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United States Liquor Bill

NEVER before, possibly, in the history of the world has there been such liquor drinkers as Americans of today. Drew Pearson, in his *Merry-go-round*, tells us that Americans consumed in 1942, 171,000,000 gallons of liquor. He also tells us that liquor consumption has increased steadily since the repeal of prohibition in 1933. In 1934, 58,000,000 gallons were consumed. This has gone up to 171,000,000 gallons, and yet we were told by the liquor forces that the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment would stop drinking.

We sincerely hope that every Baptist who voted for the repeal has become disillusioned, for we are now face to face with a problem of destroying the licensed liquor traffic, or having liquor destroy our people.

Spiritual Awakening Needed

ROGER BABSON, in his syndicated newspaper column, says: "If this war is fought to a finish, it will end only when we repent of our sins, readjust our wasteful standards of living, and once more make God the ruler of our homes, schools, businesses and nation."

There is in this statement the implication that the war now raging is a judgment upon the sin of the world, and that we have been drawn into it because of our sins as a people and a nation. There is food for thought here.

There is a dreaded implication as well. If the war will be brought to a satisfactory conclusion only when we repent of our sins and bring God back into our lives as a people, then from what we see going on the end is far off. It would be well to read and study Habakkuk.

Broadcasting Stations Grow

THE annual report of the broadcasting industry shows that 817 stations are in operation as compared with 765 in 1940. The three national networks, the five regional chains and the 817 stations reported 23,666 employees, with a weekly payroll of \$1-

138,249. Radio is one business that has continued to grow in both size and activity in spite of the war.

We will be wise as Christians if we recognize this growing industry and, while we can, secure time on the air so that we can broadcast our message to the world.

Dr. M. N. McCall, superintendent of missions in Cuba, is preaching every Sunday over a national hook-up on the island of Cuba. The returns, he tells us, indicate that it is one of the most profitable pieces of work they are doing.

Lift Up Your Eyes

LIFT up your eyes and look upon the fields that they are white unto harvest." But alas, how shall the people see if the SEERS are blind. Those who would put the eyes of others in must not put their own eyes out. Any man is blind religiously if he does not see the whole world as the object of Christ's redeeming grace.

Is Science Sufficient?

JULIAN HUXLEY, grandson of Darwin's great interpreter, Thomas Huxley, is reported in *Time Magazine* as saying, "When men assert that the scientific approach is incomplete, it is because they have not been willing to follow it to its final conclusion, or because they are mistaking an early stage in its growth for full development."

Evidently Huxley assumes that science has reached the ultimate, which it has not. What was accepted by scientists a decade or two ago is now rejected. New theories are constantly proposed and set out as if they were actual facts. Huxley had better wait until scientists agree on what is truth before he exalts science above religion.

He assumes too much and he affirms too much. He declares that the "world, living and lifeless, mental and physical, is composed of one stuff. In reproduction there is no moment in which life enters. The offspring is merely a detached portion of the parental living substance."

We wonder how Mr. Huxley knows all this? Has he been able to pierce

the veil that separates the physical from the spiritual? Has he looked into the secret processes of birth and found that there is no connection between God and the new-born baby?

The trouble with our scientists is that they assume what they do not know and proceed as if there is nothing beyond their ken.

Some of us know that there is on the other side of the shores of the physical a spiritual world and through the experience that has come into our hearts we know that God comes into human life.

Wonderful Progress In Inventions

AT a recent meeting of the American Physical Society in Washington, a double crystal spectrometer was presented which operates on the principle of the X-ray and is so powerful that it makes visible the inner structures of metals. With this instrument one can look into all the structural metals being used and be sure that there are no defects.

But this is not all. An American radio scientist also described a new microscope which magnifies an inch to half a mile. Another proposition was to cure disease by raising the temperature of the human body; that is, by simply burning out the disease germs.

But this is only a small part of what will take place. The discoveries made during this world war period will practically revolutionize our whole social structure and change all international relations. Television will come in and be perfected so that we can preach the Gospel to the entire world over a broadcasting station that will give the entire church set-up. The people in every land will be able not only to hear the preacher, but will also see him.

And, with everything else, there will come a universal language. This is in the offing. Our preachers then will be able to speak to the entire world in a language that everyone can understand. My, what a day we are living in for the spread of the Gospel!

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My God Shall Supply All Your Need According To His Riches In Glory By Christ Jesus.—Phil. 4:19.

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THE world is confronted today with destructive forces which are mighty, menacing and sinister. They must be overcome before we can have a better world. But the picture is not altogether dark. There are forces of righteousness at work in the world. The Christian churches

Christian Co-operation

Instead of Organic Church Union

It is true that the various denominations to which these members belong do not agree on many points of doctrine and practice, but they do agree on the fact that righteousness exalteth a nation and that sin is a reproach to any people. They do not agree on the advisability or possibility of organic church union where principles of faith are involved, but they do agree that Christian co-operation in building a better world where matters of social policy are involved is not only possible but advisable and necessary.

Many of the members of the different churches are today impatient with those church leaders who are spending their time and energies in trying to bring about organic church union, but many of them would rejoice if these same leaders would turn from their efforts to secure organic union and give themselves to the task of promoting Christian co-operation in building a better world.

We are of the opinion that a majority of Baptists would hail with delight such a change in front and would heartily enter into co-operation with Christians of all faiths in dealing with questions of social betterment if the question of the doctrines, practices, missionary and religious work of the churches were left altogether with the individual denominations.

Co-operation is a Baptist principle. It is the basis of procedure in their work. But there is a vast difference between Baptists co-operating with Baptists in preaching the Gospel of the kingdom and Baptists co-operating with churches of other faiths. Baptist church polity makes the difference. With Baptists the churches are the units of co-operation in their denominational work. Individual Baptists do not co-operate with individuals in this work, they co-operate through their churches. The church belongs to the denomination. The individual belongs to the church

and the churches promote the denominational programs for the bringing in of the kingdom through the agencies established by the denomination for kingdom work. Baptist churches cannot, if they remain true to their faith and practice, co-operate as churches with other denominations; an individual Baptist cannot, if he is true to his faith and practice, co-operate with churches of other faiths in their distinctively denominational work. Unless two are agreed they cannot walk together. He can, however, co-operate with individual Christians of other faiths in matters where the faith and the practice of the churches are not involved.

If this were made clear and a movement launched on this basis for the purpose of purifying, rectifying and redeeming the social order, Baptists could and would, we are sure, and we believe all other Christians could and would, enter heartily into such a movement in the building of a new world. For instance, if the Federal Council of Churches were a federal council of Christians all of us could come in and work together in building a better world.

Baptists must carry on their own denominational work preaching the Gospel as they believe it, but there are great social tasks which do not involve the faith of any church—tasks which deal with social and moral issues alone—in which Baptists could unite with all other Christians. The making of a better social order should be the concern of the members of all churches. For instance, there cannot be a Baptist solution of the liquor traffic and a Methodist solution and a Presbyterian solution, and so on with each denomination. There is only one solution and Christians of every faith are concerned in that solution. So is it with any other social problem. If we solve these problems we must work together. And as Christians we can work together in all matters where the faith and practice of our churches are not involved. Let us quit talking about organic church union and give ourselves to promoting Christian co-operation.

We should guard against letting our devotion to a program take the place of love for a people. Programs are of time. Changing conditions may demand new means and methods and agencies; a lost world will never change in its need for the Gospel. Christ loved men of every race and nationality no matter where they were, and so must we.

ALABAMA POINTS THE WAY

Missionary Education Weeks in Associations Launched
By W. M. U. Field Worker Acclaimed by Pastors as
Bringing Spiritual Blessings to Participating Churches



Miss Florence Thomasson whose ideas and energies are behind the Alabama effort.

WORK is the key word in the association-wide Missionary Education Weeks which have been featured in Alabama in recent months. The untiring leadership of Miss Florence Thomasson, W. M. U. field worker for Alabama, accounts in a large part for the success of the plan of study. Lazy pastors and people simply do not fit into the plan as outlined by Miss Thomasson.

Perhaps the largest part of the task which falls to Miss Thomasson is the securing of missionary speakers who visit in the association for one week representing the mission boards through which Southern Baptists do their work. Especially in an association which is largely rural, the people are interested and impressed to have "real live missionaries" speak in their churches where no missionary has ever spoken before.

Educational Effort Evokes Enthusiasm

By
ANNA L. MURCHISON

ASSOCIATION-WIDE Missionary Education Weeks are proving highly successful in Alabama, according to Miss Minnie Berry, missionary of the Home Mission Board in the mountains, who has just completed a month of service as one of the missionary speakers in meetings held in several Alabama associations.

Miss Berry spoke at least once in each section of each association she visited. In the evening she told of her work in the mountains to all who

Industrious Leadership Insures Success

By J. W. FAGAN

Pastor First Baptist Church, Pell City, Alabama

Work in preparation for a week of study of world missions begins when an association announces its intention of following the plan. Miss Thomasson and the W. M. U. superintendent of the association contact all of the local societies and local pastors to inform them of the effort and to make arrangements. Miss Thomasson visits the association once and sometimes twice, discussing with the officers and pastors the necessary adjustments.

After the churches of the association are divided into groups and a host church which is so centrally located as to be accessible to all Baptists living in the area served by the churches in the group is selected for each group a schedule of study for each evening in the chosen week is planned in that church.

Arrangements are made for each of the visiting missionaries to spend one day in each group, speaking in the evening to the people assembled for the study of missions and during the day at the public schools, to civic and church organizations, and having informal contacts with the people.

The week itself has proven strenuous but joyous to all who participate. People who had never attended study courses before came to the church early and stayed late. One group became so interested in a discussion of the work in Africa that it was difficult

to get them to go home after the service.

Miss Thomasson's program of missionary education means better church workers. In our church and our association there has been a real revival, a revival of interest in the mission work of the world, the work of the fields in this country, the work of the local churches. We feel that it will result in working individuals.

When faithful workers are as necessary as they are today, this plan of Missionary Education Week seems to be God's program for such an hour as this.

A Pastor's Appraisal

THE success of our wonderful week in Montgomery Baptist Association could not have nearly attained its mountain crest standard without the intelligent, detailed, persistent, and most pleasant activities of Miss Florence Thomasson, field worker for the state W. M. U. She secured for us the list of missionaries and in every other way manifested physical, mental and spiritual energy that not only got things done on time but also inspired others to exercise themselves in their assignments. She has rare qualities as a promoter of the Lord's work on earth.—CHAS. F. LEEK, Pastor Highland Avenue Baptist Church

Miss Berry spoke to an unseen audience over a public address system from the school office. A little disappointed at not being able to see the response to her message, she returned to the school office.

The youthful enthusiasm of the students to whom she spoke thrilled Miss Berry. On one occasion she was kept busy for an hour answering the eager questions of a group of high school girls—questions about her mission field and her work.

In one of the schools where an auditorium large enough to hold all the students at one time was not available,

Miss Berry

Birmingham Pastor Evaluates World Fellowship Week

By JOHN MAGUIRE

Pastor Calvary Baptist Church

THE most productive missionary program ever undertaken by Birmingham Baptists was the World Fellowship Week engaged in recently.

For the second time Birmingham Baptists have entered into a co-operative program of mission study which brought to the city representatives of each of the three mission agencies through which Southern Baptists work. The enthusiastic participation of the Baptists of the city has made this effort even more successful than the first.



Dr. Alfred Schwab, missionary to the French.

He was one of the workers Birmingham Baptists were privileged to hear.

During one week twelve prominent, missionary-minded men and women, representing State, Home and Foreign Missions, spoke at strategic points throughout the city, and thousands of people had the opportunity of hearing first hand of the significant work being done by Baptists on mission fields.

Dr. F. M. Barnes, executive secretary of the Alabama State Mission Board, Davis Woolley and Mrs. Davis Cooper, Jr., spoke of the mission work

being done in Alabama. They challenged their listeners to see the missionary opportunity in the state.

Outstanding among the representatives of the Home Mission Board was Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary-treasurer of that agency, who according to his hearers was "never better in all of his life."

Dr. J. F. Plainfield presented Home Mission work among the Italians. Rev. Lawrence Thibodeaux and Dr. Alfred Schwab told of their work among the French in Louisiana, and Dr. S. F. Davis discussed the outstanding prog-



Rev. Lawrence Thibodeaux
He told of French work.

resolve to do our best for all our mission work," was the comment of one Birmingham pastor.

Reports from all of the forty-two churches which participated have been favorable. Each seemed to feel that his group had the best speaker. In fact they all did! They had each of the missionary speakers at some time during the week.

A total of 5,713 people were reached in the meetings and the missionaries and their messages were given publicity through the local newspapers and over the Birmingham radio stations.

Birmingham's gifts to missions have taken a remarkable jump upward. Budgets have been much easier to raise, and many people are now thinking of that hour when Southern Baptists will be out of debt and ready to send 1,000 new missionaries to the field. One church in Birmingham has started to remove the last dime of debt against it and has decided to send out four missionaries as soon as the war is over.

Any city will greatly strengthen its work by fostering such a week of mission study.

Birmingham is already looking forward to and planning for her third World Fellowship Week.

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leave the office only to find her way blocked by a group of eager faced students who had rushed from their classrooms in order to greet her.

None of the students to whom she spoke were more responsive than the Negroes, she stated.

"If one cannot speak before a group of Negro youth," Miss Berry said, "she

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Church Conducts Lyceum On World Affairs

By T. RUPERT COLEMAN

Pastor Ginter Park Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia

A MOST fruitful week was the Lyceum on World Affairs held recently in Ginter Park Baptist Church in Richmond. Dr. J. F. Plainfield was our guest and leader. Another group was begun under the leadership of a local teacher, but before the week ended the magnetic leadership of Dr. Plainfield had drawn those of this group to disband their class and go to Dr. Plainfield's class. The Lyceum began on Sunday morning when Dr. Plainfield preached at



Italian children in Tampa learn Americanism as taught by Dr. Plainfield.

the morning service. During the week he met the primary and junior boys and girls for an hour of missionary instruction. This was the most popular junior class that we have ever held. They came in large numbers and with keen interest.

No offering was taken—but on the first afternoon after the class a boy paused to see Dr. Plainfield and said, handing him some coins, "Please use this in helping some boy to know about Jesus." This became a custom and ere the week passed many were bringing very voluntarily a gift for God's work in "dark" lands.

Each evening through Friday the Lyceum opened at 7:30 o'clock for all of the church of the intermediate department and above. Dr. Plainfield devoted the first forty-five minutes to lecturing and discussing his book, *The Stranger Within Our Gates*.

At 8:45 an assembly was held for all groups. Dr. Plainfield, on a majority of the evenings, spoke on challenging subjects pertaining to the Christian and the world. One evening everyone was moved by his challenging message of his life story. Other evenings projection of Kodachrome pictures with lectures depicting



Dr. J. F. Plainfield, Home Board missionary to Italians, proved himself a world missionary in the Richmond meeting.

ing our Home Mission work was very informative and inspirational.

The week was one of the best that we have ever witnessed on missionary emphasis. Dr. Plainfield is a missionary—not Home, not Foreign. There is but one field of the Lord's—the world. He sees the work as none whom I have met, and when he leaves, people see His kingdom through new mental and spiritual eyes.

Typical of the impressions and reactions on the part of our people may be summed up in quoting a remark made by one on leaving the service one evening: "He is the greatest man who ever came to our city. No one church should have him alone! He should have spoken in the Mosque (city auditorium) and all the churches invited to hear him."

on Saturday evening, Miss Berry met with a Royal Ambassador chapter. Sunday morning she taught the ladies of the church at the Sunday School hour; at eleven o'clock she spoke in one of the smaller churches in the town; in the afternoon she visited three rural churches and in the evening spoke at the First Baptist Church in the town. Of course, every day was not as crowded as Sundays, but each week-day held at least two speaking engagements.

The questions which followed her talks, and the expressed desires of many of the groups to do something for the people on her mountain field convinced Miss Berry of the real missionary zeal being created through this endeavor to make the meaning

of missions clearer. A number of groups planned to send boxes of toys, used clothing, Testaments, books, quilts and other gifts to Miss Berry for distribution at Christmas time.

Miss Berry was quite enthusiastic about what the month in Alabama had meant to her. She feels now that on her field she will be strengthened by the prayers of the many friends she met in Alabama. She believes her vision for the need of work to be done has been deepened through the opportunity to present the needs to others. She goes back with a new challenge.

"The real joy I had and the many new interests developed make the time I was in Alabama an experience to be long remembered," she said.

February, 1943.

AFTER eight years on the mountain mission fields in Kentucky Rev. Lewis W. Martin has now become associated with the Home Mission Board's educational work as field secretary in charge of church schools of missions.

The new secretary's missionary spirit, his years of experience in mission work and in the pastorate prior to that service, and his superb training in Georgetown College and Southern Seminary give him unusual qualifications to direct a program aimed at developing missionary zeal and activity in the churches.

Brother Martin accepted the appointment by the Board by which he was transferred from the mountain field after refusing a number of insistent invitations to accept other work.

Even now, he states, he has been loath to leave the work and people to which he has given eight years in direct work and over five years as pastor in that section.

Assured of God's Leading

"I have responded to this call," he said, "because I believe God is leading and I see in this service an oppor-

L. W. Martin Sees Local Church As Fountainhead of Missions

tunity to be a missionary to every field and to start back at the local church which is the fountain head of all missionary endeavor."

He believes that the work to which he is now giving himself is of unusual significance at this time.

"Because of the implications of wartime conditions," Brother Martin explains, "and anticipating the demand of world need as the war continues and infinitely more when peace is won, Southern Baptists should project a continuous missionary training program and establish in every church a policy for the impartation of missionary information and doctrine."

Methods used by Brother Martin, he says, will be those which have been proved successful, especially church schools of missions, plans for which will be made adaptable for churches large and small, city and rural, for city-wide or associational campaigns.

The new director of this movement lists five aims which he hopes his program will accomplish:

Mission study is of timely importance, says new secretary.



1. More diligent personal soul-winning.
2. Definite local church missions.
3. Intelligent, definite, constant missionary praying.
4. Sacrificial giving.
5. Dedication and consecration of young people to God's world-wide missionary enterprise.

Brother Martin was graduated from Georgetown College in 1923 with the A.B. degree. Five years later he received the Th.M. degree from Southern Seminary.

New Location in Atlanta

His first pastorate was at Shelby, Ohio, between his college and seminary days, followed by several part-time pastorates during his student years at Louisville. Upon his graduation from the seminary he was called to the pastorate of First Baptist Church, Hazard, Kentucky, which he served (1929-1934) until his appointment as a missionary of the Home Mission Board.

Brother Martin will be located in Atlanta, his new address being 315 Red Rock Building. He began his new work January 1.

Five Women Write New Book For March Week of Prayer

UNDER the direction of Miss Louise Smith, Florida W. M. U. secretary, and the committee on the March Week of Prayer for Home Missions of which she is chairman, five authors worked

independently in writing *They Need Not Go Away*.

Each author based her presentation on a careful survey of the phase of Home Mission work assigned to her to give this full-rounded study to be used in preparation for the Week of Prayer. The book has just been brought from the press and is now on sale at twenty-five cents in Baptist Book Stores.

"We believe that these five studies, the results of the research of these interested women," said Miss Smith, "will be thought provoking and if faithfully taught and studied will result in increased interest and gifts to the cause of Home Missions."

The book is introduced by Mrs. Una

Roberts Lawrence with an explanation of the key text, "They need not go away," which verse suggests the all-sufficiency of Christ to meet spiritual needs on Home Mission fields.

In the first chapter, which deals with mission work among the Indians, Miss Thelma Brown writes on the suggestive topic, "Bread For The Stones of Paganism." Mrs. Eureka Whitaker in the second chapter, which discusses mountain and rural work, has as her subject, "Water of Life For The Thirsty."

A discussion of Catholic doctrine and practices and of mission work among people in Catholic lands on Home Mission fields is given by Miss Eva R. Inlow under the title, "Light for Darkness," which is chapter three.

The fourth chapter, entitled "The Door of Salvation", is a discussion by Miss Mary Christian of evangelism, foreigners, Jews and Negroes. Migrant populations, including the armed service men, and our spiritual responsibilities to them are discussed by Mrs. Pen Lile Compere Pittard in the last chapter, "The Way For The Moving Multitudes."



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cannot speak at all." The eagerness with which they listened proved an inspiration to her.

During one morning Miss Berry spoke to over a thousand students.

The weeks she was participating in the plan, Miss Berry reports, there were at least three and sometimes five fellow missionaries visiting in the associations with her. Some of these were representing foreign mission work and others the home mission work.

The schedules of the missionaries during their visit were often quite crowded. Every opportunity to speak for missions was utilized.

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Enlarged Home Mission Work Outlined In New Lawrence Book

AN analysis of our contemporary war-torn civilization and a prophecy of new things to be both included in Dr. Lawrence's provocative new book, *Home Missions in the New World*, which has just been brought from the press by the Home Mission Board.

In his characteristically vigorous style and with keen insight into the times, Dr. Lawrence has delineated with prophetic sweep of his pen world conditions of spiritual import and has outlined the nature of the Home Mission program needed to meet these world shaping movements of the day.

World conditions—political, social, educational and spiritual—are affecting tremendously the Home Mission task. In this book, Dr. Lawrence has interpreted these conditions as they affect Home Missions.

Aggressive Program Promised

Now that the Board's debts are to be fully paid this year, Dr. Lawrence's new book is a timely and encouraging suggestion that the agency will be able to meet the new conditions of the day aggressively and with great vigor. He has outlined this enlarged Home Mission program in *Home Missions in the New World*.

In chapter one, entitled "The World We Face", the author concludes that Christians "must permeate the social,

political and national life with the spirit of Christ". Christian principles, he adds, are the only bases for a lasting peace.

The second chapter, under the head "The Background For Our Task", gives a brief historical resume of the spiritual and religious factors contributing to the development of America in which it is conclusively shown that this nation was brought forth under conditions which prove that she has a God-given mission.

Baptists particularly, he states, have a destiny ordered by Providence as indicated by their history. "Our mission," he writes, "is to help build the world, and we must work on until the nations awake from their lethargy and shake off the chains that bind them. We must work on until out of the stones of demolished thrones there is reared the structure of Christian brotherhood."

Baptist Distinctions Shown

Building a denomination for world conquest is the theme of the third chapter, entitled "Mobilizing For A New World Order". Here he sets forth the characteristics of Baptist organizations and the grounds of their existence as a distinctive denomination. The kingdom of God as a functioning organization is the only solution for our problem, he concludes.



The fourth chapter has the timely title "Re-thinking Home Missions".

"The task of the Home Mission Board," Dr. Lawrence writes, "is to take the Gospel to those who have it not in those isolated and neglected regions or areas outside the normal reach of the local church; the task also includes certain specific types of work which are southwider in their nature and which call for workers whose training in language qualifications are such that the average church worker does not possess."

There are new territorial, racial, stewardship and evangelistic frontiers before the Home Mission Board today, he adds.

In the final chapter, "Traveling Towards Tomorrow", the author dips into the future to visualize the changed life of the new world which is coming into existence, especially as those changes impose new and altered spiritual responsibilities.

The Glory of the Church

In this chapter Dr. Lawrence deals more particularly with the Home Mission program of the future, pointing out especially its scope in relation to the foreigners, Indians, the Negroes, in the cities, and in rural areas.

"The missionary enterprise has been the highest glory of the church through the ages," he writes in conclusion. "Missions represents the highest ministry which man can exercise and which man can receive, the ministry of making God known to lost men."

The book is illustrated with carefully selected pictures showing fields of need and missionary activity. An attractive cover for the book was prepared by Winona Childers, artist of Kansas City.

Suggestive helps for teaching are included in the book, prepared by Una Roberts Lawrence.

Check This List for Mission Study

When your church has its week of mission study you will want the most interesting, most authoritative books available. This list of Home Mission texts is your safe guide for inspiring study.

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Jews and Catholics Help In Constructing New Baptist Center

JEWs and Catholics joined with others in working day after day in the construction of the new Good Will Center at West Frankfort, Illinois, which was dedicated recently, according to Miss Mary Headen, Home Board missionary there. People who had never gone into any church other than Catholic donated much labor.

"One man told me," said Miss Headen, "that he believed God had raised him up from a serious illness so that he might help. He worked faithfully day in and day out."

More than 100 people in all helped in some way in the erection of the building. It consists of a lovely little chapel on the ground floor and six rooms for Sunday School classes and clubs in the basement.

"We trust," concludes Miss Headen, "that it will be a great lighthouse, a place of prayer, a soul-winning station. We desire your prayers that the work may grow and glow for Him."

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Victory For Christ in Cuban Village

By ENRIQUE PINA



Marching children who have gathered at the little Baptist church in Guareiras, Cuba, for weekly Bible study led by Rev. and Mrs. Enrique Pina.

A CATHOLIC priest walking in a park in Guareiras, Cuba, early one morning looked up as he heard children's voices singing. Coming across the park toward him, he saw a group of boys and girls marching. As they drew nearer he saw that the leaders carried a Christian flag, a Cuban flag and a Bible.

He stood looking in amazement as the marching children passed him, their faces bright with happiness.

Was it possible that after he had forbidden the people to attend the

Baptist church, this large group of boys and girls had gathered for a meeting there? Only five people had come to mass that morning. Was this the reason?

The children marched on to the Baptist church where they spent many happy hours learning about the Bible and its meaning.

On each Saturday morning the young people and children of Guareiras gather at the church for two hours of Bible study. These pictures give evidence of the eagerness of Cubans to hear.



Left—Mrs. Enrique Pina explains the Scriptures to a Cuban country woman. At a rural meeting near Colon recently, ten mothers crowded in to hear Missionary Pina preach. All were Catholics.



Right—Brother Pina discusses with a Cuban Baptist farmer the meaning of the yoke of Christ. They hold a yoke typical of those used on the oxen which do the heavy work on Cuban farms. The yoke of Christ, they conclude, is easy.

New Orleans Rescue Mission Begins Seventeenth Year's Work

By CLOVIS A. BRANTLEY

NOW in a few days the Baptist Rescue Mission, operated by the Home Mission Board and supported largely through the Annie Armstrong Offering, will begin its seventeenth year of service to the many unhappy and unfortunate men and women who shall call upon us.

Prior to February, 1927, when the Mission was formally opened, many people had prayed and hoped for a work to be begun here in this great southern city on the behalf of the transient man and woman that passed through New Orleans, many of whom needed material and spiritual help desperately.

With an inconspicuous beginning the Mission was opened in a room in a downtown hotel. The early days were difficult, the police looked with suspicion on the work, others doubted if it could be carried on successfully. The police have changed their attitude and friends have rallied behind the work. Policemen now often bring men to the Mission.

Judge Thanks Superintendent

One of the city judges told me the other day, "Your institution has a heart. It reaches men without a lot of 'red tape' that definitely need spiritual help. Though I am of another religious faith, I believe that you are doing one of the greatest pieces of work being done in the city and that your institution is worthy of greater support. Call on me," he concluded, "and I shall be glad to do what I can to help."

During the sixteen years of its operation more than 600,000 days of service have been given nearly 200,000 different men and women—as many as 54,000 in a year during the height of the depression. A cheerful word, a bit of counsel, and the Gospel of Jesus have helped many a man to begin anew.

All have gladly been received and whatever service could be rendered has been given. Clothes, food, clean beds, hot baths, and assistance in finding employment have saved many a man from a life worse than death.

One said recently, "You are the only friends I have in the world."

Results of a work like this cannot readily be placed in figures. Statistics cannot contain its value.

Sixteen years of consecutive nightly services is a great record. That means

that services have been held for more than 5,840 nights with no night passing without a service.

Of the nearly 200,000 different men and women that have been served, beyond 9,000 have made public profession of having been saved.

Nearly 600 unlawful babies have been born to girls in our Woman's Emergency Home. These unfortunate girls would have had little chance had we not taken them in. They have been helped in their hour of disgrace and many of them are now living pure lives and are happy. Surely such a work is loved by our Saviour.

When a certain man's money ran out and rent could not be paid, his landlord put him out on the street with only the clothes he had on to wear. The third night he was with us he came down the aisle when the invitation was given.

"Why do you come," the worker asked.

"I have come because I have been

a sinner long enough," he replied. "I want to give my life to Jesus. I want Him to save me." He was gloriously saved by our Master.

Returns to Thank Landlord

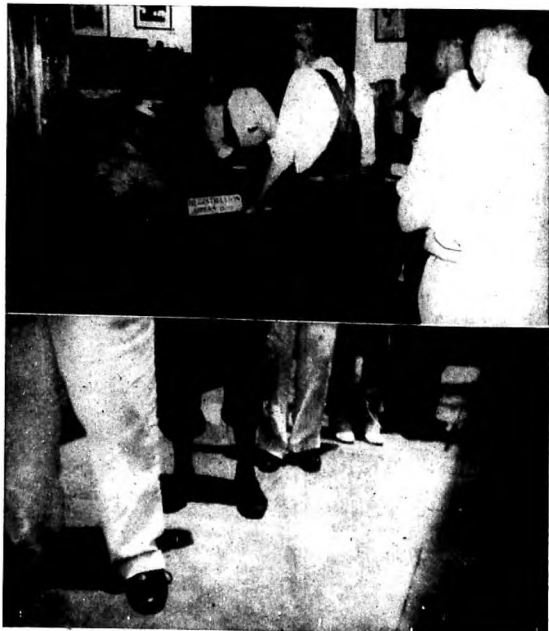
Soon after his conversion, he went down the street to where his former landlord lived.

"I want to thank you for what you did for me," the ousted tenant said.

"I do not understand," replied the landlord in amazement. "We have done nothing for you. We put you out when you had no more money to pay rent."

"I knew you would not understand. You did put me out, but in doing that you made it necessary for me to go to the Baptist Mission where I was saved. The Lord who saved me teaches that a man should forgive them that misuse him. I have come to tell you that I freely forgive you."

We wish to thank all our friends who have stood by the work. Especially have the women aided in this work through the Annie Armstrong Offering. Many others have helped. May God bless you all.



Men from the streets are registering for rooms at the Mission in the top picture. Below are the feet of those standing in the nightly soup line.

North Carolina Leader Welcomes City Program

By M. A. HUGGINS
General Secretary
North Carolina Convention

I AM very enthusiastic about the prospect of the Home Mission Board supplying a city missionary for Durham. Duke University is in Durham, but it is really a great Baptist town.



Dr. Huggins

The men of Durham have a Baptist council which really functions. The real backbone of the expansion in and around Durham is probably B. E. Morris, pastor of the West Durham Baptist Church. However, all the pastors and all the churches co-operate. We have nothing so progressive anywhere else in the state.

During the past three or four years I have seen four churches spring up on the edge of Durham. Two of these were organized in tents. Both of them are now in a flourishing condition. One now has one unit of their building almost completed.

Splendid Co-operation Shown

When these churches were organized, practically every church in Durham was represented by members. In

SAN ANTONIO ADDED TO CITY WORK

LATEST addition to the Home Mission Board expanding city mission program is San Antonio, the work having been launched there with the appointment of Rev. E. J. Gregory as superintendent.

Brother Gregory, who came to this new work January 1 after a successful pastorate of several years at Alice, Texas, was elected by the Board on recommendation of a local committee in San Antonio.

His experience in the south Texas pastorate and service prior to that on the foreign mission field in Mexico give Brother Gregory a splendid background to direct the mission program in the Alamo City.

Six cities are now included in the Board's urban program, while seven others are scheduled to be added soon

every case save one every pastor in the city was present for the service, and in that case the absent pastor had a funeral.

Camp Butler is only about twelve miles out of Durham, and this makes the city an even greater opportunity.

When I was there recently, we looked at another new development with an idea of purchasing a lot and getting a work started in that section.

I think our Board will be willing to put something into the work in Durham, especially having in mind the soldiers on leave, and of course we shall be happy to co-operate with the Home Mission Board in every possible way that we may extend the Baptist program in Durham.

The Home Mission Board can count on us to go along to the extent of our ability.

City's Growth Brings New Opportunities to Birmingham Baptists

By J. L. ADERS
Superintendent of City Missions
in Birmingham

GREATER Birmingham—the Magic City—now has the greatest population in her history and she is still going strong.

Birmingham now has a population of 295,310 persons—an increase of 24,

727 over the United States Census Bureau figures of 1940.

Birmingham and immediate surroundings—Home-

wood.

Fairfield and Tarrant—has a population of 412,429—an increase of 33,000 over 1940, and Jefferson County, as a whole, has a population of 510,000, an increase of 51,000 since 1940.

This information is indicated in the new 1942 Birmingham City Directory, largest one since the first census in

1880, when Birmingham had a population of only 3,086. Birmingham's increased population reflects in a graphic way the rush of population to this great industrial center.

While the growth of Birmingham has been as if by magic, the spiritual and moral development and progress of its people have likewise been rapid. Birmingham has within its present corporate limits forty-one Baptist churches. In the Birmingham Baptist Association there is a total of 105 Baptist churches, many of which are small churches in the mining areas where there is very little prospect for growth.

In Birmingham proper, however, some of the largest churches in the Southern Baptist Convention are located. Southside Baptist Church with a membership of 4,500 is Alabama's largest church. The First Baptist Church has a membership of more than 3,000, while Woodlawn, Hunter Street and Ruhama have more than 2,500 each.

Fifty Missions Needed

A recent survey shows that more than fifty mission stations and at least ten new churches should be organized so as to take care of this ever increasing population.

In and around Birmingham there are many real estate developments and subdivisions in which new churches and mission stations must be planted. This work, under the direction of the superintendent of city missions, is going forward in a very satisfactory manner.

Seven mission stations have been opened since October 15 with four additional stations in process of being opened, and still more to be added.

Birmingham has a very strong city missions committee which has charge of this enlarged Baptist program of service. It is to be hoped that by combining the work of the Home Mission Board and the Birmingham Association this great city may become one of the great Baptist centers of the country.

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Rabbi's Tolerance Influenced His Students to Seek Christ

By JACOB GARTENHAUS

INTEREST aroused by the name of Jesus Christ written in chalk by some school child on the sidewalk, a little Jewish girl who was a member of an orthodox Jewish family questioned her rabbi.

He told her that Jesus Christ was the name of the Christian's god.

"Are there two Gods?" she asked. "Which is the true one?"

"My child," he replied, "that is all a mystery. When you grow older I hope you will study these things and find out for yourself."

Florence Klarreich had been taught to scrupulously observe the many customs of her people which had been handed down from generation to generation. When she reached school age, she not only was sent to public school, but four afternoons a week and Sunday morning she attended a Jewish school as well, to be further grounded in the faith of her people.

She was aware that the beliefs of the Gentile children were different from hers, but it had never occurred to her before to ask questions about those beliefs.

Accused of Belief in Christ

Not long after her conversation with the rabbi, the Jewish community in

Missionary Completes Twenty Years On Field

TWENTY years on the Mexican field at Kerrville, Texas, was celebrated by Home Board Missionary Emmett V. Rodriguez recently.

The occasion was marked by a special program followed by a social period with refreshments served by the women of the church.

As the church begins its twenty-first year under the leadership of Brother Rodriguez, plans are being made to paint the building. In spite of the fact that many men have gone from the church into the armed services area, the spirit of progress is evidenced. There were seven conversions during the past month.

which she lived became much alarmed to discover that the rabbi had secretly been influencing his pupils to take a tolerant attitude toward Jesus of Nazareth. He was even accused of giving expression to his firm belief in Him as Messiah. His death came shortly after the discovery, and the Jewish parents in the community set about erasing from the minds and hearts of the young people Christian influences which had been planted by the rabbi. However, no less than five of his pupils are known to have later accepted Christ as their Messiah.

For a while it seemed that Florence Klarreich's parents had been successful in destroying her interest in Christianity. The seed that was planted in her heart was dormant. It seemed that the "climate" of New York City where she lived was not conducive to its growth.

As providence would have it, she was sent to a school in the South where the warm sun of the southern Christian atmosphere brought out the life of the seed and it soon began to grow and blossom, finally bearing fruit.

She had not been in the South long before she felt the influence of the beautiful Christian lives of her fellow students who won her confidence and love. At their invitation she accompanied them to some of the young people's meetings and to church services. Happily she found the pastor of the church most sympathetic and understanding.

In her quiet moments she recalled the words of her rabbi teacher: "When you grow up you will study these things for yourself and you will not allow anyone to interfere with your final convictions."

Courageous Confession

The more she pondered over these things and studied the teachings of Christ, relating them to the teachings of the Old Testament, the more she became convinced beyond a shadow of a doubt that at last she had found the truth. Courageously she publicly confessed Christ as her Saviour, prepared to pay whatever price was necessary.

I do not know when my soul was more stirred than it was as I listened to her testimony. It is simply wonder-

Home Mission Book Shelf

Take Heed by L. E. Barton. Broadman Press. 182 pages. \$1.

From the wealth of his experience as a pastor, the author exhorts his fellow preachers and pastors to take heed to the divine calling to which they have been chosen and to the responsibilities and opportunities which are involved in that calling. The book deals with the homiletical, pastoral, and spiritual duties of the minister, and to the minister's activities in denominational and civic life.

Preachers and ministerial students will receive from the reading of this book much of practical value as well as new inspiration for the task which is theirs.

Mother Berry of Blue Mountain by David E. Guyton. Broadman Press. 116 pages. \$1.

This story of Mother Berry, written by one who knew and loved her, captures the spirit of this distinguished woman and makes her so real that one feels after reading the book that he has had a nice long visit with her at Blue Mountain College, where she served for so many years.

It is more than a biography of a wonderful Christian woman. It is also the story of the Christian college in which for sixty-nine years she was the guiding light, the noble example of an unforgettable way of life, leading thousands of young women to discover for themselves the true values of life.—W. B.

ful to realize how far the Christian message has penetrated the lives of the Jewish people, including some of their leaders.

In the past, such a story would not only have caused a sensation in one community, but its echo would have resounded around the world, from hundreds of pulpits, and would have been emblazoned in headlines in many of the leading Jewish and Christian periodicals. Today it is but another incident which is becoming more and more common.



Home Mission Product Honored By Tribe On Furlough From Camp

AN active member of the Indian Baptist church at Red Rock, Oklahoma, and a product of Home Missions, was the subject of a feature story recently in *The Ponca City News*. Rev. and Mrs. G. K. Cobb are missionaries on this field. The story follows:

"The scouting blood of his forebears, some of whom were sentinels at lookout posts around the Otoe Indian tribal grounds in the early days, has found its place in Radio Operator George Littlecrow, 24-year-old Otoe Indian, who is on duty at North Camp Polk, Louisiana. Littlecrow was ordered to the Louisiana station after a two-week furlough in the county recently.

"The son of Mr. and Mrs. James Littlecrow of Red Rock, he was honored at a traditional Indian feast given by tribal members for warriors going out to battle, before he left for his post.

"Littlecrow completed a radio operator course at the armored force school at Fort Knox, Kentucky, last August from September 14 through November 15, he was on army maneuvers in the South.

"In 1940, the Otoe Indian volunteered for a year's training and was stationed with the 45th division—eight months at Fort Sill, two months at Camp Barkeley, Texas, and two months on the Louisiana maneuvers. He was honorably discharged in September, 1941, and was inducted back into the service in February of this year. His unit is the service company of the 48th armored infantry regiment.

"Littlecrow, who is a 1937 honor graduate of the Chillicothe Indian Agriculture School, was prominent in the school's athletic activities while enrolled there. He was for two years a member of the football and boxing teams. He was in the heavyweight class in boxing."

Christian Colleges and Who's Who

ROGER BABSON tells us in one of his syndicated articles that of all men elected to our national Congress who had previously gained a place in *Who's Who in America*, two-thirds received their education in Christian institutions.

This is remarkable when we think of such institutions as Harvard, Yale, Columbia, Johns Hopkins, Chicago,

Crippled Man Makes Chairs For Negro Kindergarten

By GLADYS KEITH
Missionary in New Orleans

THOUGH he is crippled and is lacking in material wealth, an elderly man in a New Orleans mission has found a spirit of Christian service which admits no racial barriers.

When he heard the story of the little Negro children who wandered ragged and dirty about the streets in a Negro community in New Orleans while their mothers "worked out," he immediately wanted to do something about it. Arrangements to establish a



Negro children are proud of the chairs made by their white friend.

and of our richly supported state universities. It is a high tribute to the efficiency and effectiveness of the teaching and training given in religious institutions.

We need more and not less of this sort of training. Our Baptist people who are amply able should richly endow our Baptist schools.

They are necessary not only to the progress of our denomination, but to the preservation of our social and political order. Let us endow them and then see to it that they remain Christian and Baptist.

It is difficult to eliminate the profit motive in human conduct. Even the highest type of Christian service may be inspired by a selfish motive. One test is: Are we interested in the kingdom as a whole or only in some pet project which has a personal appeal?



One of Negro kindergarten's youngest members.

kindergarten for these children could be made, he learned, but there was no money to buy the necessary equipment.

Fortunately this friend had more to offer than his Christian attitude toward these little children of another race. He is an expert craftsman.

"Find me something to work with," he said to the missionary who had told him of the need, "and I believe I can make some chairs for the kindergarten."

Challenged by his willingness to donate his service, interested friends began a search which yielded discarded orange crates and broom handles from the local broom factory. Seventy-five cents provided nails and paint.

A short time later, little red chairs were set about a low table and the happy faces of the children looked up at their kindergarten teacher.

Now a well established kindergarten provides care for the little Negro children in that community while their mothers are away from home.



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Significant Service Rendered By Army War Show Chaplain

THE chaplain's prayer service before zero hour, witnessed by over four million people in eighteen cities, was according to the testimony of thousands the most impressive part of the whole War Show which toured the country recently.

Through the efforts of Chaplain Roy Reynolds, Southern Baptist minister who was assigned to be the chaplain of the War Show, this devotional service was included in the nightly program just before the final battle action.

Indicative of the spiritual value of this service is the following description and comment by Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, who saw the show in Louisville, from a letter to the Chief of Chaplains, William R. Arnold:

Worship in Midst of the Masses

"The one thing about the show which impressed me most was the prayer scene put on by Chaplain Roy Reynolds and his assistants. I think I have never experienced a more profound spiritual moment in all my life, one that stirred the depths of my gratitude and moved me to tears, than the one I experienced when these chaplains came onto the field, silently presented their equipment for service on the battlefields and elsewhere, and then knelt in silent prayer in the midst of 15,000 spectators, who stood to their feet, bowed their heads reverently in recognition of our eternal debt of gratitude to God and also of our absolute dependence upon Him.

"There is no way of appraising the value of this ministry to our American people. When I realize that this experience will come to hundreds of thousands of the people of our several great cities, it gives me new courage



Major Roy F. Reynolds



Chaplain Reynolds baptizing two War Show converts in the St. Louis church where he himself was baptized, ordained and married. The converts had been received as candidates for baptism by Carondelet Church, which also authorized the chaplain to administer baptism.

and new hope. I am absolutely sincere in saying that Major Reynolds has rendered the service of many lifetimes by this one act of devotion and worship in the midst of the masses."

Chaplain Explains Work

At each nightly appearance where the show was given, just before the final battle action, Chaplain Reynolds and his assistants came to the center of the stadium to explain the work of the chaplains and to lead the audience in the prayer service.

"Among the units of the Army is the chaplains corps, composed of men who in civil life follow the call of the ministry." Chaplain Reynolds explained each night. "There is the spiritual responsibility of the Army—soldiers, while at the same time servants of God. They follow their calling in the armed service—Catholic, Protestant and Jewish chaplains alike. Many and varied are their duties, visiting the sick, consoling the sorrowful, admonishing the wayward, and burying the dead.

"In the far-flung islands of the Pa-

cific, in remote Australia, in Ireland, Africa and England, wherever American troops are stationed, we find the chaplain with his men conducting religious services. Worshiping God, by word and example, he seeks to lead his men to know, love and serve our Creator. Using whatever is at hand, the chaplain in unison with his men prays for God's strength and grace for himself and those at home. When the zero hour of battle comes, the chaplain

Missionary Believes Visit to Mothers of Service Men Helpful

VISITING among the so-called foreign people in Christopher, Illinois, Miss Ruby McGehee, Home Board Missionary, finds the service flags displayed in most of the homes a means of establishing friendly contacts. Many of the flags, according to Miss McGehee, have two or three stars.

"By showing an interest in their boys who are in the service of our country, by writing letters for mothers who cannot read nor write, and by reading and explaining letters from their boys, I find an avenue of approach to the hearts of the mothers," writes Miss McGehee.

The missionary feels that it is necessary for her to gain the confidence of those she works with before she can help them to understand the plan of salvation, and shared interests in their men in service make her welcomed in the homes.

An effort is being made to send tracts and New Testaments to the boys away from home.

Mexican Church Has Continuing Revival

By JOSHUA GRIJALVA
Missionary in San Antonio

ZARZAMORA Baptist Church in San Antonio, Texas, has recently witnessed a revival which continues weeks after the close of the special series of services.

During the week that Rev. James D. Crane, pastor of the First Mexican Baptist Church at Fort Worth and a student at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, conducted services at Zarzamora, several students from Howard Payne College who are preparing themselves for work among Spanish-speaking people entered enthusiastically into personal work, visitation and leading the music.

Night after night the little church was full. Many Catholic friends joined the members of the church for the services.

Twelve professions of faith were made, seven people were baptized, and six were received by letter.

Selma University Has Winter Courses For Negro Ministers

THE beginning of the Winter Quarter for Ministers at Selma University, Selma, Alabama, makes it possi-

Southern Baptists Face Freedom

By J. E. DILLARD

FOR the first time in almost a generation Southern Baptists are facing debt-freedom.

For years we have been wrestling with this debt. It came as a result of circumstances over which we had no control. At one time it amounted to approximately \$6,500,000 and cost us

\$1,000 a day in interest, not to mention the humiliation and hindrances incident thereto.

But now things are better. For example: the debt upon our Home Mission Board was once \$2,500,000; now it is only \$165,000. The

debt upon our Foreign Mission Board was once more than \$1,110,000; now it is only \$35,000.

The debt upon our three great seminaries has been reduced to \$425,000. Our great hospital in New Orleans owes only \$150,000, and all our other debts combined amount to only \$335,000. In other words our Southern Baptist agencies with more than \$26,000,000 in assets owe only \$1,200,000. We have twenty-two dollars in as-

sets for every dollar we owe. Praise the Lord! Now let's finish the undertaking.

If all of our people would take this matter seriously we could clean up the balance of this old debt in one day. If a reasonable minority (remember Gideon's band) will join in a united, determined, sacrificial effort we can provide for the balance in one day and be Debt-free in '43.

February 14 is Debtless Denomination Day. If we can get the full 100,000 memberships in the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club or the equivalent on that day we will surely be out of debt before the end of the year. We have half of them, let's get all of the others.

Some can make large gifts to hasten the day of debt freedom. Others can take a Centennial or Memorial membership (\$100); more can take individual Club memberships (\$1 a month) and pay in advance to stop interest and hasten the day of victory. Everybody can make some cash offering and help. Let's all do our best.

Every pastor, every church, every Sunday School, Training Union, W. M. S., Brotherhood, every group, every worker who loves our Lord and our denomination should help. February 14 is Debtless Denomination Day.

There'll be glee when we are free in '43 — Count on me.

NOTE: The Home Mission Board receives 29.7 cents out of every Club dollar. —EDITOR.

Services for Soldiers Held in Panama Church

AMONG the soldiers and seamen now located in the Panama Canal Zone, there are many fine young men who want to work for the Lord, reports Rev. Paul C. Bell, Home Board missionary in Panama.

At the Balboa Heights Church a program is held each Tuesday evening especially for the soldiers and sailors. The service begins with the singing of old familiar hymns, followed by an evangelistic message, and ending with a period of recreation.

Brother Bell and other members of the church are making sincere efforts to encourage and direct the activities of the young men who are interested in Christian service.

He enjoys much who is thankful for a little.

Explain Plans For A Church School Of Missions

A. THE aim is for the whole church, unitedly and during the same period of time, to study missions in graded classes according to a definite plan and program.

Q. Does the Home Mission Board have new study books for use in church schools of missions? **D. L. M.**

A. In recent weeks the Board has published two new books, *Home Missions in the New World* by J. B. Lawrence and *They Need Not Go Away* edited by Miss Louise Smith. The first discusses conditions of today and the relation thereto of our Home Mission task, while the second outlines the Home Mission program now in operation. A long list of other titles are also available, including texts on the various Home Mission fields and an entire graded series for every age on Cuba.

Q. Are city-wide schools of missions found to be effective? **E. H.**

A. Pastors in such cities as Birmingham, Montgomery, and Chattanooga, where recent city-wide schools of missions have been conducted, report that this plan is very effective as a means of promoting the missionary cause and developing people in spiritual directions.

Q. How many cities are now included in the Home Mission Board's program of city mission work? **E. S.**

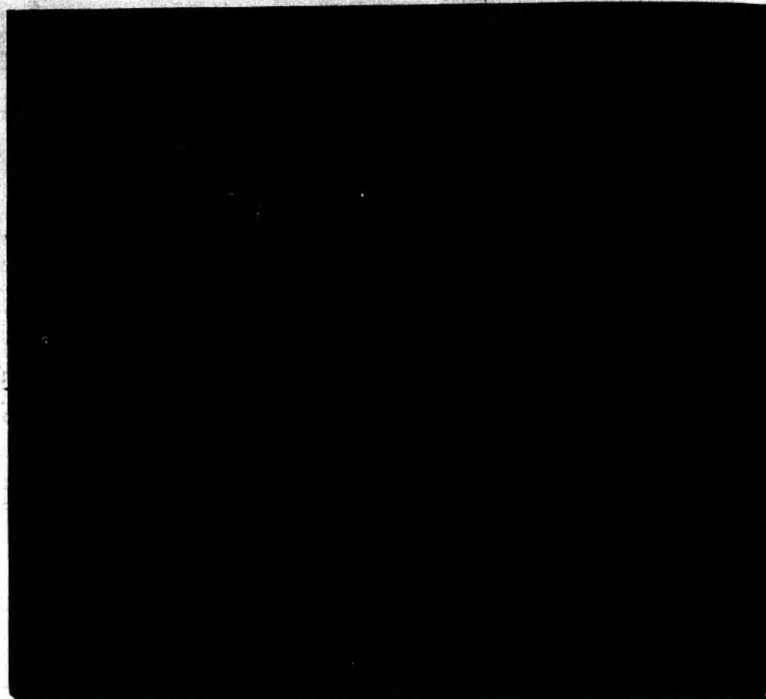
A. The program is now in operation in six cities, superintendents have been elected in three others but have not yet begun their work, and a co-operative program has been jointly adopted by the Home Mission Board and local organizations in still four more cities, thus giving a total of thirteen cities where the work is now either underway or will be begun within a few weeks.

Q. How can a continuation of interest in Home Missions be secured? **V. G.**

A. A practical and effective means is to secure subscriptions to *Southern Baptist Home Missions* at twenty-five cents a year, or five years for one dollar. Christians who read about the Home Mission work regularly will have a lively and sympathetic interest in the work.

Q. Has the training school for young women been opened in Cuba? **M. B.**

A. The training school was opened last fall with Miss Mildred Matthews



Q. What are the dates for the March Week of Prayer for Home Missions? **J. B.**

A. The inclusive dates are March 1-5. In the above picture leaders of the W. M. U. of First Baptist Church, Columbus, Georgia, are making plans for their season of prayer for Home Missions. Pictured are: seated left to right, Mrs. M. L. Flournoy and Mrs. Vera Howard; standing left to right, Mrs. James Newsom and Mrs. S. C. Butler.

as director. There are seven students

Q. Do Cuban churches have a revival season each year? **M. B.**

A. The usual time for evangelistic campaigns in Cuba is during the dry winter months, according to Dr. M. N. McCall, superintendent of Home Mission work on the island. Dr. McCall reports that the meetings this year have succeeded beyond his most optimistic hopes, with people hearing the Gospel in great crowds.

Q. When did Rev. L. W. Martin begin his work as director of church schools of missions for the Home Mission Board? **D. F.**

A. Brother Martin began this new work January 1 with a series of engagements in associational weeks of missionary education in Alabama.

Q. Please tell me about your plan to use photography in the Home Mission program. **H. T. B.**

A. Both black and white and natural color pictures are used in the promotion of Home Missions. The color pictures are in the form of transparencies for projection, mounted on 2x2-inch slides and grouped in lectures (a list of which will be sent

on request). Black and white pictures are used for reproduction in *Southern Baptist Home Missions*, publicity releases, and on posters displayed in convention exhibits.

Q. Is it possible to purchase Bibles in foreign languages to send to Russia or other countries? **Mrs. C. W. S.**

A. With offerings designated for the purpose and in co-operation with the American Bible Society, the Foreign Mission Board in recent months has sent thousands of Bibles and Testaments to Russian prisoners. Inquiries and offerings about sending Bibles to foreign countries should be addressed to the Foreign Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention, Richmond, Virginia.

Q. What is the Philipians 4:19 fund and how many Home Board missionaries are now employed by this fund? **H. C. L.**

A. The Philipians 4:19 fund is a designation given by Dr. J. W. Beale to the unsolicited offerings which come in to the Home Mission Board designated for special work which cannot be supported from regular receipts. This fund now supports fifty-five missionaries.