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Foreign Missions is Their Future

Thirty-eight missionaries were appointed at the centennial session of the Foreign Mission Board, April 10-11. They will be shipping out as soon as transportation is available. Reading from left to right, and from front row to back-where Dr. George W. Sadler, Dr. M. Theron Rankin, Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., and Dr. J. W. Marshall look on:

Adrian Emery Blankenship and Marie Hall Blankenship, for Brazil; Tucker Noyes Callaway and Elizabeth Clark Callaway, for Japan; Edith Arlene Chaney, R.N., for Nigeria; Coleman Daniel Clarke and Elizabeth Sheffield Clarke, for Japan; Leota Blanche Corder, for China; Roberta

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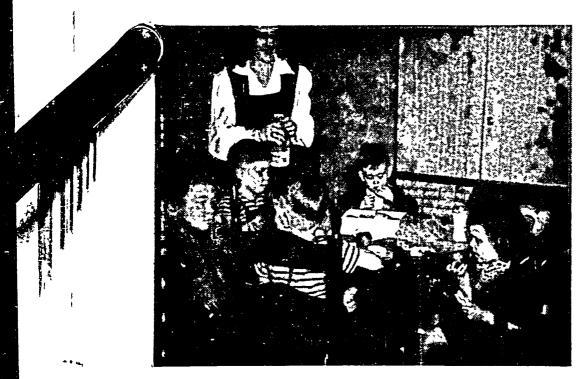
^{*}Exact location to be determined.



Field Secretary Charles E. Maddry met the missionary applicants at a reception the evening before their final examination.



The reception "overflowed" into THE COMMISSION'S editorial offices, and honor guests sipped punch around the editor's desk.



Brand new M.K.'s (missionary kids) and Ann Lyn Marehall had lunch while their fathers and mothers were busy in dengthy sessions. Office Secretary Betty Shaw was the hostess.

Postwar Program of Your Foreign Mission Board

- Evangelism, the primary objective of all Southern Baptist missions overseas.
- 2 Strong support of mission stations established before and during World War II, where work has not been interrupted.
- Reoccupation and rehabilitation of Baptist missions in enemy-occupied territory where work has been interrupted though not destroyed.
- 4 Enlargement and expansion of Baptist missions, with an increase in personnel and advance into unevangelized areas of life abroad.
- Healthy tension between a progressive mission program and a sound basis of financial support, to avoid stagnation and indifference on the home front.
- Indigenous Christianity in the form of selfsupporting Baptist churches in foreign countries as the ultimate goal for Baptist foreign mission work.
- Native Baptist churches of all countries working as a part of God's total enterprise of world redemption.

Photos by Moore

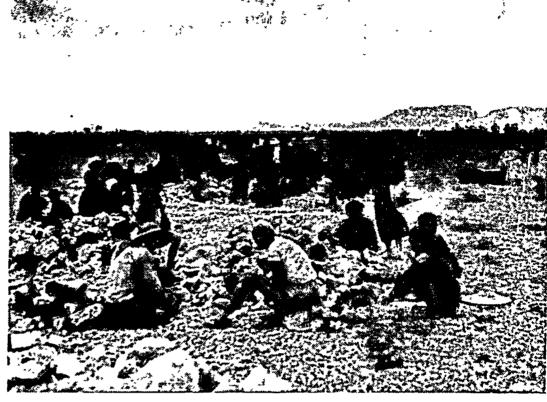


Tuck and Liz Callaway, approved for appointment to Japan, were applauded as they passed in review before visitors, staff, and Board members in the evening session.

Our 2nd Century in China Begins Now

By Baker James Cauthen

The China which will emerge from this conflict will not be the same as the China which entered it.



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For more than a hundred years we have been at work for Christ in China. In that time a good beginning has been made, resulting in the leading of large numbers to God, the organization of strong churches, the establishment of general schools, hospitals and theological seminaries. A far-reaching ministry of love and mercy has been extended to those in distress and widespread proclamation has been given to the gospel by preaching, teaching, healing, and the distribution of the printed Word so that multitudes have become acquainted with the message of Christ.

Now all our work has been disrupted by the floodtide of war. Every regularly established station of our work is in the hands of the enemy, and all we have left is a little refugee work in the far west. Our missionaries are in the homeland and only a handtul are able to carry on in Free China.

Naturally we are confronted with the question, "What are the prospects for Baptist work in China in the next hundred years? Should we be filled with optimism or with gloom and

despair?"

Definite problems lie ahead. For one thing, our property must be reconstructed and our program of work rehabilitated. All over China our mission property has suffered because of the coming war. Hospitals have been burned, compounds which provided homes for the missionaries have been wrecked, and soldiers quartered in school buildings have wasted the property by their vandalism. Christians have been scattered nationwide and much of the work has been disorganized. We are confronted by the necessity of making a new start. The mere thought of such an obligation is enough to challenge us to prayer and to preparation for the task. We

will be facing a new day in China and will have the opportunity of making a fresh approach to the situation.

A nother problem to call us to prayer is that of the new Chinese national outlook which we will encounter after the war. This is a matter which is at present unpredictable, but it is safe to say that the China which will emerge from this conflict will not be the same as the China which entered into it. No one can go to China now and see the smoking chimneys of thousands of infant industries in the west, the throngs of students pressing into every institution of learning, and the attitude of determination which abounds in the land without sensing that the sleeping giant is now beginning to wake.

Will this awakened new China be ready to welcome the messengers of Christ, or will her attitude be unfavorable? At present there is a high tide of friendliness and good will between Chinese and Americans. Part of this is due to the presence in China of the American soldier, who is greeted on every hand by smiles and appreciation. Let us pray that this cordiality may continue and give opportunity for the greatest freedom in projecting mission work in the future.

There is also the problem of facing a turbulent atmosphere in which to work. All of us hope that with the cessation of present hostilities there will come a long season of tranquillity in China and that this period may be blessed with progress along every line. But we recognize that there are strong forces at work within China bidding for dominance in that land. It is possible that we will be beset by confusion, for some time to come. We must remember that the work of Christ must continue in season and out of season and pray that whatever the situation may be, we will be able to bear our witness for Christ.

A long with the problems there are some strong encouragements in the outlook for the future. One heartening aspect is the fact that there is a widespread willingness, born of suffering, to listen to the gospel. As the war has swept through the land bringing destruction on every hand, many hearts have been brought to realize their need of God. The barrenness of idolatry and the impotence of the native religions have been exhibited, and people of all classes have begun to feel their need of One who can save.

One of the features of preaching in Free China during the war period has been the fact that the people who filled the houses of worship have come with heavy hearts. Homes have been destroyed, loved ones killed, and families scattered. The gospel comes to such people like rain falling on the dry ground.

With this willingness to listen to the gospel is widespread public information about the facts of Christianity. The people as a whole know a great deal more about the gospel than they did in the early years of missions. Many who come to the services have already heard much about Jesus, and as a consequence they are more readily led to trust in Christ. Our Master told us that one man sows and another reaps. Through the years there has been faithful seed sowing, and now

with hungry hearts on every hand and with widespread knowledge of the gospel, a day of vast reaping may be at hand.

Another encouragement is found in the fact that in China there is a strong constituency whose faith has been tried in the fire. It has not been easy to stand true for Christ in China. Visiting a certain city, I was shown a prison in which were four Korean evangelists. When I inquired about their imprisonment, I was told that they had refused to obey an order to take their people to the shrines to participate in the ceremonies conducted by the Shinto priest and as a consequence were suffering in jail.

All over China have been abundant experiences of men and women who are true to Christ in the face of gravest testing, and those who have gone through fiery trials are able to strengthen others by their testimony. Christians, with their faith tried in the crucible of suffering, will become a source of strength in the days ahead.

W e are also heartened by the emerging of a strong group of able Christian leaders. Pastors, teachers, and executives who are able to give excellent leadership to their own people are now appearing among the Christians in China. These men and women understand the problems of their own land and are able to cope with many situations even better than the missionaries. The time is doubtless coming when many of the burdens which have rested upon the missionaries will be carried by the Chinese brethren themselves. The missionaries will be free to give themselves more definitely to their task of preaching and teaching the Word of Christ.

Along with these encouragements, there is a determination on the part of our Chinese Baptist brethren to carry the gospel to their people. They have recognized their own missionary responsibility, and have set themselves to promote a frontier missions movement. Already their medical and evangelistic workers are serving on the far Western frontiers. Doubtless after the war this movement will go on to far greater accomplishments.

In the postwar period, our major stress should be placed on preaching. All over the land the door for preaching stands open and a most remarkable opportunity is afforded. Christians and non-Christians throng the houses of worship and listen to the message with eagerness. To meet this mighty preaching opportunity, we should send to China a great army of preachers: men with hearts on fire with evangelistic zeal and with minds and personalities equipped with the best of training. We will never take China for Christ unless we magnify preaching in that country and send many of our strongest men to devote themselves to it.

We must give special attention to a challenging student situation. These young people present a mighty appeal to the heart of the missionary as they fill mission and Government schools. All over China the door is opening to these young people. In some of the Government schools there are as many as 10,000 young people.

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Shortly before the war swept all before it in Southwest China, we were setting up definite plans for a program of student evangelism in one area calling for organizing Christian groups in all the Government schools and bringing together those young people in monthly federation meetings under the leadership of the splendid Baptist high school in that city.

We must place renewed emphasis on theological education. In China there are strong forces making for religious regimentation, having apparently as an ultimate aim the setting up of one Protestant body legalized by the Government to hold property and conduct work. Needless to say, Southern Baptists oppose such a trend. To stabilize the faith and fortify the courage of our people, we must have adequate theological education. The only hold upon a Baptist anywhere in the world is the hold upon his head and his heart that is made by the truth of the Bible. We have no ecclesiastical controls or hierarchical checks. If the work done in China is to remain loyal to the ideals of Baptists, that work must be strengthened by a strong leadership well grounded in the truth.

Southern Baptists have made a good beginning in China. It has been a time of seed sowing. We must continue to sow if we expect to continue to harvest. The proclamation of truth in preaching and teaching must accompany the ministries of Christian love in healing and feeding. To the New China we will send an army of heralds of the Cross who will plant the banners of Jesus all over that nation.

Kingdom Facts and Factors

Civilization's Supreme Need

By W. O. Carver

"E nduring peace is civilization's most imperative need." Thus says one of the most balanced columnists of the day. But is it? Only if the peace is enduring because rooted in fundamental principles of righteousness and justice and conditioned by faithful recognition of God's rule in human history and steady application of the ideal of the worth and responsibility of the human personality. No peace which is used for the accumulation of material "civilization" while men decay and children are never taught to live is worthy to last or can last. Only as men accept "eternal life" and set themselves individually and corporately into the ways of God will they know peace that can endure.

The Security Council

No assemblage of statesmen ever became responsible for so much as the San Francisco security conference. The hopes and the fears of the entire human race for the immediate and for the long future are largely at stake.

The God of the nations will give men wisdom and success in their planning if their hearts are submitted to him and their minds opened to his Spirit. They must recognize from the start, and hold steadily to the truth, that the God of the nations is the God of all peoples, and of all the people in every nation.

It is God who has made for unity every people to dwell on all the face of the earth. From ancient days he declares, "All the earth is mine." The tragedy of human history has been the claims of priority and preference by the several races and nations and classes in the one world designed for the use of all people.

God has been unable to carry forward the purposes of his universal love more rapidly, first, because the rulers of the nations have not recognized the right and rule of God; and, second,

because when God was recognized he was adopted on the basis of primary claim and exclusiveness. He was "the God of Israel", "the God of Christianity", "the God of America". He must become the God of Israel, of America, of Christianity before he will become the God of all the earth. But only as stewards of the God of all can he become effectively and protectively the God of any. That great truth must overshadow and inspire any group of counselors who endeaver to establish an organization that will be secure and will secure the rights and the peace of humanity.

Some Challenging Questions

Are we seeking to secure the continuance of white supremacy in the earth? We are blind indeed if we imagine that to be any longer possible. Not for even one generation longer can all the power and force and ingenuity of the white races maintain a position of preferred tenants of God's earth which he has peopled with twice as many colored as white men. "The clash of color" which became acute at the turn of the centuries must speedily be resolved in the community of races, or not all the skill of diplomacy and manipulations of natural resources can preserve a peace that would have at its heart arrogance and exploitation.

The progressive leadership of "the West" has been used of God and by godly men to awaken all men to a sense of their value and to an understanding of the possibilities of a better way of life in the use of the resources which make the physical world a place of habitation. Human and Christian evangelism have taught many everywhere that this is our heavenly Father's world; that as his stewards all men can live on earth abundantly. But they can so live only as they work together with God and produce a godly community of life.

Now Christians know that God so loved the world as to be reconciling it to himself through the sacrificial death and the conquering life of his only begotten Son. Can the Christian conviction be a major, controlling factor in the work of security conferences? If we say No we deny the hope of success in achieving the ends of co-operation in peace and progress.

How will the Christian conviction speak? Not through official ecclesiastical spokesmen with seats at conference tables—no such spokesman exists or is possible or desirable—but through Christian men who fill important chairs in such conferences. They will remember Jesus Christ and his supreme concern for all and for all righteousness. Other men will know and see the truth and the way of the teachings of our Lord, their divine wisdom and goodness. Bodies of Christian people will have expressed their convictions and longings in petitions which will be before the counselors. Prayer will be made continuously by the Church in behalf of all the members of the conference and especially for such as speak in the spirit of Christian love and good will, of justice and mercy, of freedom and brotherhood. By a general turning to God in all churches and Christian communities, by a great extension of evangelism, by ethical renewal and moral purification Christianity can promote the cause of true peace.

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While on his visit to this country some months ago, Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, president of the Baptist World Alliance, said concerning the Baptist witness: "If our witness as Baptists is to be effective, we must charge ourselves to maintain our Baptist autonomy. I am a co-operationist. I love to work with people of all communions. I can gladly co-operate and gladly discuss with any who call themselves Christians, but I preserve the right to speak out at the end of the day as a Baptist. We must co-operate wholeheartedly and joyfully with other communions; but when proposals for union with world church councils are urged, we must not hold lightly our responsibility to preserve the independence of our Baptist principles and the clear utterance of our Baptist voice, so that we have freedom to give a distinctive message in the name of God when needful."

Wanted: Missionary Passports

To Mexico

Edith and I want to go to Mexico but to tell just how we know that is God's will for us is not a simple matter.

Each of us was converted in child-hood as a member of a Christian family. My call to the ministry came before I was twelve years old, although I was thirteen when I made a public commitment. That year, stirred with indignation by the discriminations practiced against the Mexican people in the little south Texas town where we lived, I determined by God's grace to learn Spanish and give my life to ministering to Mexicans. I registered for a Spanish major in the University of Texas.

My wife, then Edith Carden, had graduated from high school and enrolled in the University to prepare for Christian service. We met and fell in love, but when she came to a conviction that the Lord was calling her into foreign service, I felt no conviction for myself, and after much discussion, we finally decided to give each other up. I went to the seminary and became pastor of the Mexican Baptist Church of Fort Worth. Edith went to Baptist Bible Institute, where she spent her free time in work among the Spanish-speaking peoples along the bayous.

In 1943, we were married. In less than a year, I began to realize that I had to decide what to do about Mexico. I wanted to make no decision without a clear-cut conviction that it was from the Lord.



Moore

The summons to Richmond for appointment is what these students at Woman's Missionary Union Training School hoped for on Easter Monday. All six of them got it later, and they are now appointees-in-waiting for passports, one of them east, the others south. From left to right, they are Violet Long, for Palestine; Crea Ridenour, Sara Taylor, and Hazel Smith, for some country in Latin America; Anna Frances Todd, for Colombia; and Minnie Lou Lanier, for Brazil. The "postmistress" is Office Secretary Virginia Bean.

Several times I thought the matter was settled—in the negative—but each time it would pop up again. During a Mission Day program at the seminary last December, God's Spirit gave me the positive conviction that he was calling me to Mexico.

We are happy in the decision and are confident that the doors will be opened for us to give our lives to his service in Mexico. We already speak the language.

James D. Crane

University of Texas, '39; Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, '45. Appointed April 10, 1945.

To Japan

Crowning the factors that influenced my decision to go to Japan is the simple fact that I know God wants me there. My call was specific from the beginning; I never felt an impulse to enter just foreign mission work in general—I was meant to go to a certain race of people in one particular cultural setting.

After that day about a year ago

when God confronted me with a challenge that left no loophole for doubting his intention for my life, I have spent much time trying to understand his mind on the matter. God's way is always the most reasonable way; it is therefore to be understood. Why send me? And why to Japan? The second question was easier than the first. The desperate need of Japan for Jesus' gospel of personal and social regeneration is obvious. The cult of emperor worship along with the belief in the peculiar divinity of the whole Japanese race has locked these people from any vital philosophy of world brotherhood. They know nothing of the one universal and loving Father in whom there is life and peace.

Furthermore, of the mission countries of the world, Japan has been one of the most reluctant to accept the whole message of Christ openly and in large numbers.

On the other hand, the innate capacity of the Japanese for good is clearly shown in the lives of such persons as Neesima and Kagawa, and a girl I know who was born in the United States—Bette Ishibashi Kira.

When God calls a man, he eventually tells him where to go and what to do. Some of the young Baptists who expect to serve through your Foreign Mission Board overseas tell you where they want to go and why.

Truly I am thrilled when I think of their native capacity for loyalty, and how it will be fulfilled in consecration to Jesus. Japanese are dying for their emperor today because they believe in him; so will they live for Christ once they come to know him.

As for the question, why God has assigned me to a part in the task of leading Japanese to Jesus, my answer is one of faith. He has called me; he must know what he is about. If I have any detectable qualifications for the work they are perhaps a deep interest in oriental culture, a genuine appreciation of and love for the Japanese people, and the unshakeable conviction that Jesus Christ is the power for salvation for everyone who believes.

Tucker N. Callaway

Georgia School of Technology; Mercer University, '40; Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, '43; candidate for doctor's degree. Appointed April 10, 1945.

To Europe

Early in high school days I felt that, if I ever yielded my life to God's will, I would have to serve him on a full-time basis. This conviction was placed in my heart by the missionary addresses I heard at our associational Sunday school and Training Union meetings.

Not until the end of my freshman year at Oklahoma University was I willing to exchange my plans for His plans and say, "Any work, anywhere."

Four of us boys from the university bicycled through Europe in 1937. Without realizing the significance of the fact, I found myself answering God's questions as to whether I would be willing to come back and spend my life on that continent. War clouds even then blackened Europe's horizon

but I could say only, "If this is where you want me, I'll be glad to return when I'm ready."

Before Virjama Rose and I became engaged, I talked this over with her. I knew that if she held any reservations as to where she was willing to serve the Lord, I should know it before we were married. She said that when she answered the call to full-time Christian service, it meant anywhere, and our marriage would not change her mind.

Since coming to the seminary, through prayer and study, we have become convinced that God wants us in Europe. It is the deepest conviction of our lives that Europe needs Christ. If the millions there are to find Christ as their Saviour, if the gospel of hate and selfishness is to be supplanted by the gospel of love, many Christian lives must be invested.

Why shouldn't we want to go?

John J. Hamilton

University of Oklahoma, '39; Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, '42; candidate for doctor's degree.

To Nigeria

I do not have a dramatic story to tell. One of my earliest memories is the knowledge that I wanted to be a missionary when I got big. Ten years ago when I definitely decided to educate myself for the profession, the only field I knew was China. When people asked me where I was going as a missionary, I usually answered, "China."

By some strange turn of events, as soon as I began to be introduced in churches and in student groups, I was labelled as a prospect for Africa. Before I quite realized it, all my acquaintances referred to me as a missions

volunteer for Nigeria, West Africa. Since I had no clear conviction about where I was to practice missionary medicine, I began to investigate Nigeria, to read up on it, and to talk with returned missionaries about it.

That is how I came to appreciate the need of Nigerians for Christian medical care, and to love the country and its peoples. The nature of the medical problems and the kind of Christian work Baptists do there challenge the best that I have, and I believe that it is in Nigeria I can love and serve best.

Roberta J. Cox, M.D.

Hardin-Simmons University; North Texas State Teachers' College, '39; Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, '42; Baylor Medical School; Southwestern Medical College, '44. Appointed April 10, 1945.

To Hawaii

"The Crossroads of the Pacific" with its strategic location and importance, its great mixture of races and peoples, the constant presence of American servicemen, and other factors offer a continuing challenge to him who will accept it.

Connie Mae and I have not volunteered for Hawaii to the utter exclusion of any other country or station. I feel that a missions volunteer may easily make a mistake in closing his eyes, if not his heart, to the urgent calls and genuine needs of all except one field. It sometimes develops that the need is greater somewhere else, or that he is better suited physically, temperamentally, or socially to some other field than the one he set his heart on.

We are volunteers for any people where we feel the Lord can use us, and we have a definite impression that the Hawaiians are they. After hearing one of our missionaries tell of the Baptist work begun in the Territory, and the need for new workers to carry on permanently the project started by missionaries en route to and from the Orient, we offered ourselves for Hawaii. In the will of God we are ready for service there, but at the same time we are looking with compassion upon the other fields of the world and asking God to lead us to his place of service for us.

Lindell O. Harris

Southwest Baptist College: Baylor University, '39; Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, '45. Appointed April 10, 1945.



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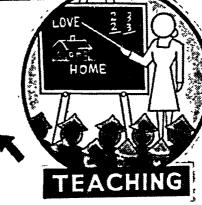
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What is Essential?

Every American should be conversant with the terms "essential" and "nonessential" as applied to personal skills and activities

and to raw material and manufactured products. Ships, and planes, and guns, and ammunition, and food, and fuel, and clothing, and related equipment are considered "essential," and should be so classified. The Government is reclassifying as "nonessential" night clubs, race tracks, and concomitant activities which make no contribution directly or indirectly to the war effort. Additional restrictions on the use of beverage alcohol would contribute much to the winning of the war.

But there are some "nonessential" classifications which would be considered "essential." Many forms of religious service are considered "nonessential" by the Government, on the ground that they do not produce materiel for military operations. But the most vital contributions to war effort are men and women—not guns and ships and planes. The morale of these men and women must be sustained and strengthened. This is the distinctive service of Christian institutions—churches, schools, the religious press.

Russia tried to get along without God, but found that churches were necessary to maintain the morale, the spirit of its soldiers. The homes need the sustaining and comforting power of God as well as the men and women on the field of battle. The Christian religion is more "essential" to the welfare of a nation than are any material assets. If it were possible to remove from American homes and American armed forces every Christian influence and factor, the results would be disastrous. We should never forget that "Righteousness exalteth a nation . . . Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord." Nations that forsake God perish sooner or later. That fact is the verdict of history. Righteousness and justice and love and faith are "essential." Without them a war may be won but the peace will be lost.

Demonstration

In his recent book Advance Through Storm, Latourette says that 35 per cent of those listed in Who's Who in China have, at one time or another, been connected with a Protestant school. Sherwood Eddy, in I Have Seen God Work in China, is authority for the statement that while only about one in a hundred are members of churches, one of every six in Who's Who in China is a Christian.

Recently we heard the testimony of a distinguished Chinese scientist, T. G. Ling, graduate of Shanghai University, with the master's degree from Brown, and a doctorate in philosophy from Cornell. He is a third-generation Christian, his parents and grand-parents having been Christians. All six of the children

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of his father and mother were Christians and college graduates.

Dr. Ling majored in chemistry, his special technical skill being the extraction of oils from vegetables. In co-operation with Dr.

O. S. Lieu, one of China's most distinguished industrialists, he built and supervised the operation of match factories in China. Examining the residual elements in fire clay, he discovered phosphorus and chlorates in materials which had thitherto been discarded. In his hands this became one of the chief industries of China.

One of Dr. Ling's most significant observations related to the impact of Christianity on business. He said that in his laboratories and factories he had sought to apply Christian principles and found that they worked. Comfortable homes had been provided for the workmen, bonuses had been paid, and labormanagement relations had never been disturbed by strikes.

He delighted to pay tribute to the power of Christ in his own life. He himself is the product of Christian missions. "I thank you and I thank God," he said, "for the faith and the education given me."

Dr. Ling explained that it was necessary for the University of Shanghai to continue the operation of at least one department to insure recognition by the Government when the war is over. This is being done very effectively in the School of Commerce in Chungking, with the applications for admission far exceeding the facilities of the institution.

As this modest Christian scientist from China talked with us concerning the missionary contribution to his country, we thanked God for this demonstration of the power of the gospel of Christ in the hearts and lives of all who heed the call of Christ and follow where he leads.

"When are They Coming?"

The great congregation almost held its breath as Lieutenant Bill Green related his experiences as prisoner of the Japanese in the Philippines. From Luzon he was taken to Leyte, thence to Cebu and Mindanao, and back to Luzon—Bilabid and Cabanatuan. He touched lightly on the sufferings of imprisoned Americans at Cabanatuan where the 511 survivors were liberated January 30 by American Rangers. He did say that he knew from experience and observation that practically all of the newspaper and radio stories concerning the treatment of the prisoners were true.

We were impressed particularly with his declaration that he never heard any of his comrades, in referring to deliverance by the American forces, ask, "Are they coming?" but rather, "When are they coming?" They had that confidence in the fidelity and might of Americans in the armed services.

Around the world are multitudes of starving men, women, and children who have heard of the generosity of the American people and are asking, "When are they coming?" Alas, millions are perishing before we can reach them. But there are other millions who may be saved if we take relief to them as soon as the doors open. Don't let them ask, "Are they coming?"

There are millions of others on all continents, America as well as Asia and Africa, who seek the true and living God. Many of them have heard that American Christians have the message of salvation. They, too, are asking, "When are they coming? How long must we wait?" In Africa a heathen king once asked Dr. Maddry to send to his people in Nigeria a preacher and a teacher. Through others he kept reminding Dr. Maddry and Southern Baptists of the promise to send missionaries to his province. Some two years ago the old king died, disappointed because we had not sent the missionaries. Some of his people are still asking, "When will they come?" What will be our response?

Lee Rutland Scarborough

On April 10, as the Foreign Mission Board was convening in one of the most significant sessions of its history, came the tidings of the Home-going of one of its greatest friends, Dr. L. R. Scarborough.

Lee Scarborough was supreme in the realm of evangelism. He came to Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary thirty-seven years ago as professor of the "Chair of Fire." His books on soul-winning are used around the world.

He was the incarnation of Co-operation. As the chosen leader of the Seventy-Five Million Campaign he mightily advanced world missions. The largest number of missionaries ever sent out in any similar period by the Foreign Mission Board were appointed during the four years immediately following that season of enlistment.

Dr. Scarborough was trusted and honored by his brethren. Following the death of Dr. B. H. Carroll in 1914, he was elected president of Southwestern Seminary, in which position he rendered glorious service until his retirement on account of ill health three years ago. As vice-president of the Baptist World Alliance, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, and president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, he summoned his fellow Baptists to be Christ's witnesses to the ends of the earth.

He rests from his labors but his life of rich and rare devotion will continue to bless the world.

Our hearts are with Mrs. Scarborough and other members of the bereaved family. We are sure that they are comforted by the blessed memories of his Christ-honoring ministry and, above all, by the unfailing grace of our Lord and Saviour whom he served so faithfully.

Churches Become Free

Dr. A. L. Warnshuis, counselor of the Church Committee on Overseas Relief and Reconstruction, was the first American civilian in two years permitted to cross the war zone and enter Switzerland. One of the most significant statements we have heard in recent months, as he talked with members of the Associated Church Press shortly after his return, was his description of religious conditions in Europe.

State churches in Europe, which had lived for years on the periphery of life and had been little concerned about the present world, became the conscience of the nation suffering from the oppression of brutal dictators. They might have adopted a passive role and have saved life and property. But in doing so they would have lost their souls. They might have slept and suffocated in their sleep. Their pastors are dead or in prison, and their buildings are destroyed, but they are the spearhead of the resistance movement. Lutherans have recovered the teachings and spirit of Martin Luther with reference to the relation of the churches to life. They have discovered that Christ, who is greater than the Fuehrer, reigns today. The churches have a courage that will not accept any compromise, and Europe is now the new world, for the old is destroyed. America is now the old world.

May God awaken the churches of America as he has awakened the churches of Europe and make them free, with the courage to oppose evil and be evangels of Christ in community life and in national and international affairs!

Foreign Students in North America

World Outlook for March carried a story of a Florida college which plans to provide a scholarship, covering all expenses, including travel, for one student from each country in Latin America in which the Methodist Church is working—namely, Cuba, Mexico, Costa Rica, Panama, Bolivia, Peru, Chile, Argentina, Uruguay, Brazil, Puerto Rico, and the Dominican Republic. Courses will be provided in Pan-American relationships. Three Roman Catholic churchmen are on a goodwill tour of all South America for the purpose of offering scholarships for work in the social sciences at American Catholic universities. Our Southern Baptist colleges and universities might well consider the possibilities of such a program in their own plans. Beyond all question, many of the lay leaders, not only of Latin America, but of Europe and the Orient, will be coming after the war to American colleges and universities for their training. Would it not be wise for our Baptist schools to have a share in that training and thus strengthen the mission opportunities in those lands?

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FROM TODAY'S APOSTLES

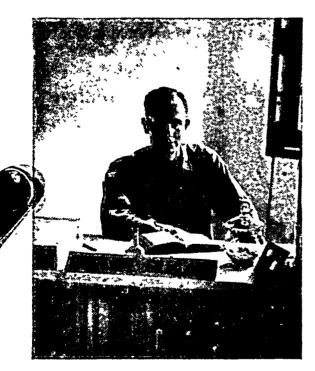
Appointee for Africa in China

Last Sunday, the attendance of men at my four services of worship reached a new high. I'm expecting even larger attendance this coming Sunday (Easter) and future Sundays. I'm the only Protestant chaplain on this big base. There is only one Catholic chaplain. Actually we need two or three Protestant chaplains, but I am doing all I can to keep things rolling.

A few days ago I had the privilege of seeing "at close range" China's big daddy, Chiang Kai-shek. He passed through this base

Since coming across India and spending more than a year in various parts of China, I have had a growing interest in the possibilities of scientific farming in connection with the missionary program. On the surface it seems to me an excellent way to win the confidence of the natives as well as improve their lot in life.

McKinlay Gilliland Chaplain (Captain) Air Base Headquarters in China



Missionary Journey in Africa

During the months of May and June I accompanied Ruth Walden to many of the churches and schools in the Benin and Sapele districts. We went to every church and school possible to reach by foot, cycle, canoe, or car, and tried to stay long enough in each place to feel that we had accomplished something. The needs of the river villages in this great land are beyond one's imagination.

How we need doctors and nurses! We entered villages where there seemed to be hardly a well person to be found. We found many, many people who could do nothing except stay in their homes and die; they were too far away for medical help. We are not nurses and were often helpless to do anything much. We did have a little dispensary before our Bible classes, but all we could do was very little.

One of the most interesting weeks we have had was in our leper colony in Iwo. Mr. McCormick, Miss Manley, and six college students helped. Of course we could not carry on exactly as we do with well people, but we had a great time teaching them God's Word. As you know, they are the most responsive group of people one could deal with anyway, and it was a blessing to us to work with them. After our Bible school was over in the afternoons, the students played games with those who were not too sick to play. Those who could not play sat on the side and enjoyed watching the others.

It was the most refreshing thing I have ever seen to watch those lepers—men, women, and children (for there were a few children)—playing games. To hear them sing "My cup is full and running over," when they were in such a terrible condition was an inspiration.

One little boy in the group, who looks to be twelve or fourteen years of age, has lost all of his fingers at the second joint. Until he came to Bible school he kept his hands hidden, but before long he was clapping his little stubby hands along with the rest. He was among the fifty-four who made a profession of faith in Christ during the week. When I am in Iwo and feel that I need a good tonic for my soul, I go to the Leper Colony Church and hear them sing, clap their hands, and quote Scripture passages!

Since July we have had seventeen vacation Bible schools with an enrollment of almost 9,000 and about 6,000 average attendance. In the schools there were more than 750 professions of faith in Christ. At Ire three churches came together for the Bible school and we had an average of 824 for the school, with more than 400 of that number adult men and women. At Igbajo we averaged 589 and more than half of that number were men and women. At Ejigbo we averaged 606 with many, many men and women daily. One afternoon we had 1,024 present in the closing evangelistic service.

Heathens, pagans, Mohammedans, and Christians attend our schools. I heard a man tell the pastor at Ejigbo one afternoon that he counted thirty-five Mohammedan men in the service in each of those schools. We pray that the pastors will be faithful in following up what we have tried to do.

The needs of those river villages pull

so on my heart that I would be happy to spend my time and energy traveling in canoes from village to village to try to teach God's Word. How we need more trained pastors, teachers and missionaries in that part—in every part of Nigeria! We need a doctor with a well-equipped medical launch to spend his time on those rivers going to the people to meet their needs. What a power for the Lord a consecrated doctor or nurse could be with those people!

I was so impressed with the need for girls trained to help the women and girls that I picked up three and brought them back up country to go to school. I sent one to Idi-Aba and two to Shaki. The two who went to Shaki were from different tribes. My heart may have been bigger than my purse, but the need is great and the Lord's promises are still greater. We pray for the day when we will have a girls' school on that side of the river, also that He will hasten the day when we can have at least a high school for boys in the delta. Uncle Will and I found many boys in those little villages who had no chance to go on to school because there is no room in our schools in the Yoruba land.

ETHEL HARMON Iwo, Nigeria, West Africa

Good Year for Christian Schools

Everything here is turning toward the opening of our schools. The college will have its largest matriculation; the Training School is taking on new life with the return of Miss Cox; and we have several new students for the seminary. Three came from Corrente, Piaui, as preseminaristas and are taking their high school work at the college. Several of our pastors (local) who have not had much theological training are going to study with us this year. We are encouraged at the prospects. Surely this ought to be our best year.

JOHN MEIN
• Recife, Pernambuco, Brazil

Co-operation Between Foreign Boards

Probably you have already had some report of the fine convention just held. It was in every way constructive. The attendance was large and representative, considering the great lack of means of transport. Of course the representation from the north was small. Dr. Manoel Avelino de Souza was re-elected president. The Convention voted to approve its Foreign Mission Board in its work in Portugal and instructed it to take means for opening work in Bolivia, Paraguay, Peru, and Colombia, in co-operation with the Board in Richmond. Also a very conservative and sensible committee of

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eleven Brazilians was selected to work with a like number of missionaries to draw up the new bases of co-operation. The colleges all reported good years. Rio enrolled more than 1,500; Recife, 788; Sao Paulo, 722. We now have 816 churches with 78,411 members.

L. L. Johnson Recife, Pernambuco, Brazil

Education for Nigerians

These days find me busier than I have ever been. We have a new class in the seminary. Twenty-four men and thirteen women are enrolled in this year's class. The day school has the largest enrollment in its history—414 the last time I checked it. The leper colony school has around a hundred enrolled. I have sent more applications for new schools than in any two previous years. All of the schools in the district are increasing in size and importance.

Mr. McCormick reports a larger enrollment at the college than they have ever had and they have added a new type of class called "an elementary training class."

I have traveled a great deal since the first of the year. Early this year I went to visit our work in the Elsiti, Kabba, Akoko, and Ondo districts. Never before did I meet as many palavers as on that trip, but nearly everyone of them turned out for the advancement of our work.

Since returning from the Elsiti trip I have visited most of our work in the Ogbomosho district and have found most of our churches making satisfactory progress.

J. CHRISTOPHER POOL Ogbomosho, Nigeria, West Africa

Call of the West

During the last few days, I have had opportunity to talk with Brother George Bell, a Toronto Baptist of the China Inland Mission, who with his brother has been in the Thibetan border province of Chinghai for several years.

When the war is over, most of our seasoned missionaries will naturally desire to return to the fields of their former labors and have fellowship with and strengthen the brethren there; and through and in co-operation with them project the program of the future.

There is another generation who have not had this experience. The Master's call is just as insistent to them as to their seniors. They, too, have a life to live for him. There are "other sheep" in every nation who must also be brought.

The Province of Chinghai lies just beyond the old Silk Road running to the northwest through the Province of Kansu. The northwest section of the province that borders on Kansu is the most thickly

populated, with about a million souls— Thibetans, Mohammedans, and Chinese. Farther west the population is very sparse.

Several of these border counties, and the provincial capital, are unoccupied by any missionary. The China Inland Mission and the Christian and Missionary Alliance are the only missions operating here. Just across the border on the old Silk Road in Kansu is Wuwei, where Dr. Abraham Hsu of our Chinese Baptist Frontier Movement is at work.

When I told Mr. Bell that Charles Culpepper, Jr., was a volunteer for Thibet, he recalled that he was a former student of the China Inland Mission school at Chefoo, and was enthusiastic that he come. He is writing to Culpepper, offering to share their studies of the Thibetan language. He has assured me of their desire to have Southern Baptist fellowship in that area and will lend us the fullest co-operation. Two or three young tough preachers and a doctor, with their wives, would be a great contribution to this region. God points that way for us!

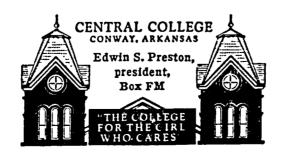
Greene W. Strother Chungking, China

Mexican Baptists in Session

The Baptist Association of South Mexico held its annual meeting with the church of Los Placeres de Oro, Guerrero, February 24-25. Six churches and four missions were represented with fifty-four messengers. There was one fraternal messenger and thirty-two visitors, making a total of eighty-six present. An interesting and practical program was presented, and the association adopted a budget of more than one thousand pesos for missions and evangelism. A goal of 350 baptisms was set for the coming year. The territory of this association has a total population of almost half a million, but to date there are only three ordained Baptist preachers to serve the seven churches and twentyfive missions which have been organized.

In connection with the associational meeting was held a five-day Bible Institute, with evangelistic preaching each night. There were twenty-eight professions of faith in Christ. A group of twenty-four walked for seven days across the Sierra Madre mountains to attend this meeting.

James D. Crane Fort Worth, Texas



The Brotherhood of the Bible

At one of the way stations, an old Korean gentleman got on and took a seat facing mine. He carried with him a heavy bundle wrapped neatly in a white cloth. We rode for several miles in silence, when suddenly the old gentleman addressed to me a generous sentence in the Korean tongue, which conveyed about as much to my mind as a code message from Mars. But I was prepared for such an emergency, and replied, "Chosen mal morogessimnida," meaning "I do not understand Korean." It was the one phrase that I knew.

The old man smiled. Probably he was saying to himself, "Anyone who can speak that much Korean ought to be able to understand more." He tried me on another sentence. Again I replied, "Chosen mal morogessimnida." This time he responded with loud laughter. But he was determined, and made a third sally at me with another long expression in Korean. I was about to give him my stock reply for the third time; but suddenly it flashed upon me that I had recognized one word. Somewhere amid all the confusion of sound I had caught "Yesu." It was the name for Jesus. I pointed to myself, and said, "Yesu." Then he repeated, "Yesu." No words can describe the sudden sense of fellowship that I felt with that old man. Here we were, traveling together, two mutes, unable to reveal our thoughts to one another. But we had one wonderful word in common, and that was enough.

Presently my companion unwrapped his bundle, and out of its mysterious shroud there was revealed a big Bible. He turned through its pages, and at last indicated with his finger a line that he wanted me to read. I shook my head hopelessly, and resorted once more to "Chosen mal morogessimnida." But then a sudden thought came to my mind. The structure of the Bible is essentially the same in Korean as in English, and I knew that Orientals began at the back and read to the front. Borrowing, his Bible for a moment, I discovered that he was pointing to the First Epistle of John, the third chapter, and the fourteenth verse. I looked it up quickly in my English Bible, and read, "We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren."

Then, searching through my Bible for an appropriate reply, I found Psalm 133:1: "Behold, how good and pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!" It was easy to find for him in his Bible. He read it with many noddings of the head, his face suffused with smiles.

Then for another half hour we passed the Bible back and forth, and through its sacred medium entered into a new experience of that warm fraternity in Christ.

—Francis Carr Stirler, in a broadcast September 6, 1943. Used by permission.

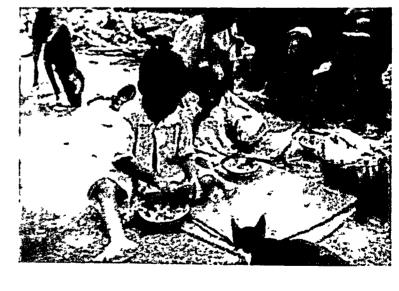
Studying Missions

By Mary M. Hunter

"They Shall Inherit the Earth" (reel 1) and "Our Newest Foreign Mission Field" (reel 2), a motion picture of Southern Baptist missions in Mexico by Personnel Secretary J. W. Marshall and Mrs. Marshall, will be ready for showing by July 1. Reservations for one or both of these reels are now being made through the Department of Literature and Exhibits of the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond 20, Virginia.



Cuts courtesy The Baptist Student



The pictures were made by Dr. and Mrs. Marshall during the summer of 1944. The script is by Mrs. Marshall. Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., secretary for Latin America, narrated the film. As these stills from the motion picture indicate, it shows children of Mexico, family life, village life, and nature scenes. It also pictures the phases and types of mission work in three sections of our Mexican mission.



BOOKS

Any book mentioned may be had from the Baptist Book Store serving your state.

What to Do with Japan by Wilfrid Fleisher (Doubleday, Doran, \$2.00) is one man's answer to one of the most insistent questions of today. The author, formerly correspondent of the New York Times and New York Herald Tribune, and for many years managing editor of the Japan Advertiser in Tokyo, has sound experience for dealing with the question. His book should have wide reading.

Another insistent question is, What can be done about the race problem after the war? Intelligent Christian people honestly seek the right answer. Some help is available from the recent book A Rising Wind by Walter White (Doubleday, Doran, \$2.00), the report of a visit to the battlefronts of Europe to study relations between white and Negro American troops. Reviewer George W. Sadler says: "The book is well written and as dispassionate as a member of a race often called 'inferior' can make it. It portrays an authentic and ugly picture of race discrimination. The fact that 'orders unequivocal in their emphasis had been issued by topranking officers . . . that all soldiers wearing the uniform of the United States Army be accorded equality of treatment is encouraging. Mr. White's book is convincing evidence of the fact that race prejudice is deep-rooted and that to transfer a prejudiced person from one part of the world to another does not rid him of his prejudices."

Dr. Sadler recommends it as worthy reading for "every American whose desire it is to live in a world where men do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with their God."

Along the same line, a junior high school course has been produced on the origin, growth, and remedy for prejudices. Probing Our Prejudices by Hortense Powdermaker (Harper, \$1.00) is a laboratory text for social science, an aid to understanding one's own attitudes toward things and people, and a help for eliminating the blind fears and hates which express themselves in daily conduct.

Relief is today's big opportunity. For that reason In the Margins of Chaos by Francesca M. Wilson (Macmillan, \$3.00) is timely. Her story of relief work during the last World War in Holland, France, North Africa, Serbia, Austria, and Russia is singularly up-to-date: "Hordes of disabled men, displaced populations struggling to get home, prisoners dying of

typhus and starvation, hunger diseases in cities, famine and epidemic in country areas."

"A novel of Americans left behind in the Philippines" is the first fiction by War Correspondent Shelley Smith Mydans. The Open City (Doubleday, Doran, \$2.50) reflects Mrs. Mydans' own observations of life in a concentration camp in Manila, says Reviewer Valleria G. Rankin.

"The growing power of the working classes seems to be worldwide and will increase as a result of the present war," declares Reviewer J. Hundley Wiley, in his report on The Chinese Labor Movement, by Nym Wales (John Day, \$2.75). "Organized labor in China is less than twenty-five years old, just old enough for the first history of it to be written. It will be a factor to reckon with in the New China. The book is a must for all Westerners who expect to live in China after the war. The author is the wife of

the famous war correspondent, Edgar Snow."

The Westminster Historical Atlas to the Bible by Wright and Filson (Westminster Press, \$3.50) is a highly satisfactory Bible study book. As a handbook for Christian missions in the Near East, it is also useful.

At His Side by George Korson (Coward-McCann, \$2.75) is an intimate and interesting overseas story of the American Red Cross and its work with the armed forces.

An invaluable reference book has just come from the press. The Pacific Islands Handbook—1944, by R. W. Robson (Macmillan, \$4.00), a vast amount of detailed information about the area which is in the news daily, opens with a tribute to missionaries "who, toiling selflessly for nearly one hundred years, have done much to remove the White Man's Curse from the South Seas."

June Birthdays of Missionaries

- 1 Olive Riddell, 1712 Vineyard Street, Bluefield, West Virginia
- 2 Cornelia Leavell, 3165 Oahu Avenue, Honolulu, T. H.
- 3 Ruth Howell Bryan (Mrs. E. K.), 724 East Cold Avenue, Albuquerque, New Mexico
 - Mabel Williams Woodward (Mrs. F. T. N.), Box 266, Phenix City, Alabama
- 4 Berta Lou Tooms Maer (Mrs. W. Q.), Casilla 185, Temuco, Chile
- 5 Alice Speiden Moore (Mrs. W. Dewey), R. F. D. 1, Silver Springs, Maryland
- 6 Captain H. Glenn Walker, M. C., 1505th Base Unit, Field Station Hospital, Sacramento, California
 - J. W. Richardson, 2127 Park Street, Columbia 17, South Carolina
- 7 Mary R. McCormick (Mrs. Hugh P.), 340 West Congress Street, Brookhaven, Mississippi
 - Esther Bassett Congdon (Mrs. W. W.), Iwo, via Lagos, Nigeria, West Africa
- 8 Leola Smith Brothers (Mrs. L. Raymond), 422 North Florida Avenue, Deland, Florida
 - Alma Ervin Reid (Mrs. O. W.), Independencia 657, Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico
- 10 L. E. Blackman, 410 Oakwood Avenue, Raleigh, North Carolina
 - James H. Ware, 543 Jefferson Street, Tupelo, Mississippi

- 11 Lewis M. Bratcher, Caixa 2844, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
 - Dorothy Carpenter Combs (Mrs. E. J., Jr.), Anthony, New Mexico
 - John Lake, 3924 Baltimore Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri
- 12 Thomas B. Stover, Caixa 320, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
 - Kate Cox White (Mrs. Maxey G.), Caixa 184, Bahia, Brazil
- 13 J. B. Adair, Lagos, Nigeria, West Africa
 - Inabelle G. Coleman, 315 Riverside Drive, New York 27, New York
- 14 A. R. Dailey, Apartado Nacional 713, Barranquilla, Colombia, South America
 - W. Q. Maer, Casilla 185, Temuco, Chile
- 15 Edith D. Larson (Mrs. Ivan V.), 4539 Forrest Avenue, Kansas City 4, Missouri
- 17 John L. Bice, Caixa 38, Maceio, Brazil
 - Bettie S. Lide (Mrs. F. P.), Box 223, Wake Forest, North Carolina
- 18 F. Catharine Bryan, 65 Sheridan Drive, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia
 - C. O. Gillis, Rafaela 3936, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- 20 Dr. Maxfield Garrott, Box 5148, Richmond 20, Virginia
 - Harriett L. King, 211½ South Illinois Avenue, Carbondale, Illinois (Please turn the page)

NEWS FLASHES

By Gene Newton

On Furlough

The Rev. and Mrs. H. B. Ramsour, Jr., Argentina—1701 Avenue C, Brownwood, Texas.

Georgia Mae Ogburn, Chile—3011 Valley Street, Meridian, Mississippi.

On Field

May Perry and Willie Kate Baldwin have reached Nigeria

Dr. J. T. Williams has arrived in Honolulu and will spend several weeks surveying our work in the Territory of Hawaii.



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Lt. George W. Sadler, Jr., now prisoner of war in Germany, won the Air Medal for accomplishing twelve missions in Europe. In his absence, the medal was given his mother, Mrs. George W. Sadler, former missionary to Nigeria, and wife of the Board's secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East. The ceremony took place at the Richmond Air Base within the hour before news came of the President's death, and twenty-six years and a month after the Distinguished Service Cross was awarded Chaplain George W. Sadler by General John J. Pershing in France for bravery in removing casualties from the battlefield under artillery fire.

June Birthdays

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Virgie Mason Riddell (Mrs. Gerald), Apartado Nacional 713, Barranquilla, Colombia, South America

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Marriages

Rev. and Mrs. Wilson Fielder announce the marriage of their daughter, Golda Jean, to Robert Alan Moore, Lieutenant (j.g.), United States Naval Reserve, on Saturday, March 17, in the Gaston Avenue Baptist Church, Dallas, Tevas

Mrs. Cread Click Marriott announces the marriage of her daughter, Cora May, to Captain Conrad Cornelius Baldwin, Chaplain, United States Army Air Forces, on Friday, December 22, 1944, in Norton, Virginia.

The wedding of two appointees-inwaiting took place April 24 in Cornelia, Georgia, when Miss Lou Demie Segers became the bride of the Rev. David Mein. The newlyweds, missionaries since appointment last October, expect to leave for Brazil in May.

Secretary for Latin America

Due to the growth of Evangelical Christian missions in Latin America, and the increase of opportunities on the continent of South America, the Board has requested Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., secretary for that region, to establish his headquarters there for a period of eighteen months to two years. Dr. and Mrs. Gill and their three children plan to leave for Recife early in the summer. They expect to live in Portuguese-speaking territory about nine months, in Spanish-speaking territory the other nine months.

On Duty in Chengtu

Lucy Wright, R.N., former patient in the Union Hospital, Chengtu, China, has recovered from her operation and went on duty February 20 in that hospital. She will work there until she feels able to continue her journey to Kansu or to some other point of service.

Returning from the Philippines

News has been received that the Rev. and Mrs. Robert A. Dyer and the Rev. and Mrs. Hugo H. Culpepper are on their way home from the Philippines. Mrs. Rufus F. Gray and Billy, Cleo Morrison and Fern Harrington have left Manila but may be slightly delayed in returning to the United States.

Studying at Columbia

Miss Mary Alexander is taking graduate work in education at Columbia University.

Double Flash

The Rev. and Mrs. R. A. Dyer, formerly internees in the Philippines, are on furlough at 822 Piedmont Street, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Helen Meredith of Colombia has arrived for furlough at Hartsville, Georgia.

Outward Bound

During the past six months these new missionaries have reached foreign fields.



To Colombia

Gerald Riddle of Laurel, Mississippi. B.A., Howard Payne College; Th.M., Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Formerly pastor Melwood Baptist Church, Brownwood, Texas; West Laurel Baptist Church, Mississippi.



To Colombia

Virgie Therell Riddle (Mrs. Gerald) of Meridian, Mississippi. B.M., Mississippi Southern College; M.R.E., B.S.M., Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.



To Brazil

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Ruby Burton Hines of Westbrook, Texas. B.A., Mary Hardin-Baylor College; M.R.E., Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.



To Brazil

Dorine C. Hawkins of Altus, Oklahoma. B.S., Oklahoma Baptist University; M.R.E., Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Former church secretary and educational director, Norman, Oklahoma; Baptist student secretary, Stillwater, Okla.



To Mexico

Baker-Ray Studio

Coy Lee Childress Pierson (Mrs. A. P.) of El Paso, Texas. Attended Montezuma Baptist, College, and summer school of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Worker among Mexicans in Southern California and Mexican seminary.



To Mexico

Baker-Ray Studio

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