

To introduce this new course in every community, a continent-wide "drive" has been planned for this fall. The following objectives are sought:—

1. At least one Teacher Training class in every Sunday School of North America, meeting at the Sunday School hour. Members of this class should be at least seventeen years of age. In some cases the whole class might use the Course as their text-books for the teaching period. In other cases, selected pupils might form a special class, the members retaining their membership in their former classes and meeting with them for the worship period, then coming together for instruction in Teacher Training.

2. A Mid-week Training Class for present Sunday School teachers in every Sunday School where possible. Where single congregations are unable to do this a community class may be advisable. The important thing is that every congregation set itself seriously to the task of providing trained leadership for its various departments of service, and especially for its Sunday School.

3. A Monthly Workers' Conference in every Sunday School, meeting at least ten months out of each year. It dignifies the position of the teacher and adds to the efficiency of the School when the whole staff share in the planning of the work. Mutual counsel helps to solve individual difficulties, to encourage the disheartened, and to promote a spirit of cooperation.

### Older Boys' and Older Girls' Conferences

The great impetus given to work for the teen age has come largely from the Leadership and Older Boys' and Girls' Conferences which have become a regular part of our church's promotion work. Plans are already well under way for the fall campaign. A larger number of Conferences are being planned covering smaller districts, so as to lessen travelling expenses. Picked boys and girls of older years are asked for, rather than indiscriminate groups of younger folk. The presence of at least one leader from each School is being insisted on. The value of the conference to any church will largely depend on seeing that at least one adult accompanies the boys and girls from each Sunday School.

So far as is known the following are the places and dates arranged:

#### I. MARITIME PROVINCES SERIES

##### (1) For Women and Older Girls

Three conferences, one in each of the provinces during the first three week-ends in October, namely, October 4-6; October 11-13; and Oct. 18-20.

##### (2) For Men and Older Boys

Oct. 25-27—Woodstock, N.B.

" 25-27—Chatham, N.B.

Nov. 1-3—Sussex, N.B.

" 8-10—New Glasgow, N.S.

" 15-17—Bridgetown, N.S.

" 22-24—Charlottetown, P.E.I.

#### II. QUEBEC AND ONTARIO SERIES

##### (1) For Women and Older Girls

Nov. 1-3—Ottawa.

" 8-10—Port Hope, Ont.

" 15-17—St. Catharines, Ont.

" 22-24—St. Thomas, Ont.

" 29-Dec. 1—Simcoe, Ont.

It is expected that arrangements will be made also for Conferences at Montreal, Toronto, and some other places.

##### (2) For Men and Older Boys

Oct. 11-13—Sarnia and Brockville.

" 18-20—Sault Ste. Marie and Chatham.

" 25-27—Orillia and Montreal.

Nov. 1-3—Carleton Place and Owen Sound.

" 8-10—Cobourg and Quebec.

" 15-17—Welland and Guelph.

" 22-24—London and Hamilton.

" 29-Dec. 1—Brantford and Belleville.

#### III. MANITOBA AND SASKATCHEWAN SERIES

Oct. 25-27—Fort William, Ont.

Nov. 1-3—Winnipeg, Man.

" 8-10—Brandon, Man.

" 15-17—Dauphin and Weyburn.

" 22-24—Yorkton and Assiniboia.

" 29-Dec. 1—Prince Albert and Swift Current.

Dec. 6-8—Moose Jaw and Saskatoon.

" 13-15—Regina.

#### IV. ALBERTA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA

Dates and places have not yet been finally decided upon, but it is expected that six or seven conferences will be held in Alberta at such points as Edmonton, Red Deer, Vermilion, Calgary, Lethbridge and Medicine Hat, during November; and four in British Columbia at such places as Victoria, Okanagan, Nelson and Cranbrook, during October.

Girls' Conferences in the West are generally planned for the spring instead of the fall.

### Work Among Older Boys and Girls

No more remarkable development has ever taken place in the Sunday School than that among older boys and girls of the teen age. Only recently we were bemoaning the serious failure of the church and Sunday School to hold and interest this particular group during these critical years when they were most susceptible to good or bad influences. Many churches have, however, gone a long way already in solving this problem. Careful in-