

Stedfastly in Prayer and Ministry-Acts 6:4

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THE OLD YEAR AND THE NEW

Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky.

The flying cloud, the frosty light;

The year is dying in the night;

Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.

Ring out the old, ring in the new; Ring happy bells, across the snow; The year is going, let him go; Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind For those that here we see no more; Ring out the feud of rich and poor, Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring in the valiant and the free,

The larger heart, the kindlier hand
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

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EDITORIAL



STEDFASTLY IN PRAYER AND MINISTRY

As the old year is passing our thoughts naturally turn to the hopes and fears, to the plans and achievements that have filled it so full as the days have come and gone.

The Judson Centennial is an accomplished fact. There is no debt on our Foreign Mission Board. Sons and daughters of several of our missionaries are in good schools because of the Margaret Fund. The new "House Beautiful" for our Training School, which shall hold within its very heart the Memorial Chapel to our translated leader, has been begun.

We can think with joy of the real gain in the number and efficiency of our missionary societies and rejoice also over the marked increase in gifts. Personal service is beginning to take serious hold of our women and girls while mission study and the use of missionary literature is more wide spread than ever before. There has been much of success in all phases of work on the foreign field and the work in the homeland has not been at a stand still.

As we turn our faces to the dawning of the new year, however, we are confronted with the challenge of some unfinished tasks. How then shall we prepare to meet the manifold duties and opportunities of this new day? Some one has said, "One look at the immensity of the task drives us back upon the resources of God." The answer, therefore, comes to us definitely from the example of our Lord. "In the morning a great while before day. He rose up and went out and departed into a desert place and there prayed," and this on the morning after a day filled with toil, after a day of victory over evil and disease. Thus in prayer He prepared Himself for the coming day in which great demands were to be made upon Him. The great battles of our Master were waged in prayer and the victory won before the results were seen of men. Behind His ministry through which He moved with such stedfastness, never deflected, never halted nor discouraged, lay the hours of prayer in the desert where He fought out the controlling principles of His life. Behind His patience in the court of Pilate and His fidelity on Calvary lay the battle in Gethsemane. Long before armies clash in open battle there has been a conflict in the general's tent where determinations were reached that controlled each moment of the war. The decisive battles of the world are hidden and all the outward conflicts are but the echo and reverberation of that more real and inward war. Thus if we are to prepare ourselves for the battles of the coming year and bring to pass that for which we have planned, our first work should be to pray for the power to see and courage to do the will of God. Jesus has not only taught us to pray alone but to pray together as is evidenced in the following: "Verily I say unto you, what things soever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and what things soever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again, I say unto you, that if two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask it shall be done for them of my Father who is in heaven."

With such preparation as we have found in following our Lord's example we should indeed be able to enter upon the work of the new year with a week of sincere and availing prayer for world-wide missions. And thus we may know that we have laid hold upon God and are in alliance with Him and are ready to be led as Jesus Himself led His disciples down from the mount of transfiguration into the valley to perform tasks requiring much faith. We will be prepared then to do our part in bringing our own society up to every point in the Union's Standard of Excellence, not merely that we may receive credit but that God may be glorified in the results obtained.

Our earnest desire will be to work and sacrifice that homeless churches through the Church Building Loan Fund may be helped, and thus given a chance to become potent factors in the work of our denomination for the bringing in of the kingdom.

Also we shall be ready to perform in this year a task that, as originally planned, seemed a difficult one for three years. Sixty thousand dollars in a little more than sixty days for the liquidation of the debt on the Foreign Mission Board! Why not ninety thousand dollars in a little more than nine months for our "New House Beautiful"? Shall we try it?

Over against the greatness of our tasks we may put the greatness of our God. He is sufficient for these things. And as we work let us pray with one of God's chosen: "O Lord, renew our spirits and draw our hearts unto Thyself that our work may not be to us a burden, but a delight; and give us such a mighty love to Thee as may sweeten all our obedience. Oh, let us not serve Thee with a spirit of bondage as slaves, but with the cheerfulness and gladness of children, delighting ourselves in Thee and rejoicing in Thy work. Amen."

A NOTABLE YEAR

N the annals of the Woman's Missionary Union the year 1907 stands forth as memorable, because at that time the Training School was established, and for ten years it has been our joy and our pride. This year of 1917 should be notable as the one in which our beautiful new building is arising, the material expression of our love for the Training School and our conviction that it will live and grow, sending forth an everwidening circle of well-prepared laborers for Christ. Would you see how large a place its students already occupy in many departments of missionary effort, look through the Calendar of Prayer for this year. In February we have the names of the single women who have gone from thence to foreign lands while the married missionaries are listed under their respective fields in different months. In March those employed by the Home Mission Board are to be specially remembered in our prayers, and in other months are recorded state and city missionaries, mill workers, secretaries, teachers of mission schools and trained nurses. We have builded well on firm foundations our spiritual house.

And now the material building imperatively demands our care, calling upon us to gird ourselves for a supreme effort to provide the money for paying the builders, taking "No Debt" for our slogan. There can be no waiting until all the money is slowly collected, the work is going on and must be paid for, month by month. When the treasury is empty the Woman's Missionary Union must borrow money and interest charges will swell the total amount required. Last May the Union resolved to raise the \$98,000 that was needed "in three years at most", and to do this by dividing it up among the states in proportion to their other missionary contributions, and these apportionments should be fully and promptly paid. But \$21,400 was left unprovided for, and to plan for this is our immediate task. It is proposed to find a number of friends, men or women, who will make large donations. In each state such friends should be sought out and appealed to individually. In all the large enterprises of our denomination both men and women have loved, prayed and given of their means. The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary has always numbered many women among its supporters and this is doubtless true of every Baptist college in our southern states. So we need not hesitate to call upon our brethren in this our time of pressing need. Some friends have perhaps been awaiting the notice that building had actually begun, and that time is now.

For raising this amount of \$21,400 our Kentucky trustee, Mrs. B. E. Garvey, leads off with \$500.

The suggestion is made that some may like to make these gifts as memorials to (Concluded on page 30)



BIBLE STUDY



TOPIC—Missionary Motives

The Gospel is God's answer to man's necessity, therefore, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature". Every creature will not respond to it but you will find those who are "waiting for the consolation of Israel" and who are asking a question to which there is no answer but from the cross of Christ: Isa. 45:22; Rom. 5:8: John 12:32.

I Motive—Regeneration: John 3:3, 5, 6. Without the regenerating influences of the Holy Spirit a man is absolutely blind to spiritual truth. With the new nature is born the desire to obey, understand and please God. When Jesus called the disciples, Mark 1:17, He sent them forth "with power": Matt. 10:1. He sent them as herâlds announcing the kingdom. The apostolic office was endued by the baptism of the Holy Spirit: Acts 2:1-4. They were to preach the glad tidings of salvation through a crucified and risen Lord. The new nature causes one to discern spiritual truth and the Spirit prompts obedience, understanding of God and develops the power to please God. By the Holy Spirit we become partakers of the divine nature and of Christ Himself: Gal. 2:20; Eph. 2:10; 4:24; Col. 1:27-29; Matt. 28:18-20; Acts 1:8. Paul is a great illustration of missionary motives: Acts 26:13-23.

II Motive—Condition of Humanity: Rom. 3:9-19; Gal. 3:22; Ep. 2:12. Guilty before God, all under sin, having no hope, the world lying in wickedness: I John 5:19. These conditions show the need for the (1) sacred impulse: 2 Cor. 5:14-21, the Spirit ministers the necessary gifts enabling the carrying forward of this impulse: Eph. 4:7-16. (2) Self devotement: Acts 20:22-24; Phil. 2:5-8. He must have humility: 2 Tim. 2:24-26, and be "meet for the Master's use"; 2 Tim. 2:21. (3) Spirit of faith: 2 Tim. 2:1. The strength which comes of faith, 2 Tim. 4:7, must be in him for he holds the lamp of life to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, Luke 1:79, and points to the "Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world": John 1:29.

III Motive—Obligation of Knowledge: The knowledge of the truths of God's grace, Ezek. 33:2-20; 2 Tim. 2:1-26, and of the doctrine of salvation which includes justification, redemption, sanctification, glorification: Rom. 1:16; Rom. 3:27, 28; 4:1-8; 6:23. The obligation of love, "God is love": I John 4:8-9. We must testify of His love, I John 4:14, and that God giveth eternal life in His Son: I John 5:11-12. If God's children are actuated by God's love they must witness of these things: 2 Cor. 5:14-21.

IV Motive—Obedience: Acts 26:19, 20; Acts 22:6-11. Paul had also another vision of Jesus encouraging him: Acts 23:11. Peter obeyed his vision, Acts 10:9-22, thus opening the door of salvation to Gentiles. "Haste, joy, energy, this is the missionary way. Then behold the inspiration under which all this work has to be conducted—Lo I am with you all the days, even unto the consummation of the age.' He does not send us alone, He divides the burden, He shares the peril, He inspires our courage, He is a present Captain, always in the thick of the fight and always so near that a whisper may reach Him or a glance of weariness and doubt bring from His radiant face a shining that shall be as the dawning of a new day. If we can realize a present Christ, if we have the acuteness and largeness of faith which can feel the Son of God at our side we will see Him in the breaking of the bread, hear Him in the movements of the events of the day, catch glimpses of Him in strange providences. If we have lost the original inspiration we are repeating a lesson, not delivering a message."—Mrs. James Pollard



PROGRAM FOR JANUARY



Prepared by Mrs. Geo. H. Whitfield

The programs given month by month present the present-day conditions in our home and fareign mission fields. Societies just beginning mission study or those wishing to review past history of any subject treated will find what they desire in the mission study books, a list of which will be furnished, on request, by Woman's Missionary Union Literature Department, 15 West Franklin St., Baltmore, Md. For a few cents leaflets suggested in this number can be obtained from the same address.



"GOOD ADMINISTRATION"

"When we know then we will feel; when we know then we will pray; when we feel and pray then we will give—the three things necessary in the church before we can ever get an adequate number to go, and before we shall ever be able properly to support them when they have gone."

"Intelligence that does not express itself in active service is really a form of self-indulgence."

PLANNING FOR 1917

HYMN—Open My Eyes, That I May See (* Missionary Hymnal p. 33) PRAYER—Bible Study (p 7)

Discussion of Program Points
Adoption of Definite Plans for the Year
HYMN—We've a Story to Tell (* Missionary Hymnal p. 96)

PRAYER

Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins-Matt. 25:1-10.

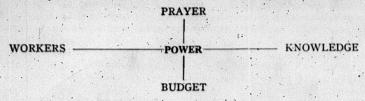
In this familiar parable of our Lord's we find Him stressing the importance of that word which has been so often during the past year on our lips and in our ears and before our eyes, the word "Preparedness". Shall we not, like the wise virgins of old, lay our plans not alone for the present, for they all "took their lamps", wise and foolish alike, but for the future as well, and provide ourselves with the "oil" of a thoughtful and far-

^{*} From W. M. U. Literature Department, price 13 cents

seeing preparation for the coming year with its responsibilities and opportunities, that our lamps go not out for lack of the careful planning that shall cover all the possible activities of each society as we go forth into 1917 to make ready for the coming of the Bridegroom.

At a recent Jubilee meeting of the New Jersey women your program

1. Some Needs editor received some helpful suggestions which she in turn passes on to you as we turn our faces toward another year's work. Perhaps if we summed up all our needs in one word, that word would be Power. With this diagram before us let us consider four divisions of this topic which suggest themselves.



First comes the need of power, "ability to perform", through PRAYER, the prayer which not alone requests but which is an attitude of consecration to the will of God, yet which is definite, believing, and unceasing. This brings to our minds our watch word for the year, "Stedfastly in Prayer and Ministry", and reminds us that our Missionary Calendar of Prayer may be indeed a book of remembrance and we the Lord's remembrances as we use it in daily supplication. (See article in November Missionary Review by S. D. Gordon.)

Next comes the Knowledge which is power; knowledge first of the home base, our own organization, associational, state and W. M. U., and secondly, of our mission stations both at home and abroad—the lines of work being done and a closer acquaintance with our missionaries that these may become more to us than mere names of persons, places and things.

We may then consider another need or source of power, whichever way we prefer to look at it, the WORKERS. At home, the need for enlisting all the women and girls, and boys too; abroad, the filling in of our ranks where the harvest is so plenteous and the laborers so pitifully few. At this point we might emphasize the thought that a need met becomes in turn a source of power, for shall not the fullness of Christ supply all our need and is not His strength made perfect in weakness?

This brings us to the fourth and last word in our diagram, the Budget. This must be above everything else concrete, brought down from state apportionment to associational, from associational to each society and then to each member, and then we must bear in mind that meeting our full apportionment should be the minimum not the maximum of our giving. I know there are some that view the apportionment as a dreadful bill that comes each year to the society, and others that exclaim in dismay, "And it grows bigger each year!" Suppose your boy should never require anything larger than five-year clothes, year by year. Would you not feel there was something wrong because he never outgrew his little garments? Even so with the Lord's work, for it is a living thing. A prime evidence of life is growth, and as we Go Right On Working our work, and His, is bound to GROW.

With the thought in mind of emphasizing certain features of W. M. U. work some of our workers have contributed helpful suggestions along the following lines:

In arranging our programs let us give plenty of time to the devotional season. Let the whole society enter into the monthly Bible study and come to the meetings prepared in mind and in spirit. Let the leader pray over this Bible study that God may give her a message from His Word. Have several take part in the devotional exercises. Begin your program in the spirit of prayer and keep it in the spirit of prayer and of missions throughout. Make your programs inter-

esting and attractive and worth while by having several short talks, crisp and to the point and prepared beforehand, not some article read from the missionary magazine by some woman who has forgotten that she was to take part in the program. Vary the programs by having different leaders and assistants and different plans for conducting the programs. Try the open discussion of the subject, a Round Table, asking each one to bring a question or an item of interest gleaned from the subject for the month. Use the "Thinking Cap" found in ROYAL SERVICE. Get just as many as possible to take part, and in this way hold the interest of all. A returned missionary might bring a heart-stirring message from her work. Don't kill your missionary meetings with longdrawn-out talks; begin on time and quit on time; don't introduce things that are foreign to the subject and to missions, but let your missionary meeting be a missionary meeting and not a literary entertainment, for your program is a source of missionary information to many, sometimes the only source. Above all things keep the meeting in the spirit of prayer and of worship. Beautiful music helps much in making a program attractive, but let the music be sacred music always and missionary if possible. Lastly advertise your programs. Get the members to tell others about them. Let the people know through the church and through the local papers about the many interesting features of your meetings. Interest and enthusiasm in them will increase, and your society will grow in numbers, in interest, in gifts, in spirituality.-Mrs. L. L. Roberts, Kentucky

Plans should be made early in the year for the observance of the weeks of prayer, by using the topics suggested in our Year Book and ROYAL SERVICE, based on knowledge obtained through Bible and mission study, missionary literature and magazines, the printed page and well planned programs. At each meeting much should be made of the time given to devotional exercises; these are sacred moments, linking the program with the Scripture and leading you women to ponder the words of Jesus concerning this world-wide cause. Compare native Christians with American Christians, in gifts, etc.

As soon as literature for the Week of Prayer is received by societies, the program committee should meet to outline programs and select leaders, each day a new set of women taking part; choose congenial and well informed groups for this service always having in readiness some dependables. Secure all the help you can get including the junior organizations. Give these much help in preparing their parts of program. The society president or chairman of program committee should call together all those who are to take part and make plans that there may be unity and effectiveness, not only in presenting the program, but in gifts and in regular contributions. The treasurer should be present at this meeting to speak on our monied aim for the offering and to urge an increase; the librarian, ready with maps, books and magazines, stations and pages marked, clippings and pictures carefully filed, giving out information to leaders and helpers. Whatever may be your part, study it until it becomes your very own. It is the privilege of the leader in each meeting to create an atmosphere of worship so all-pervasive that none may miss the benediction of that hour.

To secure the co-operation of the entire church have an open meeting on the Sunday previous to the Week of Prayer with some live, wide-awake speaker, filled with missionary facts and zeal who can present them in such a way as to arouse the church to definite missionary action. If this is not possible, plan a missionary program or pageant including all missionary organizations of the church and present it at the midweek prayer service or on some other evening.

Read, in "In ROYAL SERVICE" the account of the inspiring life of Lottie Moon and how the women rallied to her call.

These days should be fourteen memorable days in our year, when each day grows in interest and devotion until the last day culminates in a great out-pouring of God's spirit upon His laborers at home and beyond the seas and our hearts overflow with unspeakable gratitude as we offer unto Him an appreciation in gifts that will give the

light to blind eyes, unstop the deaf ears and make this world a sisterhood in His name.—Mrs. John F. Vines, Virginia

In seeking out the most effective methods of promoting and fostering an active, virile woman's religious organization, we are impressed with the far-reaching significance and acknowledged power of the circle idea, a society extension plan, which has recently been inaugurated and adopted by so many of our women's church organizations because in the testing time it has proved, beyond question, its worth.

It was a red-letter day indeed when thinking women took the long look and forward step and by concerted movement passed from the old order to a new. The transition period was fraught with many a pang for the severance of old ties, the obliteration of ancient landmarks is a sorrowful procedure, but happy results proved an ample justifi-

cation of the experiment.

Let us cite a case in point: In a large church located in a thriving trade-center the women of the congregation were divided into five societies—missionary, aid, Dorcas, etc., each doing a specific work with small regard for the ongoing of the work the four other groups were striving to promote. The combined roll of members numbered about one hundred with a decided tendency toward the formation of cliques and classes—a condition that carries the poison of death in its wake. The circle plan was adopted, and now in place of a narrow, selfish segregation we see a joyous hand of more than one thousand in number carrying the banner of Jehovah to heights hitherto unknown. The women of remote country churches are also falling into line with the new plan, believing that the circle idea solves the problem of society affiliation for the lonely farm and ranch dweller, who, in a very concrete manner is enabled to join hands with her two or three neighbors and take her small part in the development of a wonderful whole.

In planning for 1917, let us all adopt the circle plan if we have not already done so. Organize in every circle Bible and mission study classes, keep in sympathetic and financial alignment with all denominational activities, and efficiency, that pearl of great price, will be the order rather than the exception in your church life.—Mrs. F. S. Davis,

Texas

5. How to Get and How to Hold New Members

The first thing to consider is who should be members of the W. M. S., and this calls for no discussion. Every woman who is a member of the local church should be a member of the society, and every woman who can be influenced to attend the meetings, though not a member of the church, should be an associate member. It follows

without question that each should have as cordial an invitation to join as can be given. This develops into a can ass of the membership of the church. If the church is large, livide the territory into districts, the membership of your society into circles or groups and in this way make the work as easy as possible. If the church is small appoint two or more women to make the canvass. See to it that in a day or in a week every one has been visited.

Take the returns of this canvass and separate into three classes,

No: Those who refuse to join.

YES: Those who promise to join.

PROSPECTIVE: Those who promise to consider joining.

Give every member of your society one or more of these names. Have from time to time a report of the work done. If after real conscientious effort one fails to enlist the one for whom she is responsible, then give that name to another. Persist in the effort, never give up.

How to hold new members: Make the meetings well worth while. No one will long attend meetings that are not interesting. Give each some responsibility, a part on the program, a place on a standing or special committee, some one to enlist or even the small part of keeping account of the attendance and distributing song books and greeting

all who enter. One word I must add. The plan, the effort, the result must all be bound about by a circle of prayer and all must be done that His kingdom may come—Mrs. T. E. Stephenson, Louisiana

6. Church Building Memorial Ch Loan Fund Union of th

With the establishment of the Twenty Thousand Dollar Tichenor Memorial Church Building Loan Fund by the Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention, 1903-1909, a very effectual form of extension and enlargement work was set in motion,

and through this memorial alone 75 or more churches have been aided. In addition to this memorial several of the state W. M. U. organizations have honored their faithful workers, some of whom have gone to their reward while others still labor with us here, by projecting their lives through the Church Building Loan Fund.

Alabama, \$5000.00 Amanda Tupper Hamilton, Chapel Building Loan Fund	. 1915
Florida, \$5000.00 Mrs. W. D. Chipley, Memorial Church Building Loan Fund	. 1915
Georgia, \$5000.00 Emma Amos, Church Building Loan Fund	. 1915
Kentucky, \$3000.00 Eliza Broadus, Church Building Loan Fund	. 1915
Texas, \$5000.00 Fanny Breedlove Davis, Church Building and Loan Fund	. 1916

Local women's missionary societies and young women's auxiliaries, and many churches and individuals have established similar memorials as well as those of the Sunday School Board. A full account of these is given in "Memorials, Baptist Hall of Fame," by Dr. Louis B. Warren, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.

The Church Building Loan Fund is of prime importance and now has right of way. It is an endless chain of beneficence perpetuating itself through the years as it loans to struggling churches small amounts to help them to rebuild dilapidated houses of worship, or to build new ones, just at a time when the church is faltering and almost ready to perish because of inadequate place of worship. A loan will give them new hope and fresh courage, showing them how they can help themselves, and they will "arise and build" and in course of time will become strong centers of influence for righteousness and "lifters" instead of "leaners" as they by their gifts help others.

The original capital loaned to churches by the Loan Fund is returned by them plus the interest and this increased amount is used over and over to aid other churches. "Thus with an ever-increasing capital there comes an ever-increasing power for good."

Which is the better way to memorialize our loved ones—by a stained glass window shedding a quiet light on worshippers, a monument bearing the words "At rest," or

a living church voicing throughout the years "At work"?

In the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention 8,000 churches are crying out for help. Who will answer them now? Will YOU an INDIVIDUAL, or YOU as a SOCIETY, or YOU as a STATE ORGANIZATION, not respond to this appealing, insistent demand and establish yet other living memorials whose influence for good will end only with eternity.

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon the earth, where moth and rust consume, and where thieves break through and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth consume and where thieves do not break

through nor steal."-Mrs. W. F. Yarborough, Alabama

In planning for 1917 mission study must not be forgotten. This 7. Mission Study good craft has been tried through more than ten years now. It has done well its work of carrying information and arousing interest, but each year should see increased efficiency, so before we launch our craft on the waters of 1917 we should take counsel together. Our captain must give us our sailing orders and a trusty crew must be found to carry out these orders. Stores must be provided for the voyage. Past voyages must be reviewed in order to avoid the places where we got into trouble. We must remember also where we found our greatest success in order to try the same again.

In our mission study work we need organization in order to reach all. A mission

study superintendent for each state, a mission study chairman for each association and a mission study committee for each church would seem to meet this need, and between these workers there should be close touch and perfect sympathy. Trained leaders are always needed and to supply these there should be training classes at strategic points throughout our bounds. Both home and foreign books should be presented to our workers that we may not become one-sided and that our vision may include the whole world. More attention should be given to classes for men and young people. Classes in homes and Sunday schools will give wider opportunities for mission study. Not only more classes but better classes should be insisted upon. In every possible way the Bible should be more closely linked up with all our mission study and the devotional part of the class hour should be emphasized for the most vital aim of our classes should be the spiritual uplift of the members .- Mrs. Joel T. Rice, South Carolina

8. Training

Let us take for granted that the state has a Training School trustee who has accepted the appointment from a sense of duty and desire School Interests for service rather than to be the recipient of the honor in such an office. She will not, by any fault of her own, allow the interests of

the Training School to flag, for through such sources as our Baptist state papers, associational gatherings, W. M. U. state conventions and regular society meetings she will be able to inform her fellow workers of the current news from the Training School and in every possible way impart her own enthusiasm.

Next in responsibility we would place the leader of the local society, who should be willing and anxious to co-operate with the plans of the executive committee and her state trustee. Let her not simply assent to the proposed plans but with all heartiness and interest throw the weight of her personal influence into the undertaking.

. It is very important to set apart a Training School quarter, just as we have one when state missions, home missions and foreign missions are stressed. At the beginning of this quarter the state trustee should write to every society in the state packing as much information and inspiration as possible in a short letter. Give one program during the quarter to the Training School. Get all obtainable information. Playlets have been used to good effect; it is desirable, too, to have an address by a Training School girl, or at least a letter from one. Special envelopes may be printed for the offering. Endeavor to get as many members of the society to contribute as possible. Even if the gift is small, more is accomplished by creating a widespread interest than obtaining large sums from the few. Magnify the work of the Training School and the hearts of our women will be won in allegiance to it.

A most important thing is to have the unqualified support and sympathy of the state W. M. U. officers and executive committee. Without these the hands of the state ustee and of the societies would be tied, and no aggressive work could be accomplished r the Training School.

These plans have worked well in my own state, as you will agree with me when I tell you that all of our funds for the Training School for scholarships, maintenance and enlargement for the entire year are now in hand.-Mrs. Hight C. Moore, North Carolina

And now may I leave with you a packet of seeds prepared by Mrs. Howard Wayne Smith of the W. A. B. F. M. S. and sent at my request for planting in the good soil of W. M. U. where we hope they may spring up and bear much fruit?

PROCEED-Time to move forward-Deut. 2:3 SECEDE-From old methods and ideas Succeed-In working new, up-to-date plans Exceed-Apportionment without knowing it, because of enthusiasm INTERCEDE—"More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of."



Y. W. A. PROGRAM



Prepared by a Maryland Y. W. A.

Note: Y.W. A., G. A. and R. A. programs are merely suggestive and are to be adapted by leaders to the requirements of their auxiliaries. The paragraphs referred to in program outlines will be found in general program which begins on page 7. For helpful leastets see page 3.

PROGRAM

Hymn-Spirit of God, Descend upon Our Hearts.

Praver Scripture Lesson-Romans 12 Hymn-The Church's One Foundation Discussion of Plans for 1917

Assignment of Tasks for the Coming

Hymn-Break Thou the Bread of Life Dismissal by Sentence Prayers

Note to Leaders: Have a called meeting in December and ask every girl to prepare a suggestion as to some task which can be performed by a member of your auxiliary. (See the article "Planning for 1917.") These suggestions should be in the hands of the leader at least one week before the January meeting.

Planning for 1917

Another year has passed, and again it is time for us to consider what we have accomplished and to plan greater things for the coming year. Let us, as we plan for the year 1917, put our aim so high that if we are to attain unto it everyone will have to aid. In other words, let us this year make a place in our plans for every girl, and then hold her responsible for filling that place. Can we imagine a corporation carrying a large number of workers who have no particular task to perform? 'Can we conceive of a machinist constructing a machine with superfluous parts? No. We are living in a day of efficiency when the prevailing idea in the world of manufacture is to increase production and to decrease waste. Our day also calls for the law of distribution. If in the business world it is necessary to make a distribution of labor, are we not unwise to put our work into the hands of a few when it might be distributed among many?

Any one knows that only a certain amount of work can be well done by an individual and yet we heap work upon some few individuals and leave others with nothing to do. Does not a plan like this overwork some and kill interest in others? When we stop to consider honestly, should we wonder that some people soon lose all interest in our missionary society? Have we ever asked them to do a thing except perhaps to contribute? Or, if we have, have we made them feel that we know they are capable and have every confidence that they will succeed? Are we not losing out by our present plans? How much latent talent have you discovered in your society this past year? Think over your members that help you the most, are they really very wonderful people. Could not all of them use profitably a little more time? Would they suffer if you gave one of their tasks to another individual? Surely there should be a part for every one in our plans.

Such planning for the year 1917 may be hard, but surely it will be worth while. Are there not old people in your church and would not a card on their birthday make them happy? Can you not find some one or rather many people who would like to receive your last month's copy of a magazine regularly? Are there no old people who would like to be read to? What becomes of the Sunday school papers that are left over? Have any of your girls beautiful flowers in their gardens? Think what cheer flowers can carry! If you are in a small town can you not help build up a library? If we really think we will be able to find tasks for all. Let us plan something definite for each member and see if there will not at least be a great increase in the interest of our auxiliary; for what we work for becomes ours. Let us take counsel together and with Him.

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COLLEGE Y. W. A. PROGRAM



OU know Kipling's "I wish myself could talk to myself as I left 'im a year ago: I could tell 'im a lot that would save 'im a lot of the things 'e ought to know". Can we stop a few minutes in our busy career and talk to ourselves now? Perhaps we may tell ourselves something that will save us a lot in this new year of 1917. Let us begin by seeing if 1916 has meant to us what it should have. Have we

chosen the best the year offered or merely the good? Are we stronger, nobler girls than we were a year ago, nearer to Christ and more like Him? Have we taken all the college has offered us and given nothing in return? Are our interests narrowed to our own college, or are they broadened to include the less fortunate? Are we so living as to make possible our becoming the women we want to be?

Having taken stock of what we have now from 1916, for it is what we take that counts, not what is offered, let us not waste time in vain regrets or in self congratulations, but face the practical question of how we can gain and give most in 1917.

PROGRAM HELPS

Subject-Planning for 1917 2:15

Prayer-Dedication of Self to Christ Hymns-"Forward! Be Our Watchword." "Fling Out the Banner"

Reports-1. What our Y. W. A. accomplished last year, meetings, members, gifts, study classes, personal service.

2. Practical and frank suggestions as to Bible Reading-Phil. 3:12-14; 2 Tim. how we may advance this year in enlisting more girls, in deepening our spiritual life, in making our meetings more interesting, in having more mission study classes, in increasing our gifts.

> 3. What other Y. W. A.'s are doing. (See the minutes of Woman's Missionary Union for 1916, pages 27 and 48-50.)

TWILIGHT WATCH STUDIES

Choosing in the New Year

"Choosing is a test of character. It is not what we get, but what we choose, not money or poverty, but the love of money; not success in gaining pleasure but what we seek first, that tests us as to what we really are. What we have and what we do often depends on many things outside of ourselves. What we choose is the work of our hearts and wills."

FIRST TWILIGHT

The necessity of choosing:-Gen. 13:8-18; Joshua 24:14-24; Ruth 1:14-17; Matt. 4:18-22.

Study results of the choice in the lives of each.

WHOM AM I CHOOSING?

SECOND TWILIGHT

The blessings of a right choice:-Deut. 30:19, 20; I Kings 3:5-14; Job 34:4 WHAT AM I CHOOSING?

THIRD TWILIGHT

Preparation for wise choosing:-Prov. 8:17; Matt. 6:33; Luke 11:9; 12:31. How AM I PREPARING?

FOURTH TWILIGHT

God's choice of us and what it embodies: - John 15:16, 19; II Thess. 2:13; Ep. 1:4. WHAT DO I OWE TO HIM?

G. A. PROGRAM



Prepared by Miss Willie Jean Stewart

Subject-Planning for 1917 Hymn-O Zion Haste President's Message (See Missionary Calendar of Prayer, 1917.)

Prayer-Asking God's Blessing on the Graded Work of W. M. U.

Hymn-The Son of God Goes Forth to

Bible Study-The Missionary Motive: John 17:1-5

Silent Prayer-Consecration Plans for the New Year Hymn: More Love to Thee Mizpah: Gen. 31:49

Plans for 1917

a. Devotional Exercises

Perhaps the greatest problem in the Y. W. A. and W. M. S. of today is finding those who are able and willing to conduct the devotional service and lead in public prayer. In the G. A. programs for the new year, therefore, let us help remedy the situation in the future by putting especial emphasis on the devotional exercises of our meeting. Let the leader carefully select the girls to conduct these and confer with them privately, giving needed assistance and suggestion, insisting on absolute sincerity and praying with each for God's power in the service. In this intimate talk on the day's program let the leader, after much prayer, speak to her girls out of her own heart concerning what the devotional part of the program should mean to those who lead them and to the whole auxiliary.

b. Our Four-fold Object

Have your girls make the most attractive poster possible showing the general objects of the W. M. U.

Individual and United Prayer Regular Bible and Mission Study Systematic and Proportionate Giving Organized Personal Service Let this poster be explained and pre-

sented at this meeting and shown at each succeeding meeting during the year.

c. Praver

Show copy of Missionary Calendar of Prayer, explaining its plan, urging each girl. to get one and hang it beside her bureau and learn the Scripture verse and pray for the object listed each day. If deemed advisable a list of those desiring the Calendar may be taken at this time. Order from state headquarters at twenty cents per copy.

Show and explain Topic Cards, which may be secured free from state headquarters, and give a copy to each girl asking that she use it as a marker in her Bible.

Have each girl select one missionary to pray for and write to during the coming

d. Bible and Mission Study

Show copy of ROYAL SERVICE, calling attention to Bible study, missionary programs, letters from missionaries, etc.

Show copy of Home and Foreign Fields, explaining the combination of the two former magazines. Urge that the girls subscribe to and use both magazines.

e. Giving

Have a good storyteller give as simply and beautifully as possible the story of how God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son. Close with the thought that we do not give because it is expected of us, nor even because the need is so great but because we love God and that the measure of our love is what we are willing to give. Emphasize the fact that God's plan of giving is systematically and proportionately. Have tither's pledge cards passed and ask all who will to sign them.

f. Personal Service

Let the Personal Service Committee be prepared to suggest some definite plans for personal service for the new year. If possible have pictures or some other concrete (Concluded on Page 30)



R. A. PROGRAMS



Prepared by Mrs. W. R. Nimmo

FIRST MEETING

Song Service
Scripture—Psalm 72
Prayer—For Guidance and a Willing
Spirit in Work of Coming Year
Hymn—Jesus Shall Reign
Four four-minute talks—

- 1. What We Did Do in 1916
- 2. What We Did Not Do in 1916
- 3. What We Aim to Do in 1917
- 4. Stepping Stones

Hymn—All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name Recitation—Ring Out Wild Bells Report of Christmas Offering Sentence Prayers Business. Roll Call. Adjournment

SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR 1917

1. Prepare as many sheets of paper as you have R. A. members, write name of month and topic at top. Under this place name of boy. Ask that each one suggest Bible lesson, hymn and items of information appropriate to topic, also items of general interest. At second meeting of the month collect papers and use suggestions as far as possible throughout the year, always giving the name of boy who made them.

2. Appoint a committee to arrange from these papers a program for the year. This should be done under the guidance of the chief counselor. If possible have programs typewritten, tie with R. A. colors and give one to each boy to hang in his room as a reminder. Use these to supplement programs in ROYAL SERVICE.

3. Write on blackboard in large figures. "1917", under this in two rows write the names of the months. Call on each boy to name his birth month. Write names opposite months. Ask boys of each month to be especially responsible for the attendance that month, bringing if possible as a birthday gift to the band a new member, If any month is without a birthday call for volunteers to take this month.

SECOND MEETING

Hymn—King's Business
Commission and Declaration
Prayer—For Renewed Opportunities
Hymn—Watchman Tell Us of the Night
Messages—

From representatives from women's missionary society, Y. W. A., G. A. and Sunbeam Band

Forward March—By W. M. S. Member A Passing Salute—By Y. W. A. Keeping Step—By G. A. Little Sisters—By Sunbeam Leader Response—By R. A. Hymn—Onward Christian Soldiers Lord's Prayer Business. Offering. Adjournment

HOW TO USE R. A. PROGRAMS

First Meeting: Open promptly. For song service select boy with good voice and make him precentor. Allow boys to select favorite hymn. Good music and correct singing are an important part of the meeting. The reading of Psalm 72 may be followed very appropriately by the hymn "Jesus Shall Reign" as the writer based it upon this Psalm. The boys will be interested to know this (see English Hymns, Duffield). The Scripture should be read clearly and reverently followed by prayer by chief counselor, closing with Lord's prayer in unison.

Talks: The first talk might include a report of gifts, number of meetings, attendance during the past year and items of missionary interest.

The second talk need not be a gloomy retrospect of mistakes but a frank statement of any lack of loyalty in carrying out Commission and Declaration; a query as to faithfulness to the other boy, conscientious giving, regular attendance and most of all earnestness in prayer.

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SUNBEAM PROGRAMS



Prepared by Mrs. George Stevens



GROUP OF SUNBEAMS, WAUCHULA, FLORIDA

FIRST MEETING

Subject—The New Year
Motto—Go Right On Working
HYMN—Wonderful Words of Life
BIBLE LESSON—Mark 4:26-32
PRAYER—That God Will Bless Our Band and Make Us a Blessing
HYMN—There is Sunshine in My Soul
TALK—By Leader
Exercises
Memory Verse—Matt. 7:21
RALLY CRY. ROLL CALL. OFFERING. PRAYER

Leader: "A Happy New Year to the Sunbeams!" were Miss Jeanette's words before her Sunbeams at the first meeting of the year 1917. "I know," she continued, "you have all had a delightful time celebrating the birthday of King Jesus and now that it is all over we find ourselves at the door of the new year; a whole year of 365 days is before us! What are we going

to do with it? Some of you will say that a whole year seems a dreadfully long time and you will not care to talk about it. Well, we won't, we will only talk about the things we wish to do in this new year. We want it to be the very best one we ever spent. Who can tell me to which season the month of January belongs? Yes, winter. Now during the winter

months we have our regular meetings and Hours: Twenty-four hours in a day, this is a splendid time to get new members for our band, who will try?

And then we want to pray more earnestly for the things we really want. When you ask father or mother for anything, you have thought about it before you asked for it, you have decided that you want it very much. So when we talk to our heavenly Father we must really want what we ask for. We can talk to Him about everything we do and ask Him to help us to want to do the right things. We can also have God to talk to us through His holy Word, a verse learned every day will give us 365 messages from Him during the year. Just think of it!

Another thing we wish to do is to have missionary stories at our meetings, how many of you would like that? All of you? Well, that is good to know, as there aren't many things more interesting to hear about than the people who are willing to learn about our Saviour and the dear missionaries who go to tell them of Him.

And then there is the money we are going to give this year to send the missionaries to the people who need the Gospel. That will be giving to God. We don't want to give money just because we come to the Sunbeam Band, but because we love Jesus and want others to know and love Him too.

One other thing we want to do this year is to be kind to those about us, in our own home, in school, and in our band. Let us see before our next meeting how many kind and helpful things we can do. I am going to write on the blackboard a good recipe for growing throughout this year."

G-o

R-ight O-n

W-orking

"If we do this we will be very sure to grow fast and have a happy new year."

Exercise

Let six children represent seconds, minutes, hours, days, weeks and months. Seconds: Sixty seconds in a minute.

How much good can we do in it? Minutes: Sixty minutes in an hour,

To do the good that's in our power.

Time for study and work and play, Days: Seven days make up a week,

Time for the wisdom we shall seek. Weeks: Four weeks in a month we see,

Helpful and happy we should be. Months: Twelve months make one whole year

In which to serve our Saviour dear.

Once There Was

(For a Little Boy and Girl)

Boy

Once there was a little boy; and what doyou think he had?

Girl

A bright new ten-cent piece, and I tell you he was glad.

Once there was a little dime; and where did it find itself?

Girl

Dropped in the Treasure Temple that stands upon the shelf. Boy

Once there was a mission-fund; and where do you think it went?

Girl

To buy some nice new books and to the heathen sent.

Boy

Once there was a little book, bought with the bright new dime:

Girl

That went to a mission-school in a box at New Year's time.

Boy

Once there was a heathen child; and what do you think said he?

Girl

"I thank the boy who gave his dime to buy a book for me."

Once there was a little boy: I wish it had been myself-

Girl

Then put your dime into the Treasure. Temple on the shelf.

-Adapted

The New Year

"Now, what is that noise?" said the glad New Year.

"Now, what is that singular sound I hear, (Concluded on Page 30)

SECOND MEETING

Subject-Daily Growth Morro-"Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ" HYMN-Holy Bible, Book Divine SCRIPTURE-Acts 10:34-43 PRAYER-That Sunbeams May Be Daily Witnesses for the Master LESSON STORY HYMN-More About Jesus RECITATIONS MEMORY VERSE-Hosea 13:4 ROLL CALL. OFFERING. DISMISSAL

LESSON STORY

Once upon a time there was a little boy named Daniel. He was a bright faced, happy boy with a clear eye and a healthy body. His father and mother loved him dearly, not only because he was their child but because he was obedient and willing to do what was right. His parents taught him that to become a good man he must first be a good boy and without knowing just how it happened he formed good habits and became a great man. One of the things they taught him was that he must not drink wine, whiskey, beer nor any strong drink for if he did it would injure his health as well as his brain, and that he must be careful not only of what went into the mouth but also of the words that came out of it. They taught him that the Sabbath was a day set apart by the Lord and that he was to remember to keep it holy, as that was one of the commandments. Daniel's father loved God and always asked a blessing on each meal, and gave thanks to God for His goodness and care at all times. After supper, just before little Daniel went to bed, his father would read from the Bible and talk about the wonderful things God had done in the world and for the people in it. So we do not wonder that Daniel grew up a good man and one who was obedient to God and one whom God could use for His glory. Also he was a man of peace and wanted all men to be at peace with God and with each other. Daniel became one of the great men of his city and helped to make it a good place to live in. He was kind to the poor and needy and always ready to help the sick. What Daniel did each Sunbeam can do by being clean in heart

and obedient to God and to your parents. And it won't be difficult for it is only doing this one day at a time and before you know it you will be like the boy Daniel, beloved by all and well pleasing to God.

Recitation:

"All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small, All things wise and wonderful, The dear Lord made them all.

"Each little flower that opens," Each little bird that sings, He made their glowing colors, He made their tiny wings.

"He gave us eyes to see them, And lips that we might tell, How good is God our Father, Who doeth all things well.'

Recitation:

Loving, gentle Jesus, Hear our happy song, All the little children Unto Thee belong.

Pity little children Knowing not thy love, May we help to lead them To Thy home above.

Fill our hearts with longing To be more like Thee. Help us send Thy Gospel Far across the sea.

Guide each little Sunbeam As we part to-day, Keep our feet from straying From Thy chosen way.



FROM OUR MISSIONARIES





TWIN BABY GIRLS-WINTER TIME-NICE WARM CLOTHES

SHORTCOMINGS REDEEMED

My shortcomings in regard to writing for ROYAL SERVICE do not fail to trouble me. The question is one of time and relative importance-and I can't say that I've decided rightly when I've put off and put off the writing-but I can certainly say that the present, visible appeals here consume every hour's energy. But today, a school holiday, I am trying to do all the left over things possible in these precious hours not demanded in the class room. I'll just send on the enclosed letter.

This letter was written to me by one of my pupils while I was away from Soo- O' Lanneau, Soochow, China chow during my summer vacation. I copied it with all her mistakes. She is learning to use better idiom now but the sense is fairly clear as she wrote it. She shows what a busy Sunday she had and how she helped in the services. We have a number of school girls who can play the organ, teach the Sunday school lessons, lead the little children in singing and altogether are an invaluable help in the work of the church.

While I'm writing, I'll put in kodak pictures of two babies in whom we are interested. Their mother is a former school

girl of mine. She is of a wealthy non-Christian family but became a true believer and was baptized. She is as sweet as can be with her twin babies-although they are both girls! They were born in a mission hospital and the mother's life was saved by the skill of the kind doctor. Although the young father is not a Christian, we hope that he will become one and that these babies may grow up to be happy Christians, too.

We are encouraged about all our work and glad to be so busy with it. The following is the enclosed letter.-Sophie S.

HOW I SPENT ONE SUNDAY

Last Sunday morning at halp-past nine o'clock I went to Zia Nga Dzien church for service. Just at that time I heard the strike of the iron plate. So I walked in hurry into the church. Then I played the organ at once. After singing two hymns we divided classes. I led a class of little children. After we finished the Sunday school lessons, we continue had hymns. Then secretary reported collections and attendants. There were fifty nine members assembled at here. The collections were

about thirty cents more. Then again sang hymn and receive the collection of the pastor. Afterwards Mr. Lok preached the Gospel. His subject was about "Spirit of the Christian", He divided three great ideas. They were the unity powers; the results and the necessary things. The unity powers divided into three gradations of small means. They were repent, believe and subdue. The results also divided three means. They were help of the Holy Spirit, progress and peace. The necessary things divided three gradations of small means too. They were to pray, to study Bible and to perform good works. 'The prayer was like our breaths. We read Bible was like our foods. We do good things were as if our exercises. He also cited one or two illustrations. In short, he taught us ought to be true Christians and have spirit not want us to be false Christians and

have only appearance.

Afternoon I went to Bin Hwo Jan to meeting. There were four meetings in afternoon. The first was teaching meeting. I mean the teachers of the afternoon Sunday school. We have a good band of teachers. We talk about how can we made the afternoon Sunday school growing rapidly. The second was afternoon Sunday School's Children Meeting. There were about seventy children attend this meeting. I played organ and also lead a class. The third was Aids Society. This meeting was talk about how can we made the cold members change to zeal members. If they have troubles we think methods to help them if we can. I also play organ. The fourth was night service. The number of attendants at that meeting was about thirty or more members and also had many non-Christians. This time was a Choir Meeting. Mr. Ling was the chorister and Mrs. Britton played the organ. Mr. Ling and other members explain the means of the hymns to the out door people. After, six or seven hymns were sung. Then asked two members prayers and dismissed. The clock was already strike nine o'clock. We immediately went to up stairs and slept. The events of one Sunday was thus finished:-By Me, Ngoa Waung, Pupil in We Lin Academy, Soochow, China

R. A. PROGRAMS

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In the third talk present list of topics for 1917 (see page 3). Special objects for R. A.'s for home and foreign missions (see Year Book). Urge chapter to make an effort to get on Roll of Honor in Standard of Excellence. Call the membersto their colors (holding up Christian flag, United States flag, and R. A. pennant).

Talk four could be a summing up of the preceding talks, using all mistakes and shortcomings as "stepping stones to better things", remembering that shipbuilding was perfected through shipwrecks. We learn by doing, and when today's task is done a little better than yesterday's, perfection is on the

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" is a hymn with a thrilling history and should be sung with triumphant note (see English Hymns, Duffield).

The peem "Ring Out Wild Bells" will be found on front cover of this issue. It was written by Alfred Tennyson and will never grow out of favor.

Report on Christmas offering should be followed by sentence prayers. These can be ordered for 1, 2 and 3 cents from W. M. U. Literature Departments, 15 W. Franklin Street, Baltimore, Md.

Second Meeting: The second meeting should sound the note of readiness for service and courage for the work to be undertaken. All should stand during first three numbers on program. The hymn "Watchman Tell Us of the Night" might be slightly dramatized, the chapter representing the travelers and one boy who is a good singer taking the part of the watchman, who from lofty battlements of the Christian city sings his assurances faintly but clearly down to the questioners beneath.

The topics for messages are merely suggestive, if these are used keep the military idea of different branches of one great army greeting and encouraging each other on the way and bidding God speed their particular service. Flags might be used as decorations.

"Onward Christian Soldiers" is an inspirational hymn and almost sings itself. If the numbers on the program follow rapidly one after the other the interest can be easily maintained throughout the hour.



CURRENT EVENTS



THE WORLD FIELD

ORTY American missionaries in China and Japan and secretaries of foreign mission boards have asked President Wilson to create a non-partisan commission which shall make a study of the whole problem of the relations of America with Japan and China, and to ask Japan and China to appoint similar commissions.

The estimated daily cost of the war is over \$100,000,000 a day. The total cost of foreign mission work for a year is \$30,000,000. All Christian work at home and abroad would not exceed the cost of the war for ten days.

The Oriental Missionary Society is aiming to place a portion of the Bible or a Christian tract in every house in Japan. The distributors are averaging 300 homes a day, reaching even the most isolated mountain districts. "My Word — shall not return unto me void."

A new publication has just come into being, the Mexican Review, which is endeavoring to give a truer view of men and affairs in that storm-tossed country. It is non-sectarian as regards religion and is opposed only to those who use their religious affiliation to influence the ignorant and fanatical against reform.

A few months ago attention was drawn in these columns to the establishing of a Japanese "Northfield" between Kyoto and Tokyo. It is interesting to note that a similar summer gathering and conference place has been started at Maymyo, Burma. About 40 missionaries and 150 Karens and Burmans met together there this past summer for a wonderful season of fellowship and inspiration.

In India there are 600 fewer missionaries than there were two years ago, as all German missionaries have been sent home or interned by the British government. English and American missionaries have endeavored to carry on the work but are of course handicapped by lack of men and means, and so a splendidly begun work has had to diminish in influence.

All the universities in all the republics of South America are open to women and many hundreds are studying. Materialistic opinions are rife and many feel a superiority to education in the United States because in South America "education has nothing to do with religion". This is truly a challenge and must be met.

"A red hot new convert of Sherwood Eddy's" is working as an evangelist among students in India. He does not hesitate in his use of terms and is gaining much influence for Christianity in the schools and colleges.

At a Sioux Indian Conference in South Dakota recently seven hundred Red Men passed resolutions against the use of "fire water" and demanded "prohibition".

It is estimated that there are about 5,000,-000 uncivilized Indians in South America. In addition to these there are between seven and eight millions of only partially civilized peoples, making an immense field scarcely touched by the Christian Gospel.

Missionaries from interior China report improved conditions under the new president, Li Yuan Hung, and it begins to look as though a period of peace is to be enjoyed. It is interesting to note in connection with the sympathy with Christianity which it is understood the new president has, that the vice president of the Chinese Senate is Mr. Wang, who has been general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in China.



TRAINING SCHOOL



"JUST HAPPIER"

ID you ever have a big, wonderful, joyous experience? An experience that you wanted to share with your friends but when you tried to tell them about it your words absolutely refused to express your feeling? Then you know just the feeling that is in the heart of every girl who has had the privilege of a second year at House Beautiful. A few days ago one of the girls was asked to tell wherein lay the greater blessings of a second year here, to which she replied, "Oh! I don't know, you are just happier." And that is about the way all the girls feel. Even before the summer is over, while plans are being made for returning, there is a different feeling. The former feeling of uncertainty is gone. There is no more the fear as to the results of so important a step. "Will it be what I expect? Will I fit in?" are no longer the questions. There is a special place waiting, it is indeed a home-coming.

But why this change—this fearless anticipation? There again is seen the truth of the Savior's saying "It is more blessed to give than to receive". From the very nature of the case, most of the first year is spent in receiving. Before anything can be given, it must first be received. So it is in the second year that the joy of giving is more fully experienced. The traditions and ideals of the school are kept intact, carefully guarded, and are handed down by each senior class. Hand in hand with this service of giving goes the deepened sense of responsibility—always a school is what the students make it, and the under-class-men follow the example of the seniors. This is especially true here for the sweet sister spirit depends on the love and loyalty of the sisters.

There is a difference too in the type of class work. The first year's work is more general but the second year it becomes specific. It can more easily be applied to special needs. Usually plans for life work have been made and those things bearing most on them are selected, so here again specific needs are met. Then, again, those girls who do mission work during the summer have been up against situations, not theories, this enables them to select the things which they need to fill out the weaker places in their armor.

The arrangement of the recitation periods make it very helpful too for there is more time for visiting the places of interest in the city, thus in the second year the city is better known, and those places which are most helpful can be visited.—Alda Grayson

BUILDING ON THE GREATNESS OF GOD

November fourth saw the breaking of ground for our new Training School Building. I looked on the hard earth as I stood in the bright November sunshine thinking of the big task that lay out before us and my heart trembled. "Will Southern Baptists rally to our need?" "Can we hope to finish this building free from debt?" were the questions which pressed for answer. Just then, for the first time, the great steam shovel moved, coming down with mighty force. The soil which seemed so hard and set gave way under such power and I saw that a large portion of the earth which must be moved was gone already. Again and again the shovel rose and fell and easily the excavations needful for the foundations proceeded. And so I took heart. With the mighty power of God back of this enterprise, upon which He has set His seal of approval, there can be no failure. No soil is too hard or heavy for our weak hands to move if strengthened by the dynamic of His power.—Maud R. McLure



PERSONAL SERVICE



PERSONAL SERVICE FOR GIRLS AND OTHERS

AM sure there is no period in a girl's life so important as the G. A. or "intermediate" age. Some people call it the critical, dangerous age, and we might add, the wonderful, impressionable, potential age, when girls usually become Christians and are eager for service; the age when life ideals are determined for the most part, and when God is preparing them for bravery, sacrifice and love.

With this in mind, for the sake of the girl herself as well as those whom she may help, I have planned for the G. A.'s the "Every Day Gladness", or Laugh-Love-Lift Circles, (abbreviated) La.-Lo.-Li. The latter was adapted from the plan of a splendid worker with girls. Another good worker named her group of girls the the "Every Day Gladness Circle" for Miss Heck's book, and I am sure both of these workers are glad to share their names with the other G. A's.

The motto of the "Every Day Gladness Circle is:

I will be true for there are those who trust me:

I will be pure for there are those who care;

I will be strong for there are those who suffer;

I will be brave for there is much to dare; I will be friend of all, the foe, the friendless:

I will be giving and forget the gift;

I will be humble for I know my weakness;

I will look up and Laugh and Love and Lift."

The watchword is "Laugh-Love-Lift." The pass word "La-Lo-Li", (suitable to be engraved on a plain silver ring, to be decided on by the girls later).

The object of these circles is to help the girls to really live day by day the watchword "Laugh-Love-Lift"—to play the Glad Game with Polly-Anna; to laugh when things go wrong or when tempted to frown,

pout, or show anger or disappointment. Then help others to smile by a cheery word or kind act. Then they must love Jesus best of all and their fellow men as He would have them do, and also try to do something each day to help another.

One splendid group of girls (Intermediate Department of Second Baptist Church, Richmond) report from time to time how they succeed in living their watchword. One washed dishes when "it wasn't her time"; one gave up an evening out to "help mother"; one smiled when she tore her dress; one carried flowers to a sick friend at the hospital; one willingly gave up a "beloved pet" because it greatly annoyed the household; one offered to carry a heavy basket for an old lady; one gave up her seat to an old lady; one went to show a stranger the way, etc.

These little things will count for much in character building as well as helping others. Besides these daily acts of kindness, which count for personal service work, of course, all the girls, as a society, should undertake larger plans for personal service as they find opportunities. The girls can help not only those near them, but by their gifts and prayers can help each day those in need far away, especially the girls in heathen lands who are so miserable and down trodden because they have never had the blessings of the Gospel. So the Every Day Gladness girls must gladden home, school, church, community, state, country and the whole world.

I have selected a few books for a library. Others can be added later. "The Other Wise Man" (50c); "Polly-Anna" (\$1.25); "Polly-Anna Grows Up" (\$1.25); "Everybody's Birthright" (75c); "Christian Citizenship for Girls" (25c); "Ann of Ava" (60c); I know of nothing that would be more helpful than these books.—Mrs. J. Sydney Morris, Virginia

(To be concluded in February ROYAL SERVICE)



UNION NOTES



ROUND TABLE

EVERAL southern states are unique in that the Baptists in each of them outnumber all other denominations combined, including Catholics. Georgia is one of these pre-eminently Baptist states so it was no surprise when at its W. M. U. Annual Meeting in truly historic Athens in November 480 delegates and many visitors were present, the daily attendance being about 600. All former financial records had been eclipsed so that the figures for the new year were undertaken with confident hope. Miss Marie Buhlmaier of the Home Board work in Baltimore was one of the guests of honor, being another mark of the devoted loyalty of the Georgia women to the Home Mission Board which for so many years has had its headquarters in their midst. As Dr. Lynch, pastor of the Athens First Church, looked out upon the audience which was the guest of the local society which was organized ninety-seven years ago, he spoke of "the picture, the power and the promise of this presence". Certainly all felt with him that it was a meeting of far reaching influence. Mrs. W. J. Neel was re-elected president and Miss Evie Campbell, corresponding secretary. = It was not possible for the W. M. U. corresponding secretary to spend but one day at Athens as the gathering of the South Carolina W. M. U. was in session that same week in Orangeburg. Here 490 delegates and many visitors gave closest heed to the interesting session. One of the most delightful occasions was the presentation by the Orangeburg Y. W. A. of the mountain school playlet which was given at Asheville. The Home Mission Board was represented by Dr. Weston Bruner and the Foreign Board by Miss Lila McIntyre and Rev. B. P. Roach, both of China. Miss McIntyre was loyally wearing the amber beads which meant so much at Asheville. A most touching memorial service was held for Miss Lula Whilden. Certain of her writings will be bound in book-

let form and sold, the returns to keep a Bible woman in China. Mrs. J. D. Chapman and Mrs. J. R. Fizer were re-elected president and corresponding secretary, respectively .== The Sunday following the Orangeburg meeting was spent by the W. M. U. corresponding secretary in Columbia. As is doubtless known to many of our readers it was in the First Baptist Church there in Columbia that the secession papers of the Confederacy were signed in 1861. In loving honor of that eventful occasion the classic Greek architecture has been kept in truly remarkable fidelity. It was, therefore, a double joy to speak there to a large audience of W. M. U. workers on Sunday afternoon. - Four days were spent with Mrs. Geo. E. Davis, hostess of the Orangeburg meeting, auxiliary leader and college correspondent for South Carolina, in visiting the four distinctly Baptist colleges for girls. It was an unalloyed joy to mingle with the faculty and students in each, the feeling deepening that much of the efficient future of our work depends upon them. Beautiful Coker flooded the heart with memories of Mrs. Margaret Waller whose relatives have largely made the college possible; ideally located Anderson brought to mind the large Jubilate there three years ago; Greenville, with every available space also taken, called to grateful memory the college's kindness to the girls who were from time to time in the Margaret Home; and Limestone was likewise rich in its records running back way into the forties and in the decided interest shown by the faculty and students in the Y. W. A. activities .- While in Greenville it was the privilege of the W. M. U. corresponding secretary to attend the regular monthly missionary meeting of the women's society of its First Baptist Church. The year books of the society were distributed, the covers of them being the topic cards. Eight mission study classes were reported .== From Miss

Dixon we have the following: After the Illinois State Convention, Mrs. Jackson, of Brazil, Miss Northington and I made a rapid trip through southern Illinois, in six days speaking to five associational meetings and one reunion service. Much interest was shown by the women, particularly in Mrs. Jackson's graphic accounts of S. B. C. work in Brazil. It was most encouraging to hear every where the note of progress both in increase in gifts and in membership, one society reporting this year's gifts to Christ's cause as seventeen times larger than last year's. There was also expressed the determination to enlist the children and young people in our work. == At Morristown, surrounded by the beautiful hills of East Tennessee, the Annual Convention met on November fourteenth and fifteenth. The inspiring reports of the president, Mrs. Avery Carter, and of the three vice-presidents, showed that Tennessee is going ahead in the work. The young people were represented by a pageant given by the girls of Carson-Newman College and a local Y. W. A. Mrs. Jackson of Brazil spoke. Many state activities were presented, the most appealing in many ways being the plans for the orphanage and for the growth of our Training School, the latter was shown by means of stereopticon pictures .== After the Tennessee Convention I had the pleasure of visiting two of our mountain schools. I spent a day and night at Chilhowee Instistatute, speaking at chapel and attending the classes and was much impressed by the good work being done there. I could spend but a night at Andersonville Institute speaking to the boys as well as the girls in the church. At both schools a genuine interest was shown in the missionary stories and a desire expressed in some way to get books to read further. A number of churches were represented at the Y. W. A. Rally in the First Church at Knoxville and it is our hope that some new young people's societies may result from this meeting .- Our president, Mrs. W. C. James, who was present at the Kentucky meeting sends us the following interesting account of it: The annual session of W. M. U. Auxiliary to the Baptist General Association of Kentucky, held

in the Fourth Avenue Baptist Church of Louisville, was the largest and perhaps the most representative meeting in its history. There were 235 delegates and more than 370 visitors registered. According to the treasurer's report the Union has doubled its gift in the past six years and we were pleased to note that the number of Royal Ambassador chapters had been doubled in the past year. During the discussion of the "Eliza Broadus Memorial Fund" glowing tributes of love and praise were paid this consecrated leader. Mrs. Peter J. Smith, of Owensboro, was elected president to succeed Mrs. E. T. Forsee, the retiring president. There are many strong workers among the Kentucky women. The beautiful spirit and enthusiasm that pervaded the whole meeting was indeed inspiring .= When we visited Louisville recently, a partly destroyed section of the building was all that could be seen of the old Training School at 334 E. Broadway. While a very large hole in the ground was all there was in sight, this gave promise of the immediate building of the "New House Beautiful". It seems a peculiarly happy coincidence that Mrs. McLure just happened to be on the ground and saw the first shovelful of earth taken out when excavation for the new building was begun. The girls are happy in their crowded and inconvenient quarters. As one expressed it, "We feel that ours is an experience that those coming after us cannot enjoy, for in this way we may as truly help to build as in any other." Enthusiasm in Kentucky is high and the local board is expecting great things of us .= The annual meeting of W. M. U. of Virginia was held at Clifton Forge with the largest number of delegates ever registered, 242; the largest number of new organizations, 267; and larger contributions, \$101,502.64, than ever before. Preparation service, led by Mrs. G. W. McDaniel, and the president, Mrs. W. C. James's, message, inspired to consecration of life. One evening service given to Mrs. McLure's talk on the Training School, and another to talks from our missionaries, Mrs. Gaston, Miss Priest and Miss Tweedy, were occasions long to be remembered. The recently elected young people's leader,

Miss Ethel Winfield, made her initial appearance in an earnest address on "Training for World-Wide Service". Dr. Louis Warren presented most ably the Church Building Loan Fund. Hearty support was pledged to the newly elected president, Mrs. John F. Vines. __ Mrs. M. R. Mc-Lure writes: I have just this moment entered the house after my trip to Washington and send this little report of the meeting for ROYAL SERVICE. During the annual meeting of the Columbian Association in Washington City the morning of November 22nd was devoted to the consideration of "Woman's Work" in the District. Nobly have the women wrought under the efficient leadership of their president, Mrs. O. E. Howe, of Immanuel Church. Their report told of increasing interest in missions and of four quarterly meetings when noted speakers of northern and southern boards gave addresses, while their Home for Aged Women shows personal service, lovingly and helpfully at work. Devotional services and reports were both notable and inspiring. The principal presented W. M. U. Training School, dwelling on its past, present and future, after which some dollars were quietly and generously handed her for the new building. Thus our Building Fund grows through love gifts. The session closed with a forceful message of wonderful interest from Dr. J. H. Franklin, of the Northern Baptist Mission Board on "Woman's Work in the Orient". The warm welcome and true courtesy of the women of the District is deeply appreciated by the principal and she feels that the interest of our enthusiastic Training School trustee, Mrs. C. N. Chipman, is in no wise abated. Success to her efforts!==The Alabama Convention met in Troy for two days full of inspiration and help. Mrs. Stakely's talk was the first of many expressions of the great importance and pressing need for work with the young people. The conferences for young people's leaders, conducted by Miss Metcalfe, proved a real help to many. The convention was remarkable for the deep devotional spirit, the beautiful presentations of the many phases of the work and the eagerness on the part of all to do their share. At the closing session, the story

of how we welcome the foreigner was told by Miss Buhlmaier and the urgent need for workers in Japan was eloquently presented by Mrs. J. F. Ray of Shimonoseski .= After the Alabama Convention, Miss Metcalfe and your young people's secretary went to Montgomery for a young people's rally. Then a delightful Sunday was spent with the girls at Judson College, speaking to them at the Sunday school and in their Y. W. A. meeting and to the young people of the church in the afternoon. We hope that increased interest in our boys and girls may result from the meetings in Selma and Birmingham. At the latter Miss Metcalfe gave a talk on our Training School and showed pictures of the former building and the one now under construction .= In Waco, the seat of Baylor University, the Texas B. W. M. W. met in annual session for two days preceding the general state convention. The weather was altogether bad but the attendance, the interest, the reports and the talks were altogether good. Before noon of the first day the enrollment of delegates was 437 and many others came in for the second day. The one night session was given to the Y. W. A. work and though a cold, heavy rain poured continually a large audience, including many young women, was present. Additional emphasis was given to young woman's work by the report of B. W. M. W. Training School at Fort Worth and an offering of about \$10,000 was taken for the school. Constructive plans were also laid for fulfilling the state's part toward the W. M. U. Training School in Louisville, Ky .= From Waco, the W. M. U. corresponding secretary hurried to the closing days of the Louisiana W. M. U. meeting at Mansfield. Miss Buhlmaier had been with them for the opening sessions as had also the state workers among the French and Italians. There were 107 delegates from almost every part of the state. Decided interest was shown in the study of Dr. Master's book "Baptist Missions in the South". Certificates bearing the state seal and tied with the state colors were awarded twenty societies for reaching all ten points on the Standard of Excellence .= From Mansfield, a week's itin-

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HOME DEPARTMENT



LOVE IS THE FULFILMENT OF THE LAW

Written for ROYAL SERVICE

I sought by alms to serve the Lord, Observed with care each "Thou shalt not".

Kept the strict letter of His Word, Guarded my life from sordid plot. Incorporated every thought Of honest practice, truth and right, Yet knew the sum of all I wrought Was only rubbish in His sight.

My soul was filled with anxious fear,
No sweet assurance crowned my faith,
I could not sense a Savior near
And glory seemed a distant wraith.
Where might I seek for perfect peace?
Then suddenly the light I saw
Bade all my doubts and striving cease—
For love alone fulfills the law.

Yet how, with love to fill my heart, So long the willing slave of self, Without a hope of gain, how part For others good with ease and pelf? And then the joyous answer came: "Love prompts to service, and as sure As good is rendered in His name Love springs from service, strong and pure".

And now I do not pray to gain
The rich rewards, nor think of these.
The regal road of peace is plain
To him who would his Master please.
I do not wish that I may be
More honored than the rest, above;
I seek an humble ministry
Sun-crowned on earth with perfect love.

—R. L. Bonsteel

Nov. 9, 1915

THINKING CAP

- . Answers will be found in this issue
- 1. Find a packet of seeds.
- 2. What is a sign of life?

- 3. Find four needs.
- 4. How may they be transformed into gains?
- 5. What is "The Hall of Fame"?
- 6. Which is best, a circle or a five pointed star?
- 7. Find the sacret of a good program.
- 8. What are our fourteen holy days?

I still find each day too short for all the thoughts I want to think, all the walks I want to take, all the books I want to read, and all the friends I want to see. The wind in the treetops has always been good music to me, and the face of the fields has often comforted me more than the faces of men.—John Burroughs

UNION NOTES

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erary was filled by Miss Georgia Barnette, the state corresponding and field secretary, and the W. M. U. corresponding secretary. The places visited were Pineville, where the Louisiana Baptist College is located, Bogalusa, where the world-famous yellow pine lumber mill works day and night, Slidell with its large lumber, brick and ship building industries and St. Charles with its immense sulphur and salt mines and with its excellently managed Baptist orphan's home. At each place a mass meeting of the women and young people was held, the pastors rendered the most helpful co-operation and there is every reason to believe that the 468 persons who were present, representing 30 societies, love the cause of missions and will give larger service. = About 120 of the above mentioned 468 attended two gatherings in the Valence Street and First Baptist Churches of New Orleans. The latter meeting was held in the interest of the May Annual Meeting. Mrs. T. R. Falvy was elected chairman of the woman's committee which will co-operate with the general committee of which Dr. B. P. Robertson is chairman.



BOOK REVIEWS



MAKERS OF SOUTH AMERICA

HIS seems to be a year when thoughts are turning again and again to our neighboring states of South America, and we are glad to recommend still another book dealing with that country. This time it is not so much the country itself we are studying as the lives of those who helped to mould it. The author, Margarette Daniels, introduces us to twelve remarkable men, who, she tells us, "ought to head our list of South American acquaintances". These acquaintances are extremely varied and while we admire some more than others, each one is very interesting. and each one played an important part in the history of the land. The great adventurer Pizarro comes first on the list because of his early invasions along the unknown coast of Peru in his feverish search for gold. In strange contrast follows the account of that faithful Jesuit father, Jose de Anchieta, whose life was one of sacrifice and devotion for the native Indians. Then we find James Thomson, a Scotchman, who came to start schools in the new country and to sell Bibles printed in Spanish. The story of Captain Allen Gardiner and his many attempts to bring the Gospel to the Indians of Tierra del Fuego is one of hardships and discouragements. When he died alone on Starvation Beach, it seemed almost as if all plans had failed. But today there is a splendid mission in his memory, and "through those who came after him, Allen Gardiner finds his place in the history of the continent". Among others, accounts are given of David Trumbull and his pioneer work in Chile; of Dom Pedro II, "the last American monarch"; and of W. Barbrooke Grubb and his work among the Indians of the Chaco.

Young people and grown ups will thoroughly enjoy the book. Royal Ambassadors will love the stories with all their adventures and older readers will be deeply interested. Paper, 40 cents; cloth 60 cents.

OLD SPAIN IN NEW AMERICA

A new book from the Council of Women for Home Missions comes to us with this attractive title, suggestive of the interweaving of the old and the new. "The Home Mission text book of necessity confines itself to a study of those groups which live under the Stars and Stripes, i. e., the Mexicans living in the United States and the Spanish speaking peoples of Porto Rico and Cuba." The first chapter, Spain in America, tells again the familiar and ever fascinating stories of the long-ago explorers and adventurers, gives some of early conquests and the reasons why the Spanish attempts were not of permanent success. Another chapter, Following the Cross, speaks of the religious activities of the pioneer Roman Catholic missionaries, of the old Spanish missions, and also of the starting of the Protestant missions in the great southwest. In the chapter, Redeeming the Southwest, we read of the dense ignorance and superstition which the missionaries had to face as they carried the Gospel to the Mexicans of our own country, of the wonderful work done by women teachers in the plaza schools, who gave themselves as nurses, physicians, teachers and friends to the countryside. Chapters four and five take us to Cuba and Porto Rico, telling of the early history of these Islands, of the effect of Spanish rule and the different influence of the United States. The New Era is the last chapter. In this some aims for the future are pointed out, and again denominational unity is touched upon.

The book is by Robert McLean and Grace Petrie Williams. Of ideal length for a study class, the material will be found very interesting for members of the Y. W. A.'s and Woman's Society. Paper 30, postage extra.

The world is full of need, and every opportunity to help is a duty.—Isabella Thoburn

Order the above mentioned books at the quoted prices from Educational Department,
Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia.

A NOTABLE YEAR

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loved ones and separate rooms or sections of the buildings may be thus designated Some estimates of cost are given, that donors may indicate their wishes.

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"	**	Infirmary	5,000		44	Sun Parlor	· 50 0

From the first Dr. J. M. Frost has been one of the best friends of the Training School. As a member of the Advisory Board he gave much time and thought towards shaping our plans and was ready with wise counsel in every emergency. Through his influence the Sunday School Board made its large contributions. To honor his name by one of these memorials it is proposed that those who loved him, in whatever state they live, should so designate their gifts. The Tennessee women have selected the "Office" to bear the name of Miss Evie Brown, their trustee, whose last hours of service were given to the Training School and who suggested the forming of dollar clubs to enlist the largest number of givers. While these clubs are arousing interest in every direction we cannot rely entirely on this slow method, but must seek for those who will give in hundreds and even thousands. And remembering that "he gives twice who gives quickly", let us collect in one year as large a part of the whole as may be possible. So shall this be indeed a fortunate year.

"So we'll build it in faith and in hope and in love, While we work and we serve and we pray, Believing in God and trusting His Word As humbly we walk in His way."

-From Lasting Foundations, by Maud R. McLure

Eliza S. Broadus, Vice President for Kentucky

G. A. PROGRAM

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form in which to present the need. This may take the form of work for convalescent children in some hospital, such as carrying fruit and flowers or simple toys; telling stories, etc.; reading to blind or shutins; supplying clothing for some needy child; procuring flowers for church services; collecting and pasting blank paper over the written side of used post cards for some foreign missionary to use in primary schools and kindergartens. Plan something in which every girl may have a part.

"What is there for us to write
On the page of stainless white
That lies open here today
When the Old Year goes away?
"Kindly deeds and friendly thoughts—
These are never stains or blots;
Let us try to write them here
Every day throughout the year.
"So the new-turned leaf shall be
Always beautiful so see;

And the months that pass along Shall be filled with happy song."

Y. W. A. PROGRAM

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"Make me a captive, Lord,
And then I shall be free;
Teach me to render up my sword
And I shall conqueror be.
I sink in life's alarms
When by myself I stand;
Imprison me within Thine arms
And strong shall be my hand."

SUNBEAM PROGRAMS

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As if all the paper in all the world Were rattled and shaken and twisted and twirled?"

"O, that," said the jolly old Earth, "is the

Of all my children, both girls and boys, A-turning over their leaves so new, And all to do honor, New Year, to you!"

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