing forwarded a recommendation to the Federal Government asking for the establishment of a Commission to study every aspect of this problem.

The board appointed the Rev. Robert Henderson to be the new Superintendent of Home Missions for British Columbia, and honoured Dr. W. P.

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Bunt, who retired from the post. It reported 265 students on the summer fields, and increased salaries of married ordained ministers to \$3,200 with free, furnished manse, with comparable increases to single ordained ministers and lay supplies;

with additional travelling allowances. Everywhere there are new churches and new halls and enlarging and rebuilding, Dr. M. C. Macdonald, the secretary, reported





when speaking of church extension, a major responsibility of this board. All the superintendents made mention of it, but Rev. H. M. Bailey particularly told of the increasing growth in the southwestern part of Ontario which is being handled by extension councils and committees.

The board heard of the shifting of population in Newfoundland and its effect on people and churches, and learned that the young ministers and their wives are meeting this challenge well and keeping the church in the centre of community life.

It heard also of the survey by the Toronto Presbyteries, which Dr. J. I. Mackay explained was being made to learn if the work of the church in the "inner city" was as effective as it should be for the newlyarrived immigrants.

Both Dr. Robert Hall and Rev. A. D. Stade reported the urban growth in Saskatchewan, but emphasized the major problem of ministering to the rural areas. If the present trend of movement towards the cities continues, there is indicated a period of disturbance and frustration. People in the rural areas are pleading for the church to hold its stability in waning community strength.

The alarming total of vacant charges in the Maritimes and the need for more ministers was stressed by Dr. W. S. Godfrey, who said that despite this fact the standard of work was high, the result of the untiring labours of students and retired ministers.

Dr. J. A. Lyttle and Rev. Dwight Powell told how the church has kept in touch with the mining communities of northern Ontario and Alberta. Where a new mine opens, there the church is found; where a new oil field is discovered, there is the church.

Dr. George McMillan, absent through illness, reported by letter that the United Church has five young ordained ministers manning all but one of the Indian missions and giving added strength to this work in the expanding northern Manitoba.

Rev. R. F. Karpoff is working with the Doukhobors in British Columbia, and Dr. Bunt told of the "Protestant Group" made up of young professional men and university students who, while anxious to retain their Doukhobor traditions in the spiritual, religious and cultural realms, wish to take a more active part in the social, educational,

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Two Get Kaufmans

For the first time two Kaufman Scholarships will be awarded at the graduation exercises of the United Church Training School in Danforth Ave. United Church, Toronto, on May 13th. The recipients, graduates of the school, are Miss Dency McCalla and Miss Bernice Moore.

Miss McCalla received her Arts degree from the University of Alberta and taught school before entering the United Church Training School. She has been Associate Secretary of Christian Education in Manitoba, Girls' Work Secretary for the Board of Christian Education of The United Church of Canada, and is presently Young People's Secretary of that board. She plans to leave for England in late July and to study in one of the British theological colleges 1958-1959.

Miss Moore was also graduated from the University of Alberta with a B.Sc. degree



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and attended the United Church Training School following a year with Morningside Community Centre in New York. Since graduation in 1952 she has been Director of Christian Education in Canadian Memorial Church, Vancouver. This year she is studying at the School of Theology, Boston University. She plans to attend the Ecumenical Institute in Switzerland and Selly Oak in Birmingham, England.

The Kaufman Scholarship, awarded approximately every two years, is the gift of Miss Emma Kaufman and is administered by the United Church Training School.

Bequests from Five Provinces

From estates in Ontario, Saskatchewan, Nova Scotia, Quebec and Manitoba, The United Church of Canada, during the quarter January to March, 1958, received a number of bequests.

The Boards of Christian Education and Church Extension receive \$5,000 each from the estates of Oliver Mowat Paterson, Windsor, Ont., and John H. Stroud, Fenelon Falls, Ont.

Overseas and Home Missions were remembered. To the first named Board from the estate of Mrs. Jean Duncan Collins, Eston, Sask., \$500; \$1,000 from the Frederick Maitland Journeaux estate, Ottawa, Ont., and the residue from the estate of Grace Irene Payne, Campbellford, Ontario. Home Missions receives \$300 from the estate of Miss Hellen (Ellen) Cobban, Carlyle, Sask., and \$500 from the Frederick Henry Meikle estate, Morrisburg, Ont.

To the Missionary and Maintenance Fund Rudell, Kitchener, Ont., \$500; and David