

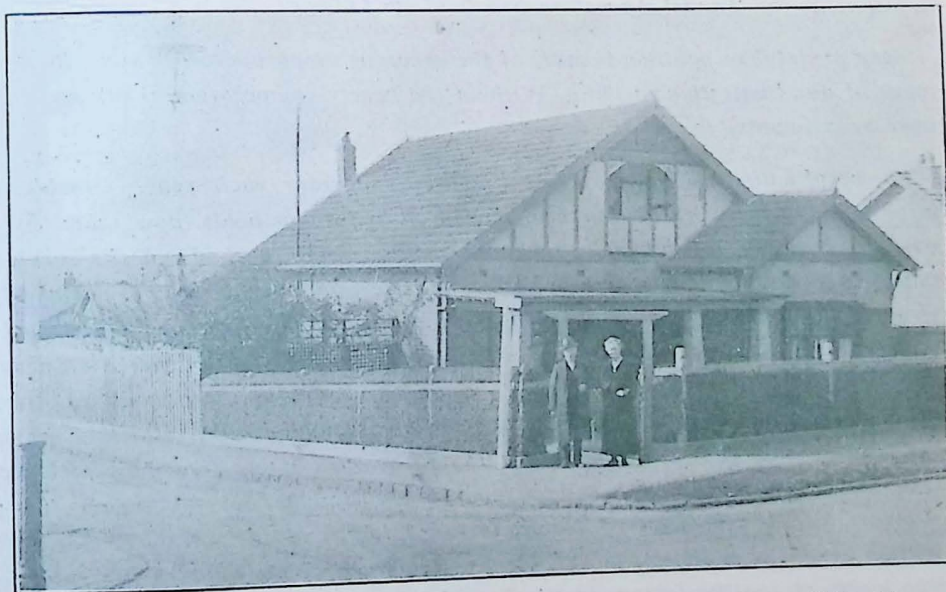
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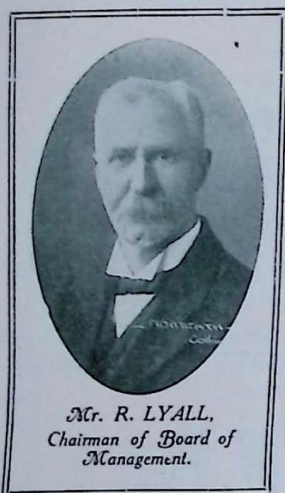


Hostel for Lady Students, opened February 1924. The Matron (Mrs. C. Fleming McDonald) is standing at the gate with the Principal of the College.

A New Asset and A New Responsibility.

Two Hundred Pounds extra is needed this year to meet the running expenses of the Hostel.

ANNUAL OFFERING
LORD'S DAY, OCTOBER 5, 1924



Message from Board of Management.

Members of Board of Management of the College of the Bible have pleasure in greeting members of our churches throughout the Commonwealth and New Zealand on the occasion of the Annual Appeal on behalf of our College.

Very grateful recognition is made of the generous support accorded since the establishment of our Institution in 1907. Without the hearty co-operation of all, success would have been impossible.

The results of the College are becoming more apparent each year. Considering the large place in the work of churches, as well as in foreign fields, now taken by former students, it is difficult to imagine what our position would be had not the service of all these brethren and sisters been available. It is certain our work would not nearly be so strong and effective. We are thankful for the blessing of God on the enterprise, and for excellent service of our Principal, Bro. A. R. Main, M.A., and efficient staff of teachers, who have proved consistently loyal. The student body has been keen to uphold the honor of their school, and the Board is proud of accomplishments and fine service rendered to the churches by former students now at work in our Commonwealth, New Zealand, and other parts, as well as in service in the regions beyond. From the present students we look for similar results in the future, and their training for leadership will be beneficial to those who call them to the work of the churches in time to come. The motto of another famous institution might well be taken by all concerned. "Enter to learn—go forth to serve" is an excellent principle to guide all students and be the foundation of all endeavor.

We look forward with confidence to increasing interest and continued financial help of our larger and expanding Brotherhood in providing for the great work of education and preparation of young men and women for service in the ministry of the gospel in future years.

Signed by Members of Board of Management.

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The Campus, the Common-room and the Class-room.

H. A. G. Clark, M.A.

THE modern conception of education is much wider than that of a few years back. Although there have been a few men who in the past have raised a voice of protest against the narrow conception of education, it is only of recent years that their claims have been listened to.

Education has been too largely dominated by the text book and the class room—a fact that is behind Mark Twain's advice, "Don't let your schooling interfere with your education." Herbert Spencer long ago claimed that the end of education is complete living. If this be so, then anything that tends to realise this end is an educational force. The campus and the common-room, as well as the class room, are vital to a full education. As J. H. Bradley has said, "We do not now think of education as merely book learning, nor even as concerned only with mind and body, or only as preparation for skilled work and cultured leisure, but rather as the development of the whole human being, with all his possibilities, interests, motives, and feelings." John Stuart Mill wrote in a similar strain, claiming that education "includes whatever we do for ourselves, and whatever is done for us by others for the express purpose of bringing us nearer to the perfection of our natures; in its largest acceptance, it comprehends even the indirect effects produced on character, and on the human faculties by things of which the direct purposes are different—by laws, by forms of government, by the industrial arts, by modes of social life, nay, even by physical facts not dependent on the human will, such as climate and position."

In the light of such statements no one can well deny the educational value of the College campus. There are at times found those who sympathise with a "divine" of long ago who wrote, "play of whatever kind should be forbidden in all evangelical schools, and its vanity and folly should be explained to the scholars with warnings of how it turns the mind away from God, eternal life, and works destruction to their

immortal souls." Like all things, the College campus may be misused, but this is no reason why it should be disused.

There is an interesting record in the books of Maccabees of the introduction into Jerusalem of Grecian games about 170 B.C. A place of exercise was built close to the temple in which men and boys ardently exercised themselves in Grecian style. These "heathenish manners" became so popular that the priests forsook the altar for the gymnasium.

The campus and gymnasium rightly used should mean a more efficient ministry at the altar, and not a vacating of it.

The College is fortunate in possessing a splendid gymnasium and a fairly spacious campus. These can make a real contribution to the education afforded at Glen Iris. Not only as means of preserving physical fitness, so that, as Plato said, "the body might better minister to the virtuous mind," but also because of the ethical value of recreation. "Play at its best is a school of ethics. It gives courage and confidence born of strength of purpose; it energises and forms decision of character; it breeds generosity and largemindedness; it develops individuality as nothing else will or can."

In sympathy with the above an American author writes: "From the standpoint of preparation for citizenship the recess (a period for play) can no more be safely omitted from the school programme than can the study of American history." Probably it is true of Glen Iris that there are subjects that might be eliminated from the curriculum with less serious results than the abolition of the gymnasium and the campus. There are some things that the campus can give that cannot be gained in the class-room, and we need both, each making its own contribution to the development of the individual's personality.

One of the more recent additions to the College has been in the form of a com-
modious common room. It has come a little later than one like Stephen Leacock would wish. He once said that if he had sufficient wealth to establish a University

he would first of all build a large common room in which the students could meet and talk over subjects in which they had a common interest, then he'd equip a library so that a student could get the latest and best information on every subject, and finally, if he had sufficient funds left he'd secure a professor or two. Since Stephen Leacock is himself a professor, we can hardly claim that he is biased against them. Whilst admitting that he, like G. K. Chesterton, often strains his statements to make them startle, there is never the less a very sound justification for his stressing the value of the common room. The preacher needs to have his social qualities developed and the common room affords a splendid training.

In our common room one notices copies of the daily papers. I recall that the esteemed principal of our College once casually said that we might consider ourselves educated when we could read the newspaper intelligently. That the newspaper to many has little interest outside the record of sports and tragedies, missing friends and matrimonial notices, is evident from the way these are paraded. The Glen Iris student should be among the few who read the leading articles and items of political, economic, scientific and literary value. If the common room helps to do this, it will serve no mean purpose. Spurgeon, whose authority must be respected in matters religious, held that next to his Bible a minister should be acquainted with his daily paper. A little more of the education of the common room might help to remove the stigma so often hurled against the preacher that he is an individual of narrow vision and cramped sympathies, so absorbed with the sweet "hy and bye" as to be largely ignorant of and indifferent to the nasty "now and now."

We need men with the touch of the campus and the common room as well as that of the class room upon them. Above all, we need men learned in the school of Christ, who have caught something of the fragrance of his presence.

Victoria's Debt to the College.

THE INFLUENCE OF THE COLLEGE.

A. E. Illingworth.

"The holiest task by Heaven decreed,
An errand all divine."

(Whittier.)

The far-reaching effects of the College of the Bible are becoming more and more manifest. One only needs to move around a little amongst the churches in town, country and State to see former students busily engaged in the ministry of the gospel.

Church after church in the homeland could be mentioned where splendid work is being done by graduates of our College.

Indeed one begins to wonder how we would keep pace with the calls of our progressive evangelism if it were not for the steady stream of consecrated young men who are being sent forth year by year to do service for Christ and the Churches of Christ.

Many of these men have already proved themselves good ministers of Jesus Christ by their successful work in admittedly difficult fields. In addition to those who are engaged in regular local and pastoral duties, we think also of the success attending our tent missions.

Hundreds of members are being added to the churches annually through the earnest efforts of College students, now proved and efficient evangelists.

These good men are exercising an ever-widening influence upon the churches and the community. It is certain that the day is not far distant when Glen Iris boys will be the leaders of our brotherhood and our foremost preachers. These workers in the home-land make possible the expansion of the work abroad, whither increasing numbers of self-sacrificing men and women have gone, and are now dedicating their lives to the evangelisation of the heathen world and the conversion of pagan idolaters.

We have reason to thank God for the zeal and enthusiasm of these young men and young women.

The Board of Management and the Faculty feel a growing sense of responsibility for the training and oversight of their lives and work.

It is desirable that this potent stream of Christian influence should be directed and distributed throughout the Commonwealth of Australia, the Dominion of New Zealand, and the regions beyond.

The cause we love is making considerable progress and attracting more notice everywhere. They will be our advocates and our ambassadors, and we want them to carry their testimony to the remotest parts of the land, and "bear the glad news to every land."

The loyal and generous support and co-operation of brethren and churches in all the States are necessary for us to achieve the best results. The annual offering affords

an opportunity for the practical expression of appreciation and confidence by liberal gifts.

The hostel for lady students is a valuable addition to our working plant, and a source of comfort to the sisters. It, of course, adds to our financial burdens, and merits additional support.

The appeal this year is more important than heretofore because the needs are greater.

I feel sure that the brethren generally will not be "found wanting."

Generous gifts will show that the spirit of love for Jesus Christ and devotion to his church which prompt the College students to prepare themselves for the service of the blessed Lord are recognised by one and all.

"Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the first-fruits of all thine increase" (Prov. 3: 9).

OPTIMISM AND SACRIFICE.

J. McG. Abercrombie.

There is a vigour and freshness about students of the College of the Bible. Enthusiasm is not dead. Ideals have a tremendous hold upon the youth of our churches. Their belief in the possibility of successful evangelistic work is a constant urger to those of older years to do more. Times there are when the duties and privileges of church life tend to become routine. We become settled, matured, phlegmatic. Visit the boys of the College and immediately we find an atmosphere charged with the optimism of idealism. Mighty things will be done. Achievement is possible. Belief in the future is expressing itself in preparation for the tasks of to-morrow. These men visualise the victories of the Cross in the years to come. They are sure that the ideals are worth going after. The accomplishment of great objectives will soon be realised. Visit the College and get away from the rigid matter of fact view of life. Dreamers and visionaries are there, certain that their visions will be materialised. The College makes a definite contribution to our movement in that there are gathered young men and women so full of belief and hope in the gospel as to place their lives in its service.

Sacrifice! We gain much in the contemplation of a young manhood deliberately planning for a life of sacrifice. The non-Christians of China, India, Africa are more to them than the wealth, power and popularity of our civilisation. Do we at times feel that life is selfish? Seek the quiet confidence of those who, with eyes open, are studying to present themselves for service where hardship will be the rule and not the exception, where comfort will be more a memory than an experience.

Shall we help develop these heaven born

virtues, by making it easier for these men and women to equip themselves for lives of nobility and service? We may hinder and dwarf their aspirations or we may nurture and encourage their idealism.

Support the best that is in man!

BROTHER BAGLEY'S WORD.

The appearance of Bro. Thos. Bagley, Secretary and Home Mission Organiser, before his brethren at the last Victorian Conference, occasioned both gladness and sadness. Some time before, he had been stricken down in the midst of his labors, and now there was little prospect of his life being spared another year. Summoning up his strength, he spoke briefly at the preachers' session and at the great Home Mission demonstration, delivering what he thought might be his closing messages to his brethren. There was a glow in his face, an earnestness in his voice, and a pathos in his words that strangely moved folks, and all hearts went out to him in loving sympathy. Unfortunately he was not stenographically reported, but here is something of what he said:

"When I was a young man preparing for the service of Christ, our Australian churches had no educational institution, and it became necessary for me to journey to America that I might get the advantages of a college training. If I had my life over, I would enter our own College of the Bible at Glen Iris, take the course of study prescribed, and get all the help possible to prepare myself for the one great work of proclaiming the glad message. There is nothing this world needs so much as the preaching of the gospel in its simplicity and purity and power. I have been exceedingly happy in all my work during the twenty-five years of my ministry in Australia. It has been a great joy to me to be in close touch with many of our churches, and with many of our preaching brethren. We have a fine band of earnest men who are doing great service in the kingdom of Christ. We have a plea that needs to be heard in every city, town, and village throughout our great country, and the time will never come when we have too many preachers."

THIS TABLET
COMMEMORATES THE GENEROUS GIFT
OF
MR. AND MRS. T. E. ROFE
OF WAHROONCA NEW SOUTH WALES
TOWARDS THIS HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Rofe gave over £600 to the Hostel. Above is a picture of a tablet on the wall of the Hostel entrance hall. Mr. and Mrs. Rofe have also generously supported the College in other ways and provide several scholarships each of the annual value of twenty-five pounds.

The College and the Mother State.

NEW SOUTH WALES PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

T. E. Rofe.

As President of the New South Wales Conference I have pleasure in commending the work of the Australian Bible College to the liberality of the New South Wales brethren. "Freely we have received," let us "freely give." There is no investment so rich in dividend as God's work. Our dividends from the Australian Bible College are the lives of consecrated men and women, and the fruits of their labors. What money dividend can compare with the work of men and women such as Drs. Killmier and Oldfield, evangelists J. R. Leach, Albert Anderson, Roy Coventry, Will Waterman, Fred Killey; our noble women missionaries, and the many workers in our independent churches and home mission fields of Australia?

These lives transplanted from the school, University, workshop and business life of our country have blossomed and become fruitful in God's spiritual garden.

As a business man I rejoice in the material success that has come to our Australian Commonwealth, but the A.B.C. has given us the element of consecrated and educated men and women whose currency is always above par in the spiritual markets of the world. There is no slump in this market. The English pound sterling, the American dollar, the French franc, the Austrian kroner, the Italian lire, the Russian rouble, the Indian rupee, the Chinese tael, the German mark, may rise and fall, and those who deal in them may often suffer loss, but those who have invested in the coins from the A.B.C. mint have a security that is as firm as the throne of God and as eternal as the heavens. This world's wealth is bound by the limits of time, but the money we invest in God's work as done by our Bible College can follow us through the great judgment seat of God, and rank with the meat for the hungry, drink for the thirsty, clothes for the naked, visits to the sick and prisoners, and hospitality to the stranger, immortalised by the Saviour in Matthew 25.

In the Father's kingdom in the future world we may see the work of the Bible College in the lives redeemed, in the orphans succoured, in the sick healed, in the sorrowful ones comforted by our saintly men and women trained by our consecrated and educationally endowed College principal and professors.

God could support these men and women as he did Elijah of old by sending ravens to feed them, or by directing them to a Sarepta widow to feed and house them, but to-day he uses our Australian brotherhood to do his work, and we must be as ready to answer his call as the ravens and widow of olden times.

Again I say, brethren, this support of our

College is our responsibility. Let us show we recognise by our liberal offerings on Bible College Sunday.

I feel sure that the Mother State of New South Wales will not lag behind other States in helping our splendid Bible College.

RATIONAL SELECTION.

A. L. Haddon, B.A.

The work in N.S.W. is well supported but poorly led. The great need is not money but men. Some of the brotherhood's finest preachers are here but there are too few. Of the 45 churches, 30 are without full-time help, and of this 30, only 11 have regular part-time preachers. The remainder rely on different speakers as they are able to arrange.

Many helpers.

It is a splendid thing that so many men are available who, busy at other occupations through the week, are ready to serve the churches on Sundays. But these would be the first to testify that irregular part-time service does not make for the progress which should be manifest. N.S.W. needs urgently a number of full-time preachers and an even larger number of ex-students

who, while continuing studies, could devote themselves regularly to the weaker causes, or in new centres.

Some cranks.

Every community probably has its crank who is prepared to accept church leadership and to propound his fads until he eventually wrecks even the most long-suffering of congregations. It is the shortage of balanced leaders that gives such men their opportunity—as some centres have learned with regret. The kind of men needed will be more frequently secured when there are more of those who, by a *completed* College course, have shown that they possess patience and grit, who by a *successful* course show mental ability and habits of study, who by a *harmonious* course show that they have not those personal peculiarities or rough corners, or lack of tact or weakness of character which would unfit them for leadership. *For the College not only trains, it selects.* Thus it offers the only solution of N.S.W.'s problem—shortage of men of the right kind.

Insufficient leaders.

Already this State has been helped considerably. Much of its work has been done by ex-students. At present 50 per cent. of the preachers are College of the Bible men, and 12 churches are being helped, amongst them some of the largest and most progressive. The church members

feel keenly about the College. Gratitude for past help is surpassed only by expectancy concerning the future. This last year the College made an increased contribution to the N.S.W. work, and it seems likely that this will be true of each year from now on.

This being so, justice (if nothing else) suggests that our part is to increase our contributions of men and money.

To the brother or sister seeking to make the best of life the College stands with open doors. The Christian standard of greatness is based on the ability to serve. "Preparation for service" is the keynote of the College curriculum. "Be prepared."—Dr. G. H. Oldfield.

There will never be a need in our Australian brotherhood for more than one College of the Bible. There will always be a need for aiming at perfection there. That perfection depends upon the brotherhood's giving evidence of the down-right earnestness in the winning of souls. It is by this and for this that the College exists.—R. K. Whately, B.A.



Teaching Staff.

Sitting (left to right).—R. T. Pittman, B.A., Dip. Ed.; Principal A. R. Main, M.A.; J. S. Taylor, B.A.
Standing.—T. H. Scambler, B.A., Dip. Ed.; J. Howlett Ross, F.S.S., A.F.I.A.

South Australia Helped by the College.

A PLEA FOR A TRAINED MINISTRY.

A. C. Rankine.

It is very necessary in this present age, that the man whose whole time is given to the ministry of the Word of Truth shall be trained how to handle the Word of God. Much study is needful so that the preacher will become skilful as a workman for God. It is a mischievous error to suppose that an inferior class of agents will do for either pastoral or evangelistic work. The very best are required. The unfurnished workman is out of place everywhere. The servants of God should seek to excel in efficiency as workmen. There is no premium upon ignorance. The apostles were for the most part humble fishermen, but Christ the greatest teacher taught them well, and thoroughly equipped them for their work to which he called them. The apostle Paul, who was to figure so largely as a servant of Christ, was a cultured man. He in his travels among different people had to meet with opponents who were crafty and subtle in their teachings, and it took a master mind to match them. So in our day, the world is swarming with errors of all kinds. The preacher to-day needs to have a trained mind so that he may successfully meet the foes of Christianity and their subtle teachings. Clever theorists, cunning reasoners, and sharp debaters are in evidence everywhere, arraigned against the herald of the cross of Christ. Once the foes were on the outside; to-day some have appeared within the church and are purveyors of damnable heresies. Young men need to be well equipped. A liberal education will prove a great asset to the man who devotes his life to the active ministry. He should be ambitious to make the most of his life for God. Knowledge gained on many subjects will stand him in good stead. Of course, we must have a Biblical ministry. Men are needed who are mighty in the Scriptures. And training is necessary to make men such. Study is required to make one a workman affirmed of God that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth.

Our College of the Bible has proved already a blessing to many young men and women, and the churches have been blest through the College. We believe God's blessing rests upon this splendid institution. We plead for it the prayerful and practical support of the brotherhood.

AN INTERVIEW.

B. W. Manning.

"Good morning, Bro. Enniss; you are looking very pleased and very happy to-day." "I have reason to be," replies Bro. Enniss. "You see the first Sunday in October is coming nearer, and the nearer I get

to it the more convinced I am that we shall realise our aim for 1924."

"Well, this is a very optimistic note to strike first thing in the morning. How do you think South Australia will get along this year?" "South Australia! Why I am more confident of South Australia than any other State." "What makes you so optimistic of South Australia?" "Well, you see," replies Mr. Enniss, "I am a South Australian myself; that is one of the first reasons, and I know they will not forget their organiser in his somewhat difficult though happy task. Then, in the second place, South Australian churches are amongst the most aggressive churches in the brotherhood. They would never think of letting a year go by without a definite increase in their annual offering to the College of the Bible. In the third place, perhaps this year more than ever, South Australia is indebted to the College. Unley,

Looking back upon the course of study pursued, the associations formed, the work done in the churches, the difficulties encountered and the spiritual atmosphere breathed, I am convinced that nothing could better fit one to become a missionary or preacher of the Church of Christ than does our College.—A. C. Garnett, M.A.

Mile End, Prospect, Underdale, Cowandilla, Naracoorte, Barmera, Tumby Bay—all have full-time preachers who received help and training at the College of the Bible, Glen Iris. York has two University students in charge of its work, and other churches are being both helped and blessed by men who had a short period of training within the College walls."

"Well, brother, I quite agree that you have good reason for your optimism, your hopefulness, and your smiles; and I believe that as far as South Australia is concerned, you will not be disappointed. Now, brother, what way would you suggest to absolutely ensure the best results?" "The best method," replies our organiser, "is an offering from every member no matter how small—the smallest offering so long as every member contributes, as the Lord prospers. This method if adopted by every South Australian church, advocated by every South Australian preacher, spoken about by every South Australian reader of the 'Christian,' would mean the largest offering yet received, the widest influence ever reached, and the greatest incentive for future students, teachers and College friends ever attained."

"Yes, no doubt you are right. I guess if we knew how few of the members actually gave to some of our big offerings, it would astound us. However, this year we

trust that the whole brotherhood will rise to the occasion, and the College will be blessed by a liberal response, while every giver will receive his blessing because of his liberal gift. Brother, may your optimism increase, may your smiles continue, may your hopes be realised."

AN APPRECIATION AND EXPECTATION.

Geo. D. Wright.

Spiritual influences cannot be determined by statistical tables, nor tabulated with mathematical precision, and the relative value that each State has received from the work of the College of the Bible cannot be exactly defined; but that the influence of the College has been beneficially felt in every State of the Commonwealth cannot be denied, and the help that South Australia has received cannot be too highly appreciated and favorably recognised. The large number of young men who have left this State to more fully equip themselves for Christian service may appear at first sight to weaken the ranks of our workers, but just as the enlisting of a soldier in time of war tends to inspire others to service, so every young man who enters Glen Iris with a determination to consecrate his life to God's work creates in the minds of others the desire for greater efficiency and usefulness, thus the young men who have entered the College from the State of South Australia have perhaps unconsciously left behind them an influence that has stimulated the work of the church, in so far as their action has opened up to others a bigger vision of Christian work.

It is, however, probably in the young men who have come to this State that South Australia realises more directly her obligation to the College. In our Home Mission fields and in some of our self-supporting churches, many splendid young men have done and are doing magnificent work in service for God and their fellow men.

The church is worthy of; and the age demands, an intelligent and educated ministry to present the claims of Jesus Christ, amidst the conflicting tumult of voices that too often distract and mystify men and women; and South Australia looks to the College of the Bible under God's guidance to take her young men, educate them and send them out, bigger in vision, more Christ-like in spirit, more earnest in purpose, to present to the world in an intelligent manner God's wonderful message of love.

EMMA HOVEY MEMORIAL ROOM

Picture of Tablet over door of a room in the Hostel, furnishings of which were provided by Mrs. Hovey, of Brim, Vic., as a memorial of her daughter.

Tasmania and the College.

THE SOLUTION OF TASMANIA'S PREACHER PROBLEM.

W. H. Nightingale.

The human element.—When Christ planned to save a lost world, he sought the co-operation of men in the task. Faith is one of the essentials, and faith comes by hearing the Word of God. If a man must believe in order to be saved, then he must hear in order to believe. How can he hear without a preacher? God sent Noah, Isaiah, Jonah and John to preach. Christ came as a preacher. He called and sent men forth to preach the gospel to all the world to every creature. Christ has not abrogated or changed this plan: it is imperative.

A Spirit-filled life is necessary.—John the Baptist revealed an exemplary spirit for all preachers when he counted it a joy that Christ should increase while he decreased. We must keep in mind that it is "not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts."

A knowledge of the Word of God is of primal importance. There is one thing the preacher must know; it is the Bible. The people know but little of the Book of God. Paul said, "Preach the Word." Loyalty to Christ and the people's requirements demand it. This requires knowledge. Many congregations receive essays on morality or oratorical displays instead of the bread of life.

Intellectual preparation is necessary. The preacher need not expect to hold an audience if he has not a message. The man with a message will not lack an audience. The people can discriminate between thought and noise; between a prepared message and one that is not prepared. When Paul advised Timothy, he urged him to study. Study human nature also. Jesus not only knew the Scriptures—he knew what was in man.

Tasmania will ever need such men. The College of the Bible is seeking to meet Tasmania's need by helping to train and equip men along the lines indicated. Therefore Tasmania should help the College with both men and money.

"OUR COLLEGE."

N. G. Noble.

"Our College" has become a magical phrase to many preachers and churches. Doubtless future generations will multiply to the brotherhood several such institutions. But priority, and astounding success, will ever preserve that beloved expression from becoming threadbare and valueless. That institution, although essentially Australasian in conception and management, is universal in service.

It is unnecessary repetition for a well-informed and sincere brotherhood to have detailed again the unassailable accomplishments of the College. But permit me to

repeat with emphasis this fact, that the "windows of heaven" are open, and we are not "able to receive the blessing." The College has set the pace for Australasia. Do we without, think and act so consecratedly as they within? Note the challenge of their prepared abilities. Has the College outrun the needs of the brotherhood? Never. Because our members are becoming wealthier. Also the average ministry is shorter. Evangelistic missions are increasing. Our preachers die. Christian educators must be replaced. Seldom is an entrant lost, but discovers an avenue for his "several ability," somewhere in the church and in Christian citizenship. Men and yet more men are needed. Who will volunteer? Promising youths should be "ear marked" from our Bible schools. Central training classes for our young Christian membership should be established, and the most talented and consecrated advised to enter Glen Iris College of the Bible. Members who cannot attend a central training class may be finally led to Victoria by now seeking Pittman's Correspondence course on Christian Evidences, etc.

I am fully aware that this issue of the "Australian Christian" designs to "reach our pockets." But thoughtful people invest their utmost for God and humanity only when the value is there. Doubt has no abode in a grateful brotherhood. Able youth is ever "gilt-edged" security. Early in the history of this College needs may have been expressed in the words "money, then men." Later, its many needs may have been covered by "money and men." The evolved position to-day is "men, therefore money."

Australasia is before the world, at last. It is also true that the world is defining opportunities for Australasian diplomatic, commercial and religious ambitions. The purity of the Word has been maintained against certain enticing forms of modern pollution. Evangelistic triumph in these lands, and our unparalleled advancement in foreign fields, with their "cause and effect" relationship to Glen Iris College of the Bible, should constrain us to pry, pray, prepare, pay, persuade.

A term in the College enlarges the vision, makes more real God's truth, encourages zeal, gives form to the presentation of our glorious plea, gives the right knowledge of the New Testament church required for leaders of our great and noble cause, and opens the door to the world's store of knowledge required to establish and maintain the cause of righteousness. Brethren, support the work of the College. Young men, take what the College gives. Efficiency will then result.—C. H. Pratt.

Apollos worked well without the Holy Spirit, but, when he was instructed concerning this additional power and learned, his usefulness was increased considerably. There is unfathomed power in learning, and opportunities await all at Glen Iris to appropriate such. Why tarriest thou? Arise! —A. G. Brown.

Why go to College? — Paul writing to Timothy said, "The things that thou hast heard of me . . . the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also." The three points to note here are: (1) to be taught; (2) to teach others; (3) to make others teachers. This is the aim of the College of the Bible. —J. Warren.



Interior View of Emma Hovey Memorial Room at Hostel.

Glen Iris and the Dominion Work.

WE PRAISE GOD FOR GLEN IRIS.

Ralph Gebbie, B.A.

Glen Iris has now a very definite place in the life of the New Zealand churches. To the brotherhood of this Dominion Glen Iris does not mean a suburb of Melbourne, but an institution that has not only found a way into our hearts and holds its own there, but finds that place expanding with the passage of the years. Glen Iris stands for something very definite in the onward progress of our movement, and if by any means the institution should cease operation we would be sensible of a real loss. So much love do we bear her that there will always be found supporters for her in our own land, and the churches of the Dominion can always be relied upon to maintain the liveliest interest in the progress of our College.

For four main reasons do we praise God for what Glen Iris means in the life of our New Zealand churches.

1. The bond of sympathy between the churches of New Zealand and Australia has been greatly strengthened. Churches in the Dominion are now well known in the Commonwealth because they have representatives in touch, as student preacher or visitor, with Victorian churches. While, on the other hand, we have in the Dominion men who know well many of the brethren and churches of Australia. Men who speak of the zeal and piety of folks across the Tasman from us, so that now we have very clear knowledge, where before that knowledge seemed very hazy. This is no small matter in the life of a church, this feeling of fellowship with churches across the water. To realise that they meet and surmount the same problems that confront us is heartening. To know that they are, with the same plea as we hold, gaining favor with the general public and wielding a mighty influence, emboldens us. Australia is nearer now in thought than it was before, and less marked is the isolation of our Dominion. The inspiration of a greater body is ours, and with more enthusiasm do we seek our task.

2. Glen Iris has trained for the Dominion men who have made good in the work of our churches. We have now more preachers than ever before in our history, and to many of these Glen Iris is Alma Mater. For nearly fourteen years now we have had such men in our midst, endearing themselves to the brotherhood because of their faithfulness and preaching the things of the kingdom in the power of the Holy Spirit. It is worth while to mention their names, "lest we forget" our obligation to the school that sent them forth. Joseph Binnie was the first to come, gentle of disposition and fervent in the love of God. He sang and preached with winsome sweetness for he so loved to proclaim the old,

old story. Going back to his homeland to die, he left behind him scores of friends in New Zealand. Matthew Bell followed and gave most acceptable service until the exigencies of war time sorrowfully pressed him to other tasks. But his heart is in the work of evangelisation, and he seeks a way out which the Lord has not yet shown. In the meantime his light is brightly shining and a small but flourishing Sunday school is weekly conducted by him. South Wellington will always remember the faithfulness of C. Wilson and S. H. Mudge, the former of whom has gone to his reward, while the latter is an enthusiastic leader in the work of Western Australia. N. G. Noble gave 12 years' work to New Zealand. The miners of Kaitangata loudly spoke his praises, and week by week large gatherings assembled to hear his message. The church at Wanganui will not soon forget

IT STANDS—

1. *Educating consecrated men for a consecrated ministry.*
2. *Enunciating divine truths necessary in the expansion of the divine kingdom.*
3. *Evidencing at home and abroad that it fits men and women in the right way for the right life.*
4. *Eliciting the best in gifts, for the best work, from the best people—*
5. *Enable us, dear Lord, to meet its challenge.*

—J. E. Shipway.

the strenuous years he spent in their midst, nor lose the vision first caught from him. W. G. Carpenter, G. T. Fitzgerald and B. G. Corlett are still with us, loved by their churches, leading them to higher service and efficiency, pointing the way to better things. May their service long be continued in the Dominion and cause us ever to praise the Bible College that has made their work possible.

3. More and more our own young men and women are preparing for their life work in Glen Iris. At the present time eight students represent us there, Sisters Cole (Auckland), Benjamin (Dunedin) and Hayes (Nelson); Bren. Bowen and Purdon (Auckland), Cave and Beaumont (Wanganui) and Ward (Northern Union). Bro. W. Mansill, our first martyr missionary, spent two years in Glen Iris, and linked up for all time our Rhodesian mission field with the College of the Bible. Others have been there for longer or shorter periods, and had unforgettable lessons imprinted on mind and heart, enabling them to do greater work for God because of that instruction.

Our New Zealand churches have not yet begun to repay the debt involved to Glen Iris in the development of these lives.

4. The annual offering for Glen Iris in itself is a matter for thanksgiving. This offering has given us a new vision of opportunity. It has enlarged our heart capacity, and broadened our love. It has given us new experience in the service of the King of Kings. Let us appreciate the blessing, and enter into its enjoyment by giving to Glen Iris a deeper love, an intenser prayer and larger gift.

THE KIND OF STUDENT REQUIRED.

J. Inglis Wright.

A deep interest prevails among the Churches of Christ in New Zealand in regard to the Bible College. From that institution has come a number of young men who have helped forward the work of the Lord Jesus in this part of the great harvest field, and we are grateful for their co-operation. Notwithstanding all this, the laborers are yet few, and more are required. It seems a pity that men of early middle age cannot be secured in larger number to take up studies in the Bible College, with a view to their becoming equipped for the "work of an evangelist." Men with experience in commercial life have gained an insight into many matters which are of very material value to them when they undertake the work of public service in connection with a church. These men may be hard to get, but a special appeal to such might lead to some enrolments. So much is left to preachers now-a-days by church officers—too often, duties which they themselves should attend to, that the burden can only be carried with difficulty by very young brethren.

Far be it from us to despise youth, with its energy, vivacity and zeal, but the fact remains that experience counts for a great deal indeed, and this the youthful brother lacks. There is a loud call for more preachers, and we must needs take those we can get, but the tendency to accept as students youths with little or no knowledge of the world and its ways, should be deprecated. Constructive criticism is always to be welcomed, and it is from this standpoint, and with a warm side to the Bible College and its work, that we submit the foregoing.

We are glad that our College is under the direction of so able and trustworthy a principal as our Bro. Main, and we have confidence in him and the teaching staff, together with the indefatigable organising secretary, Bro. Reg. Enniss. New Zealand will, we feel sure, continue to do its share in providing men and money, and we do not fail to pray that the divine blessing may rest in great fulness upon staff and students alike.

We look back with satisfaction on what has been achieved and hope that in the coming days still better and greater results may be attained.

The College and the Golden West.

CONFERENCE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

D. M. Wilson.

Henry Ward Beecher in one of his lectures on preaching said that if he had the power he would send every young man who was anxious to preach into the extreme West, and would make him think he was never coming back again. He should work there for ten years, and then he might begin to be ready for a larger place or an older church.

We have an extreme West in Australia, and in it there are numerous fields that will give just that experience to a young preacher that Beecher considered to be so essential for his success.

Our College of the Bible is training young men for their life work as preachers of the gospel. That training is but the foundation on which they must build and develop in their future work. W.A. needs the young preacher to come and occupy the many important fields that are but waiting for us to enter, and the young preacher needs just that training these fields are able to give.

There should therefore be a very close relation of the College to the West, and of the West to the College. Those of us who are in W.A. should give the College our warmest support, so that its present efficiency may not only be maintained but necessary improvements to the equipment effected.

A number of our own young men are at the College, and are doing splendid work, proving not only their own consecration to the work, but also the excellence of the College curriculum for drawing out and developing those traits that are necessary in one whose life is devoted to the ministry of the Word. The position then is briefly this: W.A. needs evangelising. The College is training men for this work, and needs our financial support to enable it to carry out even more efficiently the object for which alone it exists. Withhold our support and to that extent we are making it more difficult for the College to maintain its present high standard.

Let all then who desire to see the Western fields more fully occupied by specially-trained men give to the College a measure of financial support that will be worthy of our Western brotherhood and proportionate to the needs of the College.

PLACE THE EMPHASIS ON "WEST!"

W. R. Hibburt.

The headline "The College and the Golden West" contains terms which have need to be written side by side in large letters. There is a very close and vital relationship, and even when we place the emphasis on "West" it makes more apparent the West's need of the College.

The Golden West.

The resources of Western Australia divide the State into four well-defined areas, and each one declares the State's merit to the title of the Golden West. The gold-fields and the coal-fields; the wheat belts and timber belts are large and well-defined areas.

The Extensive West.

The Nor'-West, Sou'-West, the Great Southern and the Great Eastern are current terms in Western Australia which geographically divide the State into four main divisions. Each of the divisions is more extensive than Victoria. It is possible for a preacher who wants a big job to come west and have charge of a territory to labor in greater than the whole of Victoria.

The Developing West.

The agricultural areas are rapidly extending, suburban areas are expanding and new car and railway lines are being constructed. There is a regular inflow of immigrants, and group settlements are being advanced by the united political forces. The day is coming when in population, industry, and primary production the West will rival the East.

The Challenge of the West.

Is there a disciple with enthusiasm so dead that he does not feel the challenge of the wealth of the West, the progress and expansion of the West, the bigness of the West, and the need of the West? "Now" is the great adverb of the New Testament, and applies to the Western opportunity with all the urgency of its New Testament usage. Now it is possible for us to capture the State for Christ, and make the churches of the West churches of the order of the New Testament.

The Call of the West.

The West is calling for men, men who will help pioneer the work and men who will help finance the work during the pioneering stage. The West needs men who will help make the city work strong and flourishing; men who will not want to be put into a comfortable suburban church, but who will build the live church into the suburb; men who will not fret in a country work but rather consider that they are serving at a strategic post in evangelising the State; men who, with evangelistic impulse, will travel the country districts supplying the spiritual provision that is needed in the great open spaces of the West.

Whence Cometh our Help.

To get the right man for the job is difficult. There is a shortage of men, and those who have given studied attention to the problem feel that the only solution is by speeding up the work of the College of the Bible. Recently six telegrams and twenty letters went out from the Home Mission office of the West in a vain attempt to find a man for a needy field. Let us speed the cause of State and Federal Home Mission work by assisting the College prepare men of faith and fire, and grace and grit.

The one who supports the College of the Bible is making one of the best contributions to the support of aggressive evangelism.

GO WEST.

Thos. Hagger.

The restoration cause in the great western State of our Commonwealth is badly in need of preachers. As I write I know of two fields, and possibly three, in need of such laborers, but they cannot, so far, be found.

Men who want soft places, and positions made for them by the labor and sacrifice of others, had better not come. Things over here, so far as the cause is concerned, are largely in the pioneer stage, and so the men required are those with the heroic spirit who are willing to make sacrifices and so pave the way for those who will come after. And we have men of that stamp in our brotherhood, or we could never have manned our far-away station in South-West China. If there is an unwillingness to come to Western Australia it must be due to the fact that we have not yet realised the great need of the State, and the big challenge it presents to us. Men who finish their course at Glen Iris should look this way, and see if there are openings in this State of great opportunities and equally great possibilities before settling down in the more comfortable, and perhaps more remunerative (in a material sense) fields in the East.

And the brethren in this State need to have a little more faith and a little more vision, and when men are found who are willing to come over and help us every effort should be made to locate them, even if some of the fields into which we have not yet entered, and which are waiting for the New Testament plea, have to be quickly opened in order to find places for them.

Given preachers of the right stamp to enter the fields, the restoration cause in the Western State can advance just as fast as in some of the eastern States, and flourish just as much as the State flourishes in material matters.

Western Australia has a fine climate, its soil is rich and productive, its scenery is lovely, its citizens are prosperous, but sin abounds, and so there is great need for the preaching of the simple gospel of Jesus Christ with earnestness. The door of opportunity stands wide open. Preachers of the Churches of Christ, go West! go West! Enter the open doors and do big work for the kingdom of God.



Matron of Hostel and Group of Lady Students.

Sitting (from left to right).—Miss E. M. Osborn, Miss E. W. Morris, Mrs. C. F. McDonald (Matron), Miss H. I. Patterson, Miss R. C. P. Batch.
Standing.—Miss R. Hay, Miss A. W. D. Watson, Miss M. J. Cole, Miss M. H. Scott, Miss L. Bryant, Miss D. C. Ludbrook, Miss M. C. P. Benjamin.

The College Benefits Queensland.

THE BENEFITS SUMMARISED.

A. J. Fisher.

When viewing from a height a great stretch of country one cannot see many details, yet the outstanding, salient features of the land are prominent. So, in viewing the many benefits which come to our State through the College, we can only give a brief summary, as follows:—

I. The Benefit of Inspiration.

It is an inspiration to know of the undoubted loyalty of the College to the great principles of the Bible and to the splendid plea for which we are working. When, also, Queensland has the visits of such men as H. G. Harward, R. Euniss, W. H. Nightingale, E. Davis and others, we receive an inspiration through the contact with these men of sacrificial optimism. And then, when our own young men go to the College, they receive a great inspiration which leads them into accomplishing great things for the Master in the service of his church.

II. The Benefit of Education.

Thank God that the institution is true to its name! It is not simply a theological school, but is a "College of the Bible" where our young men receive a knowledge according to the Word. We think of the splendid young men who are at present in the College, Bren. Earle, King, Hinrichsen, Potter and Martin. God bless them as they fit themselves for larger service in seeking to impart to others that true education which is based upon the truth as it is in Christ Jesus!

III. The Benefit of Evangelisation.

Queensland will never forget the blessing received from God through the evangelistic enthusiasm of its own missionary, Bro. E. C. Hinrichsen, who in five missions was used by the Lord to bring 330 souls to a knowledge of salvation. Nor can we forget that Bro. H. H. Biall, who is at present laboring so faithfully in this great State, also spent a successful time at Glen Iris.

IV. The Benefit of Ministration.

In the ordinary ministry of the gospel, there are at present four evangelists in Brisbane and suburbs; Bren. Alcorn, Larsen, Young and Adermann, and each one has been at the College. As they mingle among the people of this city, they follow the footsteps of the One who said, "I am among you as one who serveth," and so they confer a great benefit upon the community which is directly traceable to the College.

V. The Benefit of Proclamation.

In addition to the above, there is also a splendid band of preaching brethren who are actively proclaiming the gospel of Christ throughout the State. Many are doing heroic pioneer service. Among these are the following men who have been at Glen Iris: J. Coward, C. Trudgian, W. Rothery, E. Rosenberg, W. Morton, J. Larsen. There may be others unknown to the writer, but even the above constitute a distinct addition to the number of those who are faithful in the proclamation of the message of salvation.

VI. The Benefit of Organisation.

In addition to assisting in the organisation of churches, as officers of churches and schools throughout the State, past students of the College take a part in the organisation set up by Conference. At present thirteen officers of Conference and nine additional committee seats are filled by past students. These include: The Conference President, the F.M. President, the Bible School and Y.P. Union President, and eight secretarial offices. Past students are assisting on the above committees and also on the Advisory Board, Prohibition Committee, Christian Workers' Committee, and in the Isolated, Publicity and Immigration departments. Surely the service to the brotherhood represented by this is a distinct benefit to Queensland!

VII. The Benefit of Information.

Ripples spread. A big ripple has reached Queensland which had its origin in Glen Iris. A Christian Workers' Class now meets each week in Brisbane, in order to train speakers and teachers for the churches and Bible schools. This class is a miniature "College of the Bible," and it is interesting to note that each of the four lecturers is a past student of the College. Thus is the information received first at Glen Iris, and increased by subsequent study, now being imported to others, to the benefit of the churches and schools.

VIII. The Benefit of Anticipation.

Yes, it is a benefit, that we can anticipate the coming of men to this State from Glen Iris. In this great country there is a sad need of preachers. There are churches looking in vain for men. Preachers have been invited but have not responded. We need men of enthusiasm and of



W. H. Hinrichsen, M.B., B.S.

pioneering stability. We thus anticipate the time when these needs will be supplied by the coming of men who have received a vision of service and who have been fitted for service at the College. It is hoped also, that some of the churches may be helped and the students also may receive experience which will fit them for larger service. In anticipation, therefore, we welcome such and anticipate a mutual benefit from their coming.

IX. The Benefit of Invitation.

The College now invites us to give a liberal offering for the continuance of its splendid work. Surely this request also confers a great benefit on the brotherhood, for it helps us to grow and abound in the grace of giving. Through our liberal offerings we also are benefited by the blessing of the Lord, who has taught us that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

So many and so varied are the great blessings and benefits which Queensland has received from the College, that surely we will now show our gratitude by giving an offering which will enable the College to extend its usefulness.

QUEENSLAND'S GAIN.

F. E. Alcorn.

One has asked, "What advantage is a Victorian institution to this State of Queensland?" In the first place the question is not true to fact. The College is not a Victorian institution any more than the movement to restore Primitive Christianity is a Queensland movement. The College of the Bible, in Melbourne, is a great Federal institution, and exists to meet Federal needs.

In the second place the question is not based on experience, for the experience of the churches

in Queensland is, that the College has benefited this State, as the following examples will show. 1. The College of the Bible has trained and is fitting them for more useful work in the churches, not only as regular evangelists, but as helpers, speakers and deacons. To illustrate this latter statement, at the present time in Queensland there are at least five men who have had a course of training at Glen Iris, active in church work, not in the regular ministry, and whose ministry is the more effective because of their college training.

2. Queensland has benefited from the College in the matter of evangelists. One could easily mention the names of eighteen or twenty men from the College who have labored in this State—men who have done splendid service. At the present time out of a staff of ten men at work in this State six are ex-students of the College.

3. At the last Conference the statistics showed 331 additions to the churches by faith and baptism. More than two-thirds of this number made their decision under the preaching of College-trained men.

Has the College benefited Queensland? Yes: "much in every way." To deny this is to deny the benefits of a trained ministry in the face of the most convincing facts. Queensland, in common with other States, has suffered somewhat from her preachers in the past. Some have made shipwreck of their faith, some have been shaken by false teaching, while others have been extremely weak on our position, and have gone over to the denominations; but let it be said to the standing credit of the College of the Bible, that no man who has received the College certificate and gone out under the recommendation of the Faculty and Board of Management is among this number, hence I affirm that the College of the Bible has been, and is, of inestimable benefit to the brotherhood of which Queensland is an integral part.

Now, brethren, if the good work of the College is to be maintained, she must have the whole-hearted support of a whole-hearted brotherhood. If Queensland is to continue to be benefited by the College, then, according to a universal law, Queensland must benefit the College.

Now, there are at least three ways in which Queensland can benefit the College. By prayer: by encouraging promising young men to enter the College for training; by a ready and liberal response to the appeal for funds at the annual offering on Sunday, Oct. 5. Brethren, the College is deserving of our best prayers, our best interest, our best gifts.

AN EXPRESSION OF CONFIDENCE.

T. F. Stubbin.

The College of the Bible is not a State but a Federal institution. There are some who say that each State should have its own College, but that cannot be for many years to come. What can be done outside the College is only preparatory work, and we say God bless those who are doing it.

We, up in the great northern State of Queensland, realise that the College of the Bible is a distinct advantage to us. In proportion to our membership we have sent a large number of students to the College, and many of them are doing fine work in different parts of the Commonwealth. Two-thirds of the full-time preachers in our own State were students at the College, and there are numbers who would never have been preachers if it had not been for the work of the College. We are looking forward to quite a large number of young men from this State going to the College in the near future. We have confidence in the Board of Management and in the Faculty, and say without any hesitancy that the College is a distinct benefit to Queensland.

May the good work go on, and may the richest blessing of our heavenly Father be on all the work that is done at that splendid institution, the College of the Bible at Glen Iris, is our prayer.

The College and Me.

To what extent are graduates indebted to the College? As far as I can judge, each one recalls his Glen Iris days as amongst the most valuable of his experiences in the development of mind and heart, and thanks God for the enrichment of his life.—Randall T. Pittman, B.A., Dip. Ed.

The loudness of the call to enter new fields is only excelled by the call for men who can prevent the cause from foundering when once it has been founded. The College is able to provide such men. Each student enters College painfully conscious of the thought that he can give out in one sermon all the ideas he ever had. The College will supply a wealth of wholesome information, useful suggestions, and a helpful confidence. Confidence adds power but doubt paralyses confidence.—E. C. Hinrichsen.

New Year, 1912, discovered a resolution to go to Glen Iris for three years, and most probably return to the trade again. College and week-end preaching made the work so enjoyable, so much easier, so much more effective, that the first field saw seven happy years of service, and the second field is in the midst of the fourth year, with bigger responsibilities and greater joys. The old trade still waits.—B. W. Manning.

To my associations with teachers and students of the College of the Bible of pre-Glen Iris days I owe many of the most satisfying and inspiring memories of my life, and appreciation of varying types of Christian character, a deepened trust in God and his Word, and an increased and increasing faith in the gospel of Christ.—J. I. Mudford.

The old College! The years bring to us much of new service, new friends, new conceptions of truth, new experiences of divine power; but the toil we gave, the ties we formed, the truth we discovered, and the blessings we enjoyed in the "old College" will never be dimmed in the hearts of her "Old Boys."—A. J. Ingham.

No one with any wisdom would pretend that education itself is a substitute for a consecrated life. But it is true that education will give such a life an outlet for self-expression and service that otherwise it would lack. The College exists to prepare men and women for such service—to enable them to do the best with their lives.—A. C. Crisp.

What can be more profitable than the study of God's Word? I should recommend any young woman who wishes to develop her spiritual nature to take a course in biblical studies at the College of the Bible before commencing her life's work, whether that work be in the home or in more public service.—Priscilla Ludbrook.

The College may well be called an enlarger. It enlarges one's vision of the world and its needs, one's faith in God, the Bible and the message, one's knowledge—religious and secular—of the understanding of men and one's ability for service. The College has enlarged the life and influence of our churches; therefore we owe the College our support.—B. G. Corlett.

Chapman writes, "Many men doubt the Bible because they do not study it. Others minimise its influence because they do not live it." Not only is the College worth while, because of the excellent advantages made available for the study of God's Word, but also for the fellowship with kindred minds, which so materially helps in the living of the Christian life.—L. Peacock.

The beginning of the remarkable progress of our churches in Australia synchronised with the establishing of the College of the Bible. Under the blessing of God, it has contributed more to our success than any other agency. It has not only aided development, but has been a source of spiritual enrichment both to the men trained within its walls and to the brotherhood at large.—Ethelbert Davis.

What skilled tradesmen acting as teachers can do for a youth with natural ability and well-defined tendencies the College of the Bible can do for a young man endowed with natural talent and of consecrated life and purpose. "A workman that needeth not to be ashamed."—H. J. Patterson, M.A.

"They have robbed me of my soul!" exclaimed a young student from India after having completed a course abroad. "Such an indictment could not be laid against our College, where faith in God's Word is fostered, sympathies for suffering and sinning humanity are deepened, and conviction in Christ's sufficiency is engendered."—F. J. Sivyier, B.A.

The College is associated in my mind with three words: opportunity, development, appreciation. It is associated with opportunity to more suitably qualify myself to preach the gospel. It is associated with development in the knowledge of the Bible, in the understanding of its teachings, and in its use. Development also by instruction in other subjects which contribute to the knowledge and interpretation of the Word, and to the most fitting and forceful presentation of its message. We were urged to endeavor so to speak as to turn critics Christians rather than to turn Christians critics. It is associated with deepened appreciation of the spiritual content and power of the religion of Jesus, and the unqualified necessity of every Christian making these a personal possession. Never was the fact disguised that intellectual culture was no substitute for spiritual culture.—S. H. Mudge.

Preparedness is a result of application, a forerunner of courage and conquest. Paul's advice to Timothy was: "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth"—in a word, preparedness. Our College stands for this great essential.—C. Schwab.

Paul was a great giver. He was consistent with his statement that Jesus once said: "It is more blessed to give than receive." It is blessed to receive, and it is blessed to give, but the latter more so than the former. Our Tasmanian churches have a great vision. There is a great future there for good men from Glen Iris College of the Bible, to which we aim to give a record offering.—N. G. Noble.

We felt that our inefficient unit might hinder the forward march of the church; so we went to Glen Iris that we should not be that one.—C. C. Dawson.

The nature of our fields, conditions, circumstances and qualities certainly vary, but our aims, interests and purposes are the same, rooted and grafted in the common faith in the Lordship of Christ. United in a oneness of purpose, and with our qualities cemented in a oneness of task, and our reinforced and directed by a common faith, we labor continually for the extension of the kingdom of God.—E. P. Aderman.

From my own experience in the ministry I consider the training offered by the College of the Bible to be essential to the effective and efficient preaching of the Word.—F. E. Alcorn.

The increasing demands made upon the minister of the gospel to-day require a consecrated heart, a well-balanced mind, and a strong robust body. Thank God for such an institution as Glen Iris that caters for such all-round development. It is therefore worthy of your earnest prayers, your loving interest and your wholehearted support.—Will Beiler.

The present age with its remarkable educational facilities demands that those who preach the gospel be equipped for the work, both physically and spiritually. The College of the Bible meets these demands, and sends out men and women trained and fully equipped for a life of service.—Ira Durdin.

Our College needs capable men who want to preach because they can't do anything else. "Woe is me, if I preach not the gospel." "Necessity is laid upon me." Given such a man, a College training will do much to put a good future behind him.—W. H. Hinrichsen.

Young man! If you are desirous of increasing and extending your influence in the world, you cannot do better than to enter the College of the Bible. It is there you will learn your failings and how to train for the preaching of the gospel.—E. R. Butler.

College of the Bible. How appropriate the title! And how splendidly the teaching of the institution accords with the title, spiritual discipline being given the pre-eminence. Our College. How endearing becomes the title! On account of its enriching power and the brotherhood's esteem, our College will receive very generous support.—F. Cornelius.

"Some of the happiest days of your life," so "Old Boys" said. I believed it—now I know it. There is the same kind of feeling for the College as for home. Yes, there's a few hard knocks, but—well, whoever became men without any. If you can—go.—W. J. Thomson.

The world is demanding men thoroughly prepared for service. The call to-day is for men who are prepared to do well the thing they propose to do. We thank God for our College and its preparation of consecrated men and women for greater service.—Dan Wakeley.

Whilst talking with a preacher who is doing very good work with the church at —, he remarked that he felt handicapped because of lack of knowledge, and stated that his great regret was that he had been unable to avail himself of Glen Iris help. Glen Iris does not give a brother or sister talents; it simply develops them. The brotherhood has wonderful opportunities just at present, and needs consecrated men and women to develop their God-given talents so that there will be a greater reaping at the time of harvest.—J. Turner.

The College has justified its existence, when we remember that men and women from the institution are laboring or have worked in so many fields at home or abroad. Its existence is vital to the progress of the brotherhood. It stands for the Bible, and seeks to equip men and women to "preach the gospel to every creature." Surely it is an institution of no mean order, and worthy of the best support of a great brotherhood, which has been helped by it.—W. H. G. Wakefield.

To-day the Christ and his church need the individual who is responsive to patriotism, sensitive to the world's need, susceptible to the Spirit's promptings, and submissive to his Lord's will. Christ calls for full consecration and calls to you. Answer to-day. Translate his call into instant obedience that he may accomplish his good pleasure and purpose in and through you.—Will G. Graham.

There are two classes of Colleges for training preachers. One class dries up all their evangelistic fervor, and undermines their faith in the inspiration of the Bible. The other class stimulates evangelism, trains preachers to proclaim the gospel, and establishes their faith in the Grand Old Book. My testimony concerning the College of the Bible is that it decidedly belongs to the latter class.—Lionel Johnston.

A great preacher used to say, "There are thousands of persons in places where they do not belong: the bird's wing means air, the fish's fin means water; and what would happen if the bird tried the water and the fish tried the air happens when men get out of their natural element." The College provides the natural element for young men whose hearts are directed towards full-time service for Christ.—S. R. Baker.

Only when we realise what it means to us in the execution of our great tasks, shall we of this great brotherhood help the College as much as it helps us. The more we mean to it, the more the College will mean to us.—B. J. Combridge.

The College and the Work Abroad.

BROTHER BIBLE COLLEGE.

G. T. Walden, M.A.

There are many appeals to our Australian brotherhood for help, and some may be tempted to wish they were fewer in number; but if we can look at them as further opportunities to lay up "treasure in heaven," we shall welcome them as God's invitation to share with him in the work of the world's redemption.

Let us look at these appeals as from Australia's spiritual children, and give to them the response we make to the needs of our own children. When we had one child we felt possibly our financial resources were fully employed in providing for the needs of this little messenger from God, but No. 2 came, and No. 3, and No. 4, may be up to No. 12 (as some families are rich in olive branches), and though the needs of food and clothing and rooms and education multiplied, the love that these little ones brought with them made supplying their needs a joy to us, and made us willing and glad to sacrifice ourselves that our children might make full proof of their life's ministry.

I remember when we had only one child in our Australian church family. It was the Local Church and Sunday School. We felt its appeals were all we could afford. Then came our second child, whom we named Home Mission. There was no baby bonus fairy to help us, but we welcomed the brother of Local Church, and found there was enough for the two. Then came a little girl whom we named Foreign Missions, and we were afraid that supporting her surely the other two children would have to do with less; but she was so winsome and so appealing that we made it a joy to number her among those for whom we would pray and work and give, and despite our fears of lack, we found that as we "shovelled out God shovelled in the more." What proud parents we were of our three bonny children, all so different but all so attractive to their parents.

Our fourth child was a boy, and him we named Bible College. He was a lusty little fellow. What a joy he was in our home! We found instead of a fresh burden that he began to prove a helper of his sister and brothers. There was no work the others did that Bible College did not share. It seemed to be his mission to help the others. They found that of all the children Bible College was the one that concerned himself with the life work of the other three. When Local Church or Home Mission or Foreign Mission wanted a preacher or a missionary, they found Bible College was the only one who could help, and he became very busy in helping the other children. One day he and his sister, Foreign Mission, had a talk, and she said, "You ought to get married," but he said he had no home for a wife, so they united their money, and some that their generous relatives had given them, and bought a hostel for the bride, and this made all the children of the family very happy.

When the relatives of this Church Family saw how happy the four children were, and what a great help they were to the Father and Elder Brother, and to the whole world, they sent them gifts of gold and silver and copper, and on their birthdays they sent special offerings.

This year, 1924, the three other children are asking all their relations in Australia to send the largest birthday gift they have ever sent to Brother Bible College, because he has done so much to help them all.

of the East. Where'er it may be it is the life that counts. The life whose foundations are laid deep and true, resting firmly upon the Rock of Ages, is the life that will count for most in this busy world of men.

Through the rainbow valley a quiet brook flows on to the busy river. Herein is a parable. The days passed within the walls of our College hence in the rainbow valley passed quietly by, even as the waters of the brook. Presently we were out into the busy world.

Some have come to India, some have gone to China, others are preparing for these fields of service. There are great awakenings in both of these lands, challenging us to give our best to them. There are several things needful in the lives of those who would serve Christ in the East.

In the first place, deep consecration and a perfect faith in Jesus Christ the Saviour of the world.

In the second place, preparation for service. The silent years of Jesus were years of preparation. India has a large and growing educated community. Men who are leading their people, but whither? They do not wish foreigners to lead them, but they are willing to co-operate with friends. Only the *very best* are good enough for this task in India. Consecrated learning is at a premium in the Lord's service in India.

In the third place, love of men. This may mean ability to get on with fellow missionaries. The power to do team work is an essential qualification. This is not the day of individualistic missionaries. Then again there is need of balance and sound judgement in dealing with Indian peoples. They are quick to know a true friend. They quickly perceive whether they are considered inferiors or not. An honest attempt to appreciate their point of view must be made.

Without lowering Christ's standard judgment

must be made of them only after due consideration of their own standards. Mere criticism will not help.

Then we need the power of adaptability. In the learning of a new language linguistic ability is necessary, but in applying that language we must be ready to adapt our thought to theirs. On the surface many things in India are repellent, but when we know the reason we cannot help being sympathetic.

I believe that Glen Iris gives just the training necessary for this onerous task. The daily contact with others of various natures in the College gives an opportunity to develop along the lines most needful to successfully serve the Lord Jesus in India or China or anywhere. May we all support the College because it gives to Christ and his church the trained workers that are needed.

MISSIONARIES' MESSAGES.

It has been a joy during the last twelve months to return to the scenes where so many happy hours were spent in preparation for my life's work on the mission field. What happy memories are conjured up as we seat ourselves in the same old desks, and see before us the faces of those who taught us in the years gone by! Fresh inspiration comes, the old longing to be "up and doing" is revived. We rejoice that in these very rooms, under the teaching of these same earnest consecrated men, a host of other young men and women are preparing themselves for a life of service for God in the great broad harvest field of the world. God bless our College, its staff and students—and make it a power through which many peoples, of many nations, may be blessed and drawn to Jesus Christ.—V. R. Blake.

Once I was in a school at Glen Iris, "a little nook of heaven," where the grass was green, the stream flowed melodiously, and all was calm and bright. Now I write from a school at Baramati. There is no grass, the wind blows fiercely on all sides, and things are not always



Group of Foreign Mission Students, 1924.

Back Row (from left to right).—S. E. M. Riches, C. G. P. King, F. J. Swain, E. H. Gray, A. A. Hughes, R. C. Bolduan.
Second Row.—Miss D. C. Ludbrook, Miss M. C. P. Benjamin, Miss L. Bryant, Miss M. J. Cole, Miss H. I. Patterson, Miss R. Hay.
Front Row.—H. Cave, Miss E. W. Morris, Miss E. M. Osborne, Miss R. C. P. Batch, Miss A. W. D. Watson, C. A. Bowen.

ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS

H. R. Coventry.

Our College aims to train men and women for a life, not for a living. This life may ultimately be spent in the busy Australian city or quiet country district, or in the crowded lands

calm and peaceful, for around us we have 40,000 people from the criminal tribes. But here I have many happy memories of Glen Iris, and there are many things which link the two schools.—L. Redman.

On a recent train journey, an educated Indian asked me if I believed in the Bible, and accepted Jesus Christ as divine. My affirmative reply brought forth this scornful rejoinder, "But lots of missionaries don't." We rejoice that our College stands true to its aim and name, and are thankful for what it has meant to us.—Fred R. Killey.

"Who is coming next?" is the question very frequently on our lips these days as we eagerly read all College and F.M. news in the "Christian." We rejoice that there is no lack of workers in preparation at Glen Iris. Every year spent in study in our College will be valued more and more by the graduate as experience in a foreign field deepens and widens. A hearty welcome awaits the one who is coming next from Glen Iris to India.—Ethel D. Killey.

Walking at even-tide, glorious tints of sunset spread across the sky. Calm and peaceful water flows at one's side, birds sweetly sing their evening worship. All speaks of the great God above. One stops, at their feet three women bend in worship to a small acacia tree, a cocoanut is broken, the milk is poured over the bush, food is offered to it, the women bow their heads to the ground. Where is the Living God? Glen Iris students should come and tell them.—E. M. Caldicott.

Glen Iris gave us a vision of men. Men of yesterday, to-day and to-morrow. Inspired by a vision of the Christ crucified; triumphant, we were led into service for humanity. Our study of the past led us to strive for the present. We caught a vision of a dying world and followed the gleam. Thank God for the College.—H. R. Coventry.

Almost every Indian Christian that can read and write is fully convinced that he can do the work of an evangelist. Ability to talk is the only qualification they think necessary; and what Indian cannot talk? Of the need of sincerity and consecration we have never succeeded in convincing them. What a need exists for an Indian "Glen Iris"!—J. R. Leach.

THE TEMPER OF THE PREACHER.

Dr. J. D. Jones, when in Australia in 1914, declared, "I am a preacher, not because I wished to be, but because I had to be, for the urge that Paul felt: 'Woe is me if I preach not the gospel of Christ,' was upon me." Lacking that holy and unquenchable passion, no man is a true minister of Christ.

Preaching is a passion derivative from contact with Christ. The statement of Paul, "Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live by the gospel" (1 Cor. 9: 14) is, of course, true, but this cannot explain why Father Damien went out to serve the lepers; Mackay laid down his life for the people of Uganda; John Howard visited the vilest prisons to reclaim the criminals. Such deeds are inseparable from fine-grained character. The best things are not done for money. One may write a certain class of music for money, but when Handel in a passion of tears and prayer writes the Hallelujah Chorus, money is forgotten. Money can do some things; but for the sake of it no man ever did his best work. Money never manned his pulpit with a declaration of unpopular but needed truth. Man's life at its best has never been a trade, but a vocation.

The preacher's temper is Joyce Kilmer's when he went out to fight and die in France: "Lord, thou didst suffer more for me, Than all the hosts of land and sea; So let me render back again This millionth of thy gift. Amen."

—Stuart Stevens.

The College and Me.

The best work in the world needs the best equipment, and trained workers prompted by the best of motives, supported by the best interests of God's people.—H. J. Jackel.

Only those who have attended Glen Iris fully realise the contribution it makes to one's life and character. It brings one to "know thyself;" to have a better understanding of, and a bigger sympathy for, men and women; an intimate, "non-mechanical" knowledge of the Book; and a bigger desire for God.—George Tease.

Our College belongs to the whole brotherhood. It is a place where devoted Christian teachers help develop men and women to become more efficient fishers of men—soul winners for Christ. It is a spiritual home whose influence is felt throughout the whole Commonwealth.—A. C. Mudford.



G. H. Oldfield, M.B., B.S.

The College is a great institution existing for a great purpose, the training of young lives for a great work. Evidences of this are seen in every State of the Commonwealth, and in lands across the sea. Continue to support it, and you will be helping to extend the kingdom of Jesus Christ.—H. M. Clipstone.

The College of the Bible instructs in secular and theological subjects; but while doing so it does not neglect the spiritual development of the students. Truly it trains men and women for a life. The only life that is worth while. A life for the sake of others, and for the glory of God.—F. Hollams.

The wealth of sound teaching and information gained during a College course, combined with the association of godly teachers and students, proves a fund from which the student is ever enabled to draw material to carry out successfully the Great Commission—"Go ye."—A. H. Pratt.

The College of the Bible seeks to train good men for great tasks, to make them strong to meet the needs of the age in which they live, that they may help the world to move to its highest destiny. Therefore, let us give of our young, and let us give of our wealth to the grandest service to which God has called man.—I. E. Searle.

A few short years at Glen Iris and what?

1. The whole meaning of life changed.
2. Larger fields of service entered.
3. Knowledge of God, the Book and man increased.
4. A passionate passion for souls of dying men.
5. Hallowed memories that will ever lie cherished as the rarest treasures of life.—C. Young.

In a true sense these words might be inscribed above the portal of the institution, "I am the door—if any man enter in he shall be saved" (John 10: 9). The wise may enter and be saved from the foolishness of their wisdom. The foolish may enter and be saved in a measure by the wisdom of their foolishness. What an untold blessing to humanity! Whosoever will, may come.—Norman C. Haleday.

The College is a place where a young, earnest Christian may feel confident of having his earnestness intensified while at the same time his ability of expression will be sharpened and helped. His faith in Christ and in the Word of God will be deepened as his understanding of both grow under the leadership of the splendid faculty.—A. E. Hurren.

The kind of men needed.—First: "Woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel;" only such men need apply—the times demand this. Secondly: "Study . . . approved unto God, workmen . . . rightly dividing the word of truth." To be gripped by the truth of this verse is to be gripped by God. Brother, the church of Jesus is calling for such men. Do you hear that call?—L. Larsen.

OF INTEREST TO INTENDING STUDENTS.

SECULAR SUBJECTS, 1925.

J. S. Taylor, B.A.

The following partial details concerning certain subjects are given to enable intending students to commence reading before entering the College. The books included in the list will be used in class in 1925.

1. *English*—
 - (a) Outline of English Grammar—Nesfield, pp. 1-79, and also pp. 128-152.
 - (b) Palgrave's Golden Treasury of Lyrical Poems.
 - (c) Austral Garden of Verse—Hansen and McLachlan.
 - (d) Shakespeare—Twelfth Night.
 - (e) Novel—Ivanhoe—Scott.
 - (f) Selected Essays—E. Lee.
2. *British History*—From 1714 to 1901—
 - (a) The Groundwork of British History; Part III.—Warner and Marten.
 - (b) Handbook of Civics—Marshall and Hoy.
3. *Geography*—
 - (a) The Intermediate Geography Text Book—James.
 - (b) Australia, Physiographical and Economic, 1921 (or later) Edition—Griffith Taylor.
 - (c) Junior Geography, 1920 (or later) Edition—A. J. Herbertson.
4. *Algebra*—Hall and Knight.
5. *Geometry*—Hall and Stevens.
6. *Latin*—
 - (a) Caesar, Gallic War, II., cc. 1-28 (Holmes).
 - (b) Aeneid IX., 168-529, 590-671 (Page).
7. *Greek*—
 - Xenophon—Anabasis II. (Bell or Blackie).

N.B.—In English the following poems are to be learnt by heart:—
Shakespeare—When to the Sessions of Sweet Silent Thought.
Colins—Ode to Evening.
Wordsworth—Sonnet on Venice.
Keats—Ode to Autumn.
Shelley—Ode to West Wind.
Byron—Stanzas on the Ocean (from Child Harold).
Gordon—A Dedication.

On entering the College, students are advised that it is desirable in the highest degree that they should pass in four subjects, including English, at the Intermediate Examination of the University of Melbourne, or at a similar examination at any other University, before commencing the work of the Biblical Course at the College of the Bible.

Notes by the Principal.

At the beginning of 1924, 49 students enrolled. Two others entered at the beginning of the second term. For different causes, three have ceased their studies. Thus the present number is 48—38 men and 10 women. Seventeen students (9 women and 8 men) are preparing for service in foreign lands.

Twenty-four of our men are engaged in regular and remunerative church appointments—mostly as preachers, but a few as visitors and assistants. The fact that over 60 per cent. of our men are now engaged is a great gain to us. The services of these brethren are greatly appreciated by the churches, who are being greatly helped by their efforts. The rest of the students are, of course, helping regularly in school and church work.

The teaching staff remains as last year. I have had happy association in service with Mr. R. T. Pittman, B.A., Dip. Ed.; Mr. T. H. Scambler, B.A., Dip. Ed.; Mr. J. S. Taylor, B.A.; and Mr. J. Howlett Ross, F.S.S., A.F.I.A. Mr. W. Lindsay is visiting drill instructor. Mr. Reg. Enniss has continued to render excellent service as organiser.

I am pleased to report continued good work on the part of the great majority of the students. College relationships are of the happiest description, and the work goes on quietly and well.

The Ladies' Hostel, opened in February, is proving a great boon. The matron (Mrs. McDonald) and students are happy in their new home.

The common room at the College is another new feature. It was provided last year, and is now in regular use. It furnishes needed opportunity for social intercourse. During the winter months especially it was greatly appreciated.

It is gratifying to note the successful work being done in all the States, and in the Dominion, as well as in foreign fields, by our former students. These are commending the College as they serve the brotherhood and advance the kingdom of God. The success in their University studies of our men is also very pleasing. Since last Education Number was printed two of our ex-students—Bren. G. H. Oldfield, N.S.W., and W. H. Hinrichsen, Q.—have obtained their M.B., B.S. degrees at Melbourne University.

With sorrow we have noted the death of Bro. A. J. Wedd, M.A., who after having completed his College course had a very successful University career.

The students of the College have for the last few years issued a magazine intended to serve as a link between the College and its supporters. The Annual for 1924 is now ready. Its title is "Swot," and its contents are interesting and varied. Copies may be obtained for 2/-.

Already some students have made application for admission in 1925, and have been accepted. I shall be glad to receive applications or to give advice to prospective candidates. It is requested that all applications for 1925 be in hand by the end of November. Students should begin work with the beginning of the College year, in February.

Honors List, Second Term, 1924.

The following students passed with credit, having secured at least 80 per cent. of the maximum number of marks. For a pass a grade of 60 per cent. is necessary.

Old Testament.—A. Withers, 84; Miss R. Batch, 83; A. W. Garland and J. K. Robinson (equal), 82; R. O. Sutton, 81; Miss M. Benjamin, 80. 19 others passed.

New Testament.—Miss R. Batch, 87; Miss M. Benjamin, A. W. Garland, J. K. Robinson and R. O. Sutton (equal), 80. 19 others passed.

Homiletics I.—R. O. Sutton, 92; A. W. Garland, 87; H. Cave, 83; F. A. Daws and C. J. Williams (equal), 80. 8 others passed.

Homiletics II.—A. B. Withers, 81; R. Hilford, G. Hughes and J. K. Robinson (equal), 80. 2 others passed.

Homiletics III.—7 passed.

Homiletics (special class for ladies).—Miss M. Benjamin, 87; Miss M. Cole, 82. 5 others passed.

Comparative Religion.—Miss E. W. Morris and R. O. Sutton (equal), 91; Miss D. C. Ludbrook and J. K. Robinson (equal), 87; A. W. Garland, 86; Miss M. Benjamin, 84; Miss R. Batch, 83; Miss M. Cole, R. Hilford and A. B. Withers (equal), 81. 16 others passed.

Church History and Christian Doctrine.—Miss E. W. Morris, 82; A. Withers, 81. 8 others passed.

New Testament Greek.—A. W. Garland, 93; R. G. McPherson and R. O. Sutton (equal), 92; C. J. Williams, 83; C. Hinrichsen, 82. 9 others passed.

Apologetics.—A. Brooke, 94; A. A. Hughes, 90; A. Baker and J. R. Waterman (equal), 89; C. A. Bowen, 84. 2 others passed.

Logic.—A. A. Hughes, 95; A. Baker, 81. 5 others passed.

Psychology.—A. Brooke, 88; A. A. Hughes, 85; S. E. Riches, 82; C. A. Bowen, 80. 7 others passed.

Hermeneutics and Exegesis.—A. Brooke, 91; A. A. Hughes, 87; S. E. Riches, 84; J. R. Waterman, 83; Miss R. Batch, 82; C. A. Bowen, 80. 1 other passed.

Elocution I.—C. J. Williams, 96; R. G.

McPherson, 95; Miss L. Bryant, A. R. Sheehan and R. O. Sutton (equal), 94; G. H. Earle, 93; H. Cave, F. A. Daws and F. J. Swain (equal), 91; A. W. Garland, 86; W. J. Probert, 84; W. A. Wigney, 81; C. E. Hinrichsen, 80. 1 other passed.

Elocution II.—6 passed.

Ancient History.—A. W. Garland and R. O. Sutton (equal), 91; F. A. Daws, 86; V. R. Griffin and C. J. Williams (equal), 80. 7 others passed.

English (Intermediate).—8 passed.

English (Leaving).—L. R. H. Beaumont, 81. 9 others passed.

History and Civics.—10 passed.

History (Leaving).—2 passed.

Geography (Intermediate).—L. R. H. Beaumont, 83; O. G. Potter, 82; Miss R. Hay, 81. 7 others passed.

French (Intermediate).—1 passed.

Latin (Intermediate).—1 passed.

Greek (Preparatory).—1 passed.

Greek (Intermediate).—None passed.

Algebra (Intermediate).—C. A. G. Payne, 89; O. G. Potter, 83; L. R. H. Beaumont, 82; E. H. Gray, 80. 2 others passed.

Geometry and Trigonometry.—J. K. Robinson, 83. 5 others passed.

—A. R. Main.

Upon the experimenter's table was a large and somewhat complicated "coil." I asked him for what purpose he used it. "As a sparking coil," he replied, and straightway connected a loose wire that led from a small "dry" cell. The result was a vivid blue flash that bridged a "gap" or break in the circuit. See! The current which left the little cell had become so greatly intensified as to "spit" or "spark" over the obstacle in its way. Two volts had become a thousand. Now what shall I say of College? Is it not the spark coil of a great brotherhood? Yes. Many a current, initially weak, when passed through this institution, has been so intensified as to emerge "sparkling" with power in the circuit of service.—Fred A. Youens.

A Course of training based entirely On the Bible and inspired solely by the Life of lives, our Lord Jesus Christ's, the Light of the World. It gives to each student ability to Express his impression of Christ; a more Godly life through constant fellowship with God's own men, and a deeper Earnestness in Christian living through fellowship with men of kindred ideals.
—C. P. Hughes.

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MARRIAGE.

WILLIAMS—McCLEAN.—On Aug. 16, at Christian chapel, Lygon St., Carlton, by Mr. Horace Kingsbury, Gordon Pearce, fifth son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Williams, of Upper Hawthorn, to Myrtle Vera, fifth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank McClean, "Bethany," Warra St., Kooyong.

COMING EVENTS.

SEPTEMBER 20, 21 and 24.—Chelsea. Sat. Sept. 20, Opening of New Church Building by A. E. Illingworth. Sunday, 21st, Special Services, morning, afternoon and evening. Wed., 24th, at 8 p.m., Public Meeting in church building. Visiting speakers. Musical and elocutionary items All welcome.

SEPTEMBER 27.—Burwood's First Effort. Under the auspices of the Ladies' Guild a sale of Gifts and Work will be held on Saturday, Sept. 27, in the Hartwell Hall (outside Burwood station), Station St., Burwood. Proceeds to be used to inaugurate a building fund to secure land for future building extension. Sale will be opened by Sister Mrs. Luke, of Surrey Hills, at 3 o'clock. All friends interested in helping the smaller causes of our brotherhood are invited to accept this opportunity. Saturday, 27th, 3 o'clock, Hartwell Hall.

SEPTEMBER 28.—The Church of Christ, Paddington, N.S.W., will hold the Bible school anniversary on September 28, in conjunction with "Back to Paddington" services. Old members are cordially invited. Lunch and tea provided. Please write secretary, R. Benzie, 87 John St. Woollahra. Come, and welcome.

SEPTEMBER 28 and 30.—City Temple, Sydney. Bible School Anniversary Services. Speakers, 3 p.m., Bro. Fretwell; 7 p.m., Bro. Whelan. Distribution of prizes and special singing, Tuesday evening, 7.45 p.m. Come, fill the Temple.

OCTOBER 11.—Saturday at East Camberwell Church of Christ. Sale of Work at East Camberwell Church of Christ.

OCTOBER 12, 13 and 15.—Wedderburn church Diamond Jubilee. Sunday, Oct. 12, speaker, Bro. Stuart Stevens. Monday, 8 p.m., children's demonstration. Wednesday, Tea and Public Meeting. All welcome.

OCTOBER 17 and 18.—East Kew Church of Christ will be holding their spring fair.—W. H. Gibb.

Here and There.

A new stock of "Joyful Praise," the mission hymn-book, has reached the Austral office. Price, posted, 1/6.

The South Australian Conference has been in session during the last week. Later we hope to give an extended report.

For the group photographs appearing in this issue, as well as for those relating to the Hostel, we are indebted to the great kindness of Bro. W. C. Craigie.

Mr. and Mrs. Enniss, and Lola, were expected back in Melbourne yesterday, being due to arrive in Sydney on Tuesday by the "Ventura." We are glad to learn of the improvement in the health of Mrs. Enniss.

Bro. J. F. Gibbins, whose home is in Bendigo, continues to labor with the church at Harcourt, Vic. Once a month he visits Sutton Grange and Ravenswood. Bro. Gibbins as a rule travels over 30 miles on the Lord's day. He did this last Sunday, though he is just recovering from a serious illness. "The Bendigo Advertiser" of Sept. 13 contains the report of an address delivered by him on the theme, "The Message of the Ministers."

On Monday evening last a successful concert arranged by the students of the College of the Bible was held in Lygon St. chapel. Bro. A. E. Illingworth, Conference President, occupied the chair. Musical items were given by Miss V. and Mr. A. Sindrey; solos by Miss D. Ludbrook and Mr. E. Collins; elocutionary items by Miss Youlden and Mr. V. Griffin. Miss Chipperfield kindly assisted as accompanist. Part songs of groups of students were also greatly enjoyed. A scene from Julius Caesar was well presented by Messrs. A. Hughes, H. Priestley, J. R. Waterman, K. Robinson, F. J. Swain, and V. Griffin. There was a large audience, and the varied programme was thoroughly enjoyed.

A correspondent writes as follows:—"It is a good many years now since we first heard the matter of a new church hymnal discussed, but we still plod along with the disability of having to search for tunes for some of the hymns contained in the book at present in general use. We are referred to the Bristol tune book for suitable tunes to some of our hymns, yet this book is at present unobtainable. If the delay is because of the increased cost of producing a new hymnal of words and music, the question arises as to how long we are going to wait. Other similar productions have increased in price corresponding with the times, but are bought up nevertheless. The time has undoubtedly arrived when our growing cause demands a hymnal that will be capable of serving both worship and gospel work, and thus obviate the necessity of using two sets of books. Trusting this will serve as a reminder, I am, yours truly, 'Tempus Fugit!'"

The Sunday School Exhibition arranged by the Victorian Sunday Kindergarten and Primary Teachers' Association will be held in the Baptist school hall, Collins St., Melbourne, on Tuesday, Sept. 23, and Wednesday, Sept. 24. The Exhibition will be open each evening from 7 o'clock till 10. Interesting programmes of demonstrations, pageants and brief addresses will be presented and will commence at 8 o'clock. This arrangement will give visitors time to carefully examine the display. All departments of the school will be represented, a court being arranged for each. The Exhibition will also include a Missionary Court, a Court devoted to literature and materials for use in Sunday school work, a display of literature, etc., by the Victorian Junior Temperance League, the Order of Kappa Sigma Pi, and other guilds and orders that have proved effective as week-day activities of the Sunday school. Admission may be by button (price 6d.), which will give wearer entrance both evenings, or by payment of 6d. at door.

Our College.

AN ASSET AND A LIABILITY.

H. G. Harward.

Eternity alone will reveal the value of the College of the Bible to the work of the Churches of Christ. It would be difficult to overestimate the worth of its contribution to the Plea for the Restoration of New Testament Christianity. In every State of the Commonwealth, consecrated preachers testify to the power of the Lord to save and to keep. In our Foreign Mission fields, our missionaries are illumining heathen darkness with the glorious light of the gospel. The majority of these workers at home and abroad were trained at Glen Iris. The forward movements in the service of recent years have been made possible under the blessing of God, because of the men prepared for leadership by the labors of the earnest Christian men who have been called to teach. We cannot disassociate the College from the progress of the work in Australasia or the regions beyond. It has been, and is, an asset of incalculable worth. The trained leaders in our Bible school work; the organisers in our Home Mission departments; the preachers resident with local congregations; and the general evangelists—with their record of victories for Christ and the church—are some of the proof of the value of the College. It has meant much to the work of the past decade. It will mean still more to the work of coming years. It is an asset given to us of God.

It is a liability, too. It belongs to us all. Every member of the Church of Christ in Australasia is a shareholder in this undertaking. We are responsible for its maintenance. It is under our control, through our Federal Conference. Its record of wonderful achievement is our record. Its story of souls won for Christ through the message of the students is our story. We have every right to use the possessive when we talk of the College. It is Ours. And so the burden of it should rest upon all. The Board of Management should be encouraged in their self-sacrificing care of the work, by the willing help of all. The faculty should have no added burden of anxiety by reason of insufficient support for the institution they are serving so well. An investment here brings sure return—to help train preachers and missionaries is a sure way of increasing our own influence and multiplying our own powers. Our gifts will live through the years in the service that godly men and women render unto the Lord.

As we value the asset, so let each church and every member meet the liability with a generous contribution to College funds on October 5.

Rain has interfered a little with the mission at Ivanhoe, Vic., although during the first week there were encouraging attendances. The church is thankful for the help of visiting brethren, and will be pleased to have the support of as many as are able to attend. There have been four confessions to date.

The "Northcote Leader," Vic., in the course of an appreciative paragraph published the following: "Residents of Northcote will be pleased to know that the minister of the Church of Christ, High St. (Mr. W. H. Hinrichsen) was among those who have this year completed their medical studies. As a student Mr. Hinrichsen shared the Achley prize in Biology with another, and during the course gained six honors, including final honors in Gynecology, Medicine and Obstetrics. During the whole of the time he has been studying medicine Mr. Hinrichsen has been preaching for the Church of Christ, for two years at South Yarra, and the balance at Northcote. In addition to his studies, attendances at lectures, hospitals, etc., he has in his church work paid from 4,000 to 5,000 visits. As a result of his preaching and pastoral work 348 have been added to the church. He has simultaneously been preacher of the church, editor of a weekly church paper, superintendent of a Bible school, chaplain of a K.S.P. club, president of an Endeavor Society and of a football club. Mr. Hinrichsen's modest demeanor, deep sincerity, and winning personality have won for him the love and respect of all who know him."

Good progress for the year is shown in the reports submitted to the South Australian Conference of Churches of Christ. The following paragraph relating to statistics gives a summary: "A review of the statistical table shows that 849 persons have been added to the church by faith and baptism, 385 by letter, 21 by restoration to fellowship, and 53 baptised believers; total, 1,308. The losses recorded are: By revision of roll, 361; by death, 49; by letter, 406; total, 816. The church membership on July 31, 1924, was 7,360, an increase for the year of 492. Fifty-five Sunday schools report an enrolment of 872 teachers and 5,866 scholars, as against 825 teachers and 5,611 scholars on July 31, 1923, indicating an increase of 48 teachers and 123 scholars. Four hundred and seventy-one scholars have been added to the church, and the total number of scholars in our Sunday schools, who are reported as being members of the church, is 1,291. We welcome two new schools, which have been commenced with good results at Cheltenham and Brooklyn Park. The C.E. figures are the most encouraging for some years. Seven hundred and sixty-three young people are enrolled in the Y.P.S.C.E., 84 in the Intermediate, and 791 among the Juniors. This is an increase of 123 for the twelve months. The estimated value of church and school properties is set down at £93,275, and there are sittings in the buildings for 18,740 persons."

IN MEMORIAM.

BURKETT.—In sacred memory of Charles Westley, died of wounds received in action Mouquet Farm, Sept. 16, 1916; also Richard, killed in action Bullecourt, May 3, 1917; the loved sons of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Burkett, Maylands, W.A.

At night when the shadows are falling,

Our hearts grow strangely sore;

And we have a hopeless longing

For our dear sons gone before.

They fought life's battles bravely,

And patiently stood the test;

Now they are loved and remembered,

For they were two of the best.

—Inserted by parents, brothers and sisters, Maylands, W.A.

JOHNSON.—In loving memory of our dear daughter and sister, Florrie, who was called to higher service on Sept. 21, 1922. Beautiful memories left behind.

—Inserted by her loving mother, brother and sister.

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SUNDAY.

Jehovah is my shepherd, I shall not want.—
Psalm 23: 1.

In the twenty-third Psalm we have—
"1. *Possession*—'The Lord is my shepherd.'
2. *Position*—'He maketh me to lie down,' etc.
3. *Progress*—'He leadeth me.'
4. *Provision*—'I shall not want.'
5. *Presence*—'Thou art with me.'
6. *Plenty*—'My cup runneth over.'
7. *Prospect*—'I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.'"

Reading—Psalm 23.

MONDAY.

For how many soever be the promises of God, in him is the yea.—2 Corinthians 1: 20.

Mr. Dan Crawford, missionary in Africa, says that "the only cheque-book you can reckon upon (in Africa) is God's own blank cheques, your Bibles. Did not Billy Bray love to say, 'The promises of God are just as good as ready money any day.'"

Reading—2 Corinthians 1: 18-24.

TUESDAY.

Bless Jehovah, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits; who forgiveth all thine iniquities.—
Psalm 103: 2, 3.

"A young man involved in money difficulties applied to the late Cecil Rhodes for assistance. 'Tell me your whole liabilities,' said the millionaire. A sum was named. 'Is that really all?' 'Yes, all,' was the reply. Mr. Rhodes wrote a cheque for the amount. 'Be ready to start for the north to-morrow,' said he, 'and call on me for your appointment.' Accordingly the applicant returned the following day, to be sternly told: 'You are of no use to me; I asked you a direct question, and you answered me falsely. Good-day.' For the foolish youth, lacking courage to name the full amount of his debts, had spent the interval trying to raise the balance from some of his benefactor's own friends. Are not we often thus backward to take at his word that Friend whose treasury no human needs can diminish, much less exhaust."

Reading—Psalm 103: 1-5.

WEDNESDAY.

I know him whom I have believed, and I am persuaded that he is able to guard that which I have committed unto him against that day.—
2 Timothy 1: 12.

Dr. Drummond wrote: "I cannot guarantee that the stars will shine brighter . . . or that when you wake to-morrow a new world will open before you. But I do guarantee that Christ will keep that which you have committed to him."

Reading—2 Timothy 1: 8-14.

THURSDAY.

And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto myself.—John 12: 32.

"We read in classic story how the lyre of Orpheus enchanted with its music not only the wild beasts, but the very trees and rocks upon Olympus, so that they moved from their places to follow him. So Christ our heavenly Orpheus, with the music of his gracious speech, draws after him those less susceptible to benign influences than beasts and trees and stones; even poor hardened, senseless, sinful souls."

Reading—John 12: 31-36.

FRIDAY.

I am the light of the world.—John 8: 12.

"Christ's teachings are not like the street lamps during the war, the hooded lamps, not throwing far stretching beams of light, but only illumining little patches at our feet. Christ's teachings were more like some brilliant un-hooded lamp, saw one of the great lamps in Trafalgar-square, which send streams of light down Whitehall, and along the Strand, and up St. Martin's-lane, away to the Haymarket. That is like Christ's teaching. It is very rarely that any one of his principles is

a lamp for only one road. Its shining covers the entire district."

Reading—John 1: 1-11.

SATURDAY.

Your life is hid with Christ in God.—Colossians 3: 3.

"Christ with me; Christ before me; Christ behind me; Christ within me; Christ beneath me; Christ above me; Christ on my right; Christ at my left; Christ in the port; Christ at the chariot; Christ in the ship."

Reading—Colossians 3: 1-4.

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Prayer Meeting Topic

October 1.

Training for Service.

(2 Timothy 2: 1-15.)

Horace Kingsbury.

The reason for the selection of this Prayer Meeting Topic is the nearness of the day on which annual offerings are made for Christian education.

Some leaders may attempt an exposition of the appointed passage; others may lay on the hearts of young Christians the duty of training for service; and still others may emphasise the importance of our Australian College of the Bible, and urge its claims upon the means and the prayers of the brotherhood. Our College should have a place in our affections, and we should be happy in what is being accomplished at Glen Iris under the blessing of God.

Paul asks Timothy to be "strengthened in the grace that is in Christ Jesus." He was much concerned for his protege, who was to be something of a connecting link between himself and those who would later carry forward the work. The Christian life should be one of growth, progress, grace, glory. "Grace is the ladder to glory, and on every step of it man must die to self or he can never reach its summit."

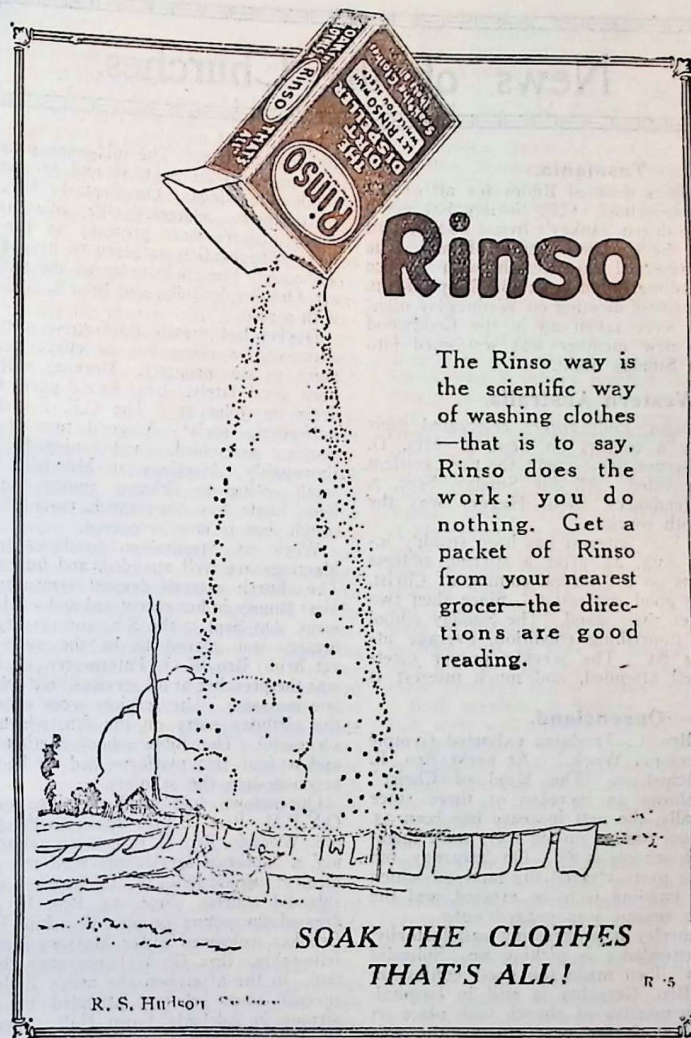
Paul's concern is not alone for Timothy but for the work of Christ. And so he writes: "The things which thou hast heard from me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also." And so the unadulterated gospel was to be passed on. There must be proper instruction, faithfulness and ability. These qualifications make good teachers, and perpetuate divine messages. Just because Timothy was faithful to his trust, and others like him followed in his train, witness has been continuously borne, the gospel has been preached through the centuries, souls have been saved, and Christians have been edified. And the work still goes on!

"Suffer hardship with me as a good soldier of Christ Jesus." This too is a part of training for service. "It is the daily drill which makes the battle hero." There is another word on this subject in verse 12: "If we endure, we shall also reign with him." "No cross: no crown!"

"Give diligence to present thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, handling aright the word of truth." This text, especially as rendered in the Authorised Version, has been warrant enough for many a good sermon on dispensational truth. The effective Christian worker must know how to use the Sword of the Spirit. M. M. Davis writes as follows concerning Alexander Campbell's famous sermon on the Law:

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News of the Churches.

Tasmania.

Hobart members donated Bibles for all of the Collinsvale Bible school. C.E. Society has given the church one dozen Sankey's hymn books; also money toward the Goodwood piece of land. The deaconesses presented the church with a nice palm-stand, jardiniere and palm for the platform. At a special business meeting on Wednesday night 100 fr shares were taken up in the Goodwood building. One new member was welcomed into the church on Sunday night.

Western Australia.

Lake St. Junior Endeavorers celebrated their anniversary by a concert on Sept. 4. Mrs. D. M. Wilson deserves great credit for the excellent programme provided. All day Sunday, Sept. 7, saw good attendances. Bro. Hagger was the preacher at both services.

At Victoria Park interest has been steadily increasing. On Aug. 24, after a stirring address by Bro. Youens on the second coming of Christ, four made the good confession. Since then two more have taken their stand. The Sunday school work is in a flourishing condition, average attendance being 80. The weekly prayer meeting is also well attended, and much interest is displayed.

Queensland.

On Sept. 7 Bro. C. Trudgian exhorted Gympie church on "Personal Work." At night Bro. E. Trudgian preached on "The Mind of Christ." Bible school shows an increase of three since beginning of rally, the nett increase has been 33. Enterprise school has 24 on its roll; total membership of both schools is 85. On Saturday, 6th inst., a working party cleared the land on which the Enterprise building is to be erected, and the position of the stumps was pegged out.

Work at Annerley is progressing satisfactorily. Bible school attendance is picking up. Splendid gospel services. Two made the good confession on Aug. 31. Bro. Geraghty is still in hospital. The half-yearly meeting of church took place on Sept. 4, when work for past six months was reviewed. The reports presented spoke of good work and progress. Twenty-one had been added to the church during the half-year. The debt was reduced by £25, and an effort is to be made to extinguish it by Easter. Special gospel services are being held.

At Toowoomba on Sept. 4, a marriage was solemnised between Bro. Walter Skerman and Sister Fdith Keable. Bro. F. E. Alcorn officiating. The chapel was tastefully decorated. On Sept. 7 at morning service Bro. and Sister W. Bagley, Sister Nurse Shaw, from America, and Bro. and Sister F. E. Alcorn, Brisbane, were present. Greetings from Bren. Troy and Tillcock (America) were conveyed to the church by Bro. Bagley. These three brethren in times past labored in Queensland. Bro. W. Bagley's exhortation from John 5: 1-12 was greatly appreciated. In the afternoon a combined Bible school (Harlaxton and Central) met; Bro. F. E. Alcorn addressed the children. The gospel service was the largest gathering for some considerable time; the singing was bright and uplifting. Bro. F. E. Alcorn spoke on "Hearing and Doing." Previous to gospel meeting one sister was baptised.

South Australia.

On Sept. 7 Bro. Bottrall exhorted at Port Prie. In the evening Bro. Roy Arnold preached to a good congregation. The preacher (Bro. Bowes) was at Balaklava anniversary. In the morning the right hand of fellowship was given to two of the young men baptised on the previous Lord's day. Good gatherings on the 14th. Bro. Bowes exhorting in the morning and preaching at night. Bro. A. C. Rankine gave good addresses at both morning and evening services at Grote St. on

Sunday, Sept. 7. The mid-week prayer meeting was not held on Sept. 10 and 17 owing to conference meetings. On Sept. 14 Bro. Eagle, of Bordertown, addressed the morning meeting. Many visitors were present. In the evening a large congregation gathered to hear Bro. Jas E. Thomas. The choir rendered the anthem "Holy art Thou" splendidly, and Bro. R. Allison favored with a solo.

During last month Bordertown church held a successful working bee to effect necessary repairs to the property. Morning meetings have been good lately. Bro. Eagle gave a good address on John 21. The C.E. Society held its half-yearly social. A good number of young people assembled, and enjoyed themselves thoroughly. Meetings at Mundalla have been small owing to sickness among the members. Bro. Eagle has been much troubled by a bad cough, but is now recovered.

Work at Strathalbyn continues to progress. Meetings are well attended, and interest is good. The church extends deepest sympathy to Sister Miss Binney in her recent sad and sudden bereavement. On Sept. 7 the S.S. anniversary was celebrated, and proved to be the most successful yet held. Bro. E. J. Paternoster, of Hindmarsh, was the preacher at all services. He delivered very fine messages. The services were continued with the birthday party on the 8th, which was very successful. The Bible school continues to grow and a four tier platform had to be erected to accommodate the scholars.

Queenstown had good meetings on Sept. 7. Q.Y.P.M., Bro. G. Cox spoke to the young people. Worship, Bro. C. E. Lawton exhorted. Evening, a baptismal service preceded the gospel service, at which Bro. W. C. Brooker delivered a splendid address. Sept. 14, Bro. F. Harris addressed the young people. Worship, Bro. W. C. Brooker welcomed Sister Marjory Horwood into fellowship. Bro. G. A. Foote gave the exhortation. In the afternoon the men's Bible class and several adult scholars attended the conference sermon in Adelaide Town Hall. Evening, Bro. W. Russell, from Eyre Peninsula, gave a forceful and appealing address.

Victoria.

At Boronia, owing to bad weather, the meetings have been rather small the last two Sundays. Good addresses by Bro. Waterman.

Good services at Parkdale last Lord's day. Mr. Earle's evening subject was, "A Man, Christ Jesus." A new scholar was added to the Bible school.

Bambra Rd. church has arranged for a mission to begin on Nov. 9. P. R. Baker, S.A., will be the preacher, and Bren. Brooker and Nicholls will act as leaders of song.

Weather affected evening service at Echuca on Sunday. Morning services have splendid attendances. School was well attended. Several members are laid aside through sickness.

Lygon St. is having fair meetings, and Bro. Meldrum is giving very fine addresses. Bro. F. T. Saunders presided on Sunday morning. Bible school is in good order, and working hard for anniversary.

There were two baptisms at Hawthorn on Sunday night. Bro. Scambler preached on "What Jesus Taught about Repentance." At the morning meeting Bro. Payne addressed the church. On 10th inst., the Denham St. Methodist C.E. visited the Endeavor Society and conducted the meeting.

Gardiner had good meetings last Lord's day. In the morning Bro. Main welcomed to fellowship three young people who were immersed on the previous Wednesday, in the presence of 60 people, at the prayer service. On Sunday evening Bro. Hughes, of the College, preached very acceptably, and at the close had the joy of taking the confession of a Bible school girl.

Hampton church was addressed on Sunday morning by Bro. K. Robinson. The J.C.E. held special singing at night to celebrate its anniversary, and the chapel was nicely decorated. The society has closed a most successful year under the superintendency of Sisters Misses Miles and Storey.

At Moreland on Sept. 7 Bro. W. J. Way gave a fine address in the morning. Bro. A. Withers spoke at night. Sept. 14, Bro. Wm. Gale spoke morning and evening. A splendid response has been made to the officers' appeal re the extension of the church building, which may soon be on the way.

The closing meeting of the mission at Ringwood was held on Sunday night, and was the best attended meeting of the mission. Right dresses, which were appreciated by all. Much good will accrue from the effort. The thank offering is not yet complete.

Home-coming day proved a time of refreshing at Oakleigh. Bro. R. T. Pittman in the morning gave an enjoyable exhortation. The "winter sacrifice" offering was taken up. All passed through the building and placed their little boxes on the table below the platform. The offering realised over £150. Bro. Brooke presided. Bro. A. R. Main preached in the evening to a fine gathering.

The work at Chelsea is progressing rapidly under the work of Bro. Thomson. One brother decided to follow Christ in baptism. The sisters held a successful sale of work last Saturday which was opened by the Mayor's representative. The total of £40 was raised. The brethren are jubilant over the opening of their new chapel next Saturday and Sunday. It is a fitting place of worship in the district.

On Sunday at Cheltenham the meetings all day were good. In the morning G. P. Pittman preached, and also gave the address, in place of the aged Bro. Wm. Judd who was absent because of the rain. The school is preparing for the anniversary. The kindergarten is a very large gathering now. In the evening Miss Butler rendered a solo acceptably, and Bro. Pittman preached a fine sermon on "What is your Life?"

At Ascot Vale a church rally by Protestant churches of district was held on Sept. 14. The meeting was held in the picture theatre. Bro. Patterson presided, and the Baptist minister, Bro. McDonald, gave a splendid address. The object was to try and get those who are not in the habit of attending divine service to hear the gospel. In the evening there was almost a full chapel, and at the close of Bro. Patterson's address three young men decided to follow Jesus.

Middle Park enjoys good meetings. The J.C.E. marked another year of progress for the J.C.E. At the evening service the juniors formed the choir, and the singing was a special feature. Under the leadership of Sister Ruth Cooke, great work is being done by these young folk. Last Lord's morning Bro. Cyril Williams exhorted nicely. Sister Bennett, baptised the previous week, was received in. Bro. Robinson's gospel message at night was clear and rich with spiritual food.

Meetings at North Melbourne are bright, and attendances up to the average. One confession since last report, the young lady being immersed last Wednesday night. Bro. C. C. Dawson labored faithfully with the church. The K.S.P. held a successful concert last Thursday night, which of the proceeds being for the building fund, which now totals £101. The land at the rear of the chapel having been bought and paid for, it only needs the endorsement of the church for the plans submitted and the hall can be erected.

Surrey Hills is having some fine meetings. Clark is giving a series of much-appreciated addresses. Aug. 31, chapel full at evening meeting to hear Mrs. McFarlane, of C.I.M., give her talk on "Old and New China." Sept. 7 was a special day, the effort being made to have every member present at morning meeting. Those unable to attend sent a verse of Scripture to be read in answer to their names at roll-call. Bro. Clark presided, and Bro. E. Eaton gave a splendid address. An offering for building extensions realised £91/10/-.

Fair meetings at Prahran. Bro. L. C. McCallum spoke in the morning from Hebrews 4. In the evening he preached a fine sermon on "A City Filled with Joy." Last Monday a concert was held in the A.N.A. Hall to raise money for the forthcoming "Australian Tea."

August 31 was Anti-Liquor League field day in Shepparton district, and the church was visited by Bro. Wm. Wilson, who gave both the morning address, and the gospel message in the evening. On Sept. 7, five members were received by letter from various churches, and on 10th the half-yearly business meeting was held. Good reports were presented from all departments, and the present membership stands at 191, compared with the 67 reported to Conference. The young people have secured the use of a tennis court, which will be available for play within a few weeks.

At East Kew last Lord's day there were good attendances. In the morning Bro. Stevens' address was enjoyed. Bro. A. Baker delivered a powerful gospel address. One woman made the good confession and one woman was baptised. The annual meeting of the church took place on Sept. 11, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Treasurer, Bro. Harding; Sec., Bro. Henderson; Under Sec., Bro. L. Trezise; Supt. S.S., Bro. Fitzgerald; Deacons, Bren. Harding, Combridge, Watt, Barham, De Clifford, Brice, Henderson; Deaconesses, Sisters Mrs. Gibb, Harding, Watt, Trezise, Tonkin.

Essendon meetings have been well attended. Bro. Sivyier is doing good work. The half-yearly meeting held on Wednesday last, Bro. Flood in the chair, was a record as to attendance, and much interest was displayed in the future of the church. The financial business, after much discussion, was postponed till after the sale of work in October. Satisfactory reports were received from the various auxiliaries, special praise being given to the junior departments. The election of officers resulted as follows:—Bro. Jackson, sec. (re-elected); Bro. A. Anderson, Bro. B. J. Kemp, junior treasurer. Bible school still making steady progress.

At Ballarat (Dawson St.), September has been emphasised as a month for special effort in attendances and evangelistic zeal. There have been better meetings, and Bro. A. W. Connor has had keen attention to his splendid addresses. On Sunday, 7th inst., the mother of one of the young women made the good confession, and was baptised the following Wednesday. All the church societies are in a healthy condition. The Dorcas is busy with assistance to many in adverse circumstances, and the mission band is making up a parcel for India. The aged Sister Mrs. Scurrell (late of Buninyong) is in feeble health, and confined to her home; she keeps strong in faith.

Doncaster church celebrated its 61st anniversary on Sunday, 7th inst., when Bro. Lang suitably addressed the church. In the evening the choir rendered special singing. Bro. Lang again spoke to a good congregation. On Wednesday evening a tea and public meeting were held. Bro. Meldrum spoke at this gathering. A good programme of singing, recitations and musical items was rendered. There was a large gathering of members and friends. On Saturday afternoon the Box Hill K.S.P. club came to Doncaster and played a friendly game of football with the local K.S.P. club. In the evening about 80 sat down to a tea presided over by the girls of the P.B.P. club. The evening was spent in a social manner.

Great meetings at Red Cliffs on Sept. 7 and 10 in connection with the first anniversary of church and Sunday school. Bro. A. E. Illingworth, Conference President, was the principal speaker at all services. After the evening service on Sept. 7, one young lady confessed Christ and was baptised. On Sept. 10 a tea was given to the young folk by the ladies' social committee. At the public meeting the building was packed. Distribution of prizes took place. The speakers were Bren. Illingworth, D. Wakeley and P. C. Bennett. On Sept. 13 a welcome social was given to J. C. F. Pittman. Bro. Pittman spoke in the morning of the 14th, and in the evening commenced a fortnight's mission. Both meetings

were well attended, and the addresses were much appreciated.

Newmarket meetings were excellent on Sunday. Messages were given by Mrs. McFarlane, of the C.I.M., at the afternoon and evening meetings, and were full of power. The ladies' guild, the S.S. teachers, and the senior classes of the school had tea at the chapel with Mrs. McFarlane, prior to the evening service. Miss Southwick and her helpers entertained the church attendance league on 6th inst., when prizes were distributed. Sunday school work has been re-organised, with a full staff of teachers. The resignation of Alex. Mitchell, who has rendered fine service as secretary, was received with regret; H. O. White being appointed in his stead. The school has recently presented the church with a fine new linoleum and several tables for the kindergarten room. Much good work was done at a "working bee" on Saturday last. The ladies of the church continue to render great service.

Swan Hill on 7th inst. had the greatest meetings in the church's history. At worship over 70 were present. Nine were received in, including Bro. and Sister A. Cameron, seven upon faith and obedience. Bro. Cameron's message to the church was an inspiration. In the evening nearly 90 were present. On Thursday, 11th, a public welcome social was tendered to Bro. and Sister Cameron. Building packed, and visitors from Ultima and Woorinen were present. An interesting programme was contributed to by friends of other churches, and messages of welcome were received from Methodist, Presbyterian and Salvation Army. To evidence the love of the Swan Hill brethren for the service rendered by Bro. and Sister A. J. Wilson, during the past two and a half years, a presentation was made to them on behalf of the church by Bro. Chas McDonald. Bro. and Sister Wilson had labored loyally and successfully in building up the church and Bible class, and the members desired to show their appreciation.

New South Wales.

Splendid gospel service at Canterbury on Sept. 14, it being the anniversary of the starting of the cause twelve months ago. Bible school children took part in the singing of the hymns. The church rejoices in the blessings of the year.

At Wagga on Sunday, Sept. 7, the meetings were good. In the evening Bro. Campbell gave a fine address. One lady made the good confession, and one was restored. Sept. 14, excellent evening service, with members of Orange Lodge present. Bro. Campbell gave a forceful address.

Chatswood Junior Christian Endeavor is making marked progress under the leadership of Sister Webb; 43 present. Bro. Clydesdale exhorted on Sept. 14. Good attendance and fine spirit at evening service. C. Wescott was baptised. Bro. Whelan presented a very beautiful message, and two women confessed Christ.

On Aug. 24 Bro. and Sister Jacob Saxby were welcome visitors at Taree. Bro. J. Saxby's morning message to the church was helpful. Bro. Crossman was the preacher at night. On Aug. 31 Bro. Crossman spoke morning and evening. On Sept. 3 Bro. Jacob Saxby addressed the sisters' aid and missionary class, and on the following evening the young men's training class.

Rockdale church had very nice meetings on Sept. 14. Bro. J. Whelan, of Chatswood, ably exhorted on "What is God Like?" Bren. Weekes and D. Smith, from Hurstville, were received into fellowship. Bro. J. Clydesdale preached at night on "Friendship and Fellowship," to an attentive gathering. The K.S.P. club is growing in both numbers and interest; another initiation service was held on the 11th inst.

Good meetings on Sept. 7 at Dumbleton. Bro. J. Saville exhorted, and Bro. W. J. Buckley preached the gospel. The Thursday night studies on the Lord's return have been a source of blessing. The next subject will be "Sanctification." The young worshippers' league anniversary Bro. W. Stow presented the prizes for that examination, while Bro. Simpson, of Hurstville, spoke on "Worship."

On morning of Sept. 7, Bro. Bert Arrowsmith, Auburn, exhorted at Lidcombe. Bro. A. E. Foulkes, Burwood, conducted the gospel service. Topic, "Your Boy and Mine." Though small, the audience was appreciative. On Sept. 14 visitors included Bro. and Sister H. Larcombe, North Sydney, former members of Lidcombe. Bro. R. Eldridge, Burwood, was the morning speaker and Bro. Foulkes in the evening gave a splendid talk on "The Story of Ruth." Bro. G. H. Browne was present on Sept. 7 and 14; he is only slightly better.

At Lismore City Temple Bro. C. L. Savill was in charge on Sept. 7. Visitors included Sister Miss Helsdon, of Albion, Qld. At night Bro. P. J. Pond preached "in memoriam" to the late sister J. P. F. Walker. There was a large attendance. Of the scholars entering B.S. examinations from Central School, 23 gained State certificates, and 8 others reached the standard of a district pass. Bro. C. Byrnes won a first, and Bro. Eric Hollingworth a third prize. Eight scholars from North Lismore secured a State certificate, and one a district certificate.

Under the leadership of Bren. Hibbard and Snow a new church has been established on the Tweed River, N.S.W. Meetings will be held at Murwillumbah and Cudgera, and regular visits made to the church at Tyalgum. On Sunday, Sept. 7, Bro. Hibbard conducted services, necessitating four hours' drive each way by horse and sulky. With a similar turnout Bro. Snow went in the opposite direction, returning in the evening just in time to conduct the third service for the day after travelling 40 miles. Both these brethren follow secular pursuits.

Both services at Sydney City Temple on 14th inst. were well attended. Bro. P. Thomas exhorted in the morning whilst Bro. S. J. Southgate spoke at night. A most enjoyable time was spent at the annual tea and public meeting on Tuesday, 9th, over 100 sat down to tea, and the attendance at the public meeting was considerably more than this number. Bright, brief messages were received from Bren. Fretwell, Whately, Davis and Southgate. The musical portion of the programme included two splendid anthems by the choir. The remarks of the chairman (Bro. Stimson) and the report of the church secretary disclosed a very satisfactory state of affairs. Prospects for the new year are good.

The sixtieth anniversary festivities of the Enmore Bible school were responsible for the largest gatherings of people for some years past. At the "united family service" over 250 broke bread. Bro. R. K. Whately, jnr., spoke feelingly on "The Duty of Remembrance." Pastor Wallis, of the "One by One" movement, and recently from India, addressed a large gathering of scholars and friends in the afternoon. Five of the girls yielded to Christ. On Sunday night, 7th inst., fully 1,000 persons (including the augmented adult choir, Bible school pupils and an orchestra of 23) were assembled. "Easter Violets" was splendidly rendered by the choir of adults and children as a service of song. On Wednesday evening a large audience was entertained by the scholars and friends who gave a "big miscellaneous concert." The celebrations were concluded on Sunday, 14th, with a special service in connection with "Boy Week" festival. Bro. Bagley, from America, and uncle of the preacher, gave a most helpful gospel message. Bro. N. Jansen rendered two fine solos, and the big choir again sang most of the choruses of "Easter Violets"; the orchestra again assisted. Oct. 10 is "Back to Enmore" day in connection with the Federal Conference.

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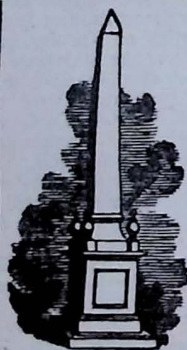
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LARSEN.—Our aged Bro. Larsen was laid to rest at Ma Ma Creek, Qld., on Sunday, Aug. 31. Bro. Bassard, of the West Moreton circuit, officiated, and spoke of the splendid example as a Christian Bro. Larsen had been. Bro. Larsen was born in Denmark 85 years ago, but came to Queensland between 40 and 50 years ago. He was baptised some 36 years ago, and became a member of the Church of Christ, Ma Ma Creek. He was of a very quiet disposition, and took little active part in the work of the church, but was always in his place at the services as long as health allowed him. There are five sons and one daughter, one of the sons being Bro. L. Larsen, evangelist, Ipswich. Much sympathy is extended to the family.—J. S. Metcalf.

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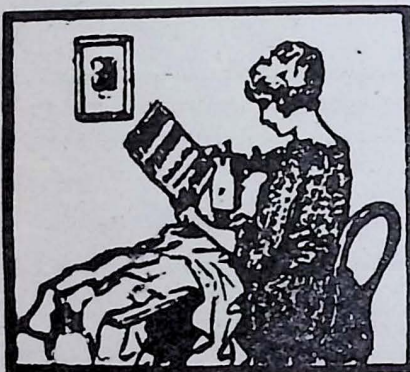
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REJOICE in the Lord always.

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Was it worth while helping that 1915 group? Then help this 1924 group. A few years hence they will be amongst the most useful men and women of our brotherhood.



GROUP OF STUDENTS, 1924.

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