

American universities. The success and prosperity of a University established and supported by a Canadian Province is certain so long as the Province itself is prosperous because those who support the university will use it and, for their own sake, make certain that it lacks nothing to ensure its efficiency.

PRESIDENT WHEELER, of the University of California, is very strongly of the opinion that a university "should be placed in a large city—not in the country". He thinks, however, that a university is better situated "in the suburbs of a large city than . . . in the centre". He bases this statement upon his experience while connected with the Universities of Harvard and California, which are situated in the suburbs of a large city, with Brown University, which is situated in a small city, and with Cornell, which is placed in a country town. He believes, "the proximity to a city and close touch with its life (to be) an essential part of the education of a young man of the age of eighteen to twenty-two." He also maintains that it is important for the well-being of the Staff that the university should be placed in a city because "our present experience shows us that the teachers in our small country colleges go to seed" and, consequently it is difficult to secure the best men for an institution situated in the country. Finally, he completes his contention and gives the whole basis of his argument for it, by stating that "modern life is shaping itself pre-eminently in terms of the social life of the city."

It must not be forgotten that the tendency of modern town builders is to bring as much of the country into their cities as is possible: easy transport permits people to live in rural suburbs although they work in cities.

PRINCIPAL MIERS, the head of the University of London, England, has considered the subject very carefully, and he feels that "upon the whole the advantages of a city outweigh the disadvantages." He believes it would be wise to establish a Canadian provincial university "in, or in close proximity to, a city rather than in the country." Dr. Miers concisely