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The Pioneer Mother Speaks

*Scant plenishing I took to that new land—some bits of household stuff; a gown
or two;
An iron pot and pan; strong pewter plates, and cups that would not break; a
feather bed;
Covers I wove myself on a hand loom; some flower and garden seeds and a
few roots,—
A rose I loved, a honeysuckle vine. . . . One Book I had—a Book of many made.
It told me of the Hand that formed the sun, and set the stars a-swinging
through the sky;
The Hand that wrought the green robe of the earth—'broidered with flowers
it was that early Spring,
And decked with jeweled lakes and silver streams. Great tales it held, that
Holy Book of God,
Of men and women seeking other homes, sure that he sent them forth as
pioneers
To blaze a trail across the wilderness. When I was fearful; their heroic faith
Was like a shield before my timid heart. When I was weak, their courage
made me strong.
When I was sad, the songs a shepherd sang brought to me peace, and hope,
and even joy . . .
Rough was the way, but as we marched along—my little son and I—beside
the wagon train,
We talked about those other journeyings that led at last to Canaan's fertile
land;
Or made believe we were in Galilee, and with the multitude pressed after One
Who spake as never man spake, as he showed how great and wonderful a
thing is love.
So, as we faced the glowing sunset skies, holding his hand in mine, I led my son
To heights that rose above the evening star; helping him see the things in-
visible,—
The love and power and wisdom of God who yet is Father to the souls of
men. . . .
If I have served my country, as they say, shown patience, courage, faith, and
kept alive
The ruddy flame of hope when days were dark; brought sons and daughters
up with high ideals
Of honor, virtue, patriotism, thrift, loyal to God, their country, and them-
selves,—
It is because of wisdom from The Book, promised of old to those who need—
and ask.*

IDA REED-SMITH,

in A. R. P. Journal of Missions.

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THE COVER is a picture of the original masterpiece, *The Pioneer Woman*, located in Ponca City, Oklahoma. To the sculptor, Bryant Baker, THE COMMISSION is indebted for the permission to use this picture, and to *The Presbyterian Survey*, the editors are grateful for the use of the cut. (See poem, "Go Forward," page 33.)

The Foundation of the Years



IT seems particularly appropriate that Woman's Missionary Union should have chosen "The Great Commission—Our Mission" and "The love of Christ constraineth us" as the theme and the watchword for the year 1939. Since this new year opens a new epoch, a new half century for Woman's Missionary Union, it is important that the members recall the fundamental aims in all their missionary endeavors.

The preamble of the constitution adopted in 1888 clearly states:

"We the women of the churches connected with the Southern Baptist Convention desire to stimulate the missionary spirit and the grace of giving among the women and children of the churches, and in collecting funds for missionary purposes to be disbursed by the Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention."

During the past fifty years this preamble has been changed in but two particulars. The word "children" has been changed to "young people," and the Union now designates certain funds specifically for work which the Boards of the Convention had not felt the call to undertake; namely,—the training of young women for Christian service, and the providing of scholarships for the sons and daughters of our missionaries.

The motto or watchword, during the early years of the Union was "Go Forward,"—and as the love of Christ constrained the members to a loyal response to the commands of the *Great Commission*, the Union has gone forward. With each forward movement new plans and new methods have been adopted for the purpose of accomplishing certain specific goals. Moreover, there gradually developed the need for a definite outline of these specific aims, looking to the accomplishment of the main purpose of the Union. This outline has been incorporated in the Plan-of-Work which is published each year in the Year Book, given free to the leaders of every W. M. U. organization.

These chief aims are: *Prayer, Enlistment, Study, Personal Service, Tithes and Offerings, and The Missionary Education of Young People.*

PRAYER

It will be noted that prayer is listed first. It will also be noted that the first method suggested for the attainment of this aim is the establishment and maintenance of family altars.

When in God's plan for the redemption of the world He called Abraham and led him into a closer walk and a fuller knowledge of Himself, it was His immediate purpose that he might train a family and a household in such fundamental things as righteousness and justice and thus begin an educational process that would lead the world into the way of Jehovah.

The tendency to overlook or to minimize the influence of the home in individual and social life, and to divert the responsibility for the moral and religious training

Mrs. W. C. James, ex-president Woman's Missionary Union, S. B. C.

of the children into the day school, the church, the Sunday school and the various other organizations for young people, is to be deplored.

Promoting individual and family prayer, Woman's Missionary Union gives the daily Calendar-of-Prayer and the Pray-Ye-Department in *Royal Service*, and calls every member to observe the nine o'clock Prayer-Hour-for-World-Wide-Missions.

The place and power of the three seasons of prayer in the life and work of Woman's Missionary Union are so well known that it would be like "taking coals to New Castle" to dwell upon the value of this plan in developing the prayer-life of women and young people, and in the promotion of State, Home and Foreign Missions.

ENLISTMENT

"Go ye, therefore, and make disciples of all nations" is undoubtedly the primary requirement of the *Great Commission*, but, like as the second great commandment is unto the first, so is the requirement to "teach them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." Teaching is an imperative.

But teaching is not possible in any phase of Kingdom service if we do not have the ear and the interest of those we would teach. Hence, next to *Prayer*, and as a second fundamental aim, Woman's Missionary Union places the *Enlistment* of members for active service in Kingdom work.

STUDY

Without information there can be no inspiration to action. This has always been a recognized fact. Through programs, leaflets, magazines and in various other ways, missionary information has been given and used with powerful results. The plans for regular study include not only the home and foreign mission courses, but also books on prayer, texts setting forth and emphasizing the missionary messages of the Bible and studies in stewardship.

PERSONAL SERVICE

Fully valuing the truth in the little adage, "The light that shines brightest afar shines brightest at home," it was inevitable that *Personal Service* should find a place among the chief aims of the Union. Summed up in a few words, *Personal Service* means the enlistment of the individual member in giving herself to the winning of the lost with whom she comes in contact from day to day, and in doing all in her power to help lift the life in her community to its highest possible level, both physically and spiritually. Certainly in this year 1939, when such emphasis is being placed on *Evangelism*, this aim in Woman's Missionary Union service should command particular attention.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Giving as an aim is coexistent with the life of the Woman's Missionary Union, but not until after a number of years of "stimulating the grace of giving among the women and young people of the churches" did Woman's Missionary Union adopt the giving of *Tithes-and-Offerings* as a definite aim. It was in the year before the Union was to celebrate its twenty-fifth anniversary that Miss Fannie E. S. Heck, then the president, in her annual address said: "The time has come when the Union should clearly, squarely, unequivocally, emphatically stand for tithing. We have talked of it; we have had it as a part of our recommendations, and as a matter of our consideration. No one has opposed it. But it has yet to be nailed to our masthead; yet to be made a matter of first importance, pressed everywhere with the zeal of conviction." *Tithing* at last has been nailed to our masthead, but to be pressed and practiced with the zeal of conviction in all our organizations yet awaits fulfillment. But the convinced few press on, and to those who tithe and give gifts, new recruits are being added from time to time.

THE MISSIONARY EDUCATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE

I know of no better way to emphasize the importance of this final aim of Woman's Missionary Union than to quote the words of Miss Heck addressed to the Union forty-six years ago: "Teach the children to think God's thoughts for the nations, ere yet the clash of nations dull their ears to the calling Father's voice. If you cannot leave your footprints on the sands of time, write your Master's name in the granite of eternity. If you rear no palace for Him here, build in these young souls His temple which will outlast time and be coeval with eternity."

To the members of Woman's Missionary Union, and to any other Christian person, there can be no more definite challenge to prepare for the mission life of the coming years than the call that Miss Heck gave to the Union twenty-one years ago:

"I call you," she said, "to prepare for the mission life of the next twenty years by a definite re-dedication of our organization and of ourselves to the high purposes of the Union—not to the Union, note you, but to its end and aim. I call you to re-dedicate yourselves, mind, heart, possessions and body to the God-principle of Missions—the salvation of the world."

* * *

Dr. Maddry at Madras

Brief messages from Executive Secretary Charles E. Maddry, Southern Baptist's lone representative to the International Missionary Council, Madras, India, December 12-30, affirm the seriousness of the problems facing the delegates from the Protestant world. "Good health and intense thinking" indexed the days.

En route home Dr. Maddry planned to stop over in Italy for a few days' conference with Baptist leaders and missionaries in Rome. He is scheduled to arrive in Richmond, January 26.

Baptist World Alliance Sunday

To Our Fellow Baptists of All Lands

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We are now in the thirty-fourth year from the foundation of our Alliance; and with grateful hearts we recall the grace of God bestowed upon our world-wide fellowship.

Before July 1905 churches and groups of our faith and order were scattered over the world, but there was no inclusive fraternal organization. Then the Alliance came into being, to express our unity in Christ, and our resolve together to offer our witness to mankind; together to work for the Kingdom of God; and together to defend religious freedom throughout the world.

Before the Great War, organization was provisional, and the Alliance had neither offices nor full-time officers. Yet it was able to help persecuted brethren under the Russian Czardom by making their conditions known and even securing some relief. The sense of our oneness was all the while steadily deepened.

The War of 1914-18 interrupted its activities, but the Alliance was not destroyed. The fact that it existed, kept alive a sense of Christian unity between those who, because of their national loyalties, were politically described as "enemies." Right gladly they came together afterwards, and the London Conference of July 1920 initiated the greatest denominational effort ever known for the relief of suffering.

The appointment at that Conference of a "Baptist Commissioner for Europe" gave to our world-wide fellowship its first whole-time representative. He later became a joint secretary of the Alliance, and in 1928 was appointed General Secretary with an office in London. These post-war developments have enabled our people to act and speak

as a united religious communion for the strengthening and inspiration of smaller and often isolated groups. Intervisitation, including the tours of successive Presidents and the General Secretary, has done much. Persecuted individuals and groups have been helped, and in almost all countries, the General Secretary's representations to Governments have been favourably received. The moral prestige of the Alliance has vastly increased, and its action is the more effective since it seeks no political but only religious ends. In Russia alone—where all religion is under a cloud—our efforts have been fruitless. Even in Rumania we have occasionally secured alleviation, in spite of ecclesiastical influence constantly directed against religious freedom. At this time (November 19th) our brethren are severely persecuted; many are in prison, and many churches have been closed.

We confront in fact a serious setback to the cause of religious liberty in many parts of the earth. Never was our distinctive witness more urgently needed, for freedom and for the simplicity of the Gospel of the New Testament.

Shall we not in all countries use Baptist World Alliance Sunday as a time to thank God for all that He has wrought through our fellowship, and to pray that His wisdom may be granted to our people everywhere—especially to those who represent the Alliance—and that His blessing may crown their efforts with success? We shall also everywhere pray that a larger devotion to our common Lord and to one another may mark the life of our people during the coming years. Our World Congresses have been historic events: the message of Berlin still resounds through the earth. The Congress in Atlanta will bring a vast reinforcement of spiritual power if it stimulates world-

wide petition for passionate evangelistic service. For such service our fellowship exists; without it Baptists are lost and undone.

Nor shall we pray for ourselves alone, but for "all who profess and call themselves Christians" that they with us may be sanctified in the truth, and that grace may rest upon all who love our Lord in sincerity.

Let us make the first Sunday of February 1939 a notable day of thanksgiving, prayer, and self-dedication. May faith, hope and love abound among us all!

Yours in the fellowship of the one Lord,

GEORGE W. TRUETT,

President,

J. H. RUSHBROOKE,

General Secretary,

CLIFTON D. GRAY,

Hon. Associate Secretary.

Baptist World Alliance Office
London, England

More Destruction In China

The Foreign Mission Board received the following cablegram on New Year's Eve: "Kweilin Hospital Gutted Fire Japanese Bombs."

No news has yet been received from the eight Southern Baptist missionaries stationed there: Dr. and Mrs. R. E. L. Mewshaw, Nurse Ruth Ford, Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Herring, Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Bausum and Miss Hattie Stallings.

The press has reported the total destruction of the two missionary homes at Shiuchow. Missionaries stationed at Shiuchow are: Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Saunders, Rev. and Mrs. M. W. Rankin, Rev. and Mrs. L. A. Thompson and Miss Annie Sandlin.

Many of the South China missionaries are refugeeing in Hong Kong, but no direct word has come concerning the representatives at Kweilin and Shiuchow.

KINGDOM FACTS AND FACTORS W. O. CARVER,

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The Church In Europe

Organized Christianity is in a difficult position in all parts of the world; in Europe it is veritably in a crisis. The crisis is more serious than any which the church, as the institution of Christianity, has faced in Europe since its leaders compromised with Constantine, and entered upon a career of secular power. The Reformation, in the lines of its first chief success, wholly failed to discern and correct two fundamental misconceptions of the functions of the church: hereditary church membership, and the totalitarian view of the church with reference to society in all of its institutional forms.

In every country where the Reformation movement succeeded, state churches were organized. Whether the state was the instrument of the church, or the church an instrument of the state was a question wherein many dangers were involved. Out of this, conflicts were bound to arise.

Organic unity and administrative control are necessary for the normal functioning within any national area. In the World War the political state assumed dominance, the church accepted its subordination as a function of the state, and gave its sanction, support and benediction to the state in this conflict. This was true on both sides of the conflict.

After the war the chaos in politics, economics, and religion became more and more acute. The principle of democratic freedom had made more progress in religion than in other forms of life. This meant the weakening of the position of the church as a comprehensive, organized institution within the state.

In this state of affairs there were millions of men who would never again depend upon the church for their social, economic and political salvation; nor would they seek in any state church the personal salvation and consolation for which the souls of men long. Throughout Europe the free church principle was not widely known; and the free churches, with their complete renunciation of political power and control, were everywhere small minorities. The evangelical churches in countries where Roman and Greek Catholics had constituted the state church were in no sense committed to the free church principle and to the gospel of individual responsibility to God. They believed in the state church principle as truly as did their fellow believers in the other countries, where some Protestant church was the state church.

If time could have been allowed for the growth of the free church principle, with the New Testament insistence on individualism in religion, the problem would have received progressive solution. Wherever allowed any measure of freedom, the witness of the free churchmen was greatly in favor and the local churches grew rapidly in numbers. This was eminently true of the Baptists and was largely true of some other denominations. But the European chaos was too great for delay. Some principle and force for unification had to come to the fore and take charge of the situation in each country. In every case the question of right as between the political state and the organized church presented itself. In Russia the Government set itself to destroy the church, believing it to be the chief hindrance to recovery and

progress. In Italy the dictator of a new order made terms with the powerful church, astutely and ably retaining final authority. In Germany, while personally never repudiating his Catholic Church membership, Hitler found the living forces of Protestantism and Catholicism unable even to think of assuming the task of social and political reconstruction. Neither the Lutheran Church nor the Catholic was strong enough, or discerning enough, to yield the necessary support to the urgent aims of rebuilding a strong Germany. Untrained in the practice of functioning as institutions of purely spiritual witness and work, these churches were unable to adjust themselves to the needs of the nation, yet they could not approve of the unethical policies which seemed to the politicians to offer the only hope of regaining power and position. The result is an antagonism between the churches and the state. Bruening, the clerical Prime Minister, was replaced by Hitler who was driven to adopt an openly pagan policy for his dictatorship.

The Situation In Rumania

We must here pass over the working of this matter, with its conflicts, in all of the European states except Rumania. In that country the people were divided in race, in traditions, in ideals and in political concepts. There was no unifying secular force. For fifteen years or so the conditions provided a relative freedom for evangelical witnessing. Baptists grew from fewer than 10,000 to a membership of 70,000. In the increasing delicacy of international relations and confusion of internal affairs, the King and his advisors sought for the most powerful unifying and strengthening force in the country. This they found in the Greek Orthodox Church, which, for a thousand years has been the state church. Always the heads of the state church have been eager to

dominate the political and social life. This church, naturally, is opposed to the presence and growth of free churches. It is easy to persuade the secular, political authorities that such churches are dangerous to the unity and the solidarity of national life, just at a time when such unity seems most imperative in the face of the expanding imperialism of the three great dictators of the Continent. Thus the supreme head of the Greek Church is now the King's chief minister, and another of the highest ranking priests is in charge of education and religion. Thus, in barest outline, we see the situation under which persecution of New Testament Christians is being carried on in Europe.

This whole situation means that the freedom of the Gospel is greatly hampered throughout Europe. Christianity must be re-thought, re-defined and re-directed before it can become, in any widely effective measure, the bearer of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the Kingdom of God to the confused and eager millions crowded up in a small continent and broken into a multiplicity of nations, races and cultural groups. Nor must we forget that the whole of Western civilization is involved in this crisis.

So far as Baptists are concerned, the times surely call for loyalty, clear and vigorous thinking, deep consecration and the utmost co-operation. There must be mutual understanding and unprecedented devotion to proclaiming and expressing in practical ways the Gospel in its simplicity and power, and in its comprehensive realization in the life of the world. The world awaits this faithful witnessing. It is imperatively needed in Europe, and in America as well.

Is America Japan's Ally Against China?

"Well, after all, your country supplies the Japanese with the aeroplanes, the aviation gasoline, the lubricating oils, the bombs—why

shouldn't you also provide the medical supplies for the victims of the bombs?" Thus spoke a Chinese who was assisting a Red Cross physician to unpack medical supplies at a point in China.

"The Chinese could save their country and their freedom if only against Japan, but it is very doubtful if they can against Japan and America. . . . "The Japanese are using four to five thousand American motor trucks in Shansi Province, enabling them to outmaneuver the Chinese troops entirely." So said an American doctor recently returned from China.

The barbaric war of subjugation has now gone on for eighteen months. Hundreds of thousands have lost their lives, millions have been reduced to desperate conditions. The American law prohibiting shipping supplies to belligerents in war has been utterly ignored. Technically the ignoring is legal. The law provides that it shall be applied 'when the President discovers that a state of warfare exists' in any country, or between countries. Our President has not yet been able to discover this most inhumane war, and so has steadily refused to put the bar up against the greed of American war-mongers. He cloaks his blindness behind the fact that neither Japan nor China has formally declared war on the other. He well knows that \$300,000,000 worth of war materials have gone to Japan to wreak death and havoc in China.

There is a vigorous movement in America, urged and abetted by the Americans in China, for the purpose of taking America out of this partnership with Japan in subduing China. A booklet, "*America's Share in Japan's War Guilt*" can be procured by writing to the American Committee, 8 West 40th Street, New York City. The price is fifteen cents. Folders setting forth the essential facts, but without the evidence adduced in the pamphlet, can be had free.

Our friends in China are pleading

with us to bring every possible influence to bear upon President Roosevelt, Secretary Hull and our representatives in Congress, to induce them not to be responsible for the destruction of China's independence.

Germany and the Nations

Under the inspiration of the dominance of combined pride, ambition and hate, Germany's Hitler is menacing the entire structure of modern civilization. He assumes the leadership of the nations that are driven on by the need for relieving internal conditions and by the greed for world leadership. There is growing up a powerful sentiment of unreasoning hatred toward the Berlin-Rome-Tokyo combination. At the moment, the insane abuse of the Jews is its most obvious expression. We cannot dissipate Germany's hate by hating Germany. We cannot restrain the insanity of power by ourselves going insane from fear. Jesus taught his followers, in the face of hatred and force, to put up the sword and take up the cross. He proposed to lead His followers on a crusade with a Message to go into the face of a world worshipping might. American Christianity is today the chief source from which the Message goes forth into the world. Yet, all Christians of America give annually less to send forth the Message into other lands than our Government spends for building and equipping one of its biggest battleships to carry death and destruction. The entire budget of organized religion in America, for home and for world, equals about one-third the current budget for maintaining equipment for warfare.

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WORLD
TELESCOPE

A Year of War and Missions In China

M. T. RANKIN, *Secretary for the Orient*

A year of war in China has passed, and what a year it has been! As I attempt to record some of the impressions of the year, a host of pictures immediately crowd into my mind. Pictures of suffering, tragic, devastating suffering. Pictures of broken and mangled bodies of wandering children and aged men and women, forlorn and hopeless. Pictures of great refugee camps, crowded with destitute people who have been blasted and blown from their homes by shells and bombs. Pictures of millions of human beings moving out over the face of a vast continent, seeking safety and shelter. Pictures of destruction, of cities and country-side wrecked and ruined, of homes, schools, churches, shops and commercial establishments blown into pieces. Pictures of the fury of savage cruelty and of beastly passions. Pictures of national greed and lust, of hate and injustice.

These are the thoughts that first crowd into my mind as I look back on the past year. They compose a scene of darkness. But, they constitute a background for another picture, a picture of light, of Jesus walking on the waves of the storm. It is this impression of light that I shall try to present.

Many of God's children in the Orient are gradually discerning that the terrifying waves of this storm in China constitute elevations in human experience from which God is making Himself more manifest to mankind. We are becoming increasingly conscious of the deep currents of life, running underneath the waves. A great drama of human history is being enacted, and the deep tides and currents of life are so stupendous that they are imponderable for most of us. But we are aware of them, and many of us believe that they are more to be

reckoned with in determining human history than are armies and guns and governments. And it is precisely these deep tides and currents of life that Jesus' message of redemption takes hold of and to which it gives direction and shape. For this reason, it is an intensely interesting and challenging privilege for a missionary of Jesus Christ to serve in the Orient today.

The real fury of the war in China exploded first in Shanghai. The distress and confusion which came to missionary work in the Central China Mission have been described in letters and articles. Most of the mission stations were evacuated at once. The Chinese Christians were scattered far and wide over the country. For a time, only four members of the Mission remained in Shanghai. The outlook for Christian work was dark.

But God's love had laid strong hold on the hearts of His children and they were constrained to give their best to sustain His Kingdom work. The churches in the war zone in Shanghai rented temporary quarters in the foreign settlements and did not miss one Sunday's services. The University of Shanghai has completed a year of successful work, and the China Baptist Publication Society has continued in operation.

As the months have passed, much progress has been made in reopening work outside of the foreign settlement in Shanghai. The Ming Jang Boys' School and the Eliza Yates Girls' Academy, formerly conducted in our Baptist Compound in Shanghai, have been temporarily combined with Yates Academy for boys and Wei Ling Academy for girls, formerly conducted in Soochow, and the four schools opened as a combined institution in Shanghai this fall. Within recent weeks,

missionaries have returned to all of the up-country stations of this Mission. Reports of remarkable opportunities come from those who have returned. God has given to His children in Yangchow privileges of rendering glorious services throughout the year. Almost two hundred people have been baptized there. The hospital buildings have recently been vacated by Japanese forces and we hope to reopen them in the fall. The Kiangsu Baptist Convention has secured an able, Chinese, general secretary who has a missionary associated with him. Together they are establishing contacts with the churches and chapels in the interior districts. In many of these places the pastors are slowly gathering the Christians together.

After a year of war, the main activities of Kingdom service within the area of our Central China Mission are all effectively operating. Our Shanghai Compound, because of the great damage to the buildings and the unstable conditions which still exist in that area, cannot yet be reoccupied, and we do not see any hopeful indications that the control and use of the campus of the University of Shanghai will be restored to us. But, as has been reported above, the schools from the Compound and the University are carrying on in the foreign settlement of Shanghai.

The regular Chinese armies were forced out of the area of the North China Mission a few months after fighting began in Shanghai. Since then that section is supposed to have been occupied by Japanese forces. The actual condition is, however, that with the exception of the largest cities, the territory is not controlled by any established authority. Bands of Chinese guerillas constitute as much authority as exists in the interior cities and

country districts. The people live constantly under conditions of potential anarchy and chaos. There is perpetual danger from Chinese brigands and Japanese air raids. Bombs struck our school at Pingtu and have been dropped in Hwanghsien a number of times. All lines of communications have been destroyed. Mule-litters have again become the only means of travel. Four of our stations are in this interior territory. It requires about two days to go by mule-litter from one station to another.

In spite of these conditions, most of the missionaries have remained at their stations throughout the year. Every station has been occupied. One single woman has been alone at Laiyang and another in Tsining. This latter city, in Western Shantung, has experienced very heavy fighting, which caused severe damage to our property.

Under such conditions as these, God has achieved marvelous results through His children in the North China Mission. "This has been the best year of my life," was a typical expression of the spirit which characterized the reports given at the annual meeting of the Mission in Chefoo in July. About four hundred were baptized during the year in the ten churches in the Hwanghsien field. One hundred and fifty members were added to the churches of the Laichow field. Two thousand villages and towns in the Pingtu field were divided among all the churches and, during the year, native Christians went two-by-two to preach in all these places. One hundred and sixty people were baptized in the city of Pingtu and many more in the country churches. Four new churches were organized and one hundred and fifty new members baptized in the Laiyang field. In one section near Tsingtau, two hundred and seventeen people were baptized. In all, well over fifteen hundred persons were baptized during the year in the area of the North China Mission. The three hospitals in the Mission con-

tinued full work and the ten or more schools, with approximately two thousand students, were conducted throughout the year.

Previous to the retreat of Chinese armies from the territory in which our Interior Mission work is located, the cities where our work is centered were frequently raided by airplanes. Kweiteh, Kaifeng and Chengchow were subjected to especially heavy raids. Our hospital at Chengchow was situated most strategically to render large services to wounded soldiers. Because this city is an important railway junction, it was almost destroyed by air raids. Twelve bombs dropped in our Compound. Although none of these made direct hits on our buildings, the property has been considerably damaged. The hospital continued, throughout all of this time, as one of the largest bases in the Chinese lines for treating wounded soldiers. Our missionaries were on the station without interruption. Church services have been held every Sunday.

Kweiteh, Pochow, and Kaifeng were occupied by Japanese forces in May. Most of our missionaries in these places decided to remain, as the Japanese army enveloped them and shut them off from the rest of the world. For weeks it seemed as if a vast, thick curtain had descended about them. We had no news from them. Gradually information has come out. They are still on their stations and are well. Only a few letters have come out from them by special messengers and, so far as we know, no letters from us have reached them. *All the letters that have reached us tell of overwhelming opportunities to minister to people who are suffering desperately in body and soul.*

Perhaps no other city in China has suffered so severely from air raids as Canton. Our great Tung Shan Compound, formerly with its thousands of students and varied church activities, is now a deserted place because it is in close proximity to a number of objectives of the terrible

air raids. The large Pooi Ching School moved last year to an interior city. Pooi To and Pooi In schools and the Tung Shan Kindergarten have moved to Hongkong. The Seminary continued at Tung Shan for a part of the school year, but was compelled to discontinue before the end of the term, and will probably reopen in Macao this fall.

For a time after the severe air raids began, some of the interior stations in the South China Mission were evacuated, but all of them again are occupied by missionaries. Evangelistic and church work in all fields has been maintained continuously. Letters from various fields tell of the working of the Holy Spirit in saving and reviving power.

During this year of war incalculable help has been rendered to Christian work in China by the special emergency and relief funds contributed by Southern Baptists. The self-supporting churches and the work maintained directly by the various Chinese Baptist Conventions and Associations have been faced with the most serious financial difficulties. The special contributions from Southern Baptists have done much to save from collapse this Chinese Kingdom work which the missionaries have labored for a century to build up. The relief funds have saved the lives of many people and have rescued many others from despair and hopelessness.

At the end of a year of war we have every regular mission station in all the China Missions occupied by missionaries. Many churches have been greatly disturbed, congregations have been scattered, and a number of church buildings destroyed, but, so far as I know, no regularly organized church has been permanently closed. Reports from all over China, both from the occupied areas and from behind the Chinese lines, tell of unusual opportunities for direct evangelistic work. In these days of darkness, the hearts of thousands of people are seeking after the Lord. We do not have

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FIELDS
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JAPAN



Mrs. Everett Gill
HUNGARY



Miss Kate Ellen Gruber
PALESTINE



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BRAZIL



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ARGENTINA



One Hungarian Y.W.A. member's personal service is the carrying of a tray of fruit to her unsaved friend in the hospital



Y.W.A. Mission Study Play, Bucharest, Rumania



W.M.U. WORK OVERSEAS



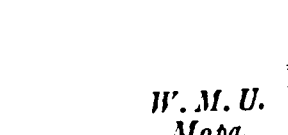
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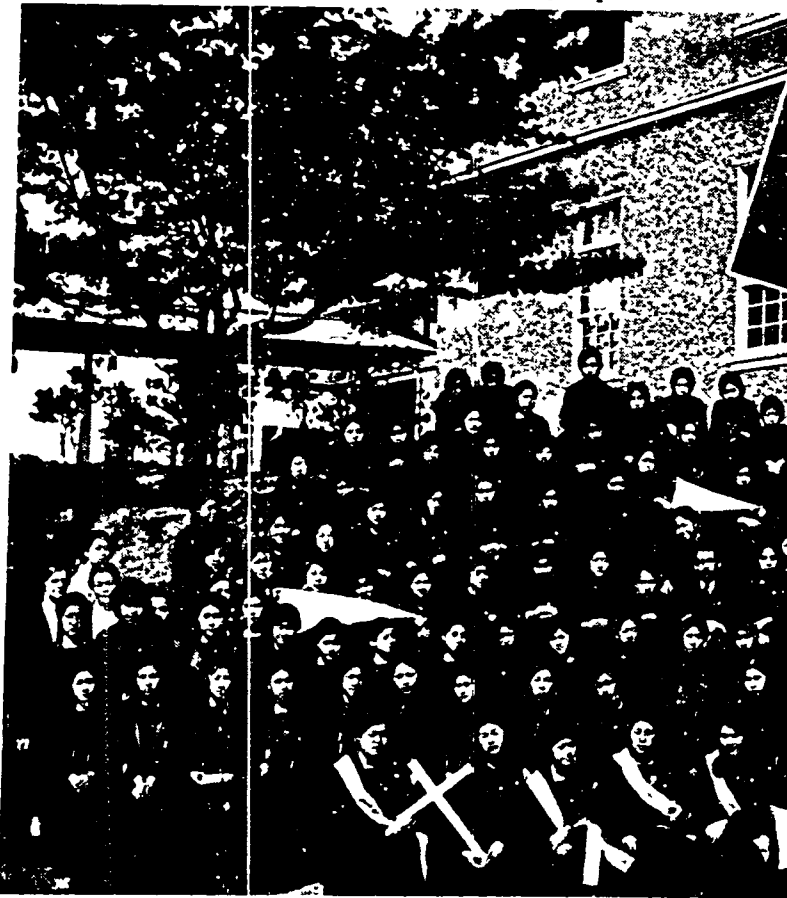
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Annual Meeting (1938) of Standing Committee of Young People's Work of China W. M. U.



W. M. U. Officers of Argentina



Y. W. A. Seinan Jo Gakuin, Kokura, Japan

Hungarian G.A. and R.A. practicing for the Children's Band that plays for the W. M. S. meetings



Mrs. Mizumachi, President Japan W. M. U. for 14 years



A Call to Protest Persecution of Rumanian Baptists

The Baptist World Alliance policy is simple: Press forward agitation and make clear what is happening—including the beatings and imprisonments of our people and the closing of the churches. Let the Rumanian Government know that Baptists all over the world are roused, and also that decent people won't stand for this kind of thing.

The first necessary step is to make known the character of this *decizie* to our constituency throughout the world, so that public opinion may be developed and expressed in all countries.

The Baptist World Alliance is therefore informing all its constituent bodies of the imminent peril to the Baptists of Rumania, and strongly urges that early and definite protests be made by such constituent bodies in the form of resolutions by representative Baptist groups, public meetings, and the like.

J. H. RUSHBROOKE
—London, England.

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Protest and Appeal for Rumanian Baptists

During the past few weeks scores of letters, petitions and appeals have passed through the offices of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention en route to the officials of the Rumanian Government. All of these protest and deplore the persecution being inflicted upon the seventy thousand Baptists in Rumania, and plead with the Rumanian Government for liberty and freedom of worship for all of her peoples.

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An Appeal of Baptist Students to Rumania

"We 2,500 members of the South-wide Baptist Student Conference, from 400 Colleges and Universities, within seventeen states of the

United States of America, assembled in Quadrennial Session in Memphis, Tenn., October 28, 1938, have heard with profound regret of the repressive edict of the Rumanian Government, which if applied, as it is intended to be, next December 15th, will close all of our 1,602 Baptist churches, save the thirty largest churches in that land.

"In those churches are 70,000 members who are most loyal to the state. They seek no ecclesiastical privileges, but simply ask for all others as well as themselves, the liberty to worship God as they deem best.

"We rejoice in the good relationship that exists between the Rumanian Government and that of the United States of America, but we are constrained most earnestly to appeal that this repressive edict may be annulled, and that full liberty of worship may be accorded to all Rumanian citizens."

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Churches Protest Persecution in Rumania

Dr. Charles E. Maddry,
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Dr. Maddry:

I have just read your statement and appeal in the *Religious Herald* in behalf of the Rumanian Baptists. It makes my blood boil with righteous indignation to learn of any people, who regard themselves as religionists of any type, being so intolerant, uncharitable and void of any spirit of mercy as to persecute so cruelly and wickedly a peace-loving, New Testament body of Christians such as our Baptists of Rumania. A people who hold as a sacred tenet of their faith, religious liberty, certainly should be accorded the right and privilege of propagating their faith in the interest of humanity and the glory of

God. I would, therefore, urge and implore the responsible parties in Rumania to desist from their most unworthy, unholy and wicked measures for destroying the Christian faith in their land. That group of citizens in Rumania, known as Baptists, is deserving of praise and the protection on the part of the government. Let the rulers of the government, therefore, both civil and religious, bear in mind that the gates of hell cannot prevail against the church of Jesus Christ to destroy it. May the Lord of Heaven see to it that such cruel treatment of His people will not go unpunished.

Wm. J. Crain,
Pastor Clarksville Baptist Church,
Clarksville, Va.

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The Federal Council of Churches Voices Concern

October 11, 1938.

His Beatitude, The Patriarch
Myron Christea,
The Patriarchal Palace,
Bucharest, Roumania.

Your Beatitude:

Your Christian brethren of the American churches desire to present to you this evidence of their great concern over the proposal to enforce regulations (*Decizie* No. 26-208) in Rumania which, if applied, would virtually serve to destroy the work of all religious minorities.

Your own communion is a small minority church in America, but we who represent the great majority have sought in every way to protect its rights and to cultivate the friendliest possible relations. We are certain that your sense of fairness and of Christian brotherliness would indicate a similar attitude on your Grace's part where our colleagues of the Protestant churches are concerned.

Furthermore, we would venture to hope that the conclusions reached at the Oxford Conference on Church and State in the summer of 1937 would be seriously considered by your own great Church and the Government of which you are the Chief Executive. These Oxford conclusions in the matter of religious liberty are quite explicit and to the careful student of church life in Rumania, it appears that both in spirit and in letter these conclusions would be set at naught if the proposed legislation were to go into effect.

We cannot stress too emphatically the dangers which confront the disciples of our Common Lord in all parts of the world today. With increasing frequency governments are exercising control over the church—and all churches—in such a manner that the very future of the Christian Church is jeopardized. For that reason it seems highly

essential that Christians of whatever name should work in harmony and cooperation to strengthen the Church as a whole. We cannot but feel that the threatened action in your country would seriously injure the Free Churches. Many of these, particularly the Baptists, have close connections with American and European Protestant churches, and the net effect, moreover, of Rumania's proposed action would be a serious break in the ecumenical life of the Church as a whole—and this is a time when solidarity is so obvious a necessity.

We shall continue to preach and teach liberty and equal rights for your own communion in our land. We shall hope and pray that your good offices will be enlisted to see that the same rights are extended to those of our communions in your nation. Wishing you Grace, Mercy and Peace.

EDGAR DEWITT JONES, Pres.

Recent Cablegrams Confirm Persecution

The following significant cablegrams from London, England, convey the most recent news from Rumanian Baptists:

December 15—"Press reports Rumanian Baptists closed all churches by own initiative to avoid conflict with authorities. Am waiting further news."

December 21—"Grave reason for doubting published report that churches closed on Rumanian Baptist initiative. They cannot write. Latest news asserts decree enforced churches sealed. Some property seized. Enquiring further."

December 22—"Rumanian Baptists have telegraphed King Carol declaring themselves fully loyal and that they include neither communists nor iron guards. Assert 1602 churches closed. Rights ad-

mitted for 75 years withdrawn. Churches in Banat sealed. Money seized. Property inventoried. Thirty Bessarabian Baptists brought before courtmartial. They praise Minister of Interior. Blame Orthodox Church. Ask King's protection, cancellation of decree and legal standing of recognized cult. Reported from Rumania the Cultus Minister threatens resignation unless decree enforced."

Two years ago the Baptist World Alliance made a thorough investigation of the record of citizenship of the members of the Baptist churches of Rumania. The report to the Rumanian government showed a most excellent record and evidenced loyalty to the Rumanian government.

In spite of repeated pledges of

loyalty and clean records, the Rumanian Baptists have continued to receive unjust accusations from the priesthood of the Orthodox Church.

Among the demands of the *Decision* No. 26208 which "sealed" all the Baptist churches of Rumania December 15, are: one hundred registered male members who have reached a majority; a church-owned cemetery; the location of the prayer houses must not be in the same vicinity of a State church, and other equally as impossible demands.

Recent letters and messages confirm the fact that hundreds of innocent Baptist citizens are in prison, thousands of others are summoned to trial, countless numbers are boycotted and persecuted as of the days of medieval cruelty, and scores of pastors are sentenced to imprisonment, labor and exorbitant fines.

A Thousand Appeal

October 30, 1938

TO HIS MAJESTY, KING CAROL
OF RUMANIA:

With all of Christ and His Spirit that have filled our hearts and whose way of life we feel to be the only salvation of men and nations, we do herewith express our deep regret that your State has denied the freedom to preach Christ in the Baptist Churches there.

So also do we voice a vigorous protest against the might that would cast in prison those Baptist ministers whose sole 'crime' is proclaiming that God is Love and Christ the Way of Life.

Signed:

Western Avenue Baptist Church
William M. Jamerson, Pastor
Mary Cashwell, Church Clerk
Statesville, N. C.

Representing 1,291 members

The Baptist Hundred Thousand Club

J. E. DILLARD

Full five years have passed since the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club was launched and began paying the big debt upon our south-wide agencies. Not all our hopes have been realized, but the good accomplished has been so great that we thank God, take courage, and press onward.

The Baptist Hundred Thousand Club has paid, in round numbers, a million dollars upon the principal of our debts; it has strengthened the morale of our people; encouraged our agencies and workers; re-established our credit, and helped every cause we have.

As It Was

There were eight points in the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club plan as it was adopted and launched at the Southern Baptist Convention in May 1933:

1. The name was to be "The Baptist Hundred Thousand Club."
2. The purpose was to hasten the payment of the debts upon the agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention.
3. The objective was 100,000 members.
4. The membership was to be one dollar a month "over and above."
5. This extra dollar was to be paid upon the principal of the debts of the denomination.
6. The money was to be prorated to the agencies in proportion to their debt needs.
7. The Sunday School Board offered to pay all expense of promotion so that every cent received would apply upon debts.
8. The months of January and February were to be used for the special promotion of the Club.

As It Is

Through the five years of its existence the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club has been kept true in the main to the objective, plan and organization as originally launched. Only two modifications have taken place; one in the matter of memberships, and the other in the matter of distribution of funds in six states that, because of special agreement, retain half the Club receipts to apply upon the principal of their state debts. The modifications in memberships came about as follows:

When the effort was launched to secure 100,000 members paying \$1.00 each, it soon became apparent that certain modifications would have to be made. For example, a husband and wife would want to take a membership together; they could not, or would not, take two memberships. Should we deny them the privilege of taking a membership jointly? Certainly not. Well, how about two children or two friends joining together? Isn't half a loaf better than no loaf, and will not half a dollar each, from two persons, stop as much interest as one dollar from one person? Certainly.

Then there was a good pastor who made a long trip to tell, that in his church, his people were poor and could not give an extra dollar each, but that he could get many of them to give twenty-five cents each and, "Would four twenty-five cent pieces do as much good as one dollar, and have the merit of interesting and enlisting more people

in the good work?" And how about groups of boys and girls, and groups in unions, and circles in the missionary society? Of course they should be allowed to do it if they want to. Sometimes they did it without asking permission. They were Baptists. In this way arose the group membership idea by which any group, desiring to do so, could take a membership. And literally hundreds of "group memberships" have been taken.

Then there was a man, several men, who said, "I want to take more than a dollar membership. I want to give five, ten;" one man said, "I will give a hundred." A good woman gave a thousand dollars, and a brother beloved in Texas gave five thousand at one time. Shall we not accept and encourage "multiple memberships"? Common sense answers, "To be sure."

There were some who suggested that we commemorate the centennial of the death of that debt-paying Baptist, Luther Rice, by having memorial memberships of \$100 cash each.

As It Should Be

And so the changes in the memberships were brought about. As it now stands, anyone who wants to help in this work can find a membership that he can afford. He can join with other loyal Baptists who really care, and help get rid of these troublesome debts. *It will be as it should be, when every loyal Baptist joins in taking some membership.*

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Two peasant children from Mezökövesd, Hungary.



Group of workers of the Stout Memorial Hospital, Wuchow, China, just before leaving on regular itinerating trip. Seated in the foreground are three of the hospital carriers. Standing, left to right, Mr. W. S. Au-yeung, evangelist; Mr. C. H. Leung, evangelist; Dr. R. E. Beddoe, superintendent; Mr. T. W. Yeung, graduate nurse; Mrs. R. E. Beddoe, director of evangelism; Dr. C. K. Yung and Mrs. K. C. Liu, Bible woman. The square boxes contain medicine for free treatments.

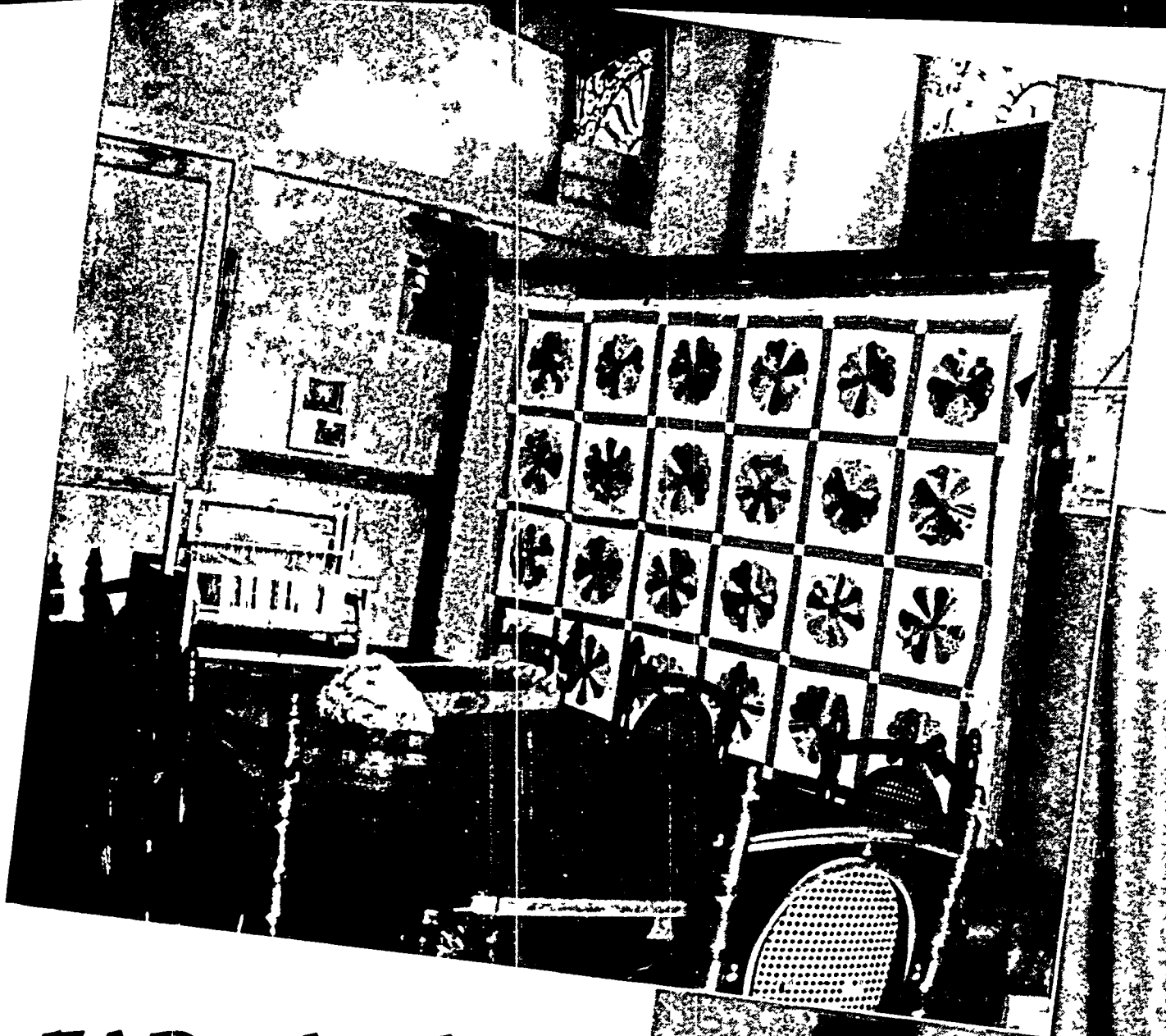


"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least"—even this Chinese refugee—"ye have done it unto me."



John Hall Jones presenting THE COMMISSION at Memphis

The W.M.S. of São Baptist Church, Bahia, Brazil, has a quilt in the frame. On the adjoining veranda this hand-work is placed before the women meet. Gathering around it to work, they find it easier to ask questions about the Gospel.



FAR-AWAY CLOSE-UPS



Miss Gene Newton, office secretary, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia, belongs to three nations. Her grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Newton, were pioneer missionaries to Nigeria, Africa. Mr. C. C. Newton was buried at sea off the gold coast of Africa. Mrs. C. C. Newton and her daughter, Alberta, are buried in Africa. Gene's parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Newton, have only recently completed thirty-six years of service in China. Gene lived in China until she came to the University of Richmond. Her international background and earnest interest in the unsaved millions of the world make her a valuable asset.

Mrs. Lope, W.M.U. worker for northern district of Southern Baptist Mission in Nigeria.



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The Travail of Rumanian Baptists

On our way to the meeting of the International Missionary Council in Madras, India, we spent a day in Paris in conference with some of our Baptist leaders of Europe. Dr. Everett Gill, the European Representative of our Southern Baptist work in the Balkans, Dr. W. O. Lewis, the Representative of our Northern Baptist Board, and Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, the Secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, came together in Paris for the conference. Dr. Gill brought the latest word on the persecution of our Baptist brethren in Rumania. Many of our Baptist brethren and sisters in that unhappy land are now in prison for the *offense* of preaching the Gospel and attending meetings for worship in Baptist chapels. Many have been fined and others have been brutally whipped for refusing to attend worship in the Orthodox Greek Church. The Baptists of Rumania, 70,000 in number, have adopted the attitude of passive resistance and

will continue to preach and suffer as long as the Orthodox Church and the government keep up the persecution. Dr. Gill reported that Missionary W. E. Craighead of Bessarabia was arrested recently and spent a day in prison and was released on the intervention of the American Consul in his city. It is hard to believe that a modern state, in the twentieth century, would be guilty of such wholesale persecution of a helpless, innocent, religious minority, as we are witnessing in Rumania today. The astonishment is all the greater when we remember that the Patriarch of the Greek Orthodox Church is the Prime Minister of Rumania and the Minister of Cults is a Bishop of the Orthodox Church. These two worthies have determined to suppress the Baptists once and for all, and have declared this to be their purpose.

Dr. Rushbrooke reported that the representatives of all the Free Church groups in England had joined him in a ringing protest against the brutal and inhuman persecution of the Baptists of Rumania,

and a large delegation representing the Free Churches of England tried to see King Carol of Rumania upon the occasion of his recent visit to London. They were received by the king's secretary who promised to present the protest to his majesty. We are glad indeed that Dr. Rushbrooke, brave and courageous servant of world Baptists, is taking the lead in this matter of trying to deliver our Rumanian Baptists from this orgy of persecution that is sweeping through their ranks today.

Dr. W. O. Lewis reported on a tour he had just made through Germany and Czecho-Slovakia. Our Northern Baptist Board assists in the conduct of a theological seminary in Prague. Large groups of Czech Baptists have been lost to Germany and Hungary in the recent upheavals in those lands. After hearing at first hand of the sufferings of Jews and Baptists in central Europe, we came away from this conference in Paris, with fresh and abounding gratitude to God, that we live in America, where every man can worship God unmolested and unafraid.—C. E. M.

A Ghastly Business

The half million Jews in Germany are now passing through an orgy of persecution, the like of which the world has not seen in a thousand years. For sheer brutality and fiendish ingenuity, it surpasses anything the chosen people of God have ever been called upon to suffer. An over-wrought and irresponsible Jewish youth shot down a German diplomatic official in Paris, whereupon the officials of Germany let loose upon the helpless Jewish people of Germany a reign of terrorism, smashing and burning their property, until the losses have run into millions. For a crime committed by one irresponsible Jewish youth in Paris, the whole body of the Jewish people of Germany have been fined the staggering sum of *four hundred million dollars*. Thousands of Jews have been arrested

and thrown into concentration camps throughout Germany. Others have been brutally murdered and countless thousands have been driven from their homes. A group of the wealthiest Jews in Berlin have been compelled to repair, at their own expense, their property ruined by the German mob, while the state collects from the insurance companies, and pockets the money. The repaired property will then be transferred to German ownership.

Jews have been excluded from all places of entertainment, from railway trains, from all business transactions, except among themselves. Someone has ironically said: "All the Jews in Germany can do now is to take in each other's washing." Those who are still left in possession of their freedom are in an appalling state of distress, some wandering in the woods, others hiding with friends, or trying to buy or beg food and drink, which many shops refuse to let them have. Some have escaped from the country; other thousands have tried to get away, but the restrictions have made it practically impossible.

The Nazi policy at the present seems to be to keep the whole host of victims within Germany, to be bled white, and slowly, or maybe quickly—starved to death. The effect which this brutal and unprecedented crime has had upon world opinion abroad has been instantaneous and profound. Throughout the civilized world it has aroused horror, anger and a storm of vehement protest. In his protest against this new outburst of barbarism of the German nation against an innocent and helpless minority, President Roosevelt has won the unstinted admiration and expressed the united protest of the liberty-loving people of the world.

By this latest debauch of persecution, the honor of the German nation has been stained and defouled beyond hope of restoration for years to come. What the Jews of Germany are suffering surpasses the

power of words to express; but Germany's suffering will be far greater. In all history no nation which has persecuted the Jews has escaped punishment from God. Spain tried it five hundred years ago and, since that hour, the displeasure of God has been felt by that nation. Today, the curse of a God who never forgets is upon Germany, and her wickedness and madness will inevitably lead to ruin.

What can God's people do for the suffering Jews of Germany in this fateful hour? We can contribute toward their relief and, in every possible way help to remove them from the clutches of German tyranny. This means that for these oppressed people funds must be provided and doors opened in democratic lands. We sincerely hope that our country will lead the way and show the world that a great, liberty-loving, Christian nation has an open heart and an open door for the oppressed and persecuted minorities of every land.—C. E. M.

Go Forward

By the kind permission of the sculptor, Bryant Baker, *The Commission* presents on its cover this month, a picture of his masterpiece, *The Pioneer Woman*. Of this heroic statue, Mr. Baker writes:

The pioneer woman was beautiful enough to have been the grandmother of many of the beautiful American women we see around us today. She was the handsome, strong type, her sturdy stride showing determination and purpose to win, and to do more than her share. She knew not worldly riches, but she was the possessor of that real wealth that survives pain, sorrow, and disaster—the inexhaustible wealth of a magnificent soul.

The bundle under her arm represents the burden of life, the book is the Bible, in which are recorded the vital facts of the family, and is a symbol of learning.

The little boy, filled with surprise at the wonders she is unfolding to him, is the hope of the future, perhaps a president of the United States tomorrow.

The woman is not yet seared and broken by heart-breaking toil. She is to America what the Victory of Samathrace was to Greece or what Joan of Arc is to France.

She is the impersonation of *Go Forward*—the watchword of the founders of Woman's Missionary Union. She is the Spirit of '88 that personalized in womanhood the heroism, the courage, the vision, the love, the attitude of the intelligent and universal Jesus. All of these Christly characteristics were essential to those pioneer women who formulated the fundamental aims of the missionary movement among Southern Baptist women.

Holding close to her bosom the Guide-Book to study, prayer, service and stewardship, clasping firmly the child's hand in fellowship and in directing his way, she searches far horizons and goes forth to stake her all in lands unknown. She is the impersonation of Christian womanhood heroically, sacrificially, courageously *going forward* daily for Christ to the ends of the earth. She is the fearless Christian woman, yesterday, today and forever.

"Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all. Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her."

Hail to the Spirit of *The Pioneer Woman* living and active in the hearts of the great host of handmaidens of the Lord—Woman's Missionary Union! We praise God for them and for their missionary zeal evidenced in their glorious prayers and generous gifts during the recent Christmas season. Neither the Christmas star nor the summer's sun ever set on these rich investments for the King of kings and Lord of lords.—I. G. C.

Adding Insult to Injury

Growing out of the Oxford and Edinburgh Conferences, held in the summer of 1937, there is in process of formation, a World Council of Churches, patterned somewhat after the plan of the Federal Council in America. It will be remembered that the Oxford Conference adopted a beautiful and comprehensive statement on religious liberty and deplored the effort, on the part of any church or government, to coerce religious minorities anywhere. The bishops, representing the Greek Orthodox Church of Rumania, voted for this beautiful and timely resolution on religious liberty and the rights of minorities. These bishops were appointed to the Oxford Conference by the Patriarch of the Greek Orthodox Church in Rumania. Remember that this gentleman is also the Prime Minister of Rumania and one of his bishops is Minister of Cults. These two Rumanian officials have expressly declared it to be their purpose, while in power, to suppress the Baptists of Rumania. In an effort to carry out their diabolical purpose, they have filled the jails of Rumania with humble Baptist people.

Now it comes about that the new World Council of Churches will be almost completely dominated by the representatives of the Church of England and their close allies, the representatives of the Greek Orthodox Church in Rumania. These two state supported churches recognize each other's "orders." Now a marvelous thing has just happened. The Committee, appointed by the proposed *World Council of Churches* to invite other church groups to join the Council, has sent an official invitation to the Baptist Union of Rumania to become a member.

Of course, Rumanian Baptists must reject this *gracious* invitation and must refuse to have fellowship with these haters and persecutors of Baptists.—C. E. M.

Have you renewed your subscription to *The Commission*?

Was It In Vain?

By CHARLES A. WELLS



Was it in vain that the world was once shown that it need not live by hatred and violence? Was it in vain that we were taught that men could be as little children, eager, sincere, tender and compassionate, and in so doing, become greater than all the kings that trampled life in a pursuit of glory? Did we completely fail to catch a glimpse of what love can do,—even against cold steel? We might ask that question as the old world rolls its way on towards another year, and by the high points of news receive a disturbing answer. But then there are those men and women we know who don't often break into the news, but whose lives have broken away from the bondage of hatred, violence and greed. Some of them are famous for their great service, some are unknown but still serve. Look into their wistful faces and you know it wasn't in vain. Look into your own eyes and ask,—for you—“was it in vain?”

Editorial Varieties

CHARLES E. MADDRY

COMING:

A GREAT ANNIVERSARY!

Southern Baptists will be celebrating their centennial in 1945—six years hence. The Foreign Mission Board at the October meeting, appointed a committee of five to consider the matter of a worthy and adequate celebration of this significant event. This committee will report to the semi-annual meeting of the Board in April, and we hope some comprehensive plan will be ready for submission to the Convention meeting in Oklahoma City.

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A HISTORY WORTH RECORDING

Since 1845 nearly eleven hundred Southern Baptist missionaries have been sent out to the several mission fields by the Foreign Mission Board. What a story of romance and thrilling adventure gathers around the names of these heroic and devoted servants of Christ! We hope that someone with the necessary cultural background and historic instinct may be found to write the story of one hundred years of foreign mission endeavor and achievement of Southern Baptists.

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DISTRESS IN PALESTINE

News from Haifa, Nazareth, Tel Aviv and Jerusalem verify the grave fact that thousands are being killed in Palestine. There have been recent uprisings in all four of these cities.

Last week in Jerusalem handbills bore the following inscription:

"THE TERRORISTS COMMITTEE IN JERUSALEM: We have received instructions from Abdel Rahim El Saoudi and Abdel Hamid El Druzi, the leaders of the terrorists in Palestine, to proclaim a general strike as the attack on Jerusalem is coming shortly.

Every butcher and vegetable dealer should go on strike.

Any person not going on strike will be killed in due course."

A GREAT RECORD

We believe that the record of Dr. Finley F. Gibson, of the Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky, stands unique and alone in the history of the achievement of American Baptist churches. He has just completed nineteen years of blessed and fruitful ministry with this incomparable church. Here is the record of achievement:

"During these nineteen years, totaling 988 Sundays, there have been 6,326 additions to Walnut Street Church. In this time there have been only ten Sundays, when the pastor was present, that no one united with the church. On every Sunday night all these years, the pastor has preached an evangelistic sermon to large crowds, many times numbers being turned away for lack of room to seat them.

The following figures give some idea of the amounts brought into the Lord's treasury:

For Current Expenses..	\$456,380.91
For Building Enlargement.....	110,000.00
For Missions and Benevolences.....	563,715.96

Grand Total in Nineteen Years.....\$1,130,096.87

We congratulate this servant of God, and if it is His will we pray that this good work may go on, until God shall call him home."

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RELIEF AND ANNUITY PLAN

In Baptist circles throughout the South, the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention led the way in making provision, in a modest way, for aged and infirm, foreign missionaries. This it has done through its Relief and Annuity Board. The Pension Plan of the Board was put into operation on January 1, 1934. Now, many of

the Baptist colleges, orphanages, hospitals, and State Mission Boards have followed the example and hundreds of teachers, field workers and pastors have some measure of security against ill health and the infirmities of age.

We rejoice in this progressive and forward-looking movement so rapidly gaining favor among Southern Baptists.

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A WORTHWHILE INVESTMENT

THE COMMISSION, our new foreign mission publication, has built up a subscription list of approximately 12,000 for the first year. Business Manager, John Hall Jones, has set for THE COMMISSION a goal of 25,000 subscribers by the end of 1939. We do not anticipate any trouble whatsoever in reaching that goal. If all of our friends will lend a hand and send us a batch of new subscriptions, we shall easily attain our goal. If you consider this periodical a worth-while investment, will you help the cause of Missions, by telling your friends about it?

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A JUST DEMAND

The government of the United States extends absolute religious freedom to all religious sects alike. The Greek Orthodox Church has many congregations in America and they are granted the same rights and privileges that Baptists enjoy. We have a right to demand for our Baptist brethren and sisters in Rumania, the same rights which we accord to the citizens of Rumanian blood, who are living under the benefits and protection of the American government. This is nothing but common right and justice, and we hope our government will say as much to the Rumanian authorities.

Glimpses of New Missionaries



Mary Herring

MARY HERRING—Born Sept. 16, 1906, Shantung, China. Many and varied experiences crowd the life of a missionary's daughter, but my earliest recollections are of a trip with mother to her home in Australia. As we traveled together, she told me of the Lord Jesus, often repeating the story of the lost sheep. I was that lost sheep. But one night, the Shepherd found me. We were looking up at the stars, and mother had been telling me of the One who made them, when she said: "Jesus wants to come into your heart. What will you say to Him?" I said, "Come in, Jesus." Though I may not have understood the full significance, nor remembered the details, yet I can never forget the sense of God's nearness, and the beauty of His creation. So it was that from its earliest beginning my life has been unusually blessed by real Christian experience; sin made me miserable till confessed and forgiven.

Our home in Chengchow, Honan, China, was a normal one, as any with six children would be, but its privileges were soon exchanged for the life of a boarding school. In 1917, I entered a school for missionaries' children conducted under the auspices of the Lutheran Mission in Honan. Then in 1922, came furlough time and America!

Perhaps it is not difficult to imag-

ine the surprises and adjustments for one who in some ways was fitted for college, but who had, only a few months before leaving China, realized that all Americans were not ministers. Before long, however, I had become the average student, care-free, happy, yet with a deep heart-hunger for God; for having become absorbed in other activities, I had lost the sense of His living reality. In 1927, as I was being graduated from Meredith College, Raleigh, N. C., one of the periodic wars broke out in China, and my parents returned to this country. It was my privilege to live with them and teach in the town of Fuquay Springs, N. C. During those years, God brought me into vital touch with Himself again, and called me out into work for Him.

Just what that service was to be I did not know, but in 1936, after further preparation and study in Columbia Bible College, Columbia, S. C., I began to feel a personal responsibility for the condition of the heathen. Yet fearing lest I should be influenced by a natural desire to return to China, I asked of God certain definite signs by which I might know His will. I asked that He would grant me an offer of salaried work that would be given in such a way as would clearly reveal His choice, and in case He should want me in China that someone would ask me to go. Then I waited, speaking of it to no one. On a Sunday morning some months later, as we were singing, "Saviour, let me walk with Thee," the Holy Spirit made me realize the privilege of walking with Jesus, and whispered softly, "Are you ready?" Without a moment's hesitation, I placed my hand in His, as it were, to walk with Him, it mattered not where. That same afternoon, in a long distance call, I was asked by Mr. N. H. Carter, of Wallace, N. C., to go as a

missionary to China, and work in Honan province for which he had been especially burdened. His offer of a salary was later taken up by the First Baptist Church of Winston-Salem, N. C., of which my brother is pastor.

Since making clear His will, God has allowed severe testings of various kinds, but through them all has brought me to the firm conviction, "Faithful is he that calleth you who will also do it." On the 11th of May, 1938, after a year at the W.M.U. Training School in Louisville, Ky., I was officially appointed by the Foreign Mission Board for service in Chengchow, Honan, China.

JOHN A. MOORE—I was born in Clarksdale, Mississippi, December 10, 1912. My father being a traveling salesman, it was necessary for us to move about as much as the proverbial Methodist preacher. For most of the time since 1912, however, our home has been in Tupelo, Mississippi.

Soon after coming to Tupelo, I was converted, at the age of nine, and joined the church.

Three years later I listened to the reading of Solomon Ginsburg's Mis-



John A. Moore

sionary biography, *A Wandering Jew in Brazil*. I re-read the book several times. It made a profound impression upon me for missionary service, an impression that has become increasingly definite through the years.

In 1930, I graduated from the Tupelo high school, and in the fall entered Mississippi College. In the summer following my first year in college I made known my surrender to the ministry; and in the statement I made before the church I specifically stated my willingness to go anywhere in all the world that God should lead.

I was ordained on my twenty-first birthday in our college church at Clinton, Mississippi, my brother preaching the ordination sermon.

I entered the Louisville Seminary in the fall of 1934 and three years later received the Th.M. degree. For the past year I have been doing graduate work in the Seminary.

Since 1935, in addition to my school work, I have served as pastor of the Baptist Church at Salvisa, Ky.

I am eagerly looking forward to my work in Rumania and trusting that the Lord may use me to His glory in that land of great need.



Walter L. Johnson

WALTER L. JOHNSON—On February 17, 1901, I was born at Lang-nau, Laurel County, Kentucky, where I grew up on a farm. As a lad I attended Salem Church near our home. While young I accepted Christ as my Saviour, and at the age of fifteen was baptized and joined the church.

When almost sixteen, I went away from home to boarding school, completing the high school and some college work in two and one-half years, intending to study law.

At the age of nineteen, after hearing a missionary sermon, I answered the Lord's call to preach. First must come preparation, which meant graduation from Georgetown College and five years in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Years of work and of waiting lay ahead, but the life purpose never changed for one day.

In the years following I attended several colleges: Cumberland, Sue Benner, Ogden, and Western Kentucky Teachers' College.

On entering Georgetown College in 1924, I met Miss Bessie Kemper, who, after a college romance, became Mrs. Johnson in 1926. From this school we graduated together, receiving the A.B. degree.

Enrolling in 1929 in the Graduate School of the University of Louisville, I afterwards completed at the University of Kentucky, the classroom work for the M.A. degree.

In addition to college studies, the time from 1920 to 1929 was filled with activities from which I obtained money to help in preparation for the ministry.

In 1929, I entered the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and in 1931, received the Th.B. degree, and in 1932 that of Th.M.

At the invitation of Dr. W. Hersey Davis, Professor of New Testament Interpretation, I became a Fellow in the Greek Department of



Bessie Kemper Johnson

the Seminary, grading papers and teaching for three years. During the last year, at the passing of Dr. A. T. Robertson, the Introductory Greek Class of some hundred students came to my care. I received the Ph.D. degree in 1936.

My first pastorate was at Clear Creek, near Lexington, Kentucky. On leaving the Seminary we came to the First Church of Mount Airy, N. C., where we have labored for two and one-half years.

In April of this year, Dr. Charles E. Maddy laid before me something of the needs and opportunities in six fields among five nations of the earth and, greatly to my surprise, offered to send me to one of them.

After two or three weeks of prayer and intense consideration, Mrs. Johnson and I decided it was the Lord's will for us to go to El Paso, Texas, where I am to teach in the Mexican Baptist Seminary and she in the Training School.

BESSIE KEMPER JOHNSON (Mrs. Walter L. Johnson)—I was born February 9, 1905, at New, Kentucky, where my earlier years were spent on the farm. When I was around nine years of age I accepted Christ as my Saviour and was baptized.

While I was young our family

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Brazilian Baptist Womanhood

W. C. TAYLOR, *Secretary to Latin America*

What do you admire in womanhood? If your answer is Christian, you will find it writ large in the annals of the Cross in Brazil. What are the holy traits of Christian women?

COMPASSION

Is compassion one? Such a trait is Christlike, and I set before you the compassionate life of Brazil's Noemi Campello, our first woman missionary to the Indians. Slender in form, strong in patience and faith, young in marriage, in motherhood, in missionary life, in lonely death, Noemi (Naomi) went out to a tribe of brutal Indians. Torn with shame at their brazen nudity, she gave them clothes till almost threadbare herself, only to see them ashamed of the clothes and pulling the dresses over their faces to hide that shame. She helped her husband help them, from a half-starving life of aimless hunting, to a prosperous life of farming and peace. Ever teaching women and children, in spite of threats and peril, living in a cabin built by their own hands, she endured the theft of her treasured possessions. She gave her life to the work for these benighted ones, and is buried in a lonely grave. But that grave is a magnet of our Lord. It has drawn a score of missionaries from favored places and circumstances out to a life of similar compassion and service. A very Brazilian womanhood did Christ win in Noemi Campello.

LOVE

Do you admire love? I wish you could have known Dona Maria Borges. Her husband was a pioneer in the days of Z. C. Taylor, Ginsburg and Entzminger in Pernambuco. He was a merchant in the city of Nazareth, Brazil, and had a beautiful home. On a summer eve, they

went for a stroll, stopped at the window of a humble home and listened, amazed, at a new religion being sung, read and preached. They heard the story of the prodigal son. They strolled on without a word, came home, sat in their chairs in their front room and the wife watched as tears ran down her husband's cheeks. "Oh," she said, "as we thought of that old man, looking for his boy to return, we could not keep back the tears. We thought it was the most beautiful story we had ever heard. And to think that God is like that!"

Soon they were among the believers, leading a little group as it rapidly grew. John Borges da Rocha became a pastor. Boycott and hatred have ruined them, financially, but they are not bitter. Priests hire soldiers to surround the church and shoot. John said to Mary: "You stay at home today, dear." But she would have missed the joy of her Lord. She went with exultant gladness, knelt by his side, as the little group prayed together and sang Psalms, while mad yells surrounded the church and bullets rained through its windows and doors. Afterwards she said one day, smilingly: "Various times, as we went slowly through the mobs, I have felt the spittle of men run down my cheeks."

They were contemporaries of the Bible burning in Pernambuco that rocked all Brazil into alertness against priestcraft and toward a day of full religious liberty. In love and faith and courageous hope, they bore the heat and brunt of a very difficult era. Finally, he said to the First Church of Recife: "I am growing old. You need a more vigorous leader. I step down to the rank of a member without official position. I shall give to my successor the kind of loyalty I have wanted

given to me." Together these two consecrated workers journeyed toward the setting sun. Then alone, submissive, cheery, full of good works, the wife lived her lovely devotion. A very Brazilian Christian was Dona Maria Borges.

CULTURE AND TALENT

Do you admire in womanhood culture and talent consecrated to Christ? That is often found in Brazil. One of the earliest examples is "Doutora"—the feminine of the Portuguese word for doctor. *Doutora* Amelia Cavalcante, member of an eminent family, was the second woman to graduate from a medical college in Brazil, the first in the vast North where I knew her. For half a century she was a specialist in the treatment of women and children. She kept a home, reared children not her own, sheltered the needy, educated youth, fostered music and art, bore her witness in high circles and low and was never too busy to be a loyal worker in her church. *Doutora* was a niece of Brazil's first cardinal, the greatly beloved Dom Joaquim Arcoverde. When she was a young believer, after her conversion under the fervent ministry of brother A. B. Deter, this uncle, then a local priest, sought to win her back to Rome. Many a scintillating exchange of wit marked that series of battles her courageous spirit won. The Cardinal's brother, her father, dies in her faith and the Cardinal himself in his last will and testament gives expression to one of the clearest declarations of salvation by grace through faith. Her witness was not in vain.

She was our family physician when the dread epidemic of influenza drew on, a score of years ago. Mrs. Taylor was the principal of our new Woman's Training School,

with its first class of students. Hearses rattled over the cobble stones all the dull, dreary day. "Doutora," under God, did not lose one of us who were her many patients in the institution and its associated homes.

I saw her beautiful old age. Men and women still came to her for treatment when she was feeble and almost blind. She had given her all to others. Now her church gave her two of its Sunday school rooms to live in. There she held court every day and grateful patients of other years ministered to her needs. Many Catholic women came to see her. They urged her to give up her faith and let them furnish her every comfort. She rebuked them with her hearty laugh: "What have *you* that you can give *me*? I have everything in abundance. Nothing is lacking. I only await the summons of the Lord Jesus. I shall not be false to him now after the years of His love to me." Finally, they persuaded her to allow them to join with the believers in caring for her comfort, rented a little home for her, and we and they went often to her home. So one day, in her brilliant humility and devotion, she "fell on sleep."

POETRY AND MUSIC

Have poetry and music any affinity for womanhood? There is a historic Baptist family in Pernambuco, the Camoaras, originating, I believe, in Nazareth, the town of John Borges da Rocha and Dona Maria Borges. Long years they have been associated with the *Collegio Americano Baptista*. The oldest daughter, Stella, is a poetess and musician of rare charm and winsomeness. Her first volume of verse was one of the first published by any believer, in Brazil. She taught music to our missionaries' children, and to our Training School students, and trained great choirs that sang in her church and in our summer assembly.

In her mature and busy womanhood, her heart turned to home life.

She married a noble, cultured minister who is also one of Brazil's outstanding educators. Now they labor in joy in Jaguaquara, Bahia, its church and school, adorning, like the many facets of a jewel, the doctrine of God by their talents. A very Brazilian trophy of our Lord is she.

MOTHERHOOD AND SYMPATHY

Certainly motherhood, mingled with vivacity and Christian sympathy is a trait of Christian womanhood. I have seldom known a more devoted mother than Dona Alyde Baptista. Early she gave her heart and vivacious cooperation to a young preacher, Rev. Severino Baptista. Now she is the guardian angel of a great house full of boys. Coming of sturdy farming stock and experience, she has the mother's inexhaustible resourcefulness for boys. Yet that resourcefulness belongs also to her Lord and is never withheld.

We needed someone to live in a new church, to furnish by their home the nucleus for the church, beginning its ministry to a crowded, down-town district. Dona Alyde did not refuse the task. Though her husband, then a state evangelist, was often away, she and her cheerful mother and children became the busy nucleus of the new church, with its meetings in their own home, trying as that sometimes was. Thus a church grew and lived, by the devotion of the wife, while the husband founded churches elsewhere.

Now they labor side by side in a bustling boom-town of inland Sao Paulo. The town has all the restlessness and wickedness of a boom-town in our own early West, and that same friendliness to religion as a necessary asset to draw and hold settlers. Commercial travelers say it is the richest and most rapidly growing town in South America.

When the constructor of the town hall was ready to turn the building over, the judge refused to

receive it because of some deviation from the blue prints and the contract. So, in a leap of audacity (or was it faith?), the Baptists bought it. How will they ever pay for it? I do not know. But they have it and are making token payments on the fifty thousand milreis they owe (some \$2,500.00). The *Baptistas* struggle on in faith. If they fail, some will say: "What folly!" If they win, all will say: "What faith!"

HELPFULNESS

Is it woman's nature to help her own? That is as true of Brazilian women as it is of any. My pastor was young brother Livio Lindoso. He married Dona Edeltrudes Lindoso. Though not a product of our schools, but of a sturdy farm life, she learned the Greek alphabet to help her husband study his Greek New Testament. He is my successor in the chair of Greek in the Seminary in Pernambuco. He is one of Brazil's most gifted preachers and teachers. The wife, who was his eyes when his sight was weaker, is the stay of his home and heart in the adjoining city of Olinda, where they have built up a reverent, heroic church of young people, under the very shadow of great Catholic monasteries and the superior Seminary for the training of Roman Catholic priests.

TEACHING

Do women teach? You have one of our best Brazilian teachers in Louisville, in the Training School, comely, tiny Senhorita Waldomira Almeida. You who attended the Jubilee of Woman's Missionary Union saw and heard her. Her father is a pioneer Baptist preacher in Bahia and I believe all his children are teachers, nurses or preachers' wives. How they cheer his old age!

A score of other names press upon me. Every missionary in South America could write a similar chapter in the romance of our Lord's redemption of womanhood and his riches of glory in their lives.

MISSIONARY INTEREST

THE HOME BASE

R. S. JONES, *Home Secretary*

OUTLOOK BRIGHTER FOR 1939

A careful reading of reports made at the state conventions and of plans projected for 1939 shows an upward trend in the work in most of the states, with increased contributions anticipated for next year.

In their Convention in Dallas, Texas Baptists set \$1,000,000 as their goal for 1939. With the present spirit prevailing among Texas Baptists, they may be expected to reach their goal.

In Georgia the Convention voted to give 40% of Cooperative Program funds to outside causes. This is an increase of 10% over last year for southwide causes.

Nearly all of the states reported an increase for the year 1938. With added emphases on evangelism and stewardship during 1939, it should be a great year in Kingdom work.

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A GRATIFYING RESPONSE

I am writing this experience at the request of our beloved Dr. R. S. Jones of the Foreign Mission Board.

Last week I spoke at the Tennessee B.T.U. Convention at Nashville, and listened to the challenging missionary and evangelistic program prepared by their gifted director, Henry Rogers. It was indeed a rare treat. I wish we had more men like Henry Rogers.

A young negro from the Bahama Islands, now a student at Fisk University, preceded me on the program, and I am sure his appeal for a Baptist missionary for his people had much to do with the large, fine group of young people who came forward at the closing minutes of the Convention, volunteering for mission fields and the ministry.

I went home filled to the brim with missions, laid aside my sermon for Sunday morning and preached a missionary sermon—I had to.

Among those who came during

the invitation to join the church was a young man from Texas. After listening to him, I asked him to make his statement to the church. This was it: "I am an ordained minister. I preach wherever I can and sell Bibles to pay expenses. I'm going on the next boat to the Bahamas. I'll pay my own way. Maybe God can use me over there."

As I shook hands at the door after the service, a stranger pressed a bill into my hand and said, "Help pay that boy's boat fare."

The next morning a letter came to Mr. Edgar Ellis, associate chairman of our Deacon Board, which read like this: "Use the enclosed check for the kind of foreign missions Dr. Angell preached about today. I was listening on the radio."

It was signed by a great-souled man of another denomination, an occasional visitor to our church. The check was for \$1,000.00. I visited him the same day. "I believe in your Foreign Mission Board and the kind of missions its program calls for," was his comment.—C. Roy Angell, Central Baptist Church, Miami, Florida.

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CONFIDENCE CONFIRMED

It is good to see the confidence that Baptists, and even people of other denominations, have in the work of our Foreign Mission Board.

An honored Baptist minister was recently asked to be a witness to the will of a Presbyterian layman. This will included \$25,000 for the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. This man said he was deeply interested in foreign missions and that he felt that a dollar, invested with our Board, would accomplish more in foreign mission work than with any other Board in America. May we ever be worthy of this confidence and faithful to the task of making Christ known to the world!

CITY-WIDE SCHOOL

Shreveport, Louisiana, had its first City-Wide School of Missions the week of November 6, 1938. Faculty and speakers represented various boards and agencies. Dr. Jacob Gartenhaus and Dr. J. W. Beagel served the school as representatives of the Home Mission Board. Dr. R. S. Jones was one of the inspirational speakers. Mrs. C. D. Creasman, of Nashville, taught and delivered an address. Superintendent Alfred Schwab, of Acadia Academy, and local teachers completed the faculty.

In the School of Missions there were 631 who attended the sessions. For the first school the leaders were encouraged. There is talk of another School of Missions for next year.—John Cayler, Pastor, Highland Baptist Church, Shreveport, Louisiana.

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"PRAY FOR THE PEACE OF JERUSALEM"

The whole world has been shocked by the persecution that has been visited upon the Jews during these recent months. The heart of every Christian has been torn by the sufferings visited upon God's chosen people.

Persecution of any nature is contrary to the spirit of Christ, and his true followers are always grieved when intolerance and injustice are visited upon anyone, especially upon the Jews, who gave to us Jesus, our Saviour.

For nearly two thousand years the Jews have rejected Christ and are today the most ruthlessly persecuted people in the bounds of Christendom. Nor are they themselves free from the spirit of persecution. The most horrible stories of intolerance today do not come from pagan or heathen countries but, in some instances, from the experiences of converted Jews who have dared profess faith in the risen Lord as their Messiah. Today there

Our Missionary Family Circle

JESSIE RUTH FORD, *Executive Assistant*



We are glad to present this month Rev. Victor Koon and family. Mr. Koon was born in Georgetown, Texas. He is a graduate of Baylor University and the Southwestern Seminary. Mrs. Koon was formerly Miss Aurora Hargrove, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Hargrove, former missionaries of our Board in China. She too is a graduate of Baylor University. Mr. and Mrs. Koon were appointed in 1925, and worked for a time in Chengchow, but several years ago were transferred to Manchuria.

They have four lovely children; Betty aged twelve, Victor Lee, ten, Dorothy Jo, six, and Gwendolyn, two.

The family is spending their year of furlough in Fort Worth, Texas.

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Births

We have heard indirectly of the arrival of a little son on October 29, 1938, to Rev. and Mrs. Eugene L. Hill at Canton, China. Our congratulations and best wishes go to the parents and little one.

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Arrivals on Furlough

Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Donath, Oyo, Nigeria, Africa.

Home address: Mart, Texas.

Miss Lena Lair, Ogbomosh, Nigeria, Africa.

Home address: Anna, Texas.

Miss Ruth Kersey, Ogbomosh, Nigeria, Africa.

Home address: 2321 Floyd Avenue, Richmond, Virginia.

Dr. and Mrs. E. G. MacLean, Iwo, Nigeria, Africa.

Home address: Cody, Queens County, New Brunswick, Canada.

Mrs. Charles A. Leonard, Harbin, Manchuria.

Home address: 109 Church Street, Williamston, North Carolina.

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Sailings

November 12—EMPRESS OF CANADA

Mrs. W. E. Sallee, Kaifeng, China

S. S. DELSUD

Miss Minnie McIlroy

November 18—S. S. QUEEN MARY
Rev. and Mrs. Roy F. Starmer, Bucharest, Rumania

November 19—S. S. BRAZIL
Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Deter, Curitiba, Brazil

November 26—EMPRESS OF RUSSIA

Miss Helen McCullough, Shanghai, China

December 10—S. S. GEORGIC

Miss Vivian Nowell, Ogbomosh, Nigeria, Africa

Miss Elizabeth Truly.

Ogbomosh, Nigeria, Africa

Miss Amanda Tinkle,

Ogbomosh, Nigeria, Africa

Mrs. B. L. Lockett,

Ogbomosh, Nigeria, Africa

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Deaths

Our Board was saddened at the news telling us of the home-going of Brother J. Walton Moore, on December 7, 1938, at Abilene, Texas. Brother Moore had been ill for many months, and the end was not unexpected. Our prayers and sympathy go out to the bereaved family. The Board has lost a valued worker.

On November 27, 1938, Mr. James Meek Lacy was killed in an automobile accident near Fort Worth. Our deepest sympathy is extended to his father, Dr. G. H.

CURRENT
CHRONICLES

are thousands of Jewish secret believers who would openly declare their faith in Christ as the Messiah, were it not for the fear of the persecution that would be sure to follow. The persecuted have, all too often, turned to dark measures to wipe out nascent faith.

The hand of persecution has fallen heavily upon the Jews at many times during their long history, coming sometimes when they were back-slidden and in rebellion against God, sometimes as a testing of faith, to drive them back to God in utter reliance. Often in their biblical history, intercession of holy priests or seers, voicing the anguish of all praying Israel, brought them to repentance, even in sackcloth and ashes.

Today many in Israel are still backslidden and rebellious; many are in deep humiliation and prayer, but no priest nor prophet speaks the anguish of their souls to the throne of grace, and they do not know the one Mediator between God and man.

Persecution of the Jews by evil men may continue. History ever repeats itself. We join our protests to those of the many voices raised on their behalf, and link our prayers with those of our home and foreign missionaries who pray for the peace of Jerusalem and of all the world dispersion of the sons of Jacob. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father but by me." The one who leads God's chosen people back to him must know the "way"; and Christ is the "way."

Christians everywhere should "pray for the peace of Jerusalem," should pray that Israel, according to the flesh, may return to God by accepting His Son as their Messiah, who alone can heal their backslidings and save them from the persecutions of their enemies. Thus may they come unto that true Israel of God, "who worship by the Spirit of God, and glory in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh." (Phil. 3:3.)

Lacy, our missionary for many years in Mexico.

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Appointments

At the meeting of the Foreign Mission Board on December 8th, we had the joy of appointing two new missionaries for Nigeria, West Africa: Miss Elizabeth Truly of Texas, and Miss Amanda Tinkle of Arkansas. Miss Truly goes out to be assigned by the Mission, and Miss Tinkle goes to our hospital at Ogbomosho. We feel that our work in Nigeria will be strengthened by the coming of these two fine recruits.

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Marriages

A cable from Nigeria announces the wedding of Miss Esther Bassett to Rev. Wilfred H. H. Congdon at Iwo on November 21, 1938. We are awaiting with eagerness further details about this happy occasion. Our congratulations and best wishes are extended to these young people.

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With the Sick

We are glad to report the convalescence of Rev. Edwin Dozier, who was recently operated on in Louisville, Kentucky, for appendicitis.

Master Harold Snuggs, Jr., fell and broke his arm, but is getting on nicely. We hope that this is the last of his misfortunes while on furlough.

We shall want to continue to remember in our prayers Rev. and Mrs. Frank Marrs of San Antonio, Texas, for many years missionaries in Mexico. Mrs. Marrs suffered a stroke of paralysis recently and is in a most serious condition.

Glimpses of New Missionaries

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moved to Louisville, where my father attended the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. In the

following years I often went with him to his appointments in rural churches.

We moved to Georgetown, Kentucky in 1919, and I finished high school there in 1924. Entering Georgetown College in the summer of that year, I there completed, with the exception of one regular and one summer term at Western Teachers' College of Bowling Green, Kentucky, all my college work, graduating with an A.B. degree in 1927.

All through these years I endeavored to live close to the Lord, and was active in Sunday school, B.Y.P.U., and missionary work.

I met Mr. Johnson at Georgetown College in 1924. We were married in 1926.

The year after finishing college I taught in the high school at Mt. Washington, Kentucky.

Our son, Paul, was born at Hodgenville, Kentucky in 1929. In the summer of that year we moved to Louisville, where Mr. Johnson entered the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. I also attended some of the classes there.

In 1933 and in 1934 I again taught in the public schools of Kentucky.

Meanwhile, Mr. Johnson was preaching in student pastorates and I worked with him in the churches, doing the many tasks of a pastor's wife.

On leaving the Seminary, the Lord opened to us the field of the First Church at Mount Airy, N. C. After two and one-half years He has opened for us a larger door, that of going to El Paso, Texas, where I am to teach in the Training School for Spanish speaking people.

We were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board on May 11, 1938.

A Year of War

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complete figures, but it is probable that more people have been baptized during this year of war than within

any recent year. All of our hospitals, with the exception of the one at Yangchow, have been kept open, and most of them have rendered their largest services during this year. We hope to reopen the hospital at Yangchow in a short time. Schools have been disrupted more than any other phase of work, but none of the main schools has yet been discontinued. All schools in the Central and South China Missions have been compelled to move their locations, some of them have been temporarily combined with others, but all of them are still operating. The schools in the North China Mission have had record registrations, and all of them have been able to continue in their regular locations. Outstanding services in relief and refugee work have been rendered by a number of our people. Behind all of this record of service lies the heroic and largely unknown story of devotion and sacrifice on the part of Chinese Christians.

The war is not over and we do not yet see its end. New disruptions arise almost every day. The work may yet suffer greater disaster than has thus far come to it. Many of our people are still in places of grave danger. Tragedy and calamity may easily befall some of them some day. Dr. Herman C. E. Liu, president of the University of Shanghai, a Chinese Christian, has set the trail for those who are daily offering up their lives for Christ's sake. But the dark clouds which surround us are broken by the light which shines from the vision of Jesus walking on the waves in the midst of the storm which has raged for a year. With this Light to lead us we follow on, saying in our hearts:

"Lead on O King Eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
And holiness shall whisper the sweet Amen of peace;
For not with sword's loud clashing,
nor roll of stirring drums,
With deeds of love and mercy, the heavenly Kingdom comes.



My Friend--- Miss Marlowe

ALICE WONG, Shanghai, China, now studying at
Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, Louisiana

*"As a man thinketh in his heart so is he."
"Guard the heart with all diligence, for
out of it are the issues of life."*

As I think of my teacher, Miss Rose Marlowe, and what she means to her Chinese friends, I have tried to look into her heart that I might find the secret of her powerful, Christian love.

She Has a Heart of Love

We call her the mother of our school, because, like a mother, she gives herself and her money for her students and shares their hardships with them. Before the school moved to the new campus at Kiangwan she ate Chinese food with the girls at the noon hour. This food was dormitory food and was not as nourishing as the food usually served in the better Chinese homes. Her board for a month was four or five dollars Mex. The money which she thus saved she used to help support poor girls in the school. She was never too weary to have conferences with her teachers and students. She never said, "I have no time." She always said, "I will have time when you can come to talk with me." She remained at school after class hours, for conference with us and it was often six or seven o'clock at night before she went home. At this time she did not have "Little Brownie," her car, and she had to go to her home by ricksha, a long, dangerous, cold ride in the dark. Like a mother she was forgetful of her pain and illness, in her desire to help us. She is my ideal Christian. Her beautiful Christian life made me want to be a missionary. If she loves China so much that she is willing to give up her home, family, country and

friends to pour out her life in sacrificial service to China, we Chinese should love China even more. Her love and interest were not centered in the school alone, but in the church and the community. She wanted our girls to have Christian homes and she organized a mothers' club, and through talks and Bible study, she led many of them to Christ. She loved the rich people in the church but it seemed that she loved the poor more, for she was always seeking ways and means to help them. She was especially anxious that the daughters of the poor in our church should have the advantages of a Christian education. Personally she gave many scholarships to poor students and influenced her friends in America to send money for scholarships for needy Shung Tak students. She was our inspiration and guide in organizing for the poor street children a school which met in our building after the regular school was dismissed. We thank you, America, for giving her to us.

She Has a Great Faith

Her faith is exceedingly great. Before she came to China our school was in small, cramped quarters working with poor equipment. Through her leadership we were able to build a new church and a new middle school. When our church burned we thought that we could not rebuild it, but she prayed and begged God to give us a new church. She said, "God will give us a new church for there is work to do and He wants us to do



Alice Wong and her two cousins

it." She urged us to have faith, and because of her faith, which was our inspiration, we borrowed the money for the new church. Before the present war we had a lovely, adequate house of worship. We still lack \$7,000 Mex. of having paid for the church. We are now making plans to pay this debt, although the church building was destroyed by the Japanese. We are going to follow her example, and pray and work that this money may be paid in and that God may lead us back to our church and help us to restore it, so that we may serve the poor people who will return to Chapei as soon as they are permitted by the Japanese. Miss Marlowe has a dream of another church in the western section of the city where we are now meeting in rented buildings. Then she dreams of a Settlement House for the poor and the restoration of the Middle School compound. Many people think that this is merely a dream, but she has faith in God and faith in the future. God has already rewarded her faith by giving her money for the Good Will Center and, at the time of the

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beginning of the war, plans were already drawn for it, but the construction had to be stopped. We thank you, America, for giving us money for the Good Will Center.

She Has Great Patience

In training her teachers and students and leading them into the more abundant life, she never gives up. Although I was very stupid and dull, she never gave me up. She was not a trained kindergarten teacher, but she taught me all that I know about training little children. Out of her own salary, she bought books for me to study. She would say, "I do not know kindergarten methods, but we shall study together." I am not a very good kindergarten teacher, but whatever I am able to do, I owe to Miss Marlowe. She is my spiritual mother. She has no favorites among the teachers or students. After school hours, all of the teachers feel free to go to her office for help in their work and to talk over their problems.

She Is Very Courageous

In 1932 when she was trying to help the church, she was seized and beaten by a group of Japanese soldiers, until she was wounded. Then again, in 1938, as soon as Hongkew and Chapei were opened to foreigners to return to their property (we could not go because we were Chinese) she employed Russian helpers, and day after day went into the dangerous shell-torn buildings, salvaging our property and bringing it out to the school, to the church and to the individuals who had stored their things in the buildings. At one time the soldiers warned her not to go into one of the rooms for there were unexploded shells to be found among the debris. She had already been into the room and gathered up what was good. Surely God protected her. She worked all day without food, and the work was very strenuous and tiring, and very dirty. We begged her to not go, but she went without our knowl-

edge and I am sure that she met many dangers about which she never told us. When she would return from Chapei to the school she would be covered with dust and soot, but her face was shining.

She Is Self-Sacrificing

She loved us so much that she was willing to die for us. She continually gave of her means to help us. Before I left China to come to America, I needed some money and she gave me a medal, which she had won in an essay contest in high

school, for me to sell and use the money in providing what I needed to come to America. I protested, but she insisted that I take the money, \$76.00 (Chinese money). She said, "You are my medal. I am pinning my medal on you. You are more precious to me than a hard piece of metal hidden away among my keepsakes." Truly she has given her all to China. She has been forgetful of self in giving the Gospel to China. "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

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A SILENT PREACHER

JOHN ALLEN MOORE, *Belgrade, Yugoslavia*

In far away Yugoslavia, a junior girl named Mary Secanj sat looking out the window as the neighborhood children romped and played and laughed. Her face was sad, and in her heart were two big wishes. One wish was that she were able to talk so that she might play with the other children. But in Mary's home no one ever spoke a word. Her father and mother and all four children just made signs with their hands; for both the father and mother were deaf and dumb, and had never been able to teach their children to speak. Nor had Mary and her little sister and her two younger brothers ever been to school, for although they were able to hear, they could not talk.

Then, all at once, Mary's first wish began to come true. One day a kind-hearted neighbor beckoned to the children to come into her house. Giving each one a cookie she told them what it was called, and had them say it after her. Pointing to different objects in the room she taught them the name of each and soon Mary was able to speak well enough to go to school where she learned many interesting things.

Soon she was playing games with the other children, and soon she was going with them to Sunday school.

There she heard a missionary, named Mr. Vincent Vacek, tell about Jesus. Having secured a Bible, she began to read and study about Jesus and His love for her. The more she learned about Him the more she wanted to be like Him. And that was how Mary's second wish began to come true.

Her father, who could neither hear nor speak, was so hot-tempered that his wife and children were

afraid of him. He was especially ill-tempered when he was drunk, and those times were becoming more and more frequent. He would shout in his rage, and the children were terrified, and Mary's second big wish was that her father would become sober and kind.

Day after day, Mary became more and more helpful and patient and cheerful in her home. Her father, in his sober moments, noticed the change in her. He saw her reading her Bible and seeming so peaceful and happy. With his sign language, which Mary understood, he asked her what had made her so different; and Mary was glad to explain.

Soon the father was reading Mary's Bible, and the more he studied it, the more he too tried to obey its teaching. He began attending church. He stopped drinking. He commenced praying, and in a short time he became a Christian.

Thus Mary's second wish came true, and soon their home was one of the happiest in the whole village, for in it a Christian father and mother and their children were loving and serving Jesus.

Mary is now a young woman, and last July she was married to a fine young Christian named Ludvig Kasun. So, the girl who helped her two big wishes to come true, is now Mrs. Mary Kasun, a lovely Christian woman who is a help and a blessing in her home and her church and throughout the whole village.

A NEW BOOK FROM CHINA

CHINA MARCHES TOWARD THE CROSS—Earl Cressy. 25 cents. Friendship Press, New York.

This "pamphlet of the hour," written by one who has devoted the past twenty-eight years to missionary work in China, has as its objective the picturing of the Christian movement in that war-wrecked country at the present moment, and the pointing out of challenging missionary possibilities.

While depicting briefly the de-

struction and destitution in China, the writer sounds the note of optimism and stresses the fact that, through disaster and ruin, new trails for evangelism are being blazed. Amid the awful wreckage, Christian missions stand steadfast, dispensing material and physical help, and opening to the stricken people, the door of hope.

As a supplement to this year's study books on China, this treatise will be of great value.—N. F. W.

Facts and Favors

MARY M. HUNTER, *Manager Department of Literature and Exhibits*

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A NEW PAMPHLET

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS IN CHINA

This pamphlet released January first, is the fourth of a series of tracts published by the Foreign Mission Board this year. It contains a wealth of information. The material is presented in the form of

a catechism and is offered to Southern Baptists in the hope and belief that it will be, for those who read and study it, the means of a fuller knowledge of the country and people of China and a closer familiarity with their work in that important mission field. The other tracts published this year are: *Southern Baptists Around the World*, *The Church School of Missions*, *Baptist Young Women in Christian Training Overseas*. The tracts are free from the Foreign Mission Board, Box 1595, Richmond, Va.

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Friendly Exchanges

PARABLE OF THE GREAT COMMISSION

Now it came to pass that on the Sabbath Day the prophet poured out his soul in an appeal to extend the borders of the Kingdom beyond Judea and Samaria. And, behold one of the elders of the house spake unto the prophet after this fashion, "Sir, I liked not thy word today. It was not from the Lord. I believe not in missions."

And the prophet's soul was exceedingly troubled. How strange are the ways of men. This elder is a leading man in a great company that selleth oil. Behold his company is missionary for it sendeth its evangelists from Dan to Beersheba, and from the Mountains even unto the

Great Sea. Likewise, other business men are missionary. Go ye unto the uttermost parts of the world where the Gospel of the Son of God has not yet been preached, and there you find these other missionaries preaching the gospel of Chewing Gum, Sewing Machines, Movies, Standard Oil, American Tobacco and Ford Motors.

The prophet enjoyed not his food that day. This elder had hardened his heart. He practiced missions six days but opposed missions on the Sabbath. He would send oil to the uttermost parts of the earth but not the Gospel. The Church is the only business concern whose officials do not practice foreign missions with vigor. Perhaps we should have a

revised version of the Great Commission. "Go Ye into all the world and preach big business, but not the Gospel of love—sell them munitions but teach them not to observe good will—baptize them in tobacco smoke but not in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit."

—*The Minister*, November 1938

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The beginning of the Christian life is really a "radical and permanent moral change wrought in the spiritual nature," and commonly referred to as the New Birth. "A change in the growing purpose, reformation of habits and life, and continuation by the Holy Spirit of new ways of living," is New Life from within and the right place to begin the regeneration of a nation—Madame Chiang Kai-Shek.

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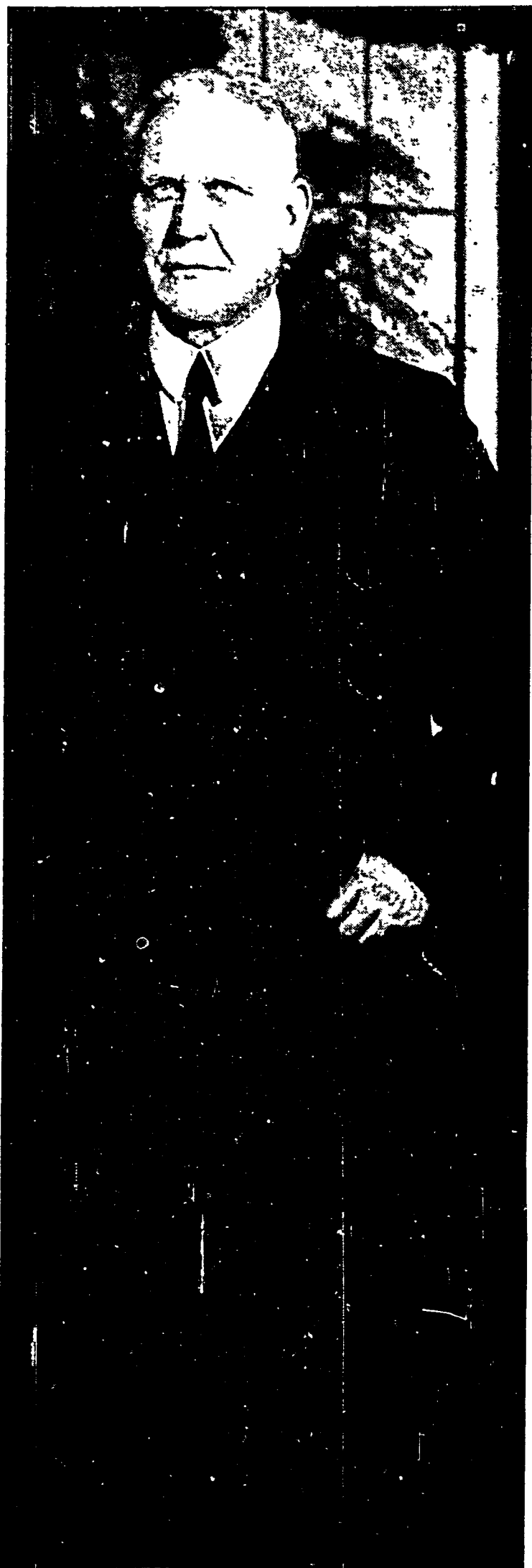
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