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That I may know Him.—Philippians 3.10

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Say not the struggle naught availeth,
The labor and the wounds are vain,
The enemy faints not, nor faileth,
And as things have been they remain.

If hopes were dupes, fears may be liars;
It may be, that in yon smoke conceal'd,
Your comrades chase e'en now the fliers,
And, but for you, possess the field.

For when the tired waves, vainly breaking,
Seem here no painful inch to gain,
Far back, through creeks and inlets making,
Come silent, flooding in, the main.

And not by eastern windows only,
When daylight comes, comes in the light;
In front the sun climbs slow, how slowly!
But westward, look, the land is bright!

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Missionary Calendar of Prayer for Southern Baptists

September, 1918

"To every man there openeth
A high way and a low
And the high soul climbs the high way,
And the low soul gropes the low;
And in between on the misty flats
The rest drift to and fro."

Topic: State Missions

1—SUNDAY

For the men who are offering their lives for the cause of justice and humanity

Make them all brave and true,
Faith in Thyself renew,
Teach them the best to do
God bless our men!—*J. Wilbur Chapman*

2—MONDAY

That the members of State Mission Boards may have a broad view of the needs of their state and be conscious of their responsibilities to these needs

The greatest problem of foreign missions is not on the foreign field, but on the home field.—*John R. Mott*

3—TUESDAY

That our state evangelists may lead many to Christ

Speaking boldly in the Lord.—*Acts 14:3*

4—WEDNESDAY

For the W. M. U. state corresponding secretaries

Be strengthened in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.—*2 Timothy 2:1*

5—THURSDAY

For the W. M. U. state treasurers
Make me to go in the path of Thy commandments.—*Psalms 119:35*

6—FRIDAY

That our state young people's leaders may be filled with joyful enthusiasm for their work

That the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and ye in Him.
—*2 Thessalonians 1:12*

7—SATURDAY

That W. M. U. office workers may be conscientious and loyal in their work

"Ah, more than martyr's aureole
And more than hero's heart of fire
We need the humble strength of soul
That daily toils and ills require."

8—SUNDAY

For the sick and wounded among our soldiers, sailors and aviators, and for those among our Allies

That they may lay hold on the life which is life indeed.—*1 Timothy 6:19*

9—MONDAY

For state field workers as they seek to advance Christ's kingdom

And I will put my Spirit within you.
—*Ezekiel 36:27*

10—TUESDAY

That through many new subscribers to ROYAL SERVICE greater interest may be awakened in the work of the Union

Walk in the way of understanding.
—*Proverbs 9:6*

11—WEDNESDAY

That we may meet all apportionments for state missions

You cannot eliminate the spirit of giving without eliminating Christianity itself.
—*J. Campbell White*

12—THURSDAY

For the special missionary problems in my state

We are not here to play, to dream, to drift,
We have hard work to do, and loads to lift,
Shun not the struggle: face it. 'Tis God's gift.—*Maltbie D. Babcock*

13—FRIDAY

That many may enroll in the new course planned by the W. M. U. for study of Bible, missions and methods

Blessed are they that keep His testimonies,
That seek Him with the whole heart.
—*Psalms 119:2*

14—SATURDAY

That many members of our W. M. S. and Y. W. A. may sign the Stewardship Covenant

"Rearrange your life's activities in the light of the 'Great Commission.'"

15—SUNDAY

For the chaplains and Y. M. C. A. workers among the men in service
The Good Shepherd layeth down His life for the sheep.—*John 10:11*

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"But to every man there openeth
A high way and a low
And every man decideth
The way his soul shall go."

Topic: State Missions—Continued

16—MONDAY

That the young college graduate may be welcomed into active service in our societies

Just as I am, young, strong and free
To be the best that I can be
For truth and righteousness and Thee.
—*Marianne Farmingham*

17—TUESDAY

That 10,000 of our W. M. U. members may sign the Emergency Pledge

All life takes on a new significance as soon as we realize that whatever we have is ours as a trust.—*James G. K. McClure*

18—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Crocker and Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Marriott (now on furlough), evangelistic and educational work, Chinkiang, Central China

Bearing fruit in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God.
—*Colossians 1:10*

19—THURSDAY

Rev. and Mrs. A. Y. Napier, evangelistic and educational work, Chinkiang, Central China

To bear my name before the Gentiles.
—*Acts 9:15*

20—FRIDAY

That the Sia Shu Bible School at Chinkiang may be the means of training and developing future Christian leaders

Thou wilt show me the path of life.
—*Psalms 16:11*

21—SATURDAY

Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Pierce, church, evangelistic and educational work, Yang Chow, Central China

The Lord knoweth them that are His.
—*2 Tim. 2:19*

22—SUNDAY

For our men in the service and for our Allies

Blessed is the man whose strength is in Thee.—*Psalms 84:5*

23—MONDAY

Miss M. E. Moorman and Miss Hazel Andrews, girls' boarding school, and Miss Alice Parker, girls' day school and evangelistic work
Testifying both to small and great.
—*Acts 26:22*

24—TUESDAY

Dr. and Mrs. R. V. Taylor, Jr., and Dr. and Mrs. John T. Anderson; Yang Chow Baptist Hospital

Heal the sick—and say unto them the kingdom of God has come nigh unto you.
—*Luke 10:9*

25—WEDNESDAY

Miss E. E. Teal (now on furlough) and Miss Jo Carr, trained nurses, Yang Chow Baptist Hospital
The God of Israel, He giveth strength and power unto His people.—*Psalms 68:35*

26—THURSDAY

Gratitude for the work of the Christian Chinese assistants in the Yang Chow Baptist Hospital
Guide me in thy truth and teach me.
—*Psalms 25:5*

27—FRIDAY

That God's rich blessing may rest upon Dr. and Mrs. P. S. Evans, Jr., in their new field of work in China—formerly at Nanking, Central China

Working together with Him.
—*2 Corinthians 6:1*

28—SATURDAY

Thanksgiving for the growth of S. B. C. work in North China carried on in 7 stations

The word of God grew and multiplied.
—*Acts 12:24*

29—SUNDAY

For the refugees in the war countries
No one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.—*John 10:29*

30—MONDAY

Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Adams and Miss Ida Taylor, Teng Chow, North China

Called and chosen and faithful.
—*Rev. 17:14*



EDITORIAL



STATE MISSIONS

Last spring one of our vice presidents told us that the W. M. U. of her state was able to report to the W. M. U. auxiliary to S. B. C. all apportionments fully met, but that they were far behind in their gifts to state missions. We do not know how it is in other states but certainly there is no time more appropriate for the consideration of this matter than in the month when state missions is the topic to be studied and discussed and to be especially remembered in our prayers. It is easy to learn and most important to know whether the women of our state are measuring up to their full responsibility in this real foundation work, state missions. If our state is making its apportionment large enough and is meeting that apportionment it is reasonable to suppose that most of the societies are doing their part and that the individual woman is likewise doing her share. Nor is it unreasonable at this time to urge that each member of a missionary society make it her special duty to learn just what the women of her state are doing, and if they are not meeting their full apportionment in state missions, to study the situation in the light of the needs of her state, learn what the State Mission Board has been able to accomplish with its limited means and of what real value this work is in the Kingdom of God. With this knowledge before her it then behooves each woman to earnestly and prayerfully seek to know what she as one woman can do to create a sentiment for a larger apportionment, if this is needed. In doing this she will be a telling factor in bringing her state to meet its apportionment.

It is possible for the state to make its apportionment and yet for many societies to fall far behind their duty in giving to the work in their own state. Therefore the individual woman after studying the work of her state at large should know whether her own society is meeting its responsibility, and if it is not she should seek to build up the cause of state missions at this point, for until every society in the state is doing its full share the work cannot prosper as it should.

As the success or failure of every enterprise in the final analysis depends upon the zeal, qualifications and development of the individual, just so the relative success or failure of the fundamental work of state missions depends upon the individual Christian; the unit of the kingdom of God. Thus we sometimes find our state W. M. U. meeting its apportionment even when our society and church have not done their recognized share in the work of making our state Christian. So let each individual search her own heart to find whether she is doing the full duty that God expects of one of His children and that the need demands.

We should, as we enter upon our mission study and united prayer in behalf of state missions during the month of September, make a definite resolve that we will not let this privilege degenerate into a deadening reverie, a kind of meditation that, instead of bearing fruit in enlarged gifts and activities, will have a tendency to put the powers to sleep. Then and not until then will our gathering for prayer and study of state mission problems bear the fruit that God has a right to expect, nor will any of our organizations measure up to their responsibility in their contributions or their loyalty alike to God and state.

The church being God's divine institution the purpose of which is to uphold and spread the Gospel, the State Mission Board is maintaining this institution by planting churches in all proper centers of population and standing by them with fostering care, that each one become a vitalizing force. This is one of the greatest factors in the conquest of the world for Christ and therefore should receive at all times and under all circumstances our most sincere and generous support.

STEWARDSHIP AND MISSIONS

On page 16 of the Year Book for 1918-19 and in the minutes of W. M. U. Annual Meeting, now in the hands of W. M. S. presidents and all delegates to the meeting, you will find the following Stewardship Covenant authorized by the Union in annual session at Hot Springs, Ark., and commended to every society member throughout the bounds of the Union:

STEWARDSHIP COVENANT

Recognizing, 1st, that I am God's steward, that He has the rightful and supreme claim upon me and my possessions; 2nd, that God said to ancient Israel: "The tithe is the Lord's; it is holy unto the Lord"; 3rd, that Paul says concerning giving: "See that ye abound in this grace also"; and, 4th, that the results of thus honoring God have always been most gratifying, enriching both the giver and the Kingdom:

I, therefore, promise, as a recognition of my stewardship and an expression of my love to God, to lay aside until further notice at least one-tenth of my income for the support of His cause. First they gave their own selves unto the Lord. 2 Cor. 8:5—Of all that thou shalt give me, I will surely give the tenth unto Thee. Gen. 28:22

In order that many recognize their relationship to God as His stewards and enter with rejoicing into this covenant it may be necessary, unless they have been trained in tithing from their youth up, to make some special study of this subject. To this end the Union is offering in its course of study, for which certificates are to be awarded, first, a study of God's word "All the World in All the Word" arranged by Dr. W. O. Carver of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. We are trusting that large numbers of workers will take this course of study and thereby acquire a broader conception of the mission purposes of God in the world, learning most definitely the reasons for the missionary movement and why Christians should give themselves to it without reservation.

It is not possible, however, to do this without recognizing God's ownership and our stewardship of all that we seem to possess, from our knowledge of the Gospel to our smallest material possession.

The Union is, therefore, offering in this course of study a specific work on stewardship and missions. The book recommended is "Stewardship and Missions" by Chas. A. Cook and can be secured from Educational Department, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va., price, paper, .40 prepaid.

There never was a time when the truth of God's ownership and our stewardship could be so forcibly set forth and made plain and real to the student as now. In times of peace our government expects only a comparatively small tax in return for our peaceful possession of property and expects its citizens in return to abide by and uphold the laws. Under such conditions we naturally feel that we are the real possessors of our earthly goods and have full control of our persons.

This war of democracy in which we find ourselves is teaching us many new lessons which can and should be applied to our Christian lives in the warfare to establish the kingdom of God. First among them is that it is our privilege to voluntarily give our services and our means to the government, but that when it needs either it takes them whether or no, it is true that there is compensation but by no means are we undisputed owners.

If victory for democracy is to be ours the government must have men, its greatest need, and then it must have money to maintain these men, hence the slogan "If you can't go, give"; so God in His warfare to establish His kingdom needs and calls for men more than anything else in the world. It is life laid down for Him that gives joy to the heart of the sacrificial Saviour, but money represents life, nay, as some one has said,

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BIBLE STUDY



TOPIC—The King's Business

The king hath commanded me a business.—1 Sam. 21:2

To testify the Gospel of the grace of God.—Acts 20:24

For me to live is Christ.—Phil. 1:21. The love of Christ constraineth us.—2 Cor. 5:14

I. *The Task for the Church:* Acts 15: 14 To take out of them a people for His name—what a commission! It is the ministry of the church of God, the business for the King, to testify to weary souls of the grace of the Lord Jesus and gather into the company of the redeemed those who are to form the bride of Christ. For it is God who worketh in you both to will and to work for His good pleasure.—Phil. 2: 13 Jesus said "go, ye therefore and make disciples of all the nations". Our business is to tell out the message of life and salvation. He assures us it shall not return unto Him void.—Isa. 55: 11 The church is the channel through which the "water of life" must flow to the desert and waste places that they may become as the garden of the Lord, for the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.—Romans 1: 16 Saved men and women are the instruments.—Romans 10: 14, 15. The Holy Spirit is the agent.—John 16: 8, 11 Salvation comes in answer to the prayer of repentance and faith.

II. *The Source of Power:* Acts 1: 8 Power from on high.—Luke 24: 49 Our Christianity must have reality and power, "wholehearted belief in a living God, belief in prayer, belief that in Jesus we have the very center of reality, that nothing is so real as God in Christ". The Holy Spirit imparts this belief and strengthens amidst all persecution, gives us courage to face the enemies of Christ and His truth. They were all filled with the Holy Ghost.—Acts 2: 4 The Christian who claims the promise may realize the abiding presence and prove that through him shall flow rivers of living waters.—John 7: 38-39 Open your heart to the Holy Spirit. Obey the command. Be filled with the Spirit, Eph. 5: 18, not only for acts of service but also for renewing power.—Titus 3: 4-6 There are three departments through which the Spirit works in Christian life and experience. (1) *The work of faith*, 1 Thess. 1: 3, is through the in-dwelling of the Son of God. *I in you*.—John 17: 26; Gal. 2: 20 (2) *The labor of love*, John 14: 14, 15, pertains to all service done by the in-dwelling Spirit. I will do it. (3) *The patience of hope*, 1 Thess. 1: 10; 2: 12; 2 Thess. 1: 5-10, all sufferings, trials and persecutions endured by all Christians waiting for the Son of God from heaven.

III. *Service:* The law of liberty, James 1: 22-25; feeding the hungry, Matt. 25: 34-43; Isa. 58: 7; Ezek. 18: 7, helping the needy and helpless, Jas. 1: 27; entertaining strangers, Heb. 13: 2; 3 John 5; clothing the naked, James 2: 15, 16; visiting the prisoner, 2 Tim. 1: 16, 17; doing the will of God, Matt. 7: 21-27; Luke 6: 46; 1 John 3: 7 Give diligence to present thyself approved unto God.—2 Tim. 2: 15. One of the most delightful and glorious things that will happen to the saints of God will be the realization in eternity of the fruitage of their service for Jesus Christ here and now.

IV. *The Result:* He must reign.—1 Cor. 15: 25 Christ Himself the King shall bring in His kingdom and we shall reign with Him.—Rev. 1: 4-6 There are works which are dead things.—1 Cor. 3: 10-15 When Christians are led by the motives of the world, 1 John 2: 15-17, their life structure will pass away.—1 Tim. 6: 17-19 One crucial question is how to win the youth of this generation for Christ. They are responding nobly to the call of their country, let us summon them to the service of the King of kings, and to the service of a dying world without Christ and God. O, thou that bringest good tidings to Zion get thee up on a high mountain—say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God!—Isa. 40: 9 What an incentive there is to work while we are looking for the appearing and return of our Lord.—James 5: 7, 8 The vision of this glorious hope, 1 Peter 1: 7, is to the faithful, but to those who know not God, how awful!—2 Thess. 1: 7-12—Mrs. James Pollard



PROGRAM FOR SEPTEMBER



The programs given month by month present the present-day conditions in our home and foreign 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., Baltimore, Md. For a few cents leaflets suggested in this number can be obtained from the same address.



GRADUATING CLASS IN "MANUAL OF W.M.U. METHODS", CLOUDCROFT, NEW MEXICO

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HYMN—Hark the Voice of Jesus Calling

OUR OWN STATE

STATE SONG

CLOSING PRAYERS

Only a Christianity powerful enough to dominate over our social, national and international life and relationship will finally commend itself to the peoples to whom we go.—John R. Mott

More and more I hope our people are coming to realize the fundamental and relative importance of our state mission work to all our denominational enterprises. Whatever contributes to the social, moral and spiritual betterment of the individual life, of the home and of the state

is also a mighty contributing factor to the spreading of the Gospel abroad. The light that must shine far is the light that shines bright at home.—*South Carolina leaflet*

The work of home missions is the making of the nation of America a Christian nation. The work of foreign missions is the making of foreign nations Christian. Then, logically, state missions is the enterprise of making the state Christian. To do this we must begin "in Jerusalem"—our own church; enter "all Judea"—every section of our state; sojourn "in Samaria"—deserted places as it were; then be witnesses "unto the uttermost parts of the earth". The strengthening of the home base means the development and progress of our church life. It is, therefore, imperative that our Union rally in an unbroken phalanx, and give its loyal support to state missions.—*Virginia leaflet*

2. Alabama Last year the Baptists of Alabama contributed more for the current work of state missions than in any fiscal year of twelve months in the history of our convention. Work has gone forward in the different departments, but the needs are still pressing.

ENLISTMENT.—Under present conditions the call is imperative to do intensive work in order that we may develop our latent Baptist forces. So many of our churches are living under the system of absentee pastors that the very life of many of them is threatened. Tremendous forces are at work to undermine our rural churches where our Baptist strength is greatest. In this day of the producer's prosperity, his religious life is in all the greater peril and it behooves us to look well to the development of his spiritual nature.

THE W. M. U. DEPARTMENT is, as ever, a most highly valued auxiliary in the work of our Board. As an educational and collecting agency this organization of our sisters stands unexcelled among all our forces. The Executive Board appreciates most highly the valued assistance rendered by the W. M. U. and gladly pays the salary and expenses of the workers out of the state mission funds.

WORK FOR THE NEGROES.—In view of the tremendous responsibility upon us the Board is ashamed to report that it is doing nothing for our brother in black save paying \$200.00 per year to the teacher of the Bible in Selma University. It is probable that considerable help is rendered in a personal way and by particular churches, but such help is wholly unorganized and cannot be counted. True, by supporting the work done by the Home Mission Board, Alabama Baptists are helping some, but we must confess that our efforts in this direction are wholly inadequate.

WORK FOR THE SOLDIERS.—In co-operation with the Home Mission Board, the State Executive Board is taking hold of this work with vigor. The Baptists of Alabama have a duty in this respect which none other can do for us. Our Baptist boys are in the camps in large numbers, both at Camp McClellan and at Camp Sheridan.

While the Government, the Red Cross and other agencies are working so heroically for the physical welfare of our soldier lads, there is a special responsibility on the Baptists of Alabama and the south to provide for their spiritual needs by preaching the Gospel of Christ. It is our privilege to urge them to take Christ with them in the camp and thus make better soldiers and be prepared to answer the "roll call up yonder" should it come.—*Report of Executive Board, 1917*

3. Arkansas Under the wise leadership of our state secretary, J. S. Rogers, with the help of assistant secretary, J. S. Compere, there has been a marked advance along all lines of work. This has been brought about by the intensive teaching in the Bible schools, institutes, mission rallies, summer assemblies and classes in stewardship; by the enlistment work of our district and associational missionaries, and by the state-wide evangelistic campaign, when 4,384 souls were won for the Lord Jesus. A notable achievement of the past year was the paying of the heavy debt on the State Mission Board and the Orphans' Home, bringing us out of the "Egypt of debt to the Canaan of financial freedom". The two mountain schools are growing and a third will be ready to open by October.

The work at Camp Pike has been an opportunity for large service and gifts and the people have responded generously. Offerings to all missions increased more than 50

per cent. during the past year. There are now 41 missionary pastors, 20 associational missionaries, 6 general missionaries, 7 district missionaries, 3 special missionaries, 13 student missionaries and 11 other workers. The State Mission Board bears the expense of the Woman's Missionary Union, paying the salaries of the corresponding secretary and office secretary-treasurer, and allowing an expense fund of \$1,500. The immediate task before Arkansas Baptists is the raising of \$500,000 for Christian education. The campaign is being vigorously pushed by educational secretary, J. G. Lile.—*Mrs. J. G. Jackson, corresponding secretary*

4. Florida "To get a true perspective of any movement it must be viewed as a whole. The increase in our numerical strength since our co-operative organized work began has been more than 700 per cent., an increase worthy of any people and one which should make us both grateful and happy. But during this same short period the increase in contribution of funds has been 8,000 per cent." There can thus be no doubt about the generosity of Florida Baptists. They are undertaking and carrying on a great work for Christ. They maintain an Orphans' Home and have a Baptist college. Still the need for more work is great. Of the million people in the state only about 141,000 are identified with any church. The increase in population is rapid. The increase of state forces should keep up with it.

One of the calls that is imperative is for more and better equipped church buildings. We do not stand in awe and doubt, but we do stagger at the appalling task before us in an endeavor to adequately house and equip our people for worship. If all the money of the combined effort of all Florida Baptists could be directed into this one channel for the next ten years it would be inadequate to our immediate needs, to say nothing of the ten years' accumulated necessities. Practically every well developed church in the state must either build outright, enlarge their present quarters, or stagger on under a heavy debt already created through building or improving. One hundred and four church houses in course of construction now await further help to complete their plants. One hundred and forty-eight congregations are absolutely homeless and helpless so far as erecting a house of worship is concerned. Nothing gives to our work such an atmosphere of permanency as a splendidly equipped building suited to the needs of the community in which it is located. Every church house well located is a denominational asset and no struggling congregation should be left alone for years and years, concentrating its entire ability on an effort to house itself, thus losing interest in, or getting completely out of harmony with, organized activity. In this field your Board, aided by the Home Mission Board, is placing every dollar at its command.—*Report on State Missions, 1918*

5. Georgia Much might be written about the work done and what remains to be done in Georgia. Mention will only be made of their enlistment work. There are sixteen men doing enlistment work in the state during the summer months. With each team composed of two men there is a W. M. U. representative who presents the W. M. U. work at an afternoon meeting at each church in association. This might be considered the biggest state mission work launched in Georgia. The divisional secretaries, who in our work assist the vice presidents, all plan to have training classes for leaders in each association using the W. M. U. Manual of Methods and giving general help to the local leaders.—*Miss Evelyn Campbell, corresponding secretary*

6. Illinois Our State Mission Board has paid all the expenses of our woman's work during the year and has given us a field worker for the summer.

They seem to feel they are justified in doing so because we have given almost half of all the money raised for home and foreign missions. Our State Mission Board has cooperated with the Home Mission Board in employing missionaries among the foreigners and negroes. We have five Training School girls under this Board doing S. S. and B. Y. P. U. and W. M. U. work and helping in the work among the foreigners. Our one large city, East St. Louis, has two missionaries, Rev. E. W. Reeder and Miss Olive Donard, who are untiring workers among people who have come from all

over the world. Miss Donard has done a great work among the Bulgarians, Spaniards and negroes.

Our State Mission Board has been our W. M. U.'s best friend, never refusing us a request. They have not limited us in expense. May the women of Illinois prove their loyalty to the Board by unlimited gifts of money and prayers.—*Mary Northington, corresponding secretary*

7. Kentucky

Keep Kentucky Home Fires Burning. "Keep the Home Fires Burning" means more than keeping the hearth clean and the home in order for the boys' return. It means keeping our heart rooms in order too, filled with love, patriotism, and the Christ spirit. It means keeping the spiritual fires burning in our homes, in our churches, in our state. It means helping our state come near its ideal—"Kentucky for Christ".

Our Woman's Missionary Societies through their gifts to state missions are helping in supporting our state missionaries stationed at needy points, our state evangelists working all over the state, and the camp pastors working among our boys in camp.

Our Young Woman's Auxiliaries and Girls' Auxiliaries are helping in supporting Miss Emma Leachman, city missionary under our State Mission Board, as she goes about Louisville, helping to lift many dreary homes into better living and into a knowledge of Christ—touching many burdened hearts and unsaved souls—and bringing them to Jesus.

Our Royal Ambassador Chapters are helping too as they contribute to the support of a missionary working in one of our mining camps.

And our dear little Sunbeam Bands help as with their pennies they contribute to the support of a mountain missionary at Hindman, Ky., the only missionary Baptist preacher in the country.—*Mrs. Janie Cree Bose, corresponding secretary*

Louisiana

By way of encouragement we desire to call attention to the fact that much of the money spent by the denomination cannot be seen directly in increased numbers of baptisms, but like the foundation of a mighty building, while out of sight, must sustain a mighty superstructure if we build worthily for our Lord.

We deem it of more importance to stress conditions that confront us, than to make comparisons with the past or work done in other states. Hence we call attention to the following facts: Of sixteen parishes each containing about twenty-five thousand inhabitants, four have but one Baptist church each, while the other twelve have not a Baptist church at all. There are more than fifty thousand Italians in the state with only two preachers for them. There are more than three hundred thousand French outside of New Orleans, and one hundred thousand there, with a mere handful of workers. There are Jews by the thousands, Spaniards, Japs and Chinamen by the hundreds without a single missionary doing anything worth while for them. These are the Lord's challenge to His people in this state to show their interest in foreign missions. He has sent the heathen to us to see if we mean it when we say we want all the world to have the Gospel. How are we standing the test? If the war now raging in the east ever closes and trade relations are established between this country and the rest of the world, for awhile at least, this country will be prosperous, but every foreigner, who can, rather than stay in his country and bear the unbearable burden of rebuilding, will come to America where great opportunities are offered him. Our geographical conditions mean that we will get a large share of immigrants. They will bring their heathen religions with them. We must Christianize them, or they will heathenize us. Which shall it be?

The morals of Louisiana do not compare favorably with the morals of her sister states. If they are ever improved it must be done through state mission work. The literacy of Louisiana does not compare well with the conditions in other states. If that is ever improved it must be through state mission work.

Of all the heroic tasks that ever confronted any people the greatest is the state mission task before us. Are we equal to it? Will we meet it like brave "soldiers of the cross"? We must present a united force and front in kingdom interest.—*State Mission Report*

9. Missouri

The missionary work is carried on by ten secretaries. The state is divided into three districts with a secretary representing the general work and a young woman promoting the woman's work. A special young woman gives all of her time as college and normal school visitor, striving to arouse a greater interest in missions and to enlist more of our young women in the work. Two men give all their time in the interest of the Sunday school and B.Y.P.U. work. A young negro woman is employed to carry on the work among her own people. She conducts mission study classes, B.Y.P.U. and Sunday school training courses.

The three secretaries of the women's work give most of their time on the fields, striving to enlist more of the women and endeavoring to create a missionary atmosphere in all of the churches, many of which are missionary only in name. Four of the associations, which means fifty-nine of our churches, did not give one cent to foreign missions last year.

We have over two hundred thousand foreigners, but very little definite work is being done among them. The three nationalities most numerous are German, Irish and Russian. While ten years ago 70.1 per cent. of these were naturalized, today only 54 per cent. are naturalized. In the state there are 37,747 foreign-born whites over ten years of age who are unable to speak English and 22,631 who can neither read nor write any language. St. Louis might be taken as a typical city. In 1910 it had 125,706 foreign-born of whom 22,760 were unable to speak English. Of the 25,327 foreign-born in Kansas City 2,677 are unable to speak English. These figures show what a great opportunity there is for the women of Missouri to do a patriotic and Christian service in reaching these strangers amongst us.

New Mexico will repay a careful study of its history and resources, for it is truly a great and interesting commonwealth.

10. New Mexico **EXTENT:** It contains 122,469 square miles, being fourth in size among the states of the American Union. If we now have 350,000 people in the state New Mexico could furnish a homestead of 160 acres to every man, woman and child in her borders and have enough left over to give 160 acres each to 140,000 more families. New Mexico is 1,000 square miles larger than Great Britain and Ireland. It is larger than Virginia, North Carolina, Maryland, Massachusetts, Delaware and Connecticut combined. It is a thousand square miles larger than Georgia and Florida, and has a territory about equal to that of Alabama, Mississippi and South Carolina. It will be seen that we must do a great deal of marching before we march seven times around the walls of our Jericho.

RESOURCES: Among the greatest resources of New Mexico we mention stock raising. New Mexico has more than fifty million dollars worth of cattle on her ranges and perhaps twenty million dollars worth of sheep, not to mention horses, goats, hogs and burros. Her agricultural resources and output are likewise great. The total value of agricultural products in 1914 exceeded \$20,000,000. In minerals New Mexico has a large annual output. Her coal fields are more extensive than those of Germany or of France and Belgium combined.

DESTITUTION: We have no large cities in New Mexico and cannot therefore speak of city destitution. Neither is it strictly correct to speak of the foreigner, for the Anglo-American is the immigrant in this country. We very naturally think, however, of the Indian and the Mexican when we think of the call of the Gospel. There are 20,000 Indians in the state and Baptists have absolutely no work among them. Among the 140,000 Spanish-Americans we have only two or three missionaries. Besides, there are nearly 200,000 Anglo-Americans who have no church affiliation. We have a Baptist church to about every 1,000 square miles, and one Baptist to every seventy of the population. Six counties have no organized Baptist work. Towns of from one to six thousand inhabitants have no Baptist work. Among these is Santa Fe, the state capital. Twenty towns with more than 500 population and 65 with more than 100 are without Baptist work. There are young men and women in certain sections of the state who never heard an evangelical sermon. Our spendid public school system is doing much

to dispel ignorance, but hundreds and thousands are held in the thralldom of Roman Catholic superstition.

OUR PROGRAM: It is well for us to keep before us a definite constructive program. We see that "there remaineth yet much land to be possessed". We must not think more of the land that remains than we do of possessing. Our Bible does not encourage indifference and sloth, but calls us forth to conquest. Jesus sent his disciples forth for the conquest of the world and if we accept His commission we must set before us an aggressive and constructive program. Dr. Burleson divided Baptists into "sitters, splitters and builders". We are undertaking to be builders. There are just two things to which the State Mission Board devotes its efforts in a wise and constructive state mission program. To carry the tidings of salvation to every school house out on the plains, up to the top of every canyon in the mountains, until every homesteader and miner and sheep-herder in the land has become obedient unto the faith. This means the going afield of pastors, missionaries and colporteurs seeking the lost. Yea, it means that every man, woman and child who knows Jesus Christ as a Saviour shall go out preaching the Word. The second half of the commission looks toward the culture of the saved. The disciples must be taught to observe all things which Jesus has commanded. The saved must be taught. Our task is to bring every saved man to put every ounce of his energy into the work of saving the world. The State Mission Board must say, "Be ye doers of the word and not hearers only". Our forces must be put to work in Sunday schools, B.Y.P.U.'s, W.M.U.'s, Laymen's Movements, etc. We must co-operate for evangelism, church building, building schools, orphanages, sanitariums and every form of service till Jesus comes.

OUR WORK: For the accomplishment of this work state missions has a force of workers in the field though entirely inadequate to the task. The State Mission Board was organized in 1900 at Las Cruces. Since the organization the Baptists of New Mexico have raised perhaps \$35,000 for state missions, have organized and helped to support 150 to 175 churches; some of which have ceased to exist.

Today the board is expending \$25,000 per annum in this work—\$5,000 of this amount is raised in New Mexico, the balance coming from the Home Mission Board of Atlanta. The Board supports a secretary of missions, a Sunday school and B.Y.P.U. field worker, three general evangelists, three colporteurs, and about forty missionary pastors. It publishes the Baptist New Mexican and aids in the circulation and distribution of thousands of pages of tracts.

11. Oklahoma The Oklahoma State Convention is so organized that the term "state missions" includes all the work done by those whose salaries are paid out of the state denominational treasury. What is done may be included in the following: Evangelism, enlistment, co-operation with associations, assisting weak churches, and church building, colportage, women's work, Sunday school and B.Y.P.U., city missions and work among the foreigners. There is need along all these lines. More and more stress is being laid on evangelism. We have many weak churches and fifty-five per cent. of them are homeless, thus showing a great need for church building. Our associational and colportage work needs strengthening. In city missions we have done but little as yet. In our mining region there are large numbers of foreigners of various nationalities and their religious need is great. An evangelist and two women workers constitute our working force among these people. Others are badly needed, as will be seen by the following facts about our foreign-born. (1) Our total foreign-born population is 40,084; an increase of 96.6 per cent. over that of 1900. The three nationalities most numerous are German, Austrian and Russian. 7,975 of those over ten years of age are unable to speak English; 3,828 are unable to read and write in any language.

The interest in our Orphanage grows apace. Two splendid new buildings are in process of erection. Our Sunday school and B.Y.P.U. work is very gratifying, steadily growing in numbers and efficiency. The woman's work likewise moves steadily forward. Of the great importance and worth of our work Dr. F. M. McConnell writes as follows:

"The intelligent efforts of women to advance the cause of Jesus Christ have produced

results which cannot be estimated except by the arithmetic of heaven. Their study classes, seasons of prayer, informing literature, organized co-operation, earnest insistence and personal gifts make up the most constant and effective kingdom force. If they should cease it would wreck all denominational and church work. State Mission Boards should encourage and support the woman's organizations and help them by all means available to attain the greatest and most complete success."—Sue O. Howell, *corresponding secretary*

12. South Carolina

The conditions under which the State Mission Board is now operating in South Carolina have materially changed since the early day of the board's life and work. Formerly South Carolina was peopled by a quiet, conservative, rural population; with few cities with their tempting vices and no manufacturing enterprises with their accompanying problems. Today, however, South Carolina stands second to Massachusetts in the manufacturing of cotton goods. Other kindred enterprises have followed in the wake of our cotton mill industries until now we are truly a manufacturing state. Such rapidly changing conditions for the past twenty-five years have brought many people from other states and countries into ours. These people differ from us in their thought, manner of life and religious beliefs, so that the moral tone seems to be lowered and many religious "isms" unknown to us a quarter of a century ago, are prevalent now, disquieting and disturbing our people. Social, moral, religious and political problems are thrust upon us. We cannot, if we would, let them alone. The whole economy of our life is involved. Readjustments are necessary. We have come upon a day when the most devout efforts by a live and virile church life are necessary to meet these inevitable and ever-increasing changes, to transform and weld them into a solid and sane fabric to the good of the state, the salvation of our people and the glory of God. The Christian's task, therefore, in South Carolina is a great one and by virtue of our numbers and increasing wealth this responsibility rests chiefly upon the Baptists.

I feel sure there would be no need to appeal to our Baptist women for a more sympathetic and liberal support if they could for once see the need for a more aggressive and comprehensive work.—*South Carolina leaflet*

State missions means to us the enlistment of uninterested Baptists, the development of backward churches, the establishment and strengthening of Sunday schools, the aiding of weak churches in supporting better pastors; in short, a general development work in strengthening the home base. Besides our gift of \$10,000 to state missions our state W.M.U. is going to give \$3,000 toward Christian education in Tennessee and to ministerial aid. We have already a fund of \$5,000, the interest of which goes to scholarships for girls in Tennessee College. We have our Orphanage and Baptist Memorial Hospital. As a Union, our aim is the organization of a full missionary family in every church, greater efforts to enlist our young people, missionary institutes in every association for training leaders, the stronger society reaching the helping hand to the weaker society and a greater effort to enter associations where we have no organizations.—*Margaret Buchanan, corresponding secretary*

14. Virginia Let us, for a moment, make a swift survey of some of the things that have been accomplished by the Virginia State Mission Board.

The majority of churches at one time or another have been fostered by this Board, which has labored earnestly to distribute wisely, funds wherever needed. It has helped weak Baptist churches until they became able to help themselves; it has built new churches in order to carry on evangelization without delay; it has sent the Gospel to destitute sections and has sent missionaries to mining districts and railroad centers to reveal the loving message of Christ to souls hungering and thirsting for the bread of life.

Nor is this all. State missions has reached the mountaineers through the missionary and evangelist and given aid to mountain school work. Our Union is justly proud of the Buchanan Mission School which was established through the efforts of the Baptist

women of Virginia and opened in 1911. The work among the pupils is educational, but their spiritual interests are looked after with all diligence. Boys and girls go out of this school Christians. In 1916-17 every boy and girl in the school professed conversion. Eight of them, four boys and four girls, are volunteers. Their lives will touch other lives, ever multiplying and widening as the mighty ocean until eternity alone can measure what this school, with its consecrated faculty, has meant and will mean to Buchanan County and the state of Virginia.

The State Mission Board last year established another mountain school, the Blue Ridge School, in Patrick County. Blue Ridge Association will take care of the buildings, leaving the Board free to be responsible for other expenses. There is now the school building and a small dormitory. Another dormitory will be ready for next session.

Again state mission work is effective because it gives Bible training to the young and old. Look with me, if you will, into the Sunday school work, which is under the wise leadership of secretary J. T. Watts. There we note wonderful developments. The trained teacher and better organization are at once visible. Then, in all the state, who does not advocate the splendid work that is being done by the Virginia Beach Encampment and the Interment Chataqua at Bristol.

Then, too, colportage work should be emphasized more and more because of its educational advantages in missions. It is through this department of the State Mission Board that Bibles, leaflets, and tracts are distributed among the poor people who are not able to purchase these.

Another part of the state mission work is among the foreigners who come to make their homes in our midst. Some of these come from nations that have no high ideals and they must be taught what to think and what to believe. State mission work gives them a broader conception of their own lives and the relation of their lives to others. There are thousands of foreigners in Virginia, with only two missionaries. Rev. Louis Yoo works among the Hungarians in the mining section around Dante in southwest Virginia, while Rev. P. P. Morawski works with the Slavs, Poles and Ruthenians in and around Richmond. Can you conceive of a greater opportunity for doing mission work in the state than that of sending these refugees back to their home land as Christian men and women?

It is appalling when we stop to think that there are, besides the thousands of foreigners, 600,000 unsaved, native people over ten years of age to be found in every section within our borders. "During the Titanic disaster, a vessel equipped with the Marconi system of wireless telegraphy, passed within a few miles of the ill-fated ship. It was near enough to have rescued every passenger aboard, but passed on all unmindful of the lives going down within easy reach. I hear you ask, 'Why was it?' The answer comes that the passing vessel's instrument was so keyed as to receive only calls from distances of 100 miles or more. It is a pathetic illustration of what is taking place with us every day in the Lord's work. Are our hearts so keyed as to receive only calls from afar while hundreds and thousands of souls in Virginia are passing into eternity without salvation? 'Ye shall be witnesses.'"—*Virginia leaflet*

The church of Christ waits to follow, the forces of American life wait to yield, God waits to commission the prophet of today to a world-embracing ministry to the homeland—JOSEPH ERNEST McAFFEE

Note.—The editor wishes to thank those state secretaries whose kind help made possible the presentation of work in their state to the rest of the Union.



Y. W. A. PROGRAM



Topic—State Missions

Hymn—When Morning Gilds the Skies

Scripture—Psalm 103 in Unison

Prayer—

Hymn—Majestic Sweetness Sits Enthroned

Devotional Study—Dr. Josiah Strong has stated with great clearness and effectiveness the three great social laws of Jesus:

The law of service. Whosoever will be chief among you let him be your servant. I came not to be ministered unto, but to minister.—Phil. 2:7; Luke 22:27; Matt. 20:27,28; 10:24; John 20:21; Matt. 5:20, 46

The law of sacrifice. Whosoever will save his life shall lose it. If any man will come after me, let him deny himself.—Luke 9:23, 24; 14:33

The law of love. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.—John 3:3; Heb. 1:3; John 12:23-33; Mark 10:35-38; John 13:27-32; 17:5; 13:34; 17:22

Prayer

Playlet—Christ in America or tableaux representing the people of the different nations found in your state; also of the work that is being done for them.

State Song

Prayer—For the Work in Your State

Hymn—Go Labor On, Spend and Be Spent

Dismissal—Lord's Prayer

State Missions

State missions should be of interest to every one, for surely one has a certain pride and concern for her native state. When we consider the different nationalities with their varying ideals that compose a state and think that many sets of ideals cannot for a long period live side by side and that we must either convert all these ideals to our standards or let our own sink to the level of theirs, can there be any doubt of the size and seriousness of our problem? One very striking example where we are allowing their principles to rule in-

stead of ours is in regard to the Sabbath day. The open Sunday which is becoming so prevalent is the continental way of observing, or rather disregarding the Lord's day. This is not the ideal upon which our government was built. The result of lowering individual, city or state ideals can only be disastrous. Nor can we put all the blame on the foreigners. Have our churches put forth the effort to teach these people as they should? How often has the problem of the down town church been solved satisfactorily? Even though the congregation is scattered and the members affiliated with other churches or we build a new place of worship, should not the old church be kept as a church, but with a new program which will more adequately meet the changed local conditions? The houses are not vacant, yea, they are more than filled and with a people who are strangers in a strange land and who need to be ministered unto, for they are often weary and lonely. Think what comfort they could get from a sympathetic and encouraging corps of Christian workers. The children who are born in this country more quickly take their places in the community, but the mothers are reserved and timid. Our schools are open to the children, even forced upon them, and shall we close the church doors to the mother? Have we not learned that education even in the case of the children is not sufficient. What a curse ability can be when misdirected! No, we cannot leave this problem to the schools, the church must solve it. Surely it is a task that can no longer be left in the hands of the few, for there is sufficient need to engage the strength and energy of every Christian in the state.

*"It will not be the idle words that count,
Or the pitying tears once shed,
Or the prayers thrice offered for the sick,
Or social calls oft made;
But the things that count for the Master most,
Are the hills we've climbed, tho' steep,
And the cup of mercy we've given to 'these',
How we've answered His 'Feed my Sheep.'"*



G. A. PROGRAM



Hymn—We Praise Thee, O God
Sentence Prayers—For Our Soldiers and Sailors

Scripture—Acts 2:37-42

Hymn—O Zion, Haste

Roll Call—Answered with Names of State Mission Board and W. M. U. Officers
Prayer—For State and W. M. U. Officers
Map Drill—Locating all State Baptist Institutions and Stations with Facts about Each

Prayer—For Larger Gifts for Our State Mission Work

Story—Where the Needy Are

Hymn—More Love to Thee

Business. Mispah

Where the Needy Are

Some years ago I went with one of our state missionaries into a mountain section to attend an associational meeting and had most unusual and memorable experiences. One of these was being "took up" the mountain seated in chairs in a two-mule wagon. With much rattling and jolting we climbed the steep road, often being pulled over limestone steps at least twelve inches high. Our chairs bounced about until we seemed to hang bobbing about in mid-air. But oh, what views of wood and stream and far-off valleys and hills we beheld as we stopped from time to time to "spell" our mules. At that high altitude how evident it was that "the heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth His handiwork".

At last we came to the little chapel, the poorest that I had ever seen. It was boarded straight up and down after the fashion of our negro cabins. There were cracks an inch wide in the rough floor. The benches were boards supported at each end and none too stable. The pulpit was a box with a plank nailed across the end. Other furnishings there were none. A sudden shower came up and we were obliged to raise our umbrellas to protect ourselves from the leaking roof.

Presently the people began coming in, hard faced and hard handed men; hopeless,

discontented looking women; children robbed of their heritage of youth. Among them was the old pastor, who was scarcely able to read his Bible aright. The water bucket adorned the front bench and frequently during the service the mothers took their children forward to quench their thirst. They sang strange rhythmic songs in a high, solemn key. The pastor prayed in a singsong way but so reverent and earnest was he that tears came in spite of us. Then the missionary preached and he seemed quite wonderful to me that day. These hard strong men and women might have been little children gathered into his arms, so tender was he. It seemed that their hearts must melt as he pleaded with them. But they sat unmoved through the sermon and the stirring prayer that followed it. After the meeting ended they gathered in little groups and discussed their own affairs. The missionary walked away with a weary disappointed look as he doubtless had done many times before.

Suddenly nothing seemed to count anymore—the fatigue, the discomfort, the hard journey, the unpalatable food—only this people counted, these hardened, narrow, meager-lived people. There came into my heart a great longing that our State Mission Board should send a missionary not just to visit them occasionally but to live among them and teach them many things and to win them for the Christ.

What can a member of a Girls' Auxiliary do for the upbuilding of her native state? First, she can pray constantly for state mission work, not forgetting the work being done by camp pastors for the soldiers and sailors. Second, she can be a helper in the Vacation Bible School or teach in a mission school for foreign children. Third, she can order her life as becometh her future Christian citizenship, for it is not the vote but loyalty which makes the citizen.

Do not let your vacation be an altogether idle one, but in whatever you do, work or play or rest, "do all to the glory of God".



R. A. PROGRAMS



FIRST MEETING

Subject—One of the Forty-eight

Hymn—O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

Bible Lesson—Matt. 26:36-46

Prayer—For Personal Loyalty to Christ

Singing—State Song

Five Minute Talks—On Topic

Distribution of Envelopes for State Mission Offering

Hymn—The Son of God Goes Forth to War

Business. Roll Call. Prayer

Thought for Bible Lesson: Who would not have watched that night with the Master if he had realized what it meant! Great events call forth proofs of our loyalty, but to be loyal at all times is the safest course and will be the real preparation for supreme service. Let us be true to Christ in the small things and we will not fail in the large. It will cost us something but it will be worth it.

Suggestions

Decorate the room with U. S. and state flags. Distribute copies of quiz for the second meeting. If not already in your possession, get, from your state headquarters, a copy of the minutes of last annual meeting of your state; from this you can assist boys in preparing for the five minute talks. Four of these will be sufficient. Between each talk have the boys stand and sing one verse of state song. If your state does not have a song, sing "Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult".

Distribute envelopes for state mission offering, putting a text on giving in each one. That the offering may be the best possible, appeal to the loyalty and coming citizenship of the boys.

Appoint a committee to decorate the room at next meeting, using their own ideas about what this should be.

The other programs in this issue should be carefully studied as a supplement to your own.

SECOND MEETING

Subject—Our Unit

Hymn—The King's Business

Bible Lesson—Matt. 9:2

Prayer

Singing—State Song

Quiz

Study—Our Unit

Hymn—America

Offering for State Missions

Sentence Prayers

Roll Call. Dismissal

Thought for Bible Lesson: Those who carried the sick man to Jesus were doubtless his neighbors. Jesus seeing their faith honored it by healing their friend, calling him "son" and forgiving his sins. Imagine the joy of these men, the bearers as well as the sick man! Where do you seek your happiness, in looking out for yourself or caring for others? Who are your neighbors? Have you ever taken a sin-sick neighbor to Jesus?

Quiz

Some years ago the president of the United States called the governors of the states to Washington to hold a welfare conference. If this were done today and the governor of each state answered the call, how many would be present at the White House?

Who is the governor of our state?

Give the size and population of state.

What are the Baptists of our state doing for state missions?

Are Royal Ambassadors helping in this work? In what way?

What are the laws of our state in regard to observing Sunday, temperance, child labor, school attendance?

What is the relation between good laws and good citizenship?

Which one makes the other?

Suggestions

Give some recognition to boys answering all of above questions. If possible give an

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SUNBEAM PROGRAMS



Prepared by Mrs. M. B. Bruce, Va.



FIRST MEETING

SUBJECT—Sunbeams of Our State
HYMN—Help Somebody Today
BIBLE LESSON—John 6: 3-14
PRAYER—For My State
HYMN—I Gave My Life for Thee
OFFERING. ROLL CALL
BLACKBOARD QUIZ
RECITATION—Our Southland
CLOSING EXERCISES

Can a little child like me
Hold high enough the light
That other little ones may see
It shining in the night?

My little child, God sees your light,
You hold it not in vain;
From heaven He blesses and sends
It shining back again.

Thought for Bible Lesson: Little children can do God's will and so help His kingdom to come.

To the Leader: Tell the story of how one little lad helped Jesus to feed five thousand people. A beautiful lesson can be taught from this Bible incident. Have the questions given below written on the blackboard. These may be answered by older Sunbeams assisted by the Leader. To the one answering the most questions without this assistance a small state flag or the state flower might be given.

Blackboard Quiz

What is the name of our state?
Have we a state flag, a state flower?
How many Sunbeam Bands have we in our state?
How do the Sunbeams help our state mission work?

What is our aim as to the number of bands we shall have?
Have we reached this number?
Are all the people in our state Christians?
Do we want them to be Christians?
How can we help make them Christians?

Recitation: Our Southland

"God has fixed our dwelling
'Neath the southern skies,
Where corn, fruit and cotton
Our every want supplies,
Where earth's hidden bounty
Opens to our hand,
And a thousand cities
Dot our sunny land.

"God's house in each hamlet,
Truth in every heart,
From the crowded cities
Wrong and shame depart.
May we all be brothers,
Men of every race,
Saved from sin to service
By His redeeming grace.

"Help, that in our borders
Jesus be confessed,
And with His salvation
The whole south be blessed,
In mountain, plain and valley,
And where the spindles whirl,
Let us preach and live His gospel,
And save a sinful world."

Leader: "I have the thank offering envelopes for state missions (shows them), and I want each one of you to write on a piece of paper how much money you get, how much you spend for yourselves and how much you give to help somebody else. Put this paper in the envelope with the money and bring it to the next meeting".

SECOND MEETING

SUBJECT—Light Givers

OPENING EXERCISE—Jesus Bids Us Shine, 1st verse
Matt. 5:16, recited
2nd verse of same hymn
John 8:12, recited
3d verse of hymn
Matt. 5:14, recited

SENTENCE PRAYERS
ROLL CALL
OFFERING EXERCISE
STORY
MISPAH

Thought for Bible Lesson: We are to be the shining light bearers for Jesus who is Light and Love.

To the Leader: Have one of the older children draw a large map of your state on the blackboard, marking with a yellow dot the place where Sunbeams are shining. Make a large circle around the map with a black dot on the circle for every member of the band. Have the children read the slips of paper given them at the last meeting, put it in the envelope with the offering and pin on one of the dots of the circle. If

this is not the date for your state offering arrange this exercise for their regular offering.

Leader's Talk

Now children, you have brought your offerings as loving gifts to carry the light of Jesus' love to others and I am going to tell you of a place where your money carries the sunshine of God's love to other little children in our state.

Closing Exercise

Give to three children, preferably boys, a Christian flag, a state flag and United States flag. When the first note of a march is struck let all stand, have the child with the Christian flag hold it high and march to the front and with bowed head pray, "God bless the Christian people all over our state, and may they help others to be Christians".

The child with the state flag now marches to the front and bowing his head he prays, "God help all of the people of our state who are not Christians to come to Jesus and serve Him".

The child with the United States flag marches to the front and bowing his head he prays, "God bless our soldiers and sailors, give them courage for the right, keep them safe by Thy power".

Between these short prayers the march should be played softly. At the close of this exercise all should stand and repeat after the leader this prayer: "God bless our Sunbeams. We thank Thee for Thy goodness and love. Amen"



FROM OUR MISSIONARIES



In a very small house in a very big city there lived two children a boy and a girl, their names were Dick and Alice. They had no father and their mother had to work very hard to get food and clothing for them. They were far too poor to buy Sunday clothes and were thankful for the very plainest kind. Somebody had told them that there was a "Sunshine House" up the street and they were crazy to go to see it. So Dick asked his mother whether he and Alice might not go as it was not far and no car fare would be needed. "Yes," said mother, "but you must not stay more than half an hour." Away they ran up the street as happy as happy could be.

"Alice," panted Dick, "I have always wanted to see what was in that house. One day I saw a lady in the door and she really did look like sunshine."

"Oh, what if they won't let us in," said Alice.

"But they will, for Jim Cole has been there and he says they want children to come. They have pictures and blocks and a beautiful lady tells stories to the children, and sometimes they have parties and play games and have ice cream and their mothers can come."

"Wouldn't it be grand if we could take mother sometime; do you think we can, Dick?"

"Sure we can," answered Dick.

When they came to the house the shivering, for they were thinly clad, children went slowly up the steps and timidly rang the bell. The mother of the "Sunshine House" opened the door and took them at once into the bright, warm rooms to join the other children in their games. Alice and Dick had never before seen such attractive rooms or sat in such comfortable chairs, nor had they ever mingled with so many happy little children. Some were sewing, some were cutting paper dolls and some were nailing boxes. The matron or mother of the house called the "story lady" and told her to take Alice and Dick back where they could wash their hands and faces, for all the children must be nice and clean to listen to the story they were to hear presently. They were having such a good time that they did not want to leave at the end of the half hour, but they were obedient little

things so they "minded mother". They were well rewarded when they were invited to come the next week at the same hour and to bring their mother, as they were going to have a little party. They ran all the way home to tell the good news and to ask mother a lot of questions about what they should wear, and would she go, and where did the sunshine people get the money to do all the wonderful things they had heard of? Mother said, "Yes, I will go and I will have you nice and clean for the party. Good and kind people give the money so that little children and tired mothers can have amusement and rest."

When the time for the party came Alice and Dick and their mother were there with clean garments and shining faces. First there was a Bible story, then a wonderful fairy story. After that came the games which they played until they were quite tired and ready for the ice cream and cake served by those who had come in to help with the party.

That evening when Dick and Alice were sitting by their mother Dick said, "Mother, did you hear the 'story lady' tell how all the Sunbeams in our state send money to the 'Sunshine House' so that we can have a good time? Is that why they call it that name? That lady said they were shining for Jesus by doing this. Well, all I've got to say is that they shine mighty bright and I am going to put in my prayer tonight 'God bless the Sunbeams of our state'."

Recitation:

A Little Sunbeam

I am a little Sunbeam,
I want you all to know.
I'll try and carry sunshine
Wherever I may go.

I'll try and shine for Jesus
The very best I can,
Not only here at home,
But off in foreign lands.

I cannot go to China
Nor to Japan so fair
Yet I can send my offering
To help make Sunbeams there.

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"THE PHARISEE ALSO CAME"

I am now on an evangelistic trip and of all the difficult things I have yet tried to do, to read or write in the country surrounded by heathen is about the most difficult. These people know nothing about privacy, they never have any themselves, consequently they do not understand why we should wish to be alone. I am living in my own little, hired room and sometimes I do shut them out, but I am so afraid that I will offend them that I do not keep them out very long.

This is a place that we have never had opened to us before, our work here is quite new. The people have been exceptionally hard to reach and I had been much burdened concerning them. It is an important walled town, a great commercial center and hence one of Satan's strongholds.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Emmett Stephens have begun a new method of evangelism in this province and have made this town their starting point. They have just left to create another center. I think without doubt that they have the best evangelistic plan that we have yet had in our mission, or in all China as far as I know. Mr. Stephens has had charge of the Pingtu Boys' Institute for several years and did a wonderful work there. But all these years his heart has been yearning to get out into regular evangelistic work, and for the past two or three years he and Mrs. Stephens have been selecting and training a band of students from the graduating class for this work, always choosing those who felt called to preach as these were the most Spirit-filled of their young men. Those who have musical talent they have taught to play band music. These boys have also been in personal work and are accustomed to public speaking. Mr. and Mrs. Stephens are both musicians and their band of fine young men will be a far-reaching factor in this campaign. I believe that their method will appeal to all classes and all ages of both sexes and will be the best ever used in China, at least the best I have ever seen. They came first and then I came with the

Bible woman who has charge of this section. The men evangelists also worked with Mr. and Mrs. Stephens. Meetings were in progress in the tent all day and until nine or ten o'clock at night. The Bible woman and I went from house to house inviting the women to go to the tent. We also held meetings in the homes of those who could not attend. The people came in throngs and how they did listen! Oh it was great! I have never been in anything so great before. This old town and the country for miles around will never be the same again. The young men went out to the country villages and preached and distributed tracts as did the Bible woman and I in the homes we visited. We have not been turned away from a single door but on the other hand were sent for on several occasions to make a second visit. Before Mr. Stephens went away he gave a magic lantern lecture on Bible scenes and one on hygiene. The tent was packed both nights.

Oh, how it makes one's heart ache to see the soul-hunger of these poor deluded heathen! Satan got busy too as he always does when the Holy Spirit is at work in a special way, and many a poor woman was beaten for attending the meetings. During one of the sermons delivered by Mr. Stephens a very angry looking fellow walked in, coming straight towards the women's side. I motioned to him to go to the other side, but he only pointed to a woman saying, "You come home." She got up and went. Her home was just over the wall east of the tent and pretty soon we heard the licks and the woman's voice crying and begging for mercy. It was that brute beating his wife for attending the meeting. For a wonder his mother took the daughter-in-law's part and it was soon over.

Mrs. K'ii, the Bible woman, and I went to a home one day and while talking to a room full of women in walked a big, fine looking old woman with a most important and self-righteous air. Several women exclaimed, "Here comes another preacher, this old lady is a preacher too." "Yes," said the old lady, "I am eighty years old and I

have spent all my days in doing good and getting merit, don't you think that I will finally become a god?" "No," I said, "but if you will listen I will tell you how you may become like God's Son." I had been talking about the resurrection so I went on with the subject, soon she turned to me and said, "But I have no sin, I have never committed a sin in my life." I soon make her confess that she had reviled her own children and worshipped idols. Then I proved to her from God's Word that she had sinned in these two ways if in no other. She said almost immediately, "Yes, I see I am a sinner, please tell me how I can get rid of my sins." I went over the whole plan of salvation and it was certainly inspiring to watch the expressions of her face as they changed according to the different phases of the story. When I came to the ascension of Jesus she exclaimed, "I see this is the true road, come sisters, go this road with me, I am through preaching merit by my own works, I see that it is all wrong. I am going to follow this God-man who can save me." Turning to me she continued, "What is His name, how can I best approach Him, what would He have me to do? I still want to do something you see. You say that He has done all that is necessary and is there nothing I can do?" I explained to her that she could make it her business to lead others to trust Him; but that she must first learn to trust Him herself. Her reply "Teach me to trust Him, teach me to pray" touched me deeply. I want to ask you to make this dear old soul a subject of special prayer. She afterwards attended the meetings at the tent and I hope to see her again before I go from this place.

May this be the most fruitful and joyous of all the years of service for the Master. In loving Christian bonds.—*Cynthia Miller, Laichow-Fu, China*

A DAY AT FIDITI

Our quarterly meetings in the Oyo station are always very interesting. On these days the four churches have a union service. Our last meeting was at the Fiditi church. It was not thought practical to ask all the other churches to go so far, but as Fiditi had always come in large numbers to all the other meetings they insisted that they should all

come to Fiditi, the pastor using as his strongest argument "It is not far, only ten miles to walk".

Upon arriving one could see at first glance they had every intention of making us "stranger" as they express it. How clean they had made everything and what a splendid arbor they had built on two sides of the house.

The church building was mostly filled with men, most of the strangers were men and also the men of the town could get their food and be there before the women. The men's meeting lasted from 9.00 to 10.30. At this time Dr. Lockett preached, beginning with a few words of praise to the Fiditi people and a review of their work, telling of how the pastor, against his advice, went there six years ago and began work; how he gathered a few converts then asked for the missionary's supervision: He put special stress upon the fact that they had never received any help from the mission and had built their own house; this year becoming entirely self-supporting. The Awe church had formerly paid a part of the pastor's salary. They are now going out into the little villages around them teaching and preaching. The Fiditi church has seventy members. After this service we asked the men to leave and give place for the women. I at once asked for a count from the different churches and found we had ninety-six, fifty of them being Fiditi women, the remaining forty-six had walked ten miles or more to attend the day's meeting. Three of the Awe women spoke of the association in Abeokuta, telling in short interesting talks of the women's meetings there: Three women from Lagos who are to visit each church to encourage the women and make suggestions, urged our women not to wait for their coming but be working now. One could but appreciate the attention given these women and the response shown on the faces before us. After some discussion with the Fiditi women as to having an organized women's work we found them quite anxious to fall in line. They have since reported a society of sixteen members. Some of our home churches have societies no larger than this. Next month I will tell you more of our meeting.

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CURRENT EVENTS



THE WORLD FIELD

Honan province, China, used to be most violently opposed to the foreigner. Today the government of the province pays \$25,000 towards the educational work of the Yale Mission at Change She. "The splendid body of men and women New Haven has sent out—speaking the language, mingling socially with the 300,000 people of the city—have won their confidence! Aside from the very fine work this mission is doing in medicine, its forestry department is doing much in a practical way to restore to the hillsides of China the trees of which they have been stripped. Many trees have been set out and much literature distributed giving directions about planting and emphasizing the need of trees for the good of a country."

A year or so ago a man in Japan who was not a Christian started a day nursery where the children of the women working in a factory could be cared for from five in the morning until eight at night. A little later he started a night school for the older boys and girls in the factories, nearly starving himself in order to do this for his fellow-men whom he loves. A short time ago he became a Christian, having just found that those who follow Christ do the things his heart had prompted him to do.

Bishop Hartzell who has traveled extensively in Africa, sees a great future for Christianity there and feels the war means a new era for the Africans. The native Christians, deprived as they have been in many cases of their missionary friends and guides, are becoming leaders and are entering into plans for the evangelization of the continent. Nearly 35,000 are already engaged in evangelistic and educational Christian work for their fellow-Africans.

In eight towns in the northern peninsula of Michigan there is no Protestant or Roman Catholic church nor Sunday school and the only missionary work is that done by the Mormons who are "the most aggressive missionary body in Michigan".

The present Chinese ambassadors to London and Washington received their early education in American mission schools in China.

Of the American Indians in the Army and Navy about 85 per cent. are volunteers and reports from the different cantonments say they are making remarkably good soldiers. The Indians have showed their patriotism also by purchasing nearly \$10,000,000 worth of liberty bonds.

Eagerness for an education is fast becoming a passion in Brazil. The municipal government of Rio de Janeiro has appropriated 25 per cent. of its annual income to wipe out illiteracy, a thing unthinkable even ten years ago. The opportunities for strong, well-equipped mission schools were never greater.

Only one third of one per cent. of the Japanese profess to be Christians of any kind. Out of a total number of 4,618 students in the Imperial University of Tokyo, eight are Shintoists, fifty Buddhists, fifteen hundred agnostics, three thousand atheists and sixty Christians. This little group is, however, a living seed with an influence and power of growth which is being felt in this country of acknowledged leadership in the east. One of the most venerable of the Japanese Christians has said, "Various and conflicting currents are moving in the stream of Japanese life, but the deep flow of the spiritual life of the nation is unmistakably moving Christward."

Chang Chien, the Chinese millionaire and philanthropist, now has 1,600 children in his orphanages and 250 in his school for the blind. These are the first institutions of this kind conducted by non-Christian Chinese. It is now reported that he has opened all the schools of Nantungchow district for the teaching of the Bible and Christianity.



TRAINING SCHOOL



A BUSINESS COURSE FOR THE KING'S BUSINESS

ONE of our denominational leaders is fond of saying that as the farmer uses the same kind of seed for sowing each year, so in Christian work we must constantly sow the same seed to insure a yearly harvest. Just now it seems a fitting time to scatter information that shall yield a harvest for our Training School.

The new building is finished, and after the completion of this great task we may well pause and consider those who are to enter its doors as students.

The world is filled with many types of women. Which is the type that the Master chooses for His missionaries? We know that He uses different personalities and that all gifts consecrated to Him increase tenfold, so it is not for you or me to make God's choice for Him. But after study and prayer surely He reveals some of the fundamentals necessary for those who go forth in His name.

These are days when the world recognizes no half-hearted service. The woman who answers God's call must be ready to give unflinching service wherever needed, knowing in her heart that she is carrying out the Master's plan for her life. She must have deep spiritual connection with the Captain of her salvation. Then there must be the willingness to give a strong, healthy body as a fit offering to God. His chosen people of old offered lambs without blemish on the altar of sacrifice. Shall we in these days of high sacrifice dare to offer weak, nervous, overtaxed bodies to our God? True, God's power is unlimited and it is possible for Him to work through semi-invalids and even through those who are shut in by illness, but it is not the policy of our Home and Foreign Mission Boards to send out such women to work on home or foreign fields. Therefore the Training School is seeking young women whose bodies are strong and whose judgment is well enough balanced to keep those bodies in good condition, that their very best may be available for the use of the Master.

Our school is not only a place for training, but also a place of testing. The course is not easy, for no bed of roses whose luxury and comfort will weaken rather than develop has been arranged. The studies, taken in part at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, are on the plane with those of our highest colleges and require a mind trained to habits of study. Hence the college woman will be most at home among these subjects taught by eminent leaders of thought, and it is easy to understand that in the highly specialized study of the Old and New Testament, of Church History, Comparative Religion and Missions, Systematic Theology, etc., that a woman who has had only a grammar school education would be sadly at sea. So we must scatter information about our school among the college and high school girls, confident that God is calling many of them into special service for Him. The day has come when no education is considered complete without the study of God's Word, so the young women over twenty years of age, who are longing to be better Sunday school teachers, more efficient Sunbeam and Auxiliary leaders would find a course at the Training School an invaluable aid to their important work. The woman who has heard God's voice as He whispers to her of her responsibility for reaching the lost, for helping the weak, for training the little ones, should be willing to prepare herself for service and the W. M. U. Training School stands ready to give this preparation. Catalogs and application blanks will be sent by the principal, Mrs. Maud R. McLure, 334 E. Broadway, Louisville, Ky., if desired.

\$175.00 will cover the expense of a student for one year in the school with the exception of her clothing and railroad fare. Would it not mean wonders to the coming of the kingdom if every church, which has a young woman who is spiritually, mentally and physically fit for the course, would send her to the Training School for preparation that she might be efficient in church work, as city missionary, as settlement worker, or as missionary on foreign fields? God speed the day.



PERSONAL SERVICE



FOR THE COUNTRY-SIDE

WHEN the thermometer is standing at 102 and the heat is dancing in shimmering waves across the road a certain snow-covered hill can be recalled without a shudder, but when grief, suffering and destitution come to the farmhouse on that wind-swept hilltop, this cannot be thought of without a heartache.

For three months the family in that home had been in the grip of typhoid fever. Death had claimed the principal breadwinner, five were still ill with the dread disease, two were barely convalescent and the aged father was suffering with a chronic disease. The mother of the family was utterly prostrate and unable to leave her bed. A little nine-months-old grandchild was the only well member of the household and its chances for remaining in health were slight.

The prevalence of the disease in this family was doubtless due to ignorance of the infectious nature of typhoid, poor sanitation and lack of proper nursing. Poor from the beginning they, because of protracted and simultaneous illnesses, had become dependent upon the generosity of their neighbors and the community for their maintenance as well as for personal care. There were neither nurses nor hospitals within call. This was the situation met and faced most nobly by a small rural community which worked together irrespective of religious beliefs.

The services of a nurse were volunteered and a colored helper to her was engaged. The baby and one of the convalescents were taken to another home to be cared for. Different men sat up every night to assist the nurse, others came daily to feed the stock, bring in coal, wood, etc. A near neighbor prepared broth for the sick, another sent milk and eggs. Provisions, bed linen and other necessities were provided. A hospitable home was opened for the nurse when off duty.

Here was a wide field for personal service. Cases like this are not so infrequent as we suppose. Wherever there is sickness

there is distress and when sickness is linked with poverty and ignorance the distress is always greater. The isolation of the country has its peculiar problems as well as the congestion of the city.

Some suggested helps for rural personal service are: (1) A district nurse resident in a centrally located town in the rural community who might teach preventative measures and how to nurse the sick. The nurse might be supported by all the churches in a given district. (2) A fund for the payment of a nurse for extreme cases. (3) Homemakers' clubs where simple lessons in hygiene, diet and practical nursing might be studied. (4) A supply of bed linen, towels, night clothes and sick-room appliances not usually found in the average home might be owned by a missionary society or a group of societies.

The fact that man is both body and soul and that frequently in sickness and distress the heart turns to God should not be forgotten.

Sometimes even in a Christian community the body of a non-Christian may be laid away without any religious service. This ought not to happen for the sake of the living. This also should be looked after in the rural community.

Christianity's creed may be expressed in the word—love—for God and humanity.

"We too have a sister who sits in the shadow
And never has heard of the Father above;
But He who forgets not the flower of the meadow
Is yearning o'er her with the might of His love.
In counting the flocks of His fold He has missed her
And says: 'If ye my disciples would be,
Go forth in my name and say to your sister,
The Master is come and calleth for thee.'"



UNION NOTES



ROUND TABLE

INDEPENDENCE Day and the July week enclosing it were spent in three meetings in west Tennessee by the W. M. U. secretary in company with Miss Margaret Buchanan, the Tennessee W. M. U. secretary. The first place visited was Memphis, where at the Seventh Street Baptist Church the annual meeting was held of the W. M. U. of the Shelby County Association. It was the first time that the women of this association had held their annual meeting at a separate time and place from that of the regular association. The gathering was, however, attended by a large number of interested women, at least fourteen women's and several young people's societies having delegates present. The reports were also highly encouraging. Forty dollars were joyfully pledged on the small amount due by next May from Tennessee for the enlargement fund of the W. M. U. Training School. It meant much to have one of the students of the school present to testify to the good the school had been to her. Many of the stewardship and emergency cards were signed. Mrs. S. A. Wilkinson, the superintendent, presided. At Grand Junction the next meeting was held, the purpose being an institute to reach the societies of the association. It was the first institute of its kind in that association and this may account for the small attendance from other than the local society. Mrs. Burt Dunbar, the superintendent, presided during the two days' session. Several copies of the W. M. U. Manual of Methods were sold and some of the emergency and stewardship cards were signed. From Grand Junction, Miss Buchanan and the W. M. U. corresponding secretary went to Paris, Tennessee, for an afternoon and evening meeting with the W. M. S. of the First Baptist Church there. This society is divided into circles and has increased its membership by one half in less than a month's time. As southern Baptists turn their thoughts more and more toward the

\$15,000,000 campaign for denominational education, it is convincing to know that among the guiding spirits of the society is the pastor's wife, Mrs. J. W. Storer, who was educated in Stephens College, Missouri. At Paris the best of co-operation was shown in the signing of the stewardship and emergency cards. The W. M. U. young people's secretary has been attending three of the summer assemblies. At Georgetown, Ky., the Manual of W. M. U. Methods was taught to a class of about fifty women who brought many helpful suggestions to the discussion. At Columbia College, Fla., where the cool breezes swayed the grey moss on the old oaks, a group of young women studied with her "Stewardship and Missions" finding it an interesting book for Y. W. A's. as well as for the older women. Besides this class, Mrs. Peelman taught the W. M. U. Manual of Methods and there were classes in Sunbeam work and in mission study. More than forty received the W. M. S. certificate. At Virginia Beach the young people's secretary again had a class in the manual with an average attendance of about thirty, seventeen receiving the certificate. Miss Winfield, young people's leader for Virginia, conducted a class for Sunbeam leaders; Mrs. Barker, college correspondent for Virginia, one on mission study. At this assembly twenty Royal Ambassadors had a fine week of camping life. They enjoyed the swimming and watching the great dirigibles sailing overhead but were always on hand for the meetings at the tabernacle. Miss Elsie Harrison, college correspondent for Arkansas, represented the southern Baptists at the Y. W. C. A. Student Conference at Hollister, Mo. At this conference there were 175 students representing 19 colleges and 11 states. Of these students 29 were Baptist girls with two volunteers for the foreign field. Miss Harrison was not only able to speak to the Baptist girls together but to meet and talk with them personally during the confer-

ence. One of the first contributions made this year to the Fannie E. S. Heck Memorial in the Church Building Loan Fund was a \$5 War Savings Stamp. It was given by a little eleven year old girl who is secretary of her Sunbeam Band. Many Sunbeams can shine in exactly the same light-giving way. Then there will be many Sunbeam Bands that can get together a War Savings Stamp for this fund by having the various members each give a Thrift Stamp. In like manner many R. A's., G. A's., Y. W. A's. and W. M. S's. can each give \$5 toward it. Our ideal is \$500 of our organizations each contributing at least \$5 and 10,000 of our members also each contributing \$5 so that our memorial in Miss Heck's name may be at least \$75,000. It would truly be like a diamond jubilee this thirtieth year of our history! How many will help to make it possible? The little Sunbeam secretary who gave the \$5 stamp was an orphan. May God use that \$5 to help churches wherein many orphans will come to know God as their Heavenly Father! Perhaps the reason the little orphan gave her stamp was because her guardian grandmother signed the stewardship and emergency cards. These cards are being signed up all over the south. One state secretary has written that her ideal is to have every leading Baptist woman in her state sign both of these cards. Another secretary is working this year for 600 signers of the emergency cards. It is a joy to find out that many children are tithers. It is highly important to get each one of them to sign the stewardship cards. Write to your state W. M. U. headquarters for as many as you can use of both of these cards. Few things seem to be giving more satisfaction than the mission study certificate. About the same time in June the Baptists met for their state summer assemblies at Cloudcroft, New Mexico, and at Pineville, Louisiana. At the former place the Manual of W. M. U. Methods was taught by Mrs. A. F. Beddoe of Texas and at the latter place by Miss Georgia Barnette of Louisiana. On page 9 you will see the picture of the Cloudcroft class which passed the examination on the Manual. Mrs. Beddoe writes that the pastor in the rear was as proud of his certificate as any

woman there. Equal enthusiasm was shown by Miss Barnette over the record made by her class. Perhaps the third public awarding of the mission study certificates took place in July at the encampment at Pelham, Alabama. Women were there from various parts of the state, notably from the Birmingham association, who had satisfactorily studied the manual and "In Royal Service". The first certificate there awarded was to Mrs. W. P. McAdory, the superintendent of the Birmingham association, under whose leadership over 100 women had been persuaded to study the manual. It was the pleasure of the W. M. U. corresponding secretary to attend the summer assemblies at Pelham, Alabama, at Arkadelphia, Arkansas, and at Hattiesburg, Mississippi. At each place there was an interested group of women, Y. W. A. members and leaders of our young people's organizations. One of the outstanding results of the Arkadelphia meeting was the decision of the local society to give a \$500 memorial in the Church Building Loan Fund. While in Arkansas the W. M. U. corresponding secretary also met with the Baptist women of Little Rock in the First Baptist Church of that city. At both Pelham and Hattiesburg there was the distinction of having present daughters of those states with their faces set toward China. They were Miss Addie Cox of Alabama and Miss Elizabeth Kethley of Mississippi, both of whom went to the W. M. U. Training School in Louisville, Kentucky. Beautiful recognition services were held in their honor. September is perhaps the final month for canning fruits and vegetables. It is, therefore, quite in order to remind the societies and individual members to share their canned goods with the Louisville school. Almost any society can get each of its members to give one tumbler of jelly or one jar of preserves or one can of corn. It will make a happy social occasion to meet together for the packing of the same. Into each box or barrel be sure to put the name and address of the president of the society so that the school may write in heartfelt thanks. The address for shipment is: W. M. U. Training School, 334 East Broadway, Louisville, Ky. One

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BOOK REVIEWS



JACK AND JANET IN THE PHILIPPINES

Many of our younger readers who traveled in study "Around the World with Jack and Janet" will be glad to start off again with these young people on their trip through the Philippines. On the way across Mrs. Howard tells the children interesting stories connected with the Islands; their discovery by the great Magellan, the renaming of them by Captain Villalobos; stories of the brave priests and soldiers who came shortly after these adventurers to civilize the Islands for Spain. They hear too of the later discontent of the natives under Spanish rule, of the martyred patriot, José Rizal, and then of Dewey at Manila Bay.

When they land at Manila they are given a royal welcome by some of the missionaries and during their stay they learn many strange things. They are told stories of attempts to bring in the "Forbidden Book"—and how "until the Americans came, it meant imprisonment or banishment to read or own" a Bible. Before they settle down for school in Manila the twins take a trip through the Islands and there are so many things to remember that they keep diaries of what they see and hear. They visit schools and hospitals under different mission boards, learn the products of the Island on their motor and steamer trips. Jack is especially interested in the wild men of the country, so he tells a good deal about his trip in northern Luzon, the country where these people live. Janet in her account of touring the Eastern Visayas "tells of the Silliman Institute and the wonderful work that is being done by that institution".

This book by Mrs. Norma Waterbury Thomas, has been arranged for juniors. In the appendix there are suggestions for an introductory meeting, plans for presenting the different chapters and a review program for an open meeting. The book has six short chapters and many good photographs. Price .35 and .50, postage,

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WOMEN WORKERS OF THE ORIENT

The Central Committee on the United Study of Foreign Missions offers this year a timely volume by Miss Margaret E. Burton, well known to many through "Comrades in Service". While we may have studied much about the heavy work the Oriental woman performs in the field and the weary tasks which fill her hours in the home, we have not thought of her so much in connection with the industrial work of her country. But "even as the war has brought such changed conditions in Europe that her women are today, as a matter of course, giving themselves to tasks that their mothers would never have dreamed possible for women, so also in the Orient industrial and social changes have called thousands upon thousands of Oriental women into many and varied kinds of work which their mothers did not know even existed".

In her first chapter, Work Within the Home, Miss Burton tells of the women of Moslem countries, those of India, China and Japan, and their various kinds of work. In The Wage Earners she speaks of the heavy work of the coolie woman, and also of the new work in the factory, with its long hours, and with the problems and dangers confronting the workers. Broadening Horizons shows educational opportunities being opened and the greater liberty which is rapidly coming to women. The Trail Makers tells of eastern women in business, literature, medicine and law and in social and religious work, and the chapter on Women Working Together speaks of the united efforts of women for patriotic service, for educational advantages, for better social conditions, etc. The Call for Leaders tells of schools and colleges being established in the Orient and brings to us the challenge to help raise up leaders for the new woman of the east. "It is in our power to develop, in this day of days, Oriental women trained to lead, and to lead Christward."

Recommended for the W. M. S. and Y. W. A's. Paper, .30, cloth, .50, postage, .05

EDITORIAL

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"It is coined personality." Millions of money beyond all previous gifts is needed before the world is won for Christ.

"Your money and your life." The only way to win the age-long warfare is through God's Word and His purposes for us and in the full recognition of our stewardship.

The eight chapters in the book on stewardship have the following titles:

The Call to Study Stewardship
Stewardship Defined
Stewardship in Acquisition
Stewardship in Money Using

Stewardship in Giving
Stewardship in Tithing
Stewardship Methods in the Church
Stewardship Possibilities and Reward

"Holy living, ceaseless praying, cheerful giving, this is the open secret of that brotherhood which, fewest in number and poorest in resources, leads the van of missions."

R. A. PROGRAMS

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R. A. pin to the one giving the best answer to the last query.

The study, "Our Unit" should be conducted by the leader, having several boys take part. This will necessarily be a résumé of talks given at the last meeting, but as this important topic comes but once in the year the same facts might well be emphasized and new ones added.

In gathering the offering envelopes use the roll call, each boy answering to his name by repeating text in his envelope.

To make your programs successful love the boys and love them very hard; if you do this you will be sure to pray very earnestly for them.

UNION NOTES

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of the very best books recommended for study by Union members is "Stewardship and Missions" by Cook. The price is 40 cents, paper, and 60 cents, cloth, from Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va. It is one of the books for which the mission study certificate will be awarded. One of the privileges at the Hattiesburg assembly was to see the religious work being done by the Baptists for the soldiers at Camp Shelby. Within ten feet of the camp line there has been erected a "Community Chapel" with a baptismal pool in it. Rev. E. D. Solomon, our camp pastor, secured the right and means to erect the chapel and already one of its soldier-carpenters has been baptized. Near the chapel are the homes of many of the camp officers and just in front is the great base hospital.

It is earnestly believed that this chapel will be a great religious center for that and other sections of the camp. There are seventy children of school age in the nearby officers' homes and the chapel will be used for their school house during the week days. Dr. Gambrell of Texas was at the Hattiesburg assembly and lead the first service in the chapel. It meant much to have the president of the Southern Baptist Convention lead this service. May it be prophetic of the prayers which southern Baptists shall offer for the work of this chapel and for all Christian efforts in behalf of the soldiers, sailors and aviators.

SUNBEAM PROGRAMS

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And there are other countries,
So far across the sea,
Where there are other children
Just like you and me.

Our song says we "shine for Jesus".
Let's pass the light along,
Then we'll really shine for Him
As we sing it in our song.

They need to know of Jesus
And of His precious love,
And of His home for them
Up in the heaven above.

Now Sunbeams, won't you help me
To tell them over there
Of Jesus and His glory,
And of this home so fair?

—Mamie P. Etheridge, Alabama Sunbeam

War Time Difficulties

Express and mail transportation are so taxed that they cannot be depended upon for prompt service.

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The above mailing difficulties are the same in regard to leaflet matter sent from this office. As a rule every order reaching our office is filled and shipped the day of its receipt.

SEND ORDERS EARLY
WAIT PATIENTLY

*Do not think we are at fault. We are helpless
and can only tell you when we sent
literature, and how.*

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