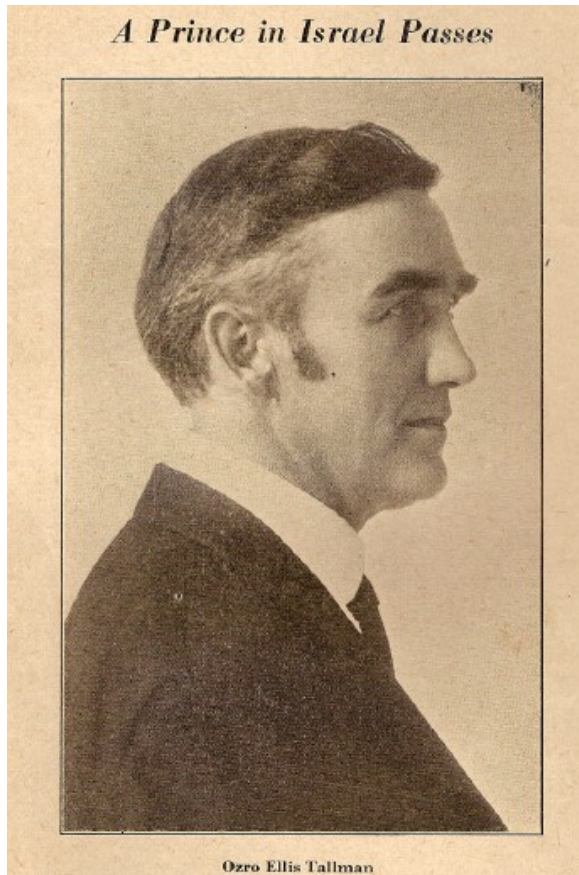


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See references in *The Bible Student* by and about O. E. Tallman

CARMAN BIBLE SCHOOL (1897–1902; 1921–1927)

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Students who attended the first term are Herb and Elsie Sterling, H. A. Rogers, Chris Stevenson, Fred Dafoe, Stanley York, Amy Mallory, Allen Mallory, Maggie Mallory, John and Minnie Sterling, Arthur and Maria Laurenson, George and Mary Laycock, Bertha Rogers, Ora and Ozro Tallman, Willie Saunders and his wife, and Elizabeth York. . . .

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ANNUAL JUNE MEETING, O. E. Tallman

The Annual June Meeting of the Disciples of

Christ in the Niagara District, opened at Fenwick on Saturday afternoon.

L. E. Huntsman officiated in the afternoon, and short talks were given by Bros. Geo. Gamble and J. Dean, of Fenwick; Wm. Forester, T. T. Reilly and Jas. Stewart, of Toronto; John Yake, of Stouffville; O. E. Tallman, of Smithville; Ellis Claus, Valdosta, Ga; Chas. Claus, St. Catharines; Chas. W. Petch, Selkirk; S. M. Jones, Beamsville; and W. F. Neal, Meaford.

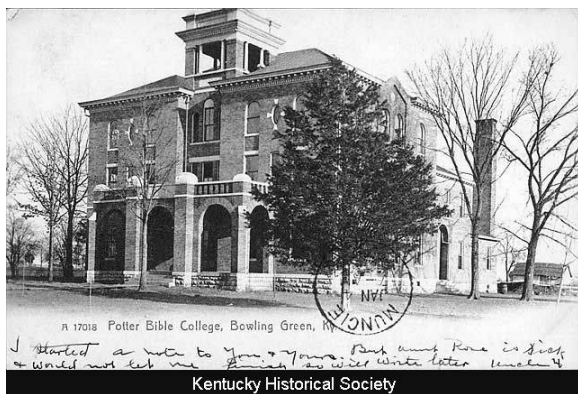
The Bible Student, July 1904, p. 3

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Gospel Herald, August 1955, p. 13



OZRO ELLIS TALLMAN

By C. G. McPhee

It is with feelings of tenderness and high esteem, that I write a few words in love and appreciation, of the life and character of

O. E. Tallman, who so suddenly left us for the home of the soul. Born at Smithville, Ontario, 48 years ago, he lived most of his life in the Niagara District, where he was well known, and where he commanded the highest respect of people in every walk in life. The city of St. Catharines with the surrounding towns and villages were shocked when the wires flashed the news that he was gone. For about nine days he had been in the hospital, following an operation, from which he had practically recovered. It was with earnest expectation that he looked forward to his removal home in a few days; but suddenly and without a moment's warning, he was stricken, and in spite of all that skilful hands could do. In about half an hour his spirit left this earthly tabernacle, for another world.

I first met Brother Tallman in 1909. He came to West Gore, Nova Scotia, and joined his brother Ora H. in the opening of the Maritime Bible and Literary College. For six years he taught and preached in his earnest, characteristic manner, where he accomplished much good. I for one can say that those years of study and association will always be cherished. There my character was shaped. What I am to-day, I owe in a large degree to the sacrifice, patience and exhortation of Brother Tallman and his co-laborers, who now mourn their loss.

In 1915 Brother Tallman returned to his native province, and has worked here almost continuously for fifteen years. For the past twelve years he has preached at Jordan. Since removing to St. Catharines, he assisted the Jordan church in the morning, and the St. Catharines at night. At both places the work prospered under his fruitful ministry. Though he is dead his work still lives. Many young people at both places, rendered obedience to their Saviour, under his preaching, and now they live in the hope of meeting him, in a better country.

Brother Tallman was a lover of

nature. He loved the open fireplace, the fresh air and bright sunshine. It was his delight to walk over the hills, through the woods and beside the sparkling waters. As we hunted, fished and camped together, his nature seemed to respond to nature's call, and he would talk about the beauty and glory of this world—the handiwork of God.

For a number of years he held meetings in Tennessee, especially Warren County, where he had a vast number of admiring friends, and where he had baptized scores into Christ. He returned from his work there about the middle of October, and on the twenty-sixth he preached his last sermon in the old home church at Smithville, where he gave his heart to the Lord nearly forty years ago.

Brother Tallman was baptized in childhood, by our lamented Brother Samuel Keffer.

He received his primary education at Smithville. Later he entered the Bible school at Carmen, Manitoba, conducted by A. Foster. In 1907 he graduated from the Potter Bible College at Bowling Green, Ky. Following this he taught in the College at Odessa, Mo. Many of the old students will regret his departure at the very time he was capable of doing the greatest work and had the greatest influence for good.

We cannot understand why this should happen. God only knows, "Thy will, not ours, be done." He has gone to be with Christ which is far better. He leaves behind him a rich heritage. The few Canadian preachers remaining, now mourn the loss, for there is a vacant place hard to fill. Our loss is his gain, for he is free forever from the sorrowing, sighing, suffering world, and now in that blissful, beautiful home of the soul, he can spend an eternity with God, where all of earth's imperfections are past. "Why should I long for the world with its

sorrow,
When in that home o'er the sea,

Millions are singing the wonderful story,
Heaven holds all to me."

The funeral took place from his late residence at Port Dalhousie on November the eighth. After a brief service in the home, his body was taken to the Niagara Street Meeting House, where he had formerly preached, and where an immense audience of friends, and fellow-citizens gathered to pay their tribute of respect to a prominent resident and Christian worker. At this time Brother A. Stewart of Toronto, spoke words of comfort to the sorrowful assembly.

From here, one of the largest funerals ever held in St. Catharines, proceeded to Jordan. There, his weeping friends gazed for the last time upon his peaceful form, and the writer tried to speak words of consolation and exhortation. His body was interred in the cemetery beside the house of worship, to await the resurrection morning.

He is survived by his widow and four children, Oliver, Lena, Ozro and Erma; also two brothers, Shepherd of Toronto and Ora H., now in Cookville, Tennessee, and one sister, Mrs. W. F. Ellis, of Smithville, Ontario.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; for their works follow with them."

APPRECIATION

The editor of this paper shall always have very pleasant recollections of his first acquaintance with Bro. Ozro Tallman. A day spent at Jordan with him is one of the sweetest memories of his first good impressions of Canada.

In the beautiful vale he led the way up to the waterfall. One could not help noting how familiar he was with nature as it there lay around him. The rocks were intimates. He seemed to be acquainted with the story of the birth of each and where it usually was to be found at home. The birds,

the trees, and especially the flowers, were dear to him.

His genial disposition made him the most enjoyable of companions, and as he strode on over rocks and through the bush, and at last climbed the steep path to join the road again, had long walks and hill-climbing not left something of their beneficial training in one's muscles, he would have had to cry a halt, for Bro. Tallman seemed to live above the possibility of all fatigue.

Many well merited eulogiums have reached this office, testifying to the universal respect and affection in which our Brother was held among the Churches. The lack of space must excuse their omission. The exception of the following, from the public press, will show the esteem in which O. E. Tallman was held by his fellow citizens.

Among the sportsmen of the district he was well known and only recently was made President of the St. Catharines Game and Fish Protective Association. He had always taken a keen interest in sports, and devoted much of his time and energy to improving sporting conditions in this section. He was also a former County Master of the Orange Lodge in which he was an ardent worker. A man of pleasing personality whose warm friendship and helping hand was the proud possession of many, he will be sorely missed by a multitude of friends. He lived a steadfast Christian life of service, giving his utmost to the cause that was nearest to his heart."

--(From the *St. Catharines Standard*.)

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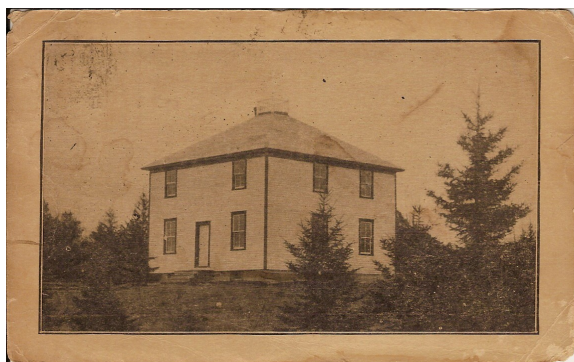
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Maritime Bible and Literary College, West

Gore, Nova Scotia

Mrs. Ozro E. Tallman

Mrs. Mabel Tallman, 82, widow of Ozro E. Tallman, died Monday afternoon in Hotel Dieu Hospital, St. Catharines, as a result of pneumonia. She lived in Campden.

Born in Upper Rawson, NS, Mrs Tallman came to Ontario in 1915. She was a member of the church of Christ. Her husband, well-known preacher in this area for many years, died in 1930.

Mrs. Tallman is survived by two sons, Oliver E. Tallman, Campden, and Ozro H. Tallman, Orodell, NJ; two daughters, Mrs. Donald (Lena) Peirce, and Mrs. Daniel (Emma) Mueller, both of Lewiston, NY; a sister, Mrs Ambrose MacPhee, Upper Rawdon, NS; 12 grandchildren.

She is at the Tallman Funeral Home, Vineland. Service will be in the Tallman Funeral chapel at 2 pm Thursday. Burial will be in Church of Christ Cemetery, Jordan.

Mrs. Mabel O. Tallman

The funeral of Mrs. Mabel O. Tallman was held on Thursday afternoon at the Tallman Funeral Chapel, Vineland. The service was conducted by Mr Geoffrey Ellis, of Beamsville, assisted by Mr Eugene Perry of Beamsville; also Mr Bruce Merritt of Niagara Falls, Ont. Mrs. Tallman died on April 16, at Hotel Died, St. Catharines. Interment was in the Church of Christ Cemetery, Jordan.

The casket bearers were Ernest Burdett, Loney Wallace, Gerald Ellis, Wilfred Richardson, Lemuel Tallman and

Arthur Corbett.

Mabel Tallman

Yesterday I received word of the passing of Sister Ozro E. Tallman, who was born in Upper Rawdon, Nova Scotia, July 30th, 1880. Memory takes me back to the days when:

“Many friends were gathered around us,
In the bright days of the past;
But the grave has closed above them,
And I linger here the last.”

The old house where Mabel Wallace was born still stands: but only one sister remains to tell the story of joy and sorrow, toil and triumph. There in the home of Christian parents together with brothers and sisters she was raised in the Faith, and early in life became a Christian. The building where she first heard the gospel preached, stands by the side of the road, but no messenger of the cross has sounded out the “Good News” therein for years. She belonged to the “United Empire Loyalist” stock. Her family may have suffered many trials, but the greatest calamity of all came to her parents, when the two family home was smitten by diphtheria and they buried eleven children, six brothers and sisters, the remainder being cousins.

She was first married to Jack Covey, who lived but a few years after their marriage. They had one son Harold who died in 1919 as a result of the flu.

In 1911 she was married to Ozro E. Tallman, a well-known preacher who predeceased her in 1930. Being left largely with the responsibility of a growing family, she struggled on till they were grown and married. In 1931 she was stricken with arthritis which continued to increase until

she was confined to her bed, where she has been a great sufferer for years. While blind and almost deaf her mind was clear to the very end. Sister Tallman was highly respected in the church and among her many friends outside the church. She leaves behind an influence for good and a family that could not ask her back to suffer the torments which she so steadfastly endured. If all children would look after their parents as hers ministered to her for years there would be little need of government help. They are to be remembered and commended for their love and patience.

While Sister Tallman had not been able to take an active part in church work in recent times, her interest had not diminished nor her faith waned. Her interest also was in the home, that divine institution which has marked the progress of man from Eden to the present hour, and which if permitted to decline will seal the doom of human achievement. There are three beautiful words in our language: Mother, Home and Heaven. In a true mother there is doubtless less of earth and more of heaven than any other being. Her life was filled with sacrifice, service and love and that does more than eloquent sermons. The influence of a Christ-like mother reaches far beyond the realm of her domain. She helps mould the thoughts and shape the destiny of her family. Like many a mother she traced out paths in unknown fields because her influence to purify was paramount where her feet never trod.

For her the race of life has finished and she has gone to join the blood washed host, “Where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary are at rest.”

Sister Tallman passed away in the

hospital in St. Catharines April 16th, and the funeral service was conducted in the Tallman Funeral Home in Vineland by Bro. Geoffrey Ellis, assisted by Bros. Eugene Perry and Bruce Merritt. Her frail body was then conveyed to the Jordan Cemetery, where it was laid to rest beside that of her husband and son.

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Charles G. McPhee

Gospel Herald, May 1962, p. 15-16