

NEW EXTENSION TO GORDON HALL OFFICIALLY OPENED BY HON. LESLIE M. FROST, PREMIER OF ONTARIO

THE extension to Gordon Hall, which will house the chemistry and chemical engineering laboratories, was officially opened by Hon. Leslie M. Frost, premier of Ontario, on November 24.

In a brief ceremony in the main lecture room, Premier Frost paid tribute to Queen's as a university which is national in aims and objects; to the Kingston district, which he called "part of the cradle of Ontario"; to Dr. Wallace as principal of Queen's and president of the Research Council of Ontario; the late Dr. E. L. Bruce, Dr. W. E. McNeill, vice-principal emeritus; Dr. J. A. McRae; and to his brother, Dr. G. B. Frost, who, with Dr. C. A. Plewes, planned the new wing.

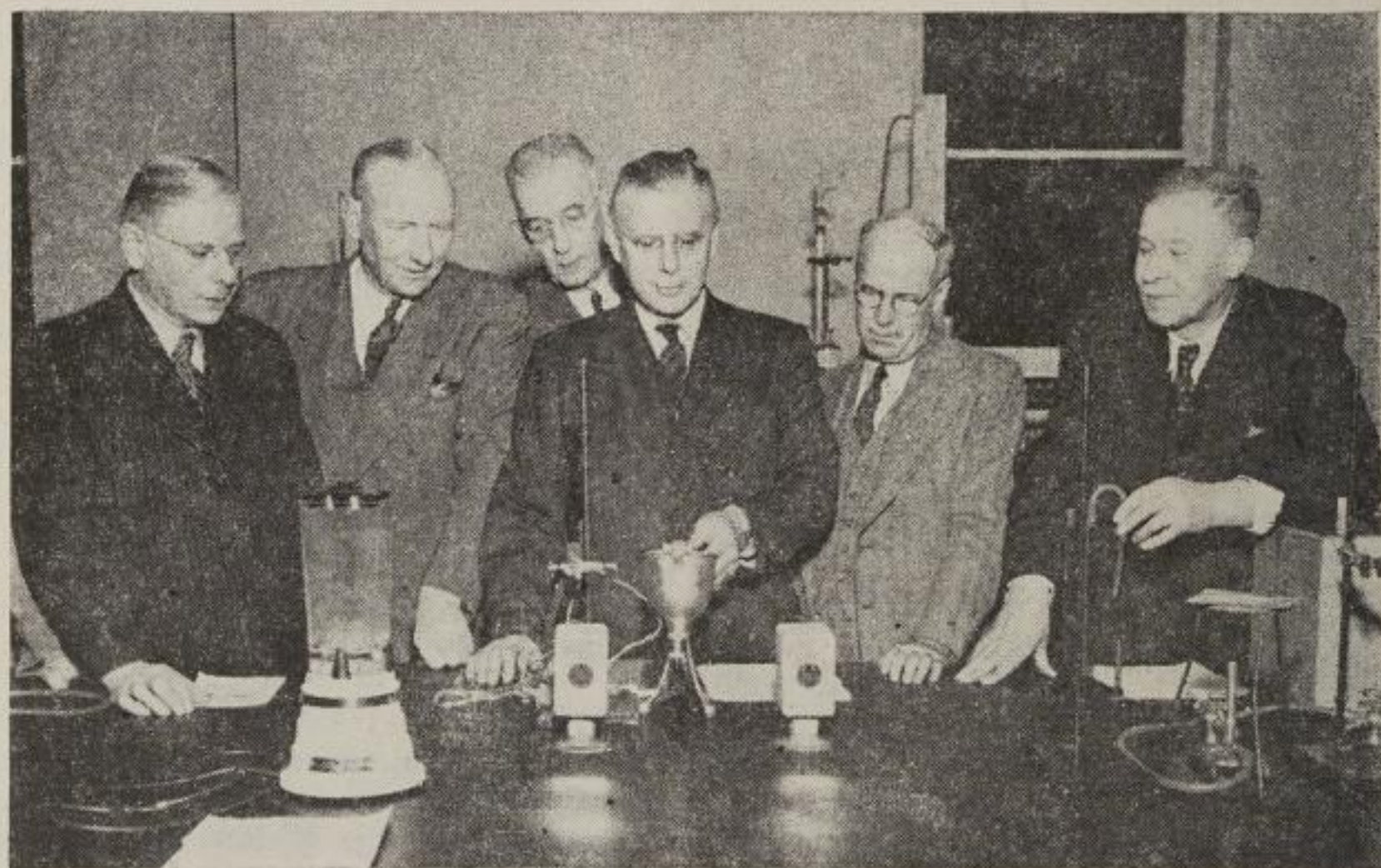
Referring to the great increase in industry in Ontario in the past ten years, the Premier said he was glad to declare the new wing open, knowing that it would be used for great things in this country. The \$250,000 granted to Queen's by the Ontario government for the new wing had been well spent, said Premier Frost.

The Premier was introduced by Principal Wallace, who reviewed briefly the

reasons why the new building had been needed. The Chemistry Department had been the "bottleneck" in the University during the war and early post-war years, he pointed out. There was also the advantage of having the Chemistry and Chemical Engineering Departments under the one roof. The project was made possible by grants from the Ontario government, the federal Department of Veterans' Affairs, and Canadian Industries Limited. He expressed his thanks also to Dr. Frost and Dr. Plewes, to Mr. T. A. McGinnis, chairman of the University's building committee, to Drever and Smith, the architects, and M. Sullivan and Sons, the contractors.

Mr. McGinnis accepted the building on behalf of the Board of Trustees, taking the place of J. M. Farrell, vice-chairman, who was unable to be present.

A brief history of the Department of Chemistry was given by Dr. McRae who joined the department in 1912, the year after the original building was opened. He declared the Department to be "on the threshold of greater things" because of the added accommodation.



AT THE OPENING OF THE NEW CHEMICAL LABORATORIES

Left to right: Dr. G. B. Frost, Hon. George Doucett, Minister of Highways, Mr. T. A. McGinnis, Premier Frost, Vice-Principal Mackintosh, Principal Wallace.

Dr. Plewes, new chairman of the industrial wastes committee of the Research Council of Ontario, stated the objectives of his Department. Chemical engineering research had changed a great deal in the past ten years, he said, and Queens could now follow the new trends.

After the ceremony the visitors were conducted on a tour of the new wing by senior students.

Among those present were Miss Wilhelmina Gordon, associate professor of English, and her brother, Rev. Dr. A. M. Gordon. Gordon Hall was named for their father, the late Principal D. M. Gordon.

STAFF MEMBERS AID ENDOWMENT FUND

MEMBERS of the staff have always played a prominent part in any campaign for funds put on by Queen's. Ever since the days of Principal William Snodgrass and Prof. J. H. MacKerras, the faculty has rallied to the aid of the University in the search for additional endowment.

In the present campaign, more staff members than ever before are taking an active part. Principal Wallace has been indefatigable, travelling to all parts of Canada and the United States, speaking on behalf of the endowment drive and doing some of the actual canvassing. Other members of the administrative staff have also made valuable contributions.

During October and November, members of the teaching staff and others have been drafted for service. The following have visited communities ranging from the Maritimes to Manitoba: R. L. Jeffrey, St. John, New Brunswick; H. P. Gundy, Windsor; Norman Miller, St. Thomas and Simcoe; H. W. Harkness, Renfrew and Smiths Falls; F. A. Knox, Niagara Falls; H. S. Pollock, Walkerton and Owen Sound; S. N. Graham, Kirkland Lake; R. L. Dorrance, Stratford and Goderich; A. S. West, Winnipeg; H. W. Curran, Sherbrooke; J. A. Corry, Kitchener, Galt and Guelph; H. L. Tracy, Port Hope, Cobourg, Colborne, Peterborough, Lindsay; A. L. Clarke, North Bay, Sudbury, and Sault Ste. Marie.

The services of these men were used to supplement the efforts of the local endowment committees. All reported an excellent reception, and Director of Endowment M. C. Tillotson is delighted with the results obtained.

STUDENTS' UNION FACILITIES IN STEADY DEMAND

SOME idea of the extent to which the Students' Memorial Union is used over and above the routine service to students may be gathered from the fact that during the month of October, 3941 additional servings of food were recorded. Sixteen banquets accounted for 2633; the Theological Alumni Conference had eight meals for a total of 320; two groups of high school students, 153; the Governor General's opening luncheon, 235; Governor General's tea, 600.

Over Reunion weekend, alumni representing thirty classes used the facilities of the building. One hundred and sixteen meetings were held in the two student committee rooms. The bedrooms were occupied for a total of forty-four nights.

The new Faculty Club, in the north wing of the Union, has also been a popular gathering place. During October 818 luncheons were served there, as well as nine dinner parties, and eight teas.

Memorial to F/L J. L. MacLeod Dedicated in Morgan Chapel

A MEMORIAL to Flight Lieutenant John Leslie MacLeod, D.F.C., Com. '40, in the form of two falls for the pulpit and lectern of Morgan Memorial Chapel were dedicated in a brief service in the Chapel on November 26. The service was conducted by Principal Kent and Wing Commander R. M. Frayne, principal Protestant chaplain for the R.C.A.F., and Rev. A. M. Laverty, University chaplain, took part.

Flight Lieutenant MacLeod was reported missing on a photographic mission in British Columbia on October 18, 1947. A member of the R.C.A.F. during World War II he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.