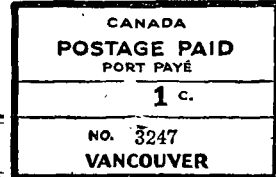


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TWEEDSMUIR RECEIVES LL.D. DEGREE

VICEROY IS HONORED BY BRILLIANT GATHERING

LORD Tweedsmuir, distinguished in his own right as an author, soldier and administrator, came to the University as Canada's Governor-General on March 17, inspected cadets of the Canadian Officers' Training Corps and received the honorary degree of doctor of laws.

As acting-President Daniel Buchanan introduced him, a brilliant audience, which included Hon. E. W. Hamber, Hon. G. M. Weir, Hon. A. Wells Gray, Chief Justice Aulay Morrison, Mr. Justice Manson, Mr. Justice Fisher, Mr. Justice McQuarrie, Brigadier J. C. Stewart, officer commanding Military District No. 11; Dr. Henry Esson Young and Dr. J. S. Plaskett, paid him homage.

"We are respectfully aware," Dean Buchanan said, "that we cannot confer honor on the King's representative or give new meaning to a beloved household name."

Chancellor McKechnie conferred the degree and His Excellency signed the register with a quill pen, one of five drawn from the royal swans on the Thames for the occasion. Later he autographed more than a dozen of his own books in the library and joined the party at tea in the gymnasium, where scores of governors, senators, faculty and friends of the University were presented.

The Governor-General's first act, as he arrived on the campus, was to inspect the contingent of about 100 in the C.O.T.C. under command of Lt.-Col. Gordon Shrum. During the inspection, the Kitsilano Boys' Band played military airs and the National Anthem.

The text of His Excellency's address is on page six.

CONVOCATION DINNER

Convocation Dinner, in honor of the graduating class of 1939, will be held on May 11 and it will be one of the last University functions in the old Hotel Vancouver.

Every graduate in Vancouver is urged to make a point of attending the dinner. Details of the program have not yet been completed but it will, as usual, follow Congregation in the afternoon.

UNION BUILDING

At long last, it seems that construction of the Brock Memorial Union Building on the campus is assured. The final financial and technical details have been smoothed out, the Alma Mater Society is floating a bond issue, and a final campaign to secure funds for furnishing the building has begun.

Construction will begin, probably on a site between the Gymnasium and the Library, as soon as the bond issue is taken up and plans are drawn and approved.

Considerable funds for furnishing the centre have already been raised by successive classes of women students and by women's organizations of the city. More money has been pledged by other groups and individuals. But a final effort will be necessary to complete the project successfully.

Ten Candidates For Senate Are Supported By The Alumni Association

Convocation Is Voting On 26 Candidates For 15 Vacancies; Ballots Returnable May 31

TEN candidates for Senate, including seven graduates, were nominated by the Alumni Association at a dinner meeting on February 28, and they will have the full support of alumni in the election now being conducted by mail.

In all, twenty-six candidates have been nominated for fifteen vacancies. For the office of chancellor, Dr. R. E. McKechnie, who has held the honor continuously since 1918, was the only candidate and he has been elected by acclamation.

The official Alumni Association slate follows:

Kenneth M. Beckett, Arts '32, president of the Alumni Association, honorary treasurer of the Vancouver Institute, barrister, Vancouver.

Dr. William Frank Emmons, Arts '18, (M.Sc., M.D.C.M. and Ph.D., McGill), physician and surgeon, Vancouver.

Dr. Russell Earl Foerster, Arts '21 (Ph.D., Toronto), former chief biologist of the Pacific Biological Station, Nanaimo, and now senior scientist for the International Pacific Salmon Fisheries Commission, New Westminster.

Miss Annie B. Jamieson, (for re-election), member of the University Senate since 1918, member of the Board of Governors 1935-39, member of the Vancouver Library Board 1916-39, member of the Vancouver School Board 1929-39, retired school teacher, Vancouver.

Lawrence Killam, member of the University Senate 1918-21, president and managing director of the B.C. Pulp & Paper Co. Ltd., Vancouver.

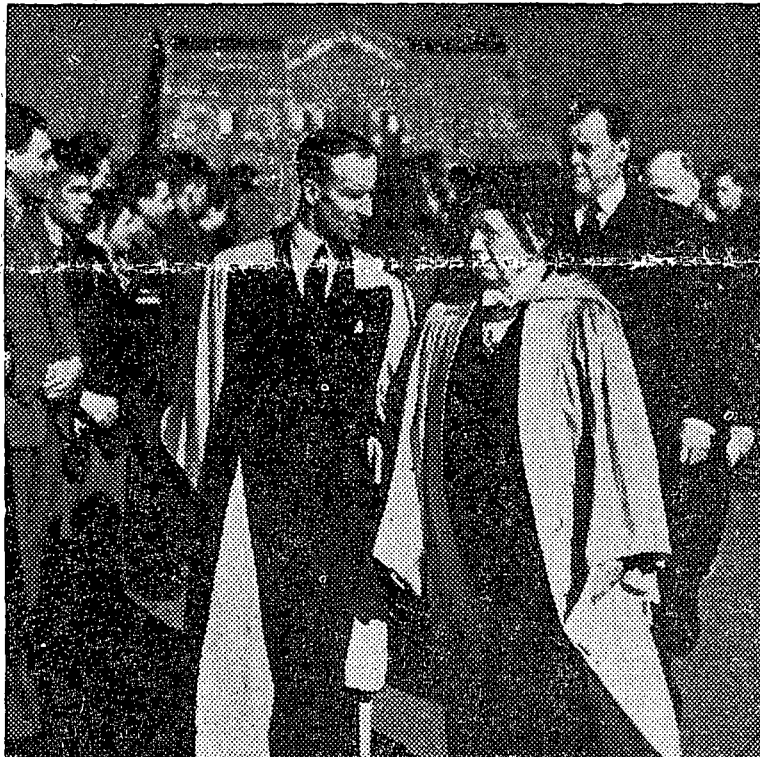
Sherwood Lett, Arts '16, (B.A., Oxford), (for re-election), first president of the Alma Mater Society, former president of the Alumni Association, member of the University Senate 1924-39, member of the Board of Governors 1935-39, barrister and solicitor, Vancouver.

Arthur Edward Lord, Arts '21, (for re-election), former president of the Alma Mater Society, former president of the Alumni Association, member of the University Senate 1924-39, city solicitor for the City of Vancouver, Vancouver.

William George Swan, member of Park Board, member of Vancouver Town Planning Commission, member of the Engineering Institute of Canada, civil engineer, Vancouver.

Dr. John Fortune Walker, Science '22, (Ph.D., Princeton), Councillor of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, member of the

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The Brock Dance

With construction of the Brock Memorial Building on the campus now assured, students and alumni have joined in sponsoring a dance in the Hotel Vancouver on April 28, to raise funds to furnish the building.

Tickets for Alumni will be priced at \$3.50 per couple, as compared with \$4.50 per couple for others. Invitations mailed to graduates this week erroneously stated the price was \$4.50.

Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Hamber will head a distinguished list of patrons for the dance and every effort is being made to make it the most notable function of the season.

Two and probably three orchestras will play, including the bands of Mart Kenny and Stan. Patton. The Crystal Ballroom, Oval Room, Oak

AT CONGREGATION

Governor-General Lord Tweedsmuir (left) is shown with Chancellor R. E. McKechnie on the University campus a few minutes before he received the honorary degree of doctor of laws. A week before Dr. McKechnie was re-elected chancellor by acclamation for his seventh successive three-year term.

DR. L. S. KLINCK

President Klinck has been ill in hospital in Berkeley, Calif., but he is recovering and is expected to return to his office this week.

Room and Spanish Grill have all been reserved. A buffet supper will be served in the Oak Room.

Hundreds went to the Alumni Ball at Christmas and had the time of their lives. This dance is bigger and probably better and every graduate should make a point of going.

THE ALUMNI PLAYERS' PLAY

By MARGARET ECKER

The legitimate theatre cannot be pronounced dead in Vancouver as long as amateur clubs are producing plays as successfully as was the Alumni Players' Club production of "Personal Appearance."

The Broadway success was first produced by the club in the fall and repeated by demand twice in January, when Kappa Alpha Theta and Kappa Kappa Gamma sponsored one performance and the Council of Jewish Women sponsored the other.

Dorothy McKelvie Fowler, to whom stealing an Alumni show has become a habit, again starred. She who distinguished herself last year by her portrayal of the naive waitress in "Boy Meets Girl" showed her versatility by playing the brittle, blase movie queen.

Alice Morrow put spirit and vigor into her clever characterization of a stage-struck small town girl. Wilmer Haggerty . . . again of "Boy Meets Girl" fame . . . showed a high sense of comedy acting as the Hollywood executive whose duty it was to protect the movie star from affairs of the heart.

As always in comedy, a great deal of the success of the play depended on timing, and in this case, the polish and the timing of the production proved the ability of the director, Sidney Risk, who after the epidemic of "serious drama" seems to have revived comedy in Vancouver with both graduate and undergraduate plays.

Other members of the cast included, Eileen Griffin and Betty Buckland, each giving sympathetic and effective character portrayals, Cyril Chave, Dorothy Martin, David McDonald, J. O. C. Kirby and Nora Gibson.

Come spring, come another Players' Club Alumni production. This time it's "Tweedles" by Booth Tarkington and Harry Leon Wilson. Again Sidney Risk will direct, and its first production will be in the University Theatre on May 9.

A tentative cast has been chosen and is now in rehearsal. Sidney Risk himself will play the juvenile lead role of Julian, who from the playwright's description sounds like an amusing young man with a psychosis. Either Audrey Phillips or Mrs. Meredith McFarlane (Nance Carter) will play the ingenue role.

Most of the other parts are character roles which will be taken by Betty Jack, Marjorie Griffin, Dave MacDonald, Beth Gillanders, Jo Hemming and Cliff Taylor.

GRADUATE AT CONVENTION

When the Canadian Pulp & Paper Association held their annual convention in Montreal recently, an address was given by Reid G. Fordyce, M.A.Sc. of Vancouver, a U.B.C. graduate.

His talk was on the latest methods of pulp testing, a subject on which he has been conducting research work at the cellulose division of McGill University for the last three years.

In April, he will address the American Chemical Society.

Many Summer Courses To Be Given

NEW DEPARTURES IN SUMMER SESSION PROGRAM

THE TWENTIETH summer session of the University will open on July 3 and continue until August 18, with a galaxy of noted visiting professors and an unusual number and variety of courses.

Of special interest are three courses tentatively arranged for by the department of extension, including (a) dramatics—a five weeks' study with Mr. and Mrs. Burton James as guest directors; (b) motion picture appreciation, and (c) handicrafts. Other courses may be added before the session opens and full information may be obtained from Dr. G. M. Shrum of the department of extension.

Following is a complete list of courses and the faculty members:

Biology 1, Professor Dickson; Biology 2 (a) and (b), Dr. Hutchinson; Botany 1 (a), Professor Davidson; Chemistry 1, Dr. Ure; Chemistry 3, Dr. Clark; Economics 1, Dr. W. H. Taylor, University of Hawaii; Economics 6, Professor Drummond; Economics 10, Professor F. A. Knox, Queen's University; Government 1, Professor Angus; Social Service 5 and 6, Dr. Leah Feder, Washington University, St. Louis.

Education 10, Dr. H. E. Smith, University of Alberta; Education 11, Professor Black; Education 21, Professor C. A. Krug, Mount Allison University; Education 22, Dr. M. M. Thompson, University of Southern California; English 2, Dr. Edward Chapman, University of Utah; English 9 (a), Dr. Sedgewick; English 13, Professor Wood; English 19, Mrs. John H. Creighton; French 1, Miss Dangelzer; French 2, Miss Aish; French 4 (a), Dr. Evans; German beginners, Miss Hallamore; German 2, Dr. C. E. Borden, Reed College; Geography 1, Dr. Gordon Davis; Geography 3, Dr. E. H. Faigle, Syracuse University.

History 4, Miss Thrupp; History 10, Professor A. E. Prince, Queen's University; History 12, Professor Soward; Latin 1 (b) and 2 (b), Professor Robertson; Mathematics 1, Professor Brand; Mathematics 2 (a) and (b), Dr. Hull; Mathematics 10, Dr. R. L. Jeffrey, Acadia University; Mathematics 4 and 18, Dr. F. C. Leonard, chairman of the department of astronomy, University of Southern California.

Philosophy 3, Dr. Wilbur Long, University of Southern California;

To All Graduates

There are three principal ways in which all graduates can assist the executive in making the Alumni Association a stronger and more vital organization, and the co-operation of every alumnus is earnestly sought.

1. Pay the annual fee of one dollar or a life membership of ten dollars to the treasurer, Fred Bolton, c/o Canadian General Electric, 1065 West Pender Street, Vancouver, B.C.
2. If your address is wrongly listed or if you change it or if any of your friends do, drop a card with full details to the president, K. M. Beckett, 800 Hall Building, Vancouver; or the editor of the Chronicle, Edgar N. Brown, The Daily Province, Vancouver, B.C.
3. Send any items of interest to graduates to the editor of the Chronicle, address above.

AN APPEAL

This issue of The Graduate Chronicle has been supported by a small group of advertisers, who have bought space as an experiment. Next issue, it is hoped, the number of advertisers will be greater and eventually, the intention is to make the paper self-sustaining.

In only one way can this be accomplished: by the patronage of advertisers by the membership. If this is done, the revenue will grow. If it is not done, the revenue will diminish until it finally disappears. And if there is no revenue, there will be no Chronicle.

In this issue the following are represented:

Northwestern Mutual Fire Association—fire and casualty insurance of all kinds.

Georgia Pharmacy—one of Vancouver's oldest and most reliable drug stores.

The University Summer Session—always attended by many alumni.

The Brock Memorial Building Dance—a large and distinguished dance on April 28 and for which graduates will receive tickets at reduced prices.

The Star Laundry—an institution with an excellent reputation.

"You say this man robbed you?" the magistrate asked the man in the witness box. "Can you pick out any of your property from these articles found on the prisoner?"

"Yes, that's my handkerchief with 'B' in the corner."

"But that's no proof, my man. I have a handkerchief with 'B' in the corner."

"Well, I lost two handkerchiefs," said the witness.

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Philosophy 6, Professor J. A. Shar-rard, University of Saskatchewan; Psychology 3, Dr. Irving; Psychology 4, Dr. Frank Davis, University of California; Physics 1 and 2, Dr. Anderson; Physics 4, Dr. Crocker.

And the following courses, which carry no University credit but are accepted toward the academic certificate by the department of education:

Music Appreciation, Professor Dilworth; Guidance (for teachers), Dr. H. B. King, department of education, Victoria; Librarianship, Miss Muriel B. Carruthers, Magee High School; Physical Education 160, 168, 171,

FELLOWSHIPS OFFERED

Twenty resident fellowships valued at \$860 each and twenty resident graduate scholarships valued at \$400 each are being offered to University graduates by the Graduate School of Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania.

Graduates of U.B.C. are also eligible to receive the Susan M. Kingsbury research scholarship in social economy and six resident graduate scholarships of \$250 in any subject in which a fellowship is offered.

Ernest Lee, physical education instructor, Vancouver Normal School.

BOOK BY DR. MCGREGOR EXCITES FAVORABLE COMMENT

DR. MALCOLM F. McGregor, who graduated with first class honors in classics in 1930, is the joint author with two notable classical scholars of an exhaustive volume on the taxation system of ancient Greece entitled "The Athenian Tribute Lists".

The foreward states that "The purpose of this book is to make available under one cover the documents related to the tribute of the Athenian Empire . . . The quota lists record the one-sixtieth part given each year into the treasury of the goddess Athena from the amount actually collected by the hellenotamiai."

Compilation of the work, which has required research extending back many years, involved the assembling and examination of fragments of marble tablets, on which the transactions were recorded. The two men associated with Dr. McGregor in the preparation of the book were Benjamin Dean Meritt, formerly of the University of Cincinnati, and H. T. Wade-Gery, of Wadham College, Oxford University.

Dr. McGregor received the M.A. degree from U.B.C. in 1931 and went to the University of Michigan. Continuing toward the Ph.D. degree, he went to the University of Cincinnati, where he is now a member of the faculty. He spent the summer of 1934 in Athens in connection with the book. He will be remembered as a soccer player and as sports editor of The Ubysey in 1930-31.

FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

Ellis H. Morrow, a graduate of Queen's and Harvard universities, has been appointed head of the department of commerce by the Board of Governors. He is at present an executive in the sales department of the MacMillan Co. of Canada.

Mr. Morrow organized the department of commerce of the University of Western Ontario in 1922 and directed it until 1928. In that year he became director of business research for the MacLean Publishing Co. and was later editor and advertising manager in the trade paper division of the company.

The board has also appointed Dr. Maxwell A. Cameron of the Ontario School of Education as associate professor and acting-head of the department of education, and Dr. Frederick T. Tyler of the University of California as assistant professor of education and psychology.

"Will you please signal to me in the gallery when Mr. — begins to speak!" asked a constituent of a member.

"Certainly, Sir, certainly," replied the senator.

"Well, what shall the signal be?" asked the constituent.

"I'll leave," answered the senator, with much enthusiasm.



JAMES SINCLAIR

At least three members of the Alumni will be candidates in the next federal election. Ronald Grantham, Arts '31, has already been nominated as C.C.F. candidate for Nanaimo. He is a high school teacher in Ladysmith. James Sinclair, Sc. '29 and Rhodes scholar, will almost certainly receive the Liberal nomination for Vancouver-North for the seat now held by C. Grant MacNeil, M.P. He recently resigned as secretary to Hon. W. J. Asselstine, minister of mines, trade and industry. The third graduate is Arnold Webster, Arts '22 and retiring member of Senate, who will contest Vancouver-Burrard for the C.C.F. against G. G. McGeer, M.P. He was beaten by Mr. McGeer on a recount in 1935.

Senate Election (Continued from Page 1)

American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, member of the Society of Economic Geologists, deputy minister of mines for British Columbia, Victoria.

Dr. Charles Alfred Wright, Science '17, (Ph.D., McGill), former lecturer in chemistry at the University of B.C., now research chemist with Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co., Trail.

In geography, the ten candidates represent Vancouver, New Westminster, Victoria and Trail. In occupations, the law, medicine, civil engineering, mining engineering, the pulp and paper industry, the fishing industry and education are represented. The seven graduates among the ten range from Arts '16 to Arts '32.

Other nominees include Prof. George F. Drummond, D. Milton Owen, former secretary and past president of the Alumni Association, Prof. Walter W. Sage, Owen J. Thomas, a former member of Senate, and Dr. Harry V. Warren.

Of the fifteen retiring members of



RONALD GRANTHAM



ARNOLD WEBSTER

Senate, all but Arnold Webster have been re-nominated. The Alumni Association have nominated three—Miss Jamieson, Mr. Lett and Mr. Lord—and the others who are standing for re-election include Sydney Anderson, Vancouver; Miss M. L. Bollert, Vancouver; Prof. P. A. Boving, Vancouver; Archbishop A. U. dePencier, Vancouver; Mrs. Evelyn F. Farris, Vancouver; Miss Isobel Har-

VANCOUVER ALUMNI INCLUDE SIXTEEN DOCTORS

There are 16 graduates of the University of B. C. practicing medicine in Vancouver at the present time. This information may become obsolete by the time the Chronicle appears as new faces appear in the medical world not infrequently and it is known that many more graduates of our University have taken their medical degrees but are not practicing yet. Our list follows:

Dr. A. R. Anthony, '30; Dr. I. A. Balmer, '26; Dr. T. Dalrymple, '27; Dr. D. R. Davidson, '24; Dr. H. R. L. Davis, '21; Dr. W. F. Emmons, '18; Dr. D. J. Fitzosborne, '26; Dr. K. P. Groves, '27; Dr. H. A. MacKechnie, '23; Dr. R. A. Palmer, '26; Dr. Eleanor Riggs, '29; Dr. J. W. Shier, '23; Dr. W. W. Simpson, '24; Dr. D. A. Steele, '29; Dr. Douglas Telford, '28; Dr. F. A. Turnbull, '23.

It will be noticed that our most recent graduate practicing here graduated nine years ago in 1930. We trust we have not omitted any whose names should be on this list. We have no means of collecting a list of past students who took one or more years here, before going elsewhere. Such a list would swell our list to quite large numbers.

Note: In the next issue a list of graduates who are practicing law will be printed.

vey, Vancouver; Judge F. W. Howay, retired, New Westminster; Harry T. Logan, Cowichan Station; John C. Oliver, Vancouver; Dr. G. G. Sedgewick, Vancouver; and Judge J. D. Swanson, Kamloops.

Ballots and full information about all candidates have been mailed to all members of Convocation, including members of the Alumni Association. Voters may vote for any number of candidates up to a maximum of fifteen and ballots are returnable to the Registrar, University of B.C., on or before May 31.

At the association dinner, when the Alumni slate was voted on proxies from Victoria, New Westminster, Trail, Ottawa and other branches played an influential part in the final selection. Kenneth M. Beckett, president of the association, presided.

Brock Memorial Building DANCE

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now assured.)

Grads . . . Far and Near

THERE are approximately 4400 names of graduates of the University in the new list of members of Convocation. The names run all the way from "Aalbersberg" to "Zuback." Over 75 of our graduates are also listed as "Deceased."

A further examination of the list shows that Prof. H. J. MacLeod's name is followed by an impressive number of letters, viz. B.Ss., M.S.C., A.M., Ph.D., As.M.A.I.E.E., M.E.I.C., F.A.A.S. Education must be a wonderful thing.

The name "Smith" appears 64 times in the list of graduates. The "Jones" family was not even close, with only 14 members. The "Browns" made a better showing with 34 members of Convocation.

Col. H. F. G. Letson, M.C., E.D., B.Ss.

'19, Ph.D., is the officer commanding the 14th Infantry Brigade in Vancouver.

W. W. Mathers, Arts '33, has been for some years past a lieutenant in the Royal Canadian Regiment at London, Ontario.

Ian Stevenson, Arts '27, who is a member of the staff of the auditor-general's office in Ottawa, spent a holiday in Vancouver in January with his parents. He was accompanied by his wife and infant daughter, Joan Elizabeth.

Mrs. Leonard Turner (Phyllis Gregory, Arts '25) was presented to Their Excellencies, the Governor-General and Lady Tweedsmuir, at the Ottawa drawing room in January. She is chief economist for the Dominion Tariff Board.

Jean Campbell, Arts '33, former secretary of Hi-Y and the intermediate department of the Y.W.C.A., is now in New Zealand, where she is national girls' work secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Gaundry Phillips, Arts '29, (Molly Ricketts, Arts '29), are back in Vancouver after several years in joint education work in Canton and Hong Kong. Both were teachers in the London Missionary College, China, and Mrs. Phillips also taught in St. Hilda's School, Canton.

Hazel Wright, Arts '38, of Victoria, is studying interior decoration in New York. She plans to spend the next two years in the East.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Stirling, Sc. '34, (Margaret Little, Arts '33), are enjoying life in a mining town in South Africa, according to letters received by friends. Their address is c-o Rhokana Corp. Ltd., Nkana, Northern Rhodesia.

Dr. Paul Phillips, Arts '30, is practicing medicine in Princeton, B.C.

Yvonne Ladner, Arts '37, is spending the spring in the East. She has been the guest of her brother-in-law and sister, **Mr. and Mrs. Ross Tolmie,** in Ottawa.

Norman Hacking, Arts '34, left last week for an extended trip to Europe, during which, (Hitler willing) he will travel extensively and write something about it for The Chronicle. He is on the editorial staff of The Daily Province.

James Beveridge, Arts '38, assistant editor of The Chronicle, is another traveller. He will leave for New York late in April, also bound for Europe, and has promised to mail sparkling letters. He has been assisting Dr. G. M. Shrum in the de-

partment of extension.

Darrel Gomery, Arts '36, is taking the teachers' training course at the Clark School for the Deaf at Northampton, Mass. She won a scholarship offered by Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority.

Dr. Kaye Lamb, Arts '27, is cheerful and active as provincial librarian and archivist for the Provincial Library, Victoria.

At least six graduates are working for advanced degrees at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. **Arthur E. Buller, Arts '33,** is studying for a Ph.D. in geology. **Moses Long, Sc. '37,** is doing graduate work in electrical engineering. **A. P. Hrennikoff, Sc. '30,** is working in civil engineering. **Gilbert Hooley, Arts '34, Howard McMahon, Arts '35,** are both research fellows in the department of chemistry of the M.I.T. Graduate School and are working for their Ph.D. degrees. **Pat. Hurley, Sc. '34,** is a part-time instructor and working toward a Ph.D. in geology.

According to **Art. Buller,** who supplied the above information, several U.B.C. men were at the Geological Society of America meeting in New York last Christmas. They included **Carmen Ridland, Sc. '36, Kenneth Watson, Sc. '37,** and **William Patmore, Arts '36,** who are doing graduate work in geology at Princeton University; **Vladimir Okulitch, Sc. '31,** who is teaching geology at the University of Toronto; and **John Stevenson, Sc. '30,** who is resident mining engineer for the B.C. Government.

Catherine Miller, Arts '38, is studying at the Toronto Conservatory of Music.

Jean A. C. Graham, Arts '26, was in Canada on five months' furlough until recently. She has returned to her post as missionary in a welfare settlement in East Tokio, where she has spent the past five years.

Mrs. Thomas Easterbrook, (Dorothy Mary Walker, Arts '33), is residing in Brandon, Man., where her husband is a professor at Brandon College.

Dorothy Peterson, Arts '37, is doing social service work in Oregon.

Ruth McCullough, Arts '32, is a librarian at McGill University.

Mrs. A. W. H. Needler (Alfreda Berkeley, Arts '26) won her Ph.D. in biology at the University of Toronto and married Dr. A. W. H. Needler, both in 1930. She is living at Elerslie, Prince Edward Island,



DR. GEORGE F. DAVIDSON

Dr. Davidson, Arts '28, (Ph.D., Harvard) recently resigned as executive director of the Vancouver Welfare Federation to accept one of the most responsible positions in the B.C. Government, that of director of social welfare. Under Hon. G. M. Weir, he will have charge of the far-flung health and welfare services of the provincial administration, with headquarters in Victoria.

He succeeded **Dr. Harry M. Cassidy, Arts '23 (Ph.D., Brookings Institution),** who resigned to go to the University of California, where he is creating a new department of social welfare. At the moment he is touring the continent to study his new duties under a grant made possible by the Rockefeller Foundation.

where her husband carries on research in oysters for the Dominion Government. She has three children, two girls and a boy, and still finds time for a bit of work in biology as a hobby.

Amy Seed, Arts '37, is in Europe on an extended trip. She sailed in December.

Two graduates are United Church ministers in mining communities.

Rev. A. L. Anderson, Arts '34, has Stewart, Premier, Big Missouri and Anyox for his field. **Rev. George Pringle, Arts '34,** is at Bralorne.

Robert L. Bennet, Sc. '35, worked for two years at Premier Mine as assayer and mill engineer, then returned for the master's degree in 1938. He is now at Carnegie Tech.

Tom Bucham, Sc. '38, is an engineer at the Silbak-Premier Mine, Premier, B.C.

Gavin A. Dirom, Sc. '32, worked at Premier Mine for several years and was recently transferred to the Vancouver office, where he is in charge of examination of properties for Premier Co. He is married and the father of a daughter born last summer.

Ken. N. Stewart, Arts '32, is mill en-

gineer at Premier. He was formerly assayer at the Sullivan Mine in Kimberley. Other mining engineers at Premier include **J. G. Pearcey, Sc. '27,** mine superintendent; and **Al Kirby, Sc. '36,** senior mine shifter.

James Mitchell, Sc. '32, is Provincial Government resident mining engineer at Lillooet.

W. J. G. Aalbersberg, Ag. '33, is engaged in commercial bulb culture at Woodland, Washington.

Dr. Lindsay Black, Ag. '29 (Ph.D. Cornell), has a National Research Council fellowship in biological sciences at the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, Princeton, N.J.

Thomas G. How, Arts '35, has an assistantship in physics at Perdue University, La Fayette, Indiana.

Bob. Walker, Sc. '36, has a scholarship at Carnegie Tech., Pasadena, Calif.

Three scientists with the Anglo-Persian Oil Co. at Bahrain Island in the Persian Gulf include **Harold Knight, Sc. '37, Rupert Ross, Sc. '37, Bob. Machin, Sc. '38,** and **John Light, Sc. '38.**

Percy Sandwell, Sc. '35, is assistant to the engineer in charge of production of paper machinery with the Dominion Bridge and Dominion Machinery Co. of Montreal.

F. C. Brooks, Ag. '33, is teaching at Lord Byng High School.

W. C. Cameron, Ag. '25, is with the department of agriculture, Ottawa.

Mrs. T. H. Boggs, Jr. (Mamie Maloney, Arts '29) is a member of the society staff of The Vancouver Sun. **Victor E. Fabri, Arts '32,** is practicing law in Trail. **St. John Madeley, Arts & Com. '33,** is in the same town as editor of the Trail Times.

When last heard from, **Donald C. S. Macdonald, Arts & Com. '35,** was in the travel department of the Bank of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia.

Dr. Patrick D. McTaggart-Cowan, Arts '33, is at Botwood, Newfoundland, a landing station for Imperial Airways' Atlantic service, as an expert with the Dominion Meteorological Service. His principal work is in forecasting weather and flying conditions. At present he is visiting in Vancouver.

George Tamaki, Arts '38, who graduated with first class honors in economics, is the only Japanese among the 60,000 people in Halifax. He is studying law at Dalhousie.

Edwin Lovell, Arts '35, Jack Fisher, Arts '35, Reid Fordyce, Science '35, and **James Pyle, Arts '35,** are a quartette at McGill, all from the same year and all working for Ph. D.'s.

Alan Spragge, Arts '34, is teaching at Abbotsford. He was formerly at Woodfibre.

George Volkoff, winner of the Governor-General's gold medal in 1934, is pursuing a brilliant career in physics at the University of California.

Marriages

George E. Clayton, to Olive Selfe, Arts '31, in January, in Vancouver.

Freth Edmonds, Arts '38, to Barbara Watts, Arts '35, in December, in Bellingham, residing in Vancouver.

Bob Fraser, Sc. '34, to Alice Goepel, in February.

Dr. James A. Gibson, Arts '31, to Caroline Stein, of Philadelphia, in December, in Philadelphia, residing at 120 Riverdale Avenue, Ottawa.

Gerald H. Gwyn, Sc. '37, of Zeballos, to Bertha Hamilton, in March, in Vancouver.

John Halse, to Jean Lowrie, Arts '37, in Vancouver, in March.

Flight-Lieut. Walter Kennedy, R.C.A.F., Sc. '35, to Patricia MacKinnon, Arts '34, in December, in Vancouver, residing in Trenton, Ont.

Roderick Knight, to Isobel MacArthur, Arts '32, in February, in Vancouver.

John Lecky, to Beverley Cunningham, Arts '38, in September, in Vancouver, living in Toronto.

Harold S. Mahon, Arts '39, to Sybil Chapman, in West Vancouver, in February.

S. P. Mariatt, Com. '36, to Vera Cox, in March, in Vancouver.

Francis Millerd, to Helen Thompson, Arts '33, in March, in Vancouver.

William McGaw, to Helen Lamb, Arts '28 in December, in Vancouver.

Peter O'Brian, Arts '36, to Mary Covert, in February.

Warren Parker, Com. '33, to Adele Black, in December, in Vancouver.

Albert E. Pike, Sc. '33, to Elizabeth Mary MacLean, in December, in Vancouver, residing in Wells, B.C.

Laverne Porter, to Alice Davidson, Arts '33, in December, in Vancouver.

Dr. Douglas Telford, Arts '28, to Shirley Crickmore, in December, in Vancouver.

Flight-Lieut. James Verner, R.C.A.F., Sc. '35, to Isabella Hamilton, in December, in Toronto, residing in Belleville, Ont.

H. V. G. Wheeler, Sc. '34, to Eleanor Walker, Arts '34, in January, in Victoria, residing in Granville, Yukon.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Allen, Arts '31, (Elaine McKillop), a daughter, in March.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brock, Sc. '36, (Vera Robson), a son, in December, in Arvida, Quebec.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edgar N. Brown, Arts '31, (Grace Thrower, Arts '34), a daughter, in March.

To Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Carre, Sc. '33 (Joy Campbell), a son, in March.

To Dr. and Mrs. John U. Coleman, Arts '30, (Sheila Tisdall, Arts '31), of Duncan, a son, in Vancouver, in December.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mark Collins, Arts and Com. '34, (Phae Van Dusen, Arts '35), a daughter, in March.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Elson,

(Georgina MacKinnon, Arts '22), a daughter, in August.

To Mr. and Mrs. Alex Fisher, Com. '32, (Lois Tourtellotte, Arts '31), a daughter, in January.

To Dr. and Mrs. Dal. Grauer, Arts '25, (Shirley Woodward), a daughter, in February, in Toronto.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Haggerty, Sc. '32, (Irene Poole), a son, in January.

To Mr. and Mrs. Alan J. McLuckie, Arts '30, (Jean Dobson), a daughter in March, in Vernon.

To Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Murphy, Arts '29, (Winifred Lockle), a daughter, in January.

To Mr. and Mrs. W. Kimball Nichols, Arts '30, (Jean Telford, Arts '31), a son, in February, in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Myles Ritchie, Arts '36, (Marjory Denby), a daughter, in February.

To Mr. and Mrs. Victor Rogers, Sc. '33, (Ruth Witbeck, Arts '33), of Flin Flon, a daughter, in Vancouver, in January.

To Mr. and Mrs. Winston Shillock, Arts '31, (Marie Brouse), a daughter, in March.

To Dr. and Mrs. David Steele, Arts '29, a son, in March.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ross Tolmie, Arts '29, (Helene Ladner), a son, in March, in Ottawa.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Weir, (Fraser Mackay, Arts '32), a son, in January.

DEATHS

Herbert Henry Dunmore, Arts '33, in March, in Vancouver.

John Frederick Jakeway, Arts '32, in July, in Vancouver.

PERSONALS

David Carey, Arts '38, has won his rugby and hockey colors at Exeter College, Oxford, and has been elected rugger secretary for his college. He was the 1938 Rhodes scholar.

Dora Wilkie, Nursing '37, is at New York University working toward a master's degree. Other nurses taking postgraduate work are Lyle Creelman, '36, who is at Columbia University, and Gerry Homfray, '31, who is at Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn.

Muriel Upshall, Nursing '29, is supervisor of the student health service at U.B.C. Three nurses who are teaching are Catherine Chiborn, '35, who is teaching in the University Hospital, Edmonton; Frances McQuarrie, '36, who is an instructor at the Vancouver General Hospital; and Ethel Rolston, '36, teaching at Holy Cross Hospital, Calgary.

Helen Parker, Com. '37, is a member of the staff of the Vital Statistics division of the Provincial Board of Health, Victoria.

Verna Stinson, Arts '30, formerly with the Vancouver Children's Aid Society, is now a member of the Provincial Welfare Field Service

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in Victoria.

Others in government service in Victoria include Jean Gilley, Arts '27, secretary to Dr. George Davidson, Arts '28, director of social welfare for the B.C. Government, and Dr. J. S. Gull, Arts '26, assistant provincial health officer.

Don. Fisher, Ag. '33, is with the Dominion Experimental Farm, Summerland, and M. F. Clarke, '35, is with the Agassiz Experimental Farm.

Ramon Federoff, Ag. '34, is a teacher in Harbin Community School, Harbin, Manchukuo.

In the poultry service of the federal department of agriculture in Ottawa is H. S. Gutteridge, Ag. '25.

Jack Frost, Arts '31, and Fred Grau-

er, Arts '30, are both doing postgraduate work in medicine at Edinburgh University. They are graduates of McGill Medical School.

C. W. Argue, Ag. '25, was a professor of biology at the University of New Brunswick when last heard from.

Raghib Singh Bans, Ag. '35, is studying law in England.

Formerly on the U.B.C. faculty, J. O. Berry, Ag. '27, is studying for his doctorate at Iowa State College.

"I wonder if radio is a success in the police cars?"

"Oh yes: when a prisoner won't talk they threaten to tune in on a crooner."

A Vice-Regal Congregation

Lord Tweedsmuir at U.B.C.

Following is the text of the acceptance address of Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor-General of Canada, after he received an honorary degree from the University of B.C. on March 17:

THIS afternoon I am going to do a bold thing, since one who is no scientist proposes to speak to you about science. Some time ago a well-known British scientist, a professor in a Scottish University, wrote a letter to the press in which he protested against the prominence still given to literary, philosophic and artistic interests, the subjects which we call the humanities. These, he said, belonged to the old dying capitalist regime; they were mere virtuosity and had no relation to the realities of the modern world. The one thing that mattered for forward-looking people was applied science. "The spark-gap," he concluded, "is mightier than the pen." Well, I am not quite sure what a "spark-gap" is, but I do not propose to imitate the professor's intolerance. I have no doubt whatever the 'spark-gap' may be it is extremely important. My own studies, except that I am an ardent field naturalist, have lain mostly in the despised humanist class. Now there is one humanist study of supreme value, it seems to me, and that is the business of government, the art of administration, the science of social organization.

I am going to ask you to consider with me the part which applied science must play in that task which concerns us all so deeply. As members of a civilized society I want you to consider, as citizens, the importance of scientific research to the State, and, as young men and women, its romance and adventure for yourselves.

Scientific research has been going on in some form or other since the world began; today it has not only reached a height undreamed of before, but it has become not a hobby or a luxury but an imperious necessity. We are the slaves of our own successes.

We can only preserve the standard which we have set ourselves by the constant exertion of human intelligence and ingenuity. It means that scientists must be always on the watch to discover newer and better processes in production and distribution. It means that industry must be eager to make use of the results of scientific research and to adopt scientific methods. It means more. Research cannot be left only to the universities or to the private enterprise of great business corporations. It must be an activity of the state itself, a recognized function of government.

SUBSIDIZED RESEARCH.

I think this duty is pretty well recognized today by the chief nations of the world. Let me take three examples. Russia, first of all. Perhaps Russia is not quite a fair example, for after a revolution a country has to be built on a new model from the bottom, and is therefore a fair field for scientific construction since there is very little traditional debris to hinder. Moreover, it is not very easy to be quite certain as to what is happening in Russia. But the facts, so far as we can judge, are impressive. Russia's annual expenditure on research seems to be about five hundred million dollars and her research budget is being annually increased. There are over eight hundred institutes engaged in the work and nearly fifty thousand scientific

workers. Even if these figures require to be drastically scaled down it is clear that Russia recognizes to the full the importance of applied science in national life.

I pass to Great Britain. There we have first of all the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research which covers a large proportion of British industries, and which is responsible for the National Physical Laboratory, the Fuel, Food and Building research institutions, the Biological survey, and other lesser matters. Its annual budget is about two and a half million dollars. Then there is the Medical Research Council and the Agricultural Research Council. These are all directly or indirectly controlled by the Government and work in collaboration with the research departments of private enterprises.

CANADIAN RESEARCH.

I come to Canada. If you go to Ottawa you will see an exceedingly handsome new building above the Ottawa River, not very far from Government House. That is the National Research Council which came of age two years ago. Its laboratories and its staff deal with practically every branch of applied science. It is organized in six main divisions: administration, research information, mechanical engineering, physics and electrical engineering, chemistry, biology, and agriculture. Like its British counterpart, it works in close collaboration with big industrial corporations who bring to it their problems and assist in working them out. Its staff is just over two hundred men and women, of whom eighty-nine are university graduates. The Council also assists in the different universities special lines of research of which it approves. It is well worth the while of any of you, next time you go to Ottawa, to pay a visit to the National Research Council. You will find it a hive of fascinating activities, and you will learn more in an afternoon there about the real prospects of our country than you will from a year of speeches or newspa-

per articles.

Let me give you a few examples of the immense pecuniary value to private industries, and to the country at large, of the work done by research departments.

First for Britain. Some time ago the Government undertook a certain piece of electrical research which cost altogether four hundred thousand dollars. It is now estimated that the saving to the electrical industry as a result of that research is five million dollars per annum. Again, a certain piece of research in the iron and steel industry has led to an annual saving of two million dollars in coke, and of seven and a half million dollars in finished steel. To take smaller items. The investigation into apple disease has led to an annual saving to British agriculture of one and a quarter million dollars; and some experiments in the preservation of meat have meant a saving of half a million dollars to the meat trade. The total cost of the apple and meat researches was only two hundred thousand dollars.

VALUE TO CANADA.

I turn to Canada and the work of the National Research Council. Brilliant work has been done on grain research, and the discovery of rust-proof wheat; on potato research; on weed research; on certain field crop diseases; and on the storage and the transport of food. That work is continuing and it is not possible yet to estimate its results; but they are very great. Rust-resisting wheat, as you know, was supplied for the spring sowing last year in large quantities, and that meant a great saving to the farming industry, for there have been losses due to rust in one season alone of one hundred million dollars. It is the same with the prevention of weeds. Weeds in Western Canada cost the farmer something like eighty million dollars a year, and every success in this matter is sheer gain.

I pass to another subject: the aid that science has given to our work in the air, on which depends, I think, the future of the Canadian North. There is first the really extraordinary development of survey from air photographs, a task which would have been perfectly impossible by the old methods in the more remote districts. Then there is the cathode-ray compass, our own Canadian invention. It is going to enable an airman to know his course and position from moment to moment, whatever the visibility. This will mean a great deal to our air work, and I hope you realize what that air work stands for. It is the biggest thing of its kind in the world. The freight carried by air in Canada is eighty per cent of the total for the British Empire; three and a half times that of the total of the United States, and one-third of the total for the world.

They are working now at the National Research Council on plant

hormones, those chemical substances which control the vital processes of living matter. We have cheapened the cost of these hormones and made it practical to use them both in forestry and agriculture. Consider what a weapon this gives us to fight weeds and drought and soil drifting, since it enables us enormously to expedite the growth of a plant. By their use wheat will grow fast enough to get ahead of the weeds, and to establish itself before a drought.

Before the war the Canadian steel industry used a refractory furnace lining which came from Austria. We have now discovered a Canadian substitute, with the result that foreign imports have ceased and our local industries have enormously developed, both in quantity and quality. The researches which led to this development were ridiculously cheap compared to the value of the results; being less than the additional freight revenue in one year of a single railway which carried the products of the steel industry.

We are entitled to claim that the economic health of a country is largely dependent upon how it makes use of the possibilities of science. There is no country in the world yet, I think, which is fully awake to this matter. At any rate there is none in which the financial outlay by the government is adequate to the importance of the subject. The research items in our budgets are ludicrously small, when we think that the return is often many thousands per cent. However, that approaches politics and politics are not my topic today. What I want to impress upon you is the magnificent chance this research work offers to youth.

CHANCE FOR YOUTH.

Consider what it is. It is first of all the search for truth. Unless a rigorous scientific standpoint is maintained there will be no results. In the first instance what is needed is what we may call pure science without any utilitarian purpose, for it is only with that point of view that the great discoveries are made. The discoveries of practical value always come as by-products in the search for truth.

At present we have nothing like enough posts for research, and they are nothing like adequately paid. But that will change; it must change, as governments and people become alive to the immense importance of the task. To you younger people who have not decided upon a profession, but whose minds are active and enterprising, I want to suggest that here may be found a satisfying life's work. First of all it is based on the highest purpose—the pursuit of truth, the unfettered exercise of the human reason. In the second place, it is a work of profound public importance; the men and women who undertake it are in the fullest sense servants of the state. And in the third place it offers a life which can

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Eating A Dress

By JAMES DUNN

In moments of exasperation, I have often threatened to eat my shirt. For several reasons, of course, I never carried out my one-button-left intention. Had I done so I should have been in much the same position as the Irishman to whom a second-hand dealer was trying to sell a trunk.

"And what wud oi do with a trunk?" asked the unwilling customer.

"Why, put your clothes in it," replied the salesman.

"An' go widdout any?" queried the Irishman.

Although at no time have I eaten a shirt, I must confess that on one occasion I did eat my wife's dress. I was in Toronto on business when I received a letter from my wife in Vancouver. Among other things, I was ordered to purchase and bring back a certain divine dress that then adorned a shop window on Yonge street, and had, according to her Toronto friend, been made just for her (my wife).

Husband-like, I forgot all about the matter until an hour or so before my train left for the West. From Union Station I sped up Yonge street in a taxi, dashed into the store, and asked for the wonderful creation. But when I saw the price-tag—\$19.75—I suddenly realized that all the money I had left was \$21.50. And I further realized that it was either no dress and something to eat during the homeward journey, or the dress and seventy-five cents to starve on for four days and nights. My soul succumbed to my stomach, and I snailed out to the street.

By the time the train got to Sudbury, I had eaten the hem of my wife's dress. At Winnipeg, the sleeves were gone, along with the frilly edges that tickled my throat as they went down. When Regina was reached I had reached the uncomfortable stage of having chewed an indigestible leather belt and several tinny flowers. Calgary saw the skirt and collar disappear. Going through the Rockies, I finished the business; ate all the red buttons, and hicoughed the rest of the way to the coast.

At Field, I sent a telegram ahead to prepare the future. Upon my arrival, the first question asked was: "What's this crazy thing in your telegram about eating my dress?" My wife listened in voluminous silence as I hastened with my explanations.

"Instead of eating my dress, I don't see why you didn't choke on that new hat of yours," was all she said. That's all she said.

"What's the matter with the boss's eyes, Joe," asked the foreman.

"Nothing that I know of," replied the bookkeeper, "What makes you ask that?"

"Well," began the foreman, "he just called me to the office a few minutes ago, and twice while I was in there he asked me where my hat was. And it was on my head all the time!"

THE MAIL BAG

Alumni are not poets—of, if so, they keep it secret—but the editor's mailbag has received a few prose contributions and letters, from which the following selection has been made. It is to be hoped that other graduates will bestir themselves to do likewise.

By a coincidence, the two longest contributions came from British Guiana. H. S. Fowler spent nearly a year in the tropical swamps on a mining venture and is now back with the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co. at Trail. Rev. James Dunn, who published a chapbook of his work not long ago, has charge of the Canadian Presbyterian Mission at New Amsterdam, British Guiana.

Impressions of British Guiana

By H. S. FOWLER, Sc. '33

ABOUT a year ago I received surprise orders to go to British Guiana, as assistant to Mr. A. S. Hudson of Toronto, who had gone down the previous August. The idea seemed interesting, but it was with some regret that I put away my skis, left Kimberly, B.C., under a blanket of three feet of fluffy snow, and landed at Georgetown on March 11th. The sky was clear, and the temperature about 80 degrees in the shade.

When I arrived, Mr. Hudson was in the jungle up the Cuyuni River, so I was met by a Mr. Logan. Mr. Logan informed me that I was fortunate in my time of arrival, for we were just entering the short dry season. I was favorably impressed. A few hours later it clouded up, and rained over 5 inches in sixteen hours. After three days in town, I was supposed to fly up the Cuyuni to join Mr. Hudson, but it was March 20th before it stopped raining long enough for the pilot, Mr. Art. Williams, to fly.

That day we flew through much fog and rain, and we had to follow all the twists and turns of the Cuyuni River to avoid getting lost. The interesting part about the trip was that I never saw the ground, for the dense vegetation hid it completely, and overhung the rivers so far as to obscure the banks.

While up the river I found that I had to re-learn all my geology, for in British Guiana they do not have granite, quartz, or even rock. The principal mineral is catchcow, and other materials are referred to as granite-stone and rock-stone.

On my first trip I received a lasting impression of the lack of intelligence and ambition of most of the natives, but I am getting used to that now. The first trip down the river by launch was quite a thrill, for we ran most of the numerous rapids.

At Easter I got my worst impression of the Colony, for I spent the week-end in the hospital with malaria. I should not have minded that if the hospital had had pretty nurses, but it had not.

Georgetown itself gives an impression somewhat as I imagine Holland would, for it has miles of wall to keep out the sea. The town is below high-tide level and is drained by canals through sluice gates that are opened at low tide.

No color line exists in the Colony, and the resultant mixture of races in Georgetown is, in many instances, pitiful.

On my second trip in the bush I found the various forms of vegetation interesting. Some parasitic types start at the tree tops, and send tentacles, quarter of an inch or less in

thickness down a hundred feet, or more to the ground, where they take root and grow to a thickness of three or four inches.

I measured the rainfall at our camp and found on several occasions that half an inch fell in less than twenty minutes.

After a few months in the Colony's tropical warmth and humidity, I found myself getting lazy and losing ambition. It no longer seemed a wonder that the entire gold production of British Guiana is equalled by each of several B.C. mines. Few people here do any more work than necessary to make a bare existence. The country's main industry, the production of raw cane sugar, is, I believe, subsidized by the Imperial Government. Considering my own feeling, I think it commendable indeed that my fellow alumnus, James Dunn, continues so vigorously the performance of his missionary work in the Berbice, or eastern part of the Colony. I do not know of any other alumni here, but many Science men will be glad to know that Max Legg is still alive and kicking, and married.

A month's trip in the North West District disclosed the fact that the coastal region there comprises one enormous sea-level swamp, in which flourishes a fantastic growth of wierd forms of vegetation through which meander a maze of wide, deep, crooked rivers, and from which rise occasional hills to a height of three hundred feet or so. The view from farms on these hills, framed by palm thatched huts and sugar cane, made a delightful change from the darkness of the jungle. Boating through shallow, lily-studded channels (or 'itabus'), which thread their tortuous way through the open, swampy savannahs, was delightful indeed.

Christmas in the Colony was green. Here people celebrate, not New Year but Old Years.

Mr. Hudson has just remarked that all my descriptions may be summed up in three letters MUD, which brings me to the most important impression I have gained here, namely: U.B.C. is a grand University and Canada is the country for me.

Don't We All?

By JAMES DUNN

Just three inches and one-fifth of a second separated the nose of Mr. Pennywistle from a fist which shot about in vicious abandon before his face. Mr. Pennywistle was going to have his nose punched. At least such was the expectation which at that moment distressed Mr. Pennywistle's tender breast. And it was an expectation assured of an inevitable and immediate fulfillment by the Neanderthal possessor of the fist.

Mr. Pennywistle made a hurried resolution three months before the New Year that never again would he throw away, without looking, a used but still hot match. For upon this occasion the match, instead of cooling off in the Pullman smoker's spittoon, had chosen to expire upon the shapely shank of a man seated opposite Mr. Pennywistle. Unfortunately, the death of the match brought life to leg, arm, and voice of him who bellowed at Mr. Pennywistle the following felicitous phrases:

"Youse dirty lil' runt! Whadda ya tink youse doin'? Yer altogedder too free with yer cheap matches. I gotta good mind ter pop ya one on der snoot. An' Id'd be jes too bad fer that beezer of yers ef I did. I guess ya know who I am, dontcha? Say, guy, if ever I landed ya one like I did that mug las' night youdda croak cn de spot. Did I make a mess outa dat bird? Hot spit, fella, I jus, about murdered him. I'll betcha even his mother ain't recognized 'im yet after de plastering I give 'im last night. De scrap only went tree rouns. Say, guy, I comes outa my corner in dat las' roun' an' I jes' bangs 'im round so thet he ain't—"

At this juncture the recital was interrupted by a voice calling from the train's corridor—"Hey, Butch! Are ya' comin'? Snap outa it! Dis here's our station." Mr. Pennywistle's friend abruptly broke off his monologue with a last punctuating poke at the Pennywistlian proboscis, and barked out of the smoker.

Mr. Pennywistle relaxed. After thanking Arius, Leo, and Jupiter for his escape from annihilation, he turned to his newspaper.

The headlines of the sporting page caught his eye. "Champ Smears Challenger in Three Rounds—Challenger No Match—Fight a Walkover for Champion." Glaring out from the paper were two pictures of the gorilla features of civilization's most highly-paid citizens. Mr. Pennywistle's nose shrank. For one of the amiable countenances was that of his erstwhile "Butch". Mr. Pennywistle again praised his astral angels; but as he looked further his forehead creased in puzzlement. Printed under "Butch's" physiognomy was the caption—"Battling Butch—The Challenger."

Slowly Mr. Pennywistle read the accompanying account of the bout. When he had finished, he proceeded to light his pipe. As the match guttered out on the floor, Mr. Pennywistle muttered to himself—half indignantly, half shamefacedly—"Well, don't we all?"

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Editorials

THE SENATE ELECTION

SOME test of the unity and alertness of alumni will be provided by the results of the election of fifteen Senators, which is now in progress by mail. The Alumni Association has nominated a panel of ten candidates and has officially asked all members of the Association to support it. For the remaining five seats on Senate, there is a choice among the other sixteen nominees.

Actually, of course, the association has an overwhelming majority in Convocation and could, if it wished, elect any group it chose. Theoretically, the association could nominate and elect fifteen members of last spring's graduating class and send them to Senate. There would be neither wisdom nor sanity in such a course, but there is both wisdom and sanity in the action which has been taken.

The seven members of the Alumni who have been nominated have all proved their worth again and again. Their names and qualifications have been listed in another place. Here, it is sufficient to say they represent the varied interests, districts and age groups of the province as completely as graduates from a young university can. The three non-graduates on the slate are older and are eminent in their respective spheres of education, engineering and pulp and paper.

It is highly important that the Alumni should have adequate representation in the Senate, especially in view of the fact that three members of that body are elected to sit as members of the Board of Governors. The association is old enough and strong enough to begin to exert far more influence in the administration of the University than has been the case heretofore. In a very real sense, the Alumni have a vested interest in the University and it is their duty to protect it. It is, therefore, from the viewpoint of enlightened self-interest that the association has asked every graduate to vote for the ten official nominees and ensure their election.

CO-OPERATION

THE reception accorded the first issue of the new Chronicle, published last December, has gratified the executive. There were a few criticisms (which were much appreciated) but no serious objections. Granted the co-operation of the membership, this journal will continue and may, before so very many years, become a monthly.

The co-operation has not, so far, been as great as was hoped. Only a fraction of the membership has taken the trouble to send their fees to the treasurer. A far smaller fraction has bothered to send contributions and items of interest to the editor. It is hoped that this appeal will meet with the response it deserves. The money is badly needed, while The Chronicle is what the association makes it.

A third and very important need at this time is co-operation in preparing a correct list of the names and addresses of more than 4000 members of the association. The executive, using every source available, has revised it to the extent of changing hundreds of addresses. At the present time, the list is more nearly accurate than it has been for many years, yet there must be scores of inaccuracies yet. Every member of the Alumni Association is earnestly requested to send any information in his possession to the editor.

SHIPWRECK

MORE and more it is being said that war is inevitable. Certainly it is true that the prospects for an enduring peace are receding. The parallel between 1914 and 1939 is becoming closer, week after week, with the only major difference the fact that in these days the intensity of preparations is greater and the outlook immeasurably more terrible.

The outlook is terrible, partly because of the slaughter and destruction implicit in war, but more because of the implications of war for the future of such men and women as the members of the Alumni Association.

The debts of the last war have not been paid and the waste has not been replenished. Another war will put an unbearable burden on the economic structure of the world. It will mean the economic collapse of this and other countries, a consequent social

On a Quill Pen

TO G. J. S.

BY H. T. J. COLEMAN

With such a pen as this in years ago
Shakespeare his sonnets wrote and Spenser paid
His tribute to his Faerie Queene. Its aid
Attended Chaucer in the gracious dawn
Of English verse as he set out upon
His Canterbury Journey. And it played
Its needful part when Magna Carta stayed
The tyrant might of the usurping John.

The regal swan, the humble barnyard goose
Gave freely of their quills—the art of man
Trimmed them with care and shaped them to his use;
And writing made secure what thought began.
What once had served to speed the flight of birds
Found nobler mission in the flight of words.

NOTE: This sonnet was composed by Professor Coleman and dedicated to Professor Spencer to commemorate the "royal quill," plucked from one of His Majesty's Royal swans on the Thames, with which Lord Tweedsmuir signed the University register on the occasion of his receiving an honorary degree on March 17.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following letter, typical of many received, is from Arthur E. Buller, Arts '33, who is working toward a Ph.D. in geology at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. It is the kind which delights an editor's and treasurer's heart:

Dear Edgar:

I recently received, by a very circuitous route, a copy of the December issue of the Graduate Chronicle, which I enjoyed very much. Congratulations on the results of your effort. I think the idea of such a publication every couple of months, or oftener if possible, is a damn fine one. I know that I certainly appreciate getting news of all the guys and gals I know when I am so far from most of them and from other sources of news.

I sent Fred Bolton my dues for the coming year and I trust that he will

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never be dull, for it is a life of perpetual adventure. You can never tell what small by-product of your enquiries may not turn out to be an epoch-making discovery which will change the fate of a nation. There can be nothing narrow and stereotyped about a task which is a continuous fruitful groping into the unknown.

The cost of admission to an automobile show is negligible, it is the cost of getting out again that counts.

see to it that I get a copy of the Chronicle next issue.

I am enclosing a short news item on people from U.B.C. that are in this part of the country. I haven't got all there are, but even this partial list may be of some use to you.

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Financial Statement

November 1st, 1937—October 15th, 1938

Balance—Nov. 1, 1937.....	\$ 426.26	Expenditures—	
Cash23	Annual Dinner	\$ 30.41
Receipts—		Chronicle	278.90
Fees:		Overcrowding	134.30
Annual	\$ 179.50	Brock Memorial	
24 Full Life.....	240.00	Drive	66.23
3 Completing Life.	24.00	Rugby Club	50.03
	443.50	Stationary and	
Reunion Dance:		Postage	38.77
Sale of Tickets.....	\$ 746.25	Sundries	104.38
Expenses	637.62		703.02
	108.63	Balance in Bank	
Convocation Tea:		Oct. 15th, 1938.....	\$ 313.42
Receipts	\$ 7.00	Outstanding Cheques..	38.05
Expenses	5.60		275.37
	1.40	Cash on Hand.....	1.63
TOTAL	\$ 980.02	TOTAL	\$ 980.02

collapse, and the end of the world as we know it.

No man knows the answer after that. For in a shipwreck, who can say what he will find at the bottom of the sea? But already, in Canada and elsewhere, the opposing forces of a potential internal struggle are marshalling their forces.

If this is an age of fighting, in all senses of the word, then alumni must also fight. They must take stock of the world, sift out their principles and allegiances, and enter the conflict. God knows, in the days ahead, there will be a premium on intelligent leadership.