

THE MISSION: What is it?

by DALE BRAY, Mission Publicity Manager

In the fall of 1960 a group of university students and faculty met to begin plans for a University Christian Mission at UNB. This group consisted of members of the Canterbury Club, the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship and the Student Christian Mission. The members of this organizing group represented various denominations of the Christian Church. The first major task was to choose missionaries who would be capable of understanding the student mind and of answering the intellectual questions of the thinking student.

In order to fulfill these qualifications the name of Bishop Stephen Neill was suggested as he has led in many University Christian Missions throughout the world such as those at Oxford University, Harvard, University of Toronto, and the University of Melbourne. The associate missionaries were chosen keeping in mind both denomination and vocation so that a broad coverage of the Christian faith might be presented to the student body. Bishop Neill will be supported by a team of seven associates, each of whom is a specialist in their field; Dr. Katherine Hockin (Toronto, Education and World Affairs); Dr. R. C. Chalmers (Halifax, Systematic Theology); Canon Michael Creal (Toronto, Religious Education); Dr. David Summers (Toronto, Executive Secretary, Religion and Labour Council of Canada); Mr. Wilbur Sutherland (Toronto, Canadian Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship); Dr. Gordon van Wylen (Ann Arbor, Michigan, Mechanical Engineering); and Dr. Ronald Williams (Toronto, Biochemistry).

In drawing up the program it was seen that the Christian gospel must be presented intellectually rather than emotionally. The basic aim of the Christian Mission must be to present the claims of Christ to an adult and intellectually maturing generation of university students. Therefore, the mission will mainly present the Christian gospel objectively in the form of debates, panels, bull sessions and lectures. To provoke discussion and argument members of the faculty have been chosen to participate in debates and panels.

Noon hour debates and panel discussions represent as broad a field of thought as possible in relation to the Christian faith. Titles have a broad range and include: The Bomb—Why Not?; Man, an Electrical Machine; Creation: Chance or Providence?; Is the Church Spiritually Bankrupt?; Christian, Go Home; The Holy Trinity; Sects, the Odium of the Churches; Sex, the Opium of the People; Monday Sins of Sunday Saints. In addition to the noon hour sessions Bishop Stephen Neill will deliver the main mission address at Memorial Hall between 5 - 6 p.m. on the mission theme "Christ our Contemporary."

But do you have any questions? In order that students may take the opportunity to have their questions answered, several question boxes will be situated around the campus. An invitation is extended to all students in residence to attend residence bull sessions to ask any pertinent questions. Announcements as to time and place of these sessions will be made in your residence.

This is your opportunity—plan to examine or re-examine the Christian faith during the Mission week.

Noon Hour Debates and Panels

All noon hour discussion at 12:30 is in the Loring Bailey Hall Aud.
All noon hour discussion at 1:10 is in the Tartan Room, Student C.

Monday

12:30 "The Bomb!—Why Not?"—Dr. F. J. Toole; Dr. R. C. Chalmers; Chairman: Mr. Cliff Soper.

1:10 "Man: An Electrical Machine?"—Dr. G. J. VanWylen; Dr. D. A. George; Prof. F. W. Cogswell; Prof. W. D. Wasson; Chair: Prof. L. W. Shemilt.

Tuesday

12:30 "Creation: Chance or Providence?"—Dr. G. J. VanWylen; Dr. K. Wiesner; Dr. D. J. C. Laming; Dr. H. Greiner; Chair: Dr. J. M. Anderson.

1:10 "Is the Church Spiritually Bankrupt?"—Bishop S. Neill; Prof. L. C. Clark; Chair: Prof. W. J. Reddin.

Wednesday

12:30 "Christian Go Home"—Is the World Christian Mission Justified?—Dr. K. Hockin; Mr. W. Sutherland; Rev. H. L. Nutter; Mr. George Cox; Chair: Rev. H. Christie.

1:10 "The Holy Trinity"—Canon Creal; Rabbi Spiro; Rev. A. Cameron, (Unitarian); Chair: Dr. D. B. McLay.

Thursday

12:30 "Sex, The Opium of the People"—Canon Creal; Prof. K. MacLaggan; Dr. W. C. D. Pacey; Dr. G. M. Moffatt; Chair: Mr. Keith Thompson.

1:10 "Is the Church Turning Red?"—Dr. K. Hockin; Prof. S. D. Bosnitch; Chair: Prof. L. P. Edwards.

Friday

12:30 "Sects: The Odium of the Church"—Bishop S. Neill; Dr. R. C. Chalmers; Mr. W. Sutherland; Rev. J. Griffiths; Chair: Mr. L. Lamrock.

1:10 "Monday Sins of Sunday Saints"—Dr. D. Summers; Dr. G. R. Williams; Prof. H. J. Whalen; Rev. R. H. L. Williams; Chair: Dr. D. J. C. Laming.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JAN. 12

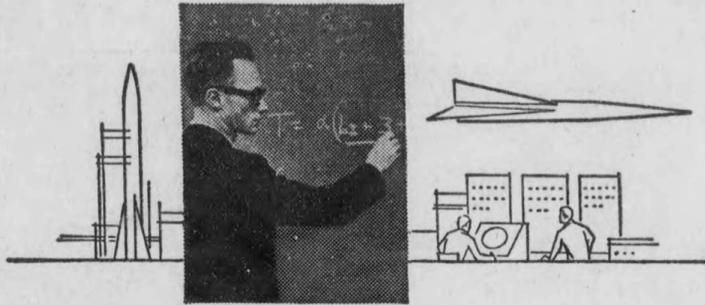
9:00 p.m. Nursing Society Dance, Student Centre.

SATURDAY, JAN. 13

9:00 p.m. Science Dance, Student Centre (Crowning of Science Queen)

MONDAY, JAN. 15

7:00 p.m. Glee Club Rehearsal, Mem. Hall. New members and beginners welcome.



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