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That I may know Him.—Philippians 3:10

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The dear, long, quiet summer day
Draws to its close.
To the deep woods I steal away
To hear what the sweet thrush will say
In her repose.

Beside the brook the meadow-rue
Stands tall and white.
The water softly slips along,
A murmur to the thrush's song,
To greet the night.

Over and over, like a bell,
Her song rings clear;
The trees stand still in joy and prayer,
Only the angels stir the air,
High heaven bends near.

I bow my head and lift my heart
In thy great peace.
Thy Angelus, my God, I heed.
By the still waters wilt thou lead
Till days shall cease.

—Alice Freeman Palmer

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EDITORIAL



THE STORY OF THE YEAR

AS this issue is about going to press the Union representatives from within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention will be gathering in Washington to hear the reports of Union officers and other workers. Since, as W.M.U. president, I make no report other than to turn in to the treasurer an account of just what was done with the money set apart for my expenses during the year, I am taking advantage of my privilege to use these pages by telling you, dear readers, something of what has been done with the time that has been given to the Union during this year and of the privileges and joys that have come in the pathway of service for the Union.

After the first of May the days preceding the annual meeting are usually quiet and restful though some time must be given to the closing details of preparation for the meeting. After much conference with the corresponding secretary and much correspondence on the part of both of us, May first generally finds the program for the meeting complete and in the hands of the printer with whom the corresponding secretary must struggle and confer until all reports, program and the like are ready for the meeting and delivered on time. These are exceedingly busy days for your corresponding secretary.

The first great privilege of the past year was that of attending the annual meeting in Atlanta where every courtesy and kindness love could dictate was the portion of all delegates but particularly fortunate were the Union officers. The privilege of presiding over such a great and responsive body of women, listening to such splendid reports and participating in the forming of such far-reaching plans can hardly be overestimated.

There is joy in the heart when the time for the June meeting of the W.M.U. Executive Committee in Baltimore is at hand and I go up to meet the women there and talk over the delights of the annual meeting and begin the work for carrying into effect the plans mapped out there. June 1919 was no exception and thus was spent a few of the first days in that month. There it was that the glow of the coming Baptist 75 Million Campaign began to seize on our hearts. It was then the first plans for the Union's participation in this great movement began to be formulated.

The early days in July found your president with the vice presidents and others in Nashville in conference with the men of the denomination where, as everyone knows without my telling, the general and Union plans for the campaign were decided upon. Returning from Nashville by way of Louisville it was my privilege during the stopover there to have a most delightful conference with Mrs. George B. Eager concerning Training School affairs. There was another campaign conference in Nashville in July but only the W.M.U. corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. J. Neel, Mrs. Janie Cree Bose as representatives of the Union attended this conference.

In July also I had the pleasure of attending the Dover Association (Virginia), the City Circle of Richmond and many local societies in the interest of the campaign. Two very delightful days were spent at Virginia Beach where in talks on the campaign many societies in Virginia and some in the other states were reached through their representatives at the encampment.

One day in August was spent in Washington in conference with Miss Mallory and Mrs. J. L. McCutcheon who, for some months past, has been preparing the W.M.S. programs for ROYAL SERVICE. The morning was given to working out some changes in the monthly topics and general program to make it fit in with the campaign. The afternoon was spent with Miss Mallory alone in working out many details for the Union's active participation in the campaign.

In October there was a very delightful day spent in attending a group meeting in Hampton, Virginia. It is always the privilege of your president, in the quiet days at home,

to come in touch with the societies throughout our territory by means of these editorial pages in ROYAL SERVICE. Special privilege, however, is mine when the opportunity is given to attend state annual meetings, those remarkable power stations along the line of the year's work. It is there the unused power is taken account of and new power infused into the hearts and lives of attending representatives who, with renewed courage, go back to their societies to impart some of the enthusiasm and inspiration gained in the meetings. Such a meeting was that the Maryland Union held in Baltimore in October and in which I had happy participation. While in attendance upon this meeting I was most fortunate in that I was a guest in the home of Misses Alice and Annie Armstrong where in conversation concerning kingdom building much inspiration and real help were received.

The South Carolina W.M.U. meeting was attended in November. It was wonderful to see the unflinching courage with which the women of that state faced the task of raising their chosen quota of \$1,100,000. With the spirit I saw manifested there it was no wonder they have been able to report their *minimum* aim reached and more than doubled. This same spirit was found broadcast all over the state. I found it in Gaffney, Union, Chester, Carlisle, Gowensville and other points in South Carolina which it was my privilege to visit.

December found me again in Baltimore where I attended the mid-winter meeting of the W.M.U. Executive Committee.

In February at the call of the chairman of the Campaign Commission and the Director General of the campaign I journeyed again to Nashville where with the vice presidents, other Union officers and state W.M.U. corresponding secretaries some busy hours were spent in making necessary adjustments, re-emphasising our purpose to continue certain fundamental methods of the Union, outlining new Union plans and joining with the brethren in planning for definite forward movements. Stopovers were made in Louisville both going to and returning from Nashville where in conference with the principal, some members of the local board, seminary professors and Union officers, plans and methods for the Training School were seriously discussed and certain conclusions reached. No one ever visits the W.M.U. Training School without becoming for the time immersed in the atmosphere of prayer and desire for service as well as in the joy of life that seems to pervade the school. It is impossible for one who really comprehends the life there to come away without being helped and without having the joy bells ringing in the heart because of the lives there consecrated to the service of the Master.

Early in March I met with the W.M.U. Executive Committee in Baltimore for the third time during this fiscal year, 1919-20. The last days of this month were spent in conference here in Richmond with Miss Mallory. These were days closely following the great sorrow Miss Mallory had sustained in the loss of her father. Her courage, her hope, her joyous outlook on the future as we worked to complete the plans for the annual meeting in Washington and to develop the W.M.U. resolutions to be presented there were alike a lesson and an inspiration.

The greater part of a week in April was given to going to and returning from the Mississippi and Arkansas W.M.U. annual meetings. The time between these two long trips was spent in the two meetings and in going from one to the other. Unfortunately for me their dates were identical and therefore necessitated my spending all too short a time in each one. While the delightful experiences of these two meetings are still fresh in my mind it would give me pleasure to present a detailed account of each but time and space forbid. Suffice it to say that the spirit, the dominant thought that seemed to control and grip the women in both meetings were the same, namely, that in order to make the denomination's success in the campaign for dollars a prophecy—an actual forerunner of achievements that would bring about a marked advance in the kingdom, the serious and tremendous task of bringing about a fuller spiritual development must be prayerfully assumed. To this end their programs were outlined, their talks made and their plans formulated and projected.

During the four years I have been your president I have attended the annual W.M.U. meetings in ten states and in some of these have done other work, have attended quarterly

meetings in the District of Columbia, met with some societies in Texas and have attended annual meetings of the general Union in two states which I have not yet visited for any other purpose. There are yet four states remaining within whose bounds I have not gone during these four years, but have had opportunity of knowing women from them through correspondence and by meeting them elsewhere.

Out of this four years' experience I can truly say that I verily believe that nothing but the love for our Lord and love for their fellowmen could have impelled the workers, both employed and volunteer, in the seventeen states and the District of Columbia to have rendered the loving and in many cases the sacrificial and altogether efficient service from which the Union, the denomination at large and the world have profited. The year is past, the record is made. As you read this the annual meeting of May 1920 will be numbered with the events that are past and a new year will be on its way, but the influence of the work of the past year, the inspiration of the meeting and the results from the plans formed will go on and on down the ages until the kingdom of God shall come in glory and the will of God be accomplished. You who read, if you have not already given yourselves to His service, will you not now enlist and join His conquering army and go on to ultimate victory?—*Mrs. W. C. James*

"Our helper, God! we bless Thy name,
Whose love forever is the same;
The tokens of Thy gracious care
Open and crown and close our year.

"Amid ten thousand snares we stand,
Supported by Thy guardian hand;
And see, when we review our ways,
Ten thousand monuments of praise.

"Thus far Thine arm has led me on;
Thus far we make Thy mercy known;
And while we tread this desert land,
New mercies shall new songs demand.

"Our grateful souls, on Jordan's shore,
Shall raise one sacred pillar more;
Then bear in Thy bright courts above,
Inscriptions of immortal love."

"God is calling to His people today, 'Go forward!' The task He sets before us calls for renewed consecration of life, health, strength, time, talents and means—yea, everything that He can use in the building up of His Kingdom. In definite work some can use their time; some can use their talents; some can use their voices; some can use their pens; some can use their example; some can use their means. All can do something. Not one should be found withholding their best from His loving call."

Calendar of Prayer for Southern Baptists June, 1920

"When morning gilds the skies,
My heart awakening cries:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Alike at work and prayer,
To Jesus I repair:
May Jesus Christ be praised!"

"Does sadness fill my mind?
A solace here I find:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Or fades my earthly bliss?
My Comfort still is this:
May Jesus Christ be praised!"

Topic: Christian Education for Boys and Girls

1—TUESDAY

That through vacation days the activities of our boys and girls be directed toward righteousness
Remember now thy creator in the days of thy youth.—*Ecclesiastes 12:1*

2—WEDNESDAY

That southern Baptists make large plans for training our boys and girls for the Master
Train up a child in the way he should go.—*Proverbs 22:6*

3—THURSDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. R. T. Bryan and Miss Catherine Bryan, educational and evangelistic work, Shanghai, China
So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.—*Psalms 90:12*

4—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Frank Rawlinson and Misses Willie Kelly, Sallie Priest, Louise Tucker and H. F. Sallee, educational work, Shanghai, China
They shall all be taught of God.—*John 6:45*

5—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Rogers, Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Jackson and Misses Mary Lync and Pearle Johnson, school work in Shanghai, China
Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you.—*Matthew 28:20*

6—SUNDAY

That the truths of the Gospel be so presented that girls and boys of all lands be led to accept Christ
I will be known in the eyes of many nations, and they shall know that I am the Lord.—*Ezekiel 38:23*

7—MONDAY

For kindergartens on the foreign fields
It is not the will of your Father which is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.—*Matthew 18:14*

8—TUESDAY

For the presidents and faculties of our 28 Baptist universities and colleges
O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and the knowledge of God.—*Romans 11:33*

9—WEDNESDAY

That Christian education among negro young men and women be established in schools of their own
He that getteth wisdom loveth his own soul.—*Proverbs 19:8*

10—THURSDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. T. C. Britton and Rev. C. G. McDaniel, Soochow, China
The hand of the Lord was upon me and brought me thither.—*Ezekiel 40:1*

11—FRIDAY

For the 42 boys' schools and the 23 girls' schools in South China
The Lord God hath given me the tongue of the learned that I should speak a word in season.—*Isaiah 50:4*

12—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. P. W. Hamlett, Rev. and Mrs. H. H. McMillan and Misses Sophie Lanneau and Olive Bagby, Soochow, China
I am not ashamed of the Gospel; for it is the power of God unto salvation.—*Romans 1:16*

13—SUNDAY

That our Sunday services may be largely devoted to religious instruction for the young people of the churches
When our sons may be as plants grown up in their youth, and our daughters as corner stones . . . after the fashion of a palace.—*Psalms 144:12*

14—MONDAY

That our missionary societies may welcome the returning college girls and give them a part in their work
In all things showing thyself a pattern of good works.—*Titus 2:7*

15—TUESDAY

For blessings upon the work of Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Marriott and Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Crocker in Chinkiang, China
My God shall supply all your needs.—*Philippians 4:19*

Calendar of Prayer for Southern Baptists

June, 1920

Are the earnest, honest prayers of God's children always heard? Always. Are they always answered? Always. In the way we expect? Not always. We often know how to ask more intelligently the next time because of the answer we get. The promise is kept and we have learned something new about God's purpose and resources.

—Maltbie D. Babcock

Topic: Christian Education for Boys and Girls—Continued

16—WEDNESDAY

That Rev. and Mrs. A. Y. Napier and all missionaries on furlough may find the needed rest in the homeland.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.—*Philippians 4:23*

17—THURSDAY

For God's blessing upon that portion of the Baptist 75 Million Campaign fund that will relieve the overcrowded schools in Central and Interior China

With great mercies will I gather you.
—*Isaiah 54:7*

18—FRIDAY

That our boys and girls be influenced to attend our denominational schools and colleges

Thou hast commanded us to keep thy precepts diligently.—*Psalms 119:4*

19—SATURDAY

For all Bible training schools

Quicken me according to thy word.
—*Psalms 119:154*

20—SUNDAY

"Take time to be holy,
Speak oft with thy Lord;
Abide in Him, always,
And feed on His Word."

21—MONDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Pierce, Rev. E. F. Tatum, and native pastor, Yang Chow, China

I that speak unto thee am He.
—*John 4:26*

22—TUESDAY

Pray earnestly that plans of Educational Board, S.B.C. be fully realized

Ask of me things to come
command ye me.—*Isaiah 45:11*

23—WEDNESDAY

For educational work in Italy, Africa and Japan, that its predominant feature be Christ

I became manifest unto them that asked not of me.—*Romans 10:20*

24—THURSDAY

Thanksgiving for the advance of educational work in North China

Grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

—*2 Peter 3:18*

25—FRIDAY

For Misses Alice Parker, Hazel Adams, M. E. Moorman and Mary C. Demarest, Yang Chow, China

If we be dead with Him, we shall also live with Him.—*2 Timothy 2:11*

26—SATURDAY

For all who are preparing to lead the services tomorrow, that they be under the special guidance of the Spirit of God

The God of peace sanctify you wholly.
1 Thessalonians 5:23

27—SUNDAY

That through the faithful messages of preachers and Sunday school teachers many be established in the truth

I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day.
—*Revelation 1:10*

28—MONDAY

That equipment and endowment of southern Baptist universities, colleges and schools be sufficient for the highest training

No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly.—*Psalms 84:11*

29—TUESDAY

Praise our heavenly Father for the splendid record of our W.M.U. Training School and for its promising future

The Lord shall guide thee continually.
—*Isaiah 58:11*

30—WEDNESDAY

Thanksgiving for the teaching of the precious Word of God in our Good Will Center night and day classes

All of thy children shall be taught of the Lord and great shall be the peace of thy children.—*Isaiah 54:13*



BIBLE STUDY



TOPIC—Our Ships Out to Sea

Psalm 107: 23-30

"The soul is the ship; the world the sea; the bliss beyond the world (*Heb. 11:13*) the distant coast; the hope, resting in faith, the anchor which prevents the vessel being tossed to and fro (*Eph. 4:14*); the encouraging consolation, through the promise and oath of God, the cable connecting the ship and the anchor (*Heb. 6:17-20*)."

I. *Preparation:* *2 Tim. 2:2; 3:14.* Education of the youth of our land in the common sciences is of the highest importance for life's voyage in the world. But missionary workers must foster schools that also teach the Bible and the importance of prayer, seeking to bring lives into intimate relation with Jesus Himself, so that He may be a reality in the life. With Jesus in command the ship will be brought into the "desired haven". Growth in grace is intimately connected with the growth in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, *2 Peter 3:18.* The object of the voyager is to preach the Gospel for a witness, *Rom. 15:20, 21,* and prepare for the kingdom of God. "Go ye into all the world" for soon the Lord will return and when He comes He will want an highway from sea to sea and from the rivers to the ends of the earth.

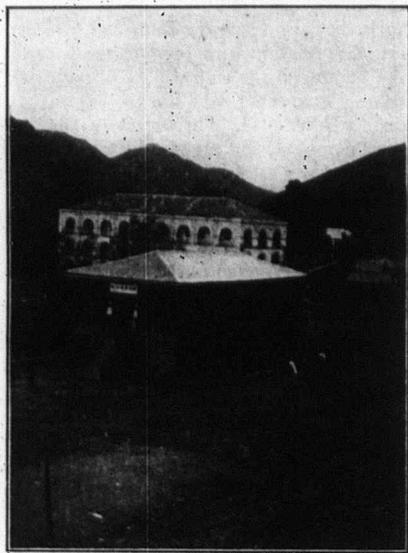
II. *The Christ:* For directions, *Neh. 8:1-13.* "They read in the book of the law of God distinctly." It is necessary for what is taught to be understood in order that the truth shall be appropriated. The Word of God can speak for itself. What is needed is not defense but proclamation of the truth of God's Word. It sets forth the Lord Jesus Christ as the true God without beginning of days or end of life, *John 1:1.* He is the eternal One, the One "whose goings forth have been of old". He is "my Lord and my God," *John 20:28.* The Messiah expressly declared to be the Son of God. *Ps. 2:2-9.* His Spirit must teach and lead in the life of service. To look unto Jesus only, to see in Him our light and life, our righteousness and strength is the fullness of faith.

III. *The Pilot or Captain:* Jesus Christ directs the course of the ship and as leader goes before, *Heb. 2:10; 12:2.* The young soul winner launches forth into the sea to "catch men". He beholds the waters of the world surging around him, he is buffeted by the temptations of Satan, but he had entered upon the voyage in the hope of winning souls for God. The Captain of his salvation had bidden him to launch out into the deep, *Luke 5:4,* and he could not relinquish his mission until he had heard the "well done". His faith is strong in his Commander who alone renews the soul and bestows forgiveness, and who is seeking the lost upon the sea of the world. If we so present Christ to our boys and girls that they may recognise Him as their Pilot and the Director of their lives; that they will long to be like Him, to accept Him as the exponent of the loftiest principles in the world, then we have done much to insure obedience to His commands and the following of Him in all things, *John 4:34; 5:30.* How impossible for the human mind to understand all the problems which assail the souls of young people. We must point them to the Lord Jesus Christ, for their doubts may be only because they do not understand the truth.

IV. *Hope the Anchor of the Soul:* *Heb. 6:17-20; 10:22; Col. 2:2; 1 Thess. 1:5.* This fullness or assurance means a living, constant and firm expectation of the coming of our Lord Jesus who will give rest and glory unto all who wait for Him. We rejoice in this hope. "The full sail of faith, bearing right on with the wind, all canvas up!" Faith is the victory that overcometh the world, *1 John 5:4.* True faith takes hold of the Divine Word, it is weak or strong, great or small according as it receives, keeps and uses that Word. Let faith behold Jesus on the right hand of God, let hope enter as an anchor into the eternal love of God manifested in the glorified Son who died for us, and through whom we will reach the "desired haven".—*Mrs. James Pollard*

PROGRAM FOR JUNE

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.



COMPARISON OF GOVERNMENT SCHOOL AND MISSION SCHOOL, WUCHOW, CHINA

HYMN—Jesus Shall Reign

SCRIPTURE—Job 28

PRAYER—For World-wide Christian Education

GROWING INTEREST IN CHILD-WELFARE AND TRAINING (par. 1)

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CHAIN OF PRAYER FOR OUR SCHOOL BOYS AND GIRLS

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

1. Growing Interest in Child-welfare and Education The war has brought to us many readjustments, not only in living and in governing but in *thinking*. One of the most important is the new education vision which has come, apparently to the entire world. Through the horror and anguish of the war we have learned at last that whatever ideals and standards of morals and government seem desirable to any nation may, with unerring certainty, be inculcated through its schools.

Enlightened and semi-enlightened governments are awaking to their educational possibilities and responsibilities. The importance of child-welfare work has almost suddenly dawned upon the world.

In our own country the year 1918 was designated as "Children's Year" and the results in physical and educational betterment are thus reported by the Children's Bureau, Department of Labor:

"Permanent measures for child-welfare have resulted from the efforts of the 11,000,000 women in about 18,000 communities all over the country who took part in the Children's Year Campaign inaugurated by the Children's Bureau of the U.S. Department of Labor in 1918.

"The end of 'Children's Year' was marked by an international child-welfare conference in Washington at which minimum standards were drawn up, discussed in 8 regional conferences throughout the country and put into final form by an advisory committee formed for that purpose. These standards cover the needs of the preschool and school child, the child in need of special care, the child at work and of the economic and social bases for these standards. The opening of many playgrounds in 16 different states followed. Especially in rural communities has the necessity for wholesome and supervised recreation for children been emphasized. The Back-to-School Drive and the Stay-in-School Campaign measures, intended to prevent boys and girls from going to work before they had the training they need for successful and happy lives, were vigorously carried on in 45 states, New York City, the District of Columbia and Hawaii. Some of the methods and expedients found useful in coping with the situation were scholarships for children, visiting teachers, continuation and part time schools, vocational training courses and vocational guidance bureaus or placement committees."

Under this very suggestive title the Outlook discusses the new education bill recently brought before Congress: "We are convinced that the time has come when the national government should extend to education the same help which it has already extended to agriculture and highway improvement. Certainly if it is important and necessary for the national government, through a system of county agents, to lend its aid to the production of better hogs it ought to do at least as much to improve its boys and girls. One of the most important bills now before Congress is the Smith-Towner Bill to create a secretary and Department of Education and to aid in equalizing educational opportunities throughout the United States. The bill first provides for the creation of a secretary of education with a place in the President's cabinet, and the transfer to this secretary of all the functions of the Bureau of Education now in the Department of the Interior. It provides an appropriation of \$500,000 for the executive expenses of this new department. The bill then provides, in order to encourage the states in the promotion and support of education, an annual sum of \$100,000,000, this sum to be divided among the states for the following purposes:

"The instruction of illiterates and immigrants, physical education, instruction in health, sanitation, providing of school nurses and dental clinics, improvements of teachers and teachers' salaries. It is a bill to aid and not control the educational facilities of the country. The scheme of apportionment which has been worked out seems to us eminently fair and designed to equalise as far as possible the discrepancies of opportunity within the United States which have deprived so many of our citizens in the past from obtaining

the education which should be the natural birthright of an American citizen. How great these discrepancies have been was made clear during the recent war. No one who knows the figures which show the percentage of illiterates and un-Americanized foreigners within our gates can turn to this bill without the thought that perhaps here may be found the solution to one of the most pressing of our national problems."

Whether this bill passes or not it proves that our national government is thinking and planning more largely for the education of our boys and girls than it has ever done before.

Can the church of the Living God afford to be less alert on this vital matter than is the U.S. government? Only the saving salt of *Christian* education can avail in the great national crises.

3. Our Responsibilities Toward Our State Schools

The state school is here to stay, and rightly so. It is not possible in any other way to afford all the people educational opportunities. We must have the state school or remain largely an illiterate and backward people. Every well-wisher of his kind ought to be a consistent and active friend of the state schools. Most of us do not take that active and intelligent interest which their importance to the future welfare of mankind demands. We should use our utmost influence to see that they are good from the academic standpoint and from the moral and religious standpoint. In most American communities the great majority of the people are sympathetic with religion if not actual church members, and they would like to have their children receive moral and religious instruction at least to the extent of having the Bible read. It is often small minorities that have agitated against the Bible in the public school. Such a situation is intolerable; the tyranny of minorities is no better than that of majorities.

The Christian people of America have a right to see that their schools are more Christian in spirit.

The school system affords the state the means of making the national mind what it will.

In the first place, its faculty will be without exception frankly and vitally Christian. No school has a right to the honorable name of **Christian School** unless this is true. It will be democratic in the broadest and best sense. The essence of Christianity, in its application to human relationships, is brotherhood, fraternal equality. "One is your Master and all ye are brethren." The genuinely Christian school will transcend the limitations of racial and national boundaries and class distinctions and see all men as the handiwork of the one God. It will thus tend to soften the asperities of life and reduce the dangers of class conflict and international struggle.

In the next place the Christian school will do precisely what it offers to the people in its public statements. Advertising camouflage is intolerable in a Christian school. It has been said that nothing lies like a college catalogue. No school of which this can be truthfully said is Christian, no matter what its pretensions are. The failure of some so-called Christian schools to maintain advertised standards has been the source of much criticism and reproach.

The Christian school, while not neglecting to prepare its students for the tasks of practical life will lay emphasis upon the ideal values. It will strive to make a life that will function in all the relations of an honorable earthly career and be fitted for the life eternal. It will look at the life of the individual from the standpoint of the kingdom of God. By making noble and true men and women it will make the most helpful lawyers, doctors, teachers, ministers and leaders in all the affairs of modern life.—*W. J. McGlothlin*

"In the light of the war's revelations we now see the need of a truer idea of education. We have overestimated education by thinking of it as a force sufficient in itself to meet all the needs of growing human life. We have underestimated it in that we have failed to realise the importance of broad and thorough education being made the common possession and experience of the masses of men." And, what is of greatest possible

importance, we have failed to emphasise the word "Christian" as a necessary modifier of all education."

5. Education and Missions Should Co-ordinate

Baptists are experiencing an awakening on the subject of Christian education and are now putting it on an equal footing with missions and giving it a place in the church budget. Here are several reasons why this should be done:

The great commission of Jesus is the foundation of the mighty plea for Christian education now going up from all the great evangelical denominations. "Preach the Gospel to every creature"—"teaching them to observe all things." Dr. Mullins wisely says:

1. *Because the Lord co-ordinates them*

Preaching and teaching went hand in hand in the plan of Jesus, and teaching is impossible in any adequate sense of the word without education. There is in the Great Commission, therefore, in germinal form, all our educational system.

2. *Because of our past neglect*

We have developed a denominational consciousness in the direction of missions which is most praiseworthy. Our Baptist people, in large part at least, have grasped the missionary vision; but unfortunately they have been exceedingly slow to grasp the educational vision.

3. *Because of the competition between our denominational and our state schools*

Not that the two are consciously fighting each other, or seeking to destroy each other's influence. Rather that the tax-payers of the various states are supplying great sums of money for the maintenance of state institutions, that these institutions are provided with ample equipment, adequate buildings, and a faculty equal to the needs of the institution. Funds are available for any and every purpose in many of our state institutions. The result is that these institutions have a tremendous advantage in their appeal to the young people and to the parents of the young people who are considering the matter of an education. Shall Baptists make their schools so efficient and so attractive that they will be equally strong in their appeal? It is for the pastors and churches to answer this question.

4. *Because Educational Standards are rising*

The general average of education is far higher today than it has ever been. It is like the tide of the ocean—the level is raised at all points at the same time. A denomination which neglects its schools and does not provide sufficiently for its leadership is bound to suffer defeat in an age in which all religious bodies are striving hard to go forward and improve their educational equipment. We are necessarily under the influence of these rising standards.

5. *Because non-Christian education tends to undermine Christianity*

Unfortunately there are a great many teachers in non-Christian institutions who have no Christian faith—men who ignore the moral and spiritual kingdom altogether. This may prove disastrous to the nation's life and it certainly will prove disastrous to the denomination's life unless we succeed in counteracting it by means of Christian education. Our denominational schools are the saving salt in the educational system of the nation. Let us recognise it, and make them a mightier influence than they have ever been.

6. *Because every denominational enterprise depends upon Christian Education*

When the Foreign Mission Board wants to strengthen its work in any given country it calls for the best trained men from the college and seminary. When the Home Mission Board wants to strengthen the cause in a given city it calls at once for a man strong intellectually as well as spiritually. Churches are continually calling for pastors who are trained. They are continually realising that untrained men fail to do the work successfully. Let us, therefore, as Baptists, recognise the new era which has come upon us, the new obligation which rests upon us, and the necessity for rising, in our giving, in our planning, in our praying, and in all our efforts, to the magnificent opportunity that confronts us. When we do this, and education comes into its own in our Baptist life, we shall make progress compared with which that of the past will seem slow indeed."

**6. The Baptist
Vision of
Christian
Education**

Our Baptist task is the enthronement of Jesus over all the world. Our resources for the accomplishment of this task are evangelical religion, Christian education, and the gifts which the people of God are willing to make for religion and for education. To further all education, and especially Christian education, the Education Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has been established. Briefly stated, the work of

this Board is the promotion of education throughout the south under Baptist auspices and for distinctively Christian ends.—*Dr. Rufus W. Weaver*

It is interesting and inspiring to note what is being planned for our boys and girls all over the south: "The only method of making our schools sufficiently strong to meet the present day demands is by thoroughgoing equipment which in most of our institutions is pitifully inadequate in face of the needs and opportunities. Hosts of students are clamoring for admittance into our schools and a great many are being turned away because of lack of buildings and equipment. What are we going to do with these fine boys and girls? Are we going to set them adrift? Are they not worthy of the very best training, and the very best facilities for securing that training? Must the training and facilities for securing it be inferior to that to be found elsewhere, just because these boys and girls happen to be Baptists?"

"The survey reveals that the immediate needs of our Baptist schools cannot be met by the \$20,000,000 allotted to education in the Baptist 75 Million Campaign. Of course, this amount will change wonderfully the character of our schools, but the school men have enumerated immediate needs over and above the school apportionment in the Baptist 75 Million Campaign, amounting to \$5,360,000. Besides this, forty buildings are specified upon which no amount is estimated. An urgent call is made for a great deal more equipment and endowment without indicating the amount."

Among the south-wide institutions that will receive substantial aid from the campaign fund are four Theological and Bible schools, two Woman's Training Schools, and one Summer Assembly. (*It would be profitable program study to have these named and located.*)

In addition to these, one hundred and twelve schools, including thirty-seven mountain schools, are to be liberally aided and lifted onto the plane of Christian efficiency.

Nor does the Baptist educational vision sweep only over our own land. The "Survey of Needs" shows that "land, buildings and equipment" are asked for the establishment of one hundred and thirty eight NEW schools in connection with missions already established.

The Lord is surely speeding the day when young people the world over may have the opportunity of Christian education. How large a part have WE in the hastening of this glorious day?

**7. Vacation
Bible
Schools**

A fine and far-reaching movement toward the Christian education of boys and girls is the Daily Vacation Bible School. For several years these schools have been confined to the cities. It is now beginning to dawn upon us that it is possible to inaugurate the movement in small towns and country communities. It is well worth the consideration of all Christian women. There is inspiration in the following figures:

"More than 100,000 children attended Daily Vacation Bible schools last summer, according to a report of the American Religious Education Department, making a survey of facts for agencies who are building programs for summer Bible classes for children.

At present, 1,000 of the 175,000 Protestant churches in America have established vacation Bible schools and the number is reported as increasing. There are 16,000,000 American children of appropriate ages to attend these schools.

The Bible schools are of two types, one gives to church children in summer vacation a systematic, well-graded course of Bible instruction; the other offers to children of the streets supervised play, singing and Bible stories.

Presbyterians conducted 200 Bible schools and the Baptists between 300 and 400, in 1919. An interdenominational federation has charge of the work in Chicago, reporting

for 1919, 110 schools. There are sixty-six vacation Bible schools in the New York Metropolitan area."

**8. America's
Educational
Responsibility
to Asia**

The eyes of Asia are upon America. One hundred and fifty new students from China have recently landed in San Francisco; two hundred and fifty Filipino students are en route to this land that opened the doors of opportunity for them; each ship from Japan is bringing a delegation of her student sons, increasing the student representation of the Japanese Empire in the United States by at least three hundred this year,—a significant fact due to the recent additional appropriation of 40,000,000 yen for education. Eagerness for study in America is widespread in India, Ceylon and Siam. Truly the eyes of Asia are upon us,—eyes of disappointed and grieved Chinese; of jealous and suspecting Japanese; of suffering and appealing Koreans; of admiring and wondering Hindus; of grateful and longing Filipinos.

The presence of the Asiatic in America is not in itself a menace, but the congregating among us of any considerable number of those who are physically diseased, morally corrupt or mentally deficient might easily become a curse. Happily the danger of such a calamity is very remote and by our attitude as Christian people we can see that the men and women of Asia who live among us shall enrich our economic, educational and spiritual life.

The Christianization of Chinatown in San Francisco or New York will help spread Christian truth throughout China, and our efforts to live the Christian message in colonies of Japanese and Hindus in America will deeply influence the reception of Christ's teaching in their native lands.

In facing the challenge presented by students and others from Asia now resident within our borders let us freely acknowledge our mistakes. We recognize that our preaching is often vitiated by the un-Christian treatment of Asiatics within a stone's throw of our churches. We confess in shame that too often we have assumed an attitude of superiority in our condescending missionary work among the "heathen".

For these sins let us ask forgiveness and now resolve that henceforth we will:

1. Seek the acquaintance of our friends from Asia in a brotherly fashion.
2. Endeavor to win to Christ some doubting Oriental student.
3. Open our homes to these promising student leaders, now so far away from their own home circles.
4. Battle consistently against race prejudice and discrimination on the part of American Christians.
5. Invite Oriental students to assist us by giving talks and entertainments in our churches, Sunday schools and missionary societies.
6. Enlist educated Orientals in practical service among their own people in the teaching of English and elementary subjects.
7. Offer employment to help those students who must earn part of their own support.
8. Interpret the meaning of Christmas by arranging social and religious gatherings for Oriental students in our churches and homes.
9. Endeavor to win for Christ some of the most promising Oriental student leaders.
10. Present a book or pamphlet to some discouraged or aspiring youth which may introduce him to the riches of the Scriptures.

In the past, America has been regarded by the Orient as a land of freedom, opportunity and Christian democracy. Let us hope that leaders in the church will not permit the forfeiting of this high degree of confidence through any neglect or hypocrisy in our dealing with Orientals.—*Missionary Review of the World*

"A call to advance! There can be but one answer—the development and strengthening of our Christian educational work all along the line. There must be colleges, day schools and kindergartens for the planting and nurturing of right ideals in impressionable minds and hearts. If we are to raise up men and women of strength and poise and power, lead them to make a decision to give their lives to the Master, we must see to it that we have schools which offer as fine educational advantages as they do for the best opportunity for the development of Christian character. If the forces of the Lord of love are to be dominant all education must be guided by Him who said, 'Learn of Me'."

School Days

Lord, let me make this rule,
To think of life as school,

And do my best
To stand each test,
And do my work,
And nothing shirk.

If, weary with my book,
I cast a wistful look

Where posies grow,
Oh, let me know
That flowers within
Are best to win.

These lessons thou dost give
To teach me how to live,

To do, to bear,
To get my share,
To work and play,
And trust alway.

What though I may not ask
To choose my daily task,

Thou hast decreed
To meet my need.
What pleaseth Thee,
That shall please me.

Some day the bell will sound,
Some day my heart will bound,

As with a shout
That school is out,
And lessons done,
I homeward run.

—Maltbie D. Babcock, D.D.



Y. W. A. PROGRAM



Topic—Christian Education in the Building of the Kingdom

Hymn—We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

Bible Lesson—Value Christ Placed on Kingdom Teaching

Teaching His Disciples—
Mk. 8:27-31

Teaching in the Temple—
Luke 21:37, 38

His Commission to Us—
Matt. 28:18-20

Prayer—Thanksgiving for Christian Schools

Remarks by President—Our New Educational Board

Quiz on Group Conferences
Assembly for Reports

Christian Education

Hymn—Faith of Our Fathers
Closing Prayer

Suggestion for meeting: After few words by president on Christian education and our new board, she may divide members into groups of four or five each, providing each group with one question or topic for discussion, also with pencil and paper. Groups should be well separated, in different rooms if possible, so that the members may consult freely on the question given. Arguments, suggestions and thoughts on the topic or question should be talked over and written down by the group leader in the form of an essay or report. Each group should be given a different question. At the end of fifteen minutes, president may ring a bell for the groups to assemble. Each question or topic should then be written, one at a time, on the blackboard or shown on a chart; report on each question should be given by each group leader. When all reports shall have been made a vote may be taken on the best one. This impromptu quiz will test the girls' thinking powers and will bring forth their opinions. If president prefers the groups could be chosen and the questions given out a week previous to the meeting, so that the girls may be thinking over their subjects. Other

topics or questions may be substituted for the ones suggested. If time permit have letter on page 24 read.

Suggested Questions

1. Are denominational schools needed in our country? Why?
2. Has a school teacher any responsibility for the aims and ideals of her scholars? Is her study course and class-room work the only influence?
3. If you are planning to go as a missionary to a foreign field or to devote your life to Christian service here would you consider a course in the W.M.U. Training School an addition to your present equipment? Would you consider the extra time for this worth while?
4. What is the advantage of having schools in all our foreign mission stations? What authority is there for teaching as well as for preaching to all nations?
5. If you were going to start missionary work in a foreign field where no Christian work had been established what part of the community would you try to reach first, grown-ups or children? Give reasons. What activities would you start?
6. What new board of the S.B.C. was created last May? What amount is it to receive in the next five years from the Campaign fund? What will be its kind of work?*

Christian Education

Last year in Atlanta the S.B.C. took a big step forward when it created the educational board. In speaking of its scope, Dr. Rufus W. Weaver says "briefly stated, the work of the Baptist Educational Board shall be the promotion of education throughout the South under Baptist auspices and for distinctly Christian ends". We realise the value the campaign commission put upon the training of our young people when we recall that 20 millions of the 75 millions has been designated to the

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*Home and Foreign Fields, June 1919



G. A. PROGRAM



Topic—Christian Education for Boys and Girls

Hymn—Onward Christian Soldiers (May be used as processional)

Invocation

Hymn—Lord, Speak to Me

Valedictory—The Value of Christian Education

Special Music

Graduating Address—History of Christian Education.

Hymn—As a Volunteer

Charge to Graduating Class—The Bible on Education

Presentation of Diplomas

Class Motto—Daniel 12:3

Class Hymn—O Zion, Hasten

Prayer. Business. Mizpah

A Graduating Exercise

The idea of a graduating exercise lends itself to an almost endless variety of delightful interpretations. Perhaps the most effective one for this program would be to have the meeting take the form of the usual graduating exercises in your state Baptist school for girls. Previous to the meeting have the girls send to this school for program and other information, also consult local graduates. This contact will arouse intimate interest in the school in which some of your G.A. girls may become future pupils. Urge members to wear white dresses and if flowers are plentiful they may even provide themselves with bouquets, daisy chains and ivy garlands. Look carefully after the decorations making the room attractive with vines, flowers and pennants. Ask the pastor to be present and make the invocation. For valedictory have one of your brightest girls write original paper. Refer her to other programs in this issue of ROYAL SERVICE, to literature gotten out by Educational Board* and to articles in Home and Foreign Fields. For graduating address secure the most earnest and interesting speaker you can find from the women's missionary society, ask her to hold

* Birmingham, Ala.

closely to topic. If a Sunday school worker perhaps she could use "Christian Education in the Sunday School". If a day school teacher she should be able to present the topic effectively and appealingly. Perhaps the following outline will be helpful:

The Home
The Schools
The Academy
The Denominational Colleges

† Christian Teaching in

After the devotional period the leader might herself give the charge to the graduating class. This should be a brief and impressive part of the program in which a real charge could be given to the auxiliary. The following references may be used: Deut. 11:19; 6:7; Job 27:11; 34:32; Psalms 27:11; 32:8; 34:11; 71:17; 119:11; Isa. 2:3; Matt. 11:29; 28:19,20; John 6:45; 14:26; 18:20; Rom. 15:4; Col. 1:28; 2 Tim. 2:2; Titus 3:14

For diplomas surprise the girls with a typewritten sheet advertising state Baptist school and having green seal. A possible form is suggested below:

DIPLOMA

Know all to whom these presents may come when it shall have come to pass that (write in girl's name) shall have completed the prescribed courses of study at (write in name of school now attended) and shall have been awarded those diplomas and certificates of merit to which she shall be entitled that we the GIRLS' AUXILIARY OF Baptist Church, should and hereby do earnestly request that she seek admittance to and carry on her studies at

(write in name of state Baptist school).

Whereunto we in approval do attach our seal and signature this day of June 1920.

[SEAL]

Leader

President

† Monroe's History of Education.



R. A. PROGRAMS



Topic—A Meeting of the Educational Board

Hymn—Saviour Like a Shepherd Lead Us
Prayer—That God May Bless Work of Educational Board

Bible Lesson—2 Chron. 1:7-12

Hymn—Holy Ghost With Light Divine
Discussion—The Value of the Work of Educational Board

Hymn—Ask What Great Thing I Know
Business. Roll Call. Offering. Committee Reports. Reception of New Members. Closing Prayer

Suggestion for Bible Lesson: Suppose some one should come into this room right now and tell each one of you boys to ask for the thing you want most in this world. What would you choose? (Call on two or three boys to tell what they want most.) Today we are going to read about a great king. One night the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said "Ask what I shall give thee," and what do you think he asked for? Not for great wealth which some of us would have chosen perhaps, nor for long life or fame or great honor. No, the king asked God to give him "an understanding heart" that he might judge the people wisely. And because he asked wisely and unselfishly, the Lord gave to Solomon riches and honor as well as very great wisdom. One verse tells us that God gave Solomon "wisdom and understanding exceeding much and largeness of heart". Let us ask God to help us to choose wisely in our lives, and to give us "largeness of heart".

Note: Let this meeting represent a session of the Educational Board. If the chapter has a small membership boys might sit around a large table. The chief counsellor should explain briefly that the board was created by the Southern Baptist Convention in Atlanta, May 1919 and located at Birmingham, Ala. A corresponding secretary has not been secured but Dr. J. E. Dillard is acting secretary.

Discussion

CHAIRMAN: Before we take up our regular business I should like to hear the mem-

bers tell some reasons why we feel that the Educational Board has a very responsible task placed in its hands.

FIRST BOARD MEMBER: Mr. Chairman, I would call your attention to the words of King Solomon: "If the iron be blunt and he do not whet the edge, he must put to more strength. And wisdom is profitable to direct."

SECOND MEMBER: I saw a statement that of the distinguished men of America out of five millions with no schooling only thirty-one attained distinction; out of thirty-three million with elementary schooling, eight hundred and eight attained distinction; out of two million with high school education one thousand two hundred and forty-five attained distinction, and out of one million with college education five thousand seven hundred and sixty-eight attained distinction.

THIRD MEMBER: Even more interesting is the fact that a few years ago it was found that seven out of the nine justices of the Supreme Court were from Christian colleges; sixteen out of the eighteen college men who have been presidents of the United States were from denominational colleges; seventeen out of twenty-six recognised Masters in American Letters were graduates of denominational colleges.

FOURTH MEMBER: Education pays in money too. In the new Bridge Department the men who fill positions requiring only reading, writing and arithmetic earn \$982 per year while those whose positions require high school education earn \$1,729 and the college trained men earn much more.

FIFTH MEMBER: A strong argument for Christian education is the saying, that "education without religion is simply veneering rotten wood".

CHAIRMAN: I think these reasons if there were no others, persuade us that Christian education is the only kind worth having and that the strengthening of our denominational schools and colleges demands our earnest attention.



SUNBEAM PROGRAMS



HAPPY SCHOOL DAYS

FIRST MEETING

TOPIC—Going to School
 HYMN—Can a Little Child Like Me
 BIBLE LESSON—Deut. 6:6-9; Ps. 119:105
 OPENING PRAYER
 READINGS—School Children (By Sunbeams)
 HYMN—Selected
 ROLL CALL. BUSINESS. OFFERING
 CLOSING PRAYER

Suggestions for Bible Lesson: Cut a large heart out of white cardboard. On this sketch an open Bible, print on left-hand page the reference Deut. 6:6-9 and on the right-hand page Ps. 119:105. Tie ribbon at top of heart and hang on blackboard or wall. Make it clear to the children that of all books the Bible is the most important and that this Word of God must be in the head before it can be taken into the heart. Education without the study and belief in the Bible is like food without salt. Ask them why this is true.

Note: Have older children tell or read of school children in the homeland. Call on younger children for opening and closing prayers, these can be committed to memory. These and articles to be read should be given children previous to the meeting.

Opening Prayer

"O Lord, we come before Thee now,
 Our eyes we close, our heads we bow,
 O, come and teach us how to pray
 And serve Thee better every day!
 Lord, make us to be wholly Thine,
 And let Thy light within us shine,
 For Christ's sake. Amen

School Children

LEADER: Even children who do not like to go to school themselves will not mind hearing of how other children in our home country love their schools. Perhaps after you hear about some of them you will be thankful that you have such good schools and be glad to go to them.

INDIAN CHILD: I live away down in a corner of Oklahoma in a log hut. I am a lonely little Indian boy because my mother died and my father went away and left me all alone. Sometimes I caught a fish or killed a bird to eat but I was almost always hungry. One day an Indian preacher found

me and sent me away to a mission school. At first I was very much frightened but soon learned to speak and understand English and now I wish you could see the nice little round figures I can make. I am going to be a preacher like the one who found me so I can tell other boys and girls about the Great Father who sent him to me.

NEGRO CHILD: My name is Marilla Ellen (see page 3) I am the-oldest of six lively pickaninnies. I help mammy a lot and pappy says that I am a "right smart gal". But pappy knew that I ought to go to school and so they made out to spare me. So one day pappy took me by the hand and led me into the mission school. Such happy days followed! I wanted to learn every-thing at once but of course could not do that, so I began by doing the small things first and then went on to the others. But I love it all, the housework, the sewing, the books and most of all I love Jesus. I am now His child and want to be like Him. Don't ever miss a chance to help the black child to go to school and learn of the love of Jesus for all children, black or white!

MOUNTAIN BOY: I climb up Old Smoky Hill every school day of the year. Before I go I chop the wood, milk the cow, feed the hogs and do a lot of other chores. But no city boy has the walk I have. He walks on brick pavements, through noise of cars and wagons, by shops and factories, while I have the shady road, the pleasant sounds that break the silence of the hills, the songs of birds; and I see the leaping squirrel and

mountain flowers and inhale the odor of the pines. Of course he has more chances than I have for an education as the schools are better fitted for this than our little log schoolhouse. But for a teacher, oh my; he can't have a better one than I have. She teaches a fellow a lot of things that are not in the books. You can't be mean when you see how good she is. Send us a lot more of teachers just like her!

CITY CHILD: I go to a school not very far from my home. I carry a good lunch and am warmly clad in winter and have cool dresses for summer. If it rains I ride in the street cars. My teacher is kind and I am carefully taught. Sometimes I grumble and say I don't like school but after hearing about those other children I will be ashamed to do so. One day I did stay at home for no reason at all and the day seemed long and lonely, I missed the girls and the school; then of course I do not wish to grow up a dunce in a land where education is free and of so much value. I wonder if there is anything we can do for those children who do not have the chance we have?

Closing Prayer

"We thank Thee, Lord for all Thy love,
 We thank Thee for blessings from above,
 Guide us each one as now we part,
 And bless our work of hands and heart.
 Help us grow stronger day by day,
 And lead us gently in Thy way;
 Bring us together here again,
 In the name of Christ we ask. Amen

SECOND MEETING

TOPIC—Schoolmates
 SONG SERVICE
 BIBLE LESSON—23d Psalm
 PRAYER
 HYMN—The Ninety and Nine
 SCHOOL LETTERS (Exercise)
 HYMN—Jesus Loves Me
 CLOSING EXERCISES



FIVE LITTLE JAPANESE KINDERGARTNERS

Note: In teaching the Bible lesson draw from the children their own ideas of Jesus as our Shepherd, guide them to the true meaning and bring to a personal need. Have older children read the letters and impress that the contents of these letters are culled from real experiences. Give letters to readers before the meeting.

School Letters (Exercise)

LEADER: At our last meeting we heard of some of the schools in our own land, now we will have some letters from school children of other countries. First will be a letter from a little Chinese girl to her father. See how respectful she is.

Honorable father: Your dutiful child writes to her parents. Oh, how can I tell you how happy is my heart! Happy that I am in this beautiful Christian school. It was all very strange to me at first, especially when they unbound my feet. I am glad you allowed this to be done as I could not have remained in the school with bound feet. At 6.30 the rising bell rings and we must dress and carefully brush our hair before we go to breakfast. After breakfast we have prayers and then come our lessons. I am eager to come home for my vacation to see my honorable parents and to tell others about all I am learning in this school. I believe in the Jesus my teacher tells us of and I want to be a Christian. I am glad you do not forbid this. I love my American teachers and am grateful to you for allowing me to come here. Your daughter bows down,

Pon Sang

LEADER: And now a little Japanese girl writes to the Sunbeams. Her land is called the "Land of the Rising Sun" so she knows what sunshine means.

Dear Shines of the Sun:

My teacher told me that you would have joy in a letter from me. I am one of the big sisters of the kindergarten and I want to tell you how we love the missionary teachers from your wonderful country. We have the same games and songs which you have in your kindergartens. I saw a picture of your butterfly game but I do not think that you look as much like butterflies as we do in our kimonos and obis (sashes). In the springtime our teachers

take us to see the cherry and plum blossoms and the iris and wistaria, then in May we have the chrysanthemum celebration. My country is so lovely I wish you could see it at these times. Our mission school teaches us of Jesus and how He loves the children of all lands, isn't it beautiful? I do thank you for sending missionary teachers to tell us of Him. From grateful heart of
Cherry Blossom

LEADER: A letter from a Brazilian boy to his North American cousin whom he has never seen will be interesting to girls as well as boys. South America is a wonderful country to the south of us on the map.

Dear cousin: My name is Brazilio (see page 3) after my own great country, Brazil. My father and mother and my baby brother and I live in a dark little street. My father takes care of the school rooms for the Protestant missionaries where the missionary professor teaches how to read and write and do sums. Because of my father they allow me to come to the American school, or as we call it the "Escola Americana". In this school I heard of more books than I supposed there were in the whole world but the best of all was the Words of God in the Holy Scriptures. I am led through them to give my heart to Jesus. How is it with you, dear cousin?

Brazilio

LEADER: From Mexico Felipe writes to our Sunbeam Band about how he found the true Christ in the mission school. He is only one of many children who will come to Jesus if we send the Gospel to them.

Dear Sunbeams: One day I heard a bell ringing and asked some children what it was for, they told me it was the call to the children into the Protestant mission school. The bell seemed to draw me right inside the door and I saw a whole room full of Mexican boys and girls. The teacher took my hand and said "I am so glad to see you, come in and help us to sing." They were singing "Jesus loves me". All at once I loved it and went all winter to this school. I began to say my prayers to Jesus instead of to the Virgin Mary. I love to hear the bell that calls me to the school where I learned to love Jesus and to sing "Jesus loves me". As we all love Him we are true schoolmates.
Felipe



FROM OUR MISSIONARIES



SEE WHAT THE LORD HATH DONE!

WE had such a glorious W.M.U. meeting at Chefoo. It was by far the best we have ever had, I am sure. In the first place the president of the W.M.U., a very consecrated young woman, brought as an opening message the words "What wilt thou that I do unto thee?" What would we that the Lord Jesus do for and in and through us, during our days together? She brought the question very close to each heart. Our response was, "Lord, that thou wouldst open our eyes. We would see Jesus! We would know His will and do it". At that same first morning meeting there came up the question of the Fifty Thousand Campaign which answers out here with the Baptist 75 Million Campaign in the homeland. What should the W.M.U. do about it? There was just a little discussion which seemed to take us only the more out to sea about it. They knew not what to say nor what they as a Union ought to do. So right then and there in the midst of everything the women elected to have a "day of prayer"—they felt that they could not do without it. Each hour of this day of prayer was in charge of a different leader, beginning at 8.30 in the morning. The meeting was going on all day at the church, but in that quiet place apart some of the women were upon their knees from hour to hour (even at the noon hour, there being some who fasted) claiming His promises, asking His plain guidance. Some would come and pray awhile then get up and go to the church, others would take their places, but there were some who remained many hours. This went on until dark. The W.M.U. had met one day in advance of the association and was to have another half-day some time during its meetings. So the morning after the day of prayer we met. Even then I confess I was not expecting such a step as was taken. One timid, humble but earnest worker rose to her feet and moved that we as a Union assume one-third of the budget for 1920. The fifty thousand for the five years

had been divided into seven, nine, ten, twelve and again twelve thousand for the five years consecutively. This sister's motion had a second. There was little or no discussion and by an unanimous rising vote we agreed, with God's help, to give one-third of the amount for 1920. As they voted for this thing the women's hearts were filled with a holy enthusiasm. They stood and sang as I have never heard them sing before, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow". Then, as with one accord, spontaneously, they fell upon their knees and thanked God for making the way plain and asked for His guidance all along that way and for the seal of His approval by a great and blessed victory.

As we knelt I too praised Him with a full heart—but I had first to say over and over, "Lord forgive me, Lord forgive me that my faith had not reached out as far as that of my Chinese sisters". My highest hopes had not reached to the women assuming as large a proportion as a *third* of the whole. I was humbled yet made glad when, in the planning to push the movement right away, they appointed me as one of the four (two Americans and two Chinese) women directors to go around visiting the churches in the interest of the campaign. I kept it up as long as the weather would permit this winter and expect to start out again as soon as the backbone of the winter-cold is broken.

We had some glorious times in this work. The Lord gave us a real revival everywhere we went. First the women gave themselves unto the Lord in a renewed consecration; then they responded royally to the fifty thousand appeal. They gave hilariously and my heart sang for joy, for I remembered that the "Lord loveth a hilarious giver". One woman who receives just sixty dollars a year gave fifteen dollars of it to this year's budget. She said afterwards, "I never was so happy in my life."

When we were speaking to them, at this same meeting, on laying up treasure in heaven one very poor woman could not

wait for us to sit down but stepping up in front, thrust her two hands impulsively into ours and said, "Put me down for so much," naming a twelfth of her wages for a year.

After this meeting we were to have had another of a different sort and I had my text and my talk all ready, but bless you, when we got over to the schoolhouse the meeting conducted itself, or rather the Holy Spirit took charge and made of it a praise service. First one and then another got up and told how she had been led to do as she had and how overflowing happy she was. They sang, they prayed, they testified. This was at Shantswang. After it was all over and the women had gone home to cook their suppers, Mrs. Chang and I went up on Ping An San (Mt. Peace) and there poured out our hearts to God. We first confessed our smallness of faith, that we should have been surprised at what our eyes that day had seen and our ears that day had heard,—then we praised Him for what He had done and promised to "expect great things from God" in the future.—*Anna B. Hartwell, Hwang-hein, China*

THE FIRST Y.W.A. OF JAPAN

For a long time I have been wanting to do something for and with the nine young Christian girls of our church. I spoke to the pastor and he said he would be glad for me to organize them for work. Then I spoke to the young ladies themselves and they said, "It is just what we have been wanting, we do so want to do something, since we are Christians, and there seems so little we can do in the church." So we organized the first Y.W.A. of Japan on the second Sunday in October. Yes, they wanted a Standard of Excellence, by-laws and constitution "just like American girls have". Y.W.A. in Japanese is "Joshi Seinen Koen Kwai". Our president is Miss Hayashi, a teacher in one of the city schools. She is one of the most earnest young Christian women I have ever known.

At our first meeting we had nine Christian young women; the following Sunday twenty-three were present, a number of these were non-Christian girls and young teachers whom our president with her won-

derful magnetism and earnestness had drawn to the meeting. Our hearts were made to overflow with joy as we heard these young women tremblingly lead in prayer and make a Bible talk, for this new found religion is all so strange and beautiful to them. Most of them are bearing persecution for Christ's sake as their home people are not Christians and do not approve of Christianity. One, Miss Ono, who is a very delicate young woman, said at a recent meeting, "I have been made to marvel at the kindness of Christian people and have said, if this is Christianity I want it." She has read most of my little collection of Christian books and she loves, reads and understands her Bible.

The president had a fall and injured one of the bones of her nose so must go to the hospital for three weeks. "I am so sorry," said she, "to have to give up my teaching but am so happy to have this opportunity to work for Christ. While I am in the ward I can read the Bible to and tell so many people about Jesus. I am going to work for Him as hard as I can."

Japanese girls love to sing. They enjoy practicing the beautiful hymns you have known and loved so long. Miss Fulghum, with her beautiful voice, is a great help in these meetings. I wish all missionaries could have well trained voices. It is often so much easier to sing the Gospel into many darkened souls than to talk to them.

At our next meeting practical plans of work are to be discussed. We believe God is going to use these young women to bring sunshine to many hearts. Won't you dear girls at home pray for your sisters across the sea that their faith grow stronger as they work day by day for the Master. One of these girls said, "My desire for the members of this Y.W.A. is that we may more closely resemble Jesus this year."

We do so appreciate your sending ROYAL SERVICE. The good news it brings us we often pass on to our Japanese friends.—*Maud B. Dozier, Fukuoka, Japan*

Who clears the grounding berg,
And guides the grinding floe,
He hears the cry of the little kit fox,
And the lemming on the snow.

—Kipling



CURRENT EVENTS



THE WORLD FIELD

THE use of the Chinese phonetic script is rapidly growing in all parts of China. The government of one state has sent two men to Peking to learn the system and be prepared to teach it. Another governor has ordered that one in every family must be able to read it, while a third is issuing a newspaper in the script. Over 5,000,000 pages were printed in less than six months. Already parts of the New Testament have been printed in the script and are being widely sold and the slogan, "The Chinese church a Bible-reading church within the next two years throughout China" has been taken up.

In this country there are nearly two hundred cities which support playgrounds from the public funds. An authority says "a city that does not provide suitable places for its citizens and coming citizens to care for their physical selves will be called upon to provide additional police stations, jails and hospitals."

If it were not for the Bible societies with their colporteurs the Bible would be even less known today in South America than it was in Europe in prereformation days. In the west coast countries, where there is relatively little Protestant missionary activity, almost the only contracts made are by these travelling secretaries who go up and down the country distributing and selling copies of the Scriptures.

In England there is a Floating Christian Endeavor organization whose members write letters to men whose lives are spent almost entirely on the great deep. Each sailor Endeavorer finds waiting him at the different ports where he touches, one or two personal, hand-written letters with cheery, friendly messages to let him know he is not forgotten. This same group is trying to furnish good books for the sailors' hospitals.

Only 28 out of every 100 boys in India who are of school age are in school and only 4 out of every 100 girls. The impulse given by the many mission schools is resulting in a reorganization of the educational system of that great country. There are now about 18,000 schools of all kinds in India touching about 8,000 towns and villages.

Using a motor truck as a traveling chapel, the Chicago Hebrew Mission reached an estimated number of over 40,000 Hebrews with the message of Christianity during its summer campaign.

Siamese Christians furnished five times their quota to the Siamese Army during the great war.

Missionaries among the Moslems have found their work greatly strengthened by the prohibition legislation in this country, for before this devout Mohammedans have taunted Christianity with the fact that a Christian nation allowed the sale of liquor.

In the island of Formosa a prominent Japanese official though not a professing Christian spent about \$200 in purchasing Bibles to give to his friends as New Year's gifts.

One indirect but beneficent effect of the war is being exerted on Brahmanism with its caste principles. Groups of Brahmin soldiers are coming back to India inoculated with western ideals and are beginning to preach them. Recently at a mass meeting the agricultural needs of the country were dwelt upon and the dignity and necessity of labor emphasized. After the meeting quite a large group, to whom any form of manual work had been taboo, went into the fields and had their first practical lesson in agriculture behind a plow. Slowly but surely God is working His purpose out.



TRAINING SCHOOL



THE TRAINING SCHOOL Y.W.A. RALLY

SIX forty-five o'clock, Friday night, April the ninth found "House Beautiful" an array of white dresses and anxious expectations. The occasion was the annual Y.W.A. Rally of the Training School. Attractive posters in the W.Y.A. colors announcing the rally had been sent to all the Baptist churches of the city, emphasised by representatives of the student body who made the announcement in every Sunday school, extending a personal invitation to all. Invitations had also been sent to the Baptist colleges of the state. The auditorium was filled to the last seat of the gallery, not to mention chairs in the aisle, and the people who were standing.

The evening's program was opened by a processional of the girls singing "O Zion, Haste" led by the circle leaders who carried banners representing the eight circles of the Y.W.A. A very hearty welcome extended by Mrs. McLure was followed by devotional period. Reports were heard for the year's work from the chairman of Personal Service Committee and the treasurer, the latter showing the accepted budget almost raised. The bulletin board bore the words "Wisdom hath builded a strong house". From a poster, representing the Y.W.A. as the "House of Wisdom", the circle leaders in brief but enthusiastic words presented the seven phases of Y.W.A. work as seven pillars: Publicity, Literature, Bible Study, Mission Study, Stewardship, Personal Service and Prayer. As the familiar notes of "Jesus Calls Us" filled the chapel the curtain was lowered in preparation for the first play.

Almost in a twinkling the audience was carried to an attractive Japanese garden with its bright lanterns and fragrant cherry blossoms where was enacted a play "Kosiki" in four scenes, portraying the marvellous growth of the message of Jesus through the influence of one native Christian. This play showed the value of playlets in portraying mission work. Those seeing it could not but be impressed with the necessity for the rapid spread of the true Gospel in a land of superstition and countless heathen gods.

Sectional conferences were then held on the various phases of the work of graded W.M.U.: Woman's Missionary Society, Young Woman's Auxiliary, Royal Ambassadors, Girls Auxiliary and Sunbeam. The conferences were led by members of the student body who have had previous experience in W.M.U. work, much interest was manifested. Many questions were answered as to how to interest the young people in mission organizations; how to vary the program as to prove both profitable and interesting and how to build up the work in the life of the church.

The bell rang all too soon and the guests were shown to the dining room where all the posters used in the Y.W.A. during the year were on display. This feature emphasised the need and value of attractive posters as a means of getting young people's work before the public. Appropriate drawings and pictures setting forth each phase of Y.W.A. endeavor were shown on posters.

As a fitting close to the evening's program the crowd reassembled to witness a play "Ann of Ava" which has firmly established itself in the heart of the Training School. It was repeated by request on this occasion. While the thread of the story was effectively read by Mrs. Sutterlin, teacher of expression, there was a silent dramatization on the stage. Hearts were stirred by the story of the unselfish life of Ann Hasseltine who, forgetting the comfort and the happiness of the home she left behind, went with her husband, Adoniram Judson, to work in far-away India.

Eleven o'clock found "House Beautiful" with only its usual occupants of tired but happy women. The Y.W.A. Rally had been a success. Everybody present had pronounced it so. The follow-up prayer of the Training School is that those who were present received something of inspiration and enthusiasm which will be of service to them in the work of the W.M.U. in their individual churches.—Azile M. Wofford



PERSONAL SERVICE



FIRST
SAFE-GUARD
FOR
YOUTH



THE
FAMILY
ALTAR

What was the altar of incense? It was not the great brazen altar on which alone were offered the sacrificial animals, but the smoke that rose from its top was never any other than the smoke of burning incense. This ascended morning and evening, a sweet savor unto the nostrils of God, and represented the fragrance of Christ's intercession for us. As this incense floated over the veil into the Holy of Holies, the local habitation of Jehovah among the Jews, so from the family altar should arise the devotions of our hearts, whether they be expressions of *thanksgiving*, the loving *service* of our lives or the yearnings of our *petitions*.

Thanksgiving

Do we cultivate the habit of *thanksgiving* in the home life? Are we grateful to God for the tender ties that form the family unit? Do we adore the source of all our temporal blessings—food, raiment, shelter, health, culture, friendship, love? Habitual thanks-

giving in the home life, Daniel 6:10. For everything, Colossians 4:2; 1 Timothy 4:4, 5; Eph. 5:19, 20.

Service

If unselfish service is anywhere imperative it is emphatically in the home life. The family life furnishes the best opportunity for the daily exhibition of pure Christian altruism of any institution on earth. It is here that Christian principles are born, nurtured and should have full sway, Eph. 5:22-6:9.

Petition

Day by day let our requests for all our spiritual and material needs rise from the family altar, knowing that God is the giver of every good and perfect gift, and that He who feeds the sparrow and clothes the lily can and will meet our every want. Praying household, Acts 10:2. Morning prayers, Psalms 5:3; 143:8.

ROUND TABLE

Victory has certainly been granted in the number of new organizations for the past year, the total being as great again as that reported last May in Atlanta. The number of new Sunbeams went above 1000 and that of the Women's Missionary Societies above 1400. The total number of new organizations among the young people exceeded 2100, the grand total being above 3600. The total number of organizations is far beyond 16,000, thus being the highest point which the Union has ever scored in the matter of organizations. Of this splendid total over 9,000 societies are among the women which means that much less than half are for the young people. Surely the time is not far off when for every W.M.S. there will be at least two organizations among the young people, one of them being a Sunbeam Band.

Remarkable also was the quantity of free literature distributed by the Union workers during the past year. From the Baltimore office there were sent forth 523,682 programs and free leaflets. Nearly half of these were used for the January and March Weeks of Prayer. From the Nashville office during the Baptist 75 Million Campaign 1,505,000 copies of nine W.M.U. tracts were sent forth. From Baltimore there were distributed 144,485 stewardship cards, 40,460 offering boxes and fish cards and 664,880 Week of Prayer envelopes.

Union workers will also be interested to know about the sale of mission study books. The Richmond office reports that this year it has sold 2,990 copies of Stewardship and Missions and 1004 copies of the history of the Union, In Royal Service. The Sunday School Board says it has disposed of 13,000 copies of the Manual of W.M.U. Methods and 8,000 copies of All the World in All the Word. Mission study has certainly been popular as is attested by the fact that over 4200 classes have been held since the Atlanta meeting. Over 4500 people have won one or more seals, over seven hundred be-

ing awarded to the young people. Over 300 young people have also gotten stamps for reading missionary books. In thirteen of the states the official W.M.U. seal has been awarded this year to 196 persons for the successful study of the prescribed six books. Florida leads with 32 of these faithful students, while Virginia, Texas and Georgia each have 24 or more. Georgia and South Carolina have for the year more post-graduate seals than the other six states which are represented in the splendid total of 20. They each have five, while Florida has four and Virginia three. In these same six states and Illinois, the other two being Mississippi and Texas, 81 red seals have been awarded for the study of foreign mission books and 74 for the study of home mission books. Can it mean that next spring at least 74 post-graduate seals will have been awarded? Will these blue and red "sealers" work to that good end?

In the April issue of ROYAL SERVICE a table was printed showing the total of the W.M.U. campaign pledge to be \$21,834,057. Before May it had grown to \$22,360,676. With shouts of thanksgiving our praises ascend to Him who gave the victory.

The standard of excellence report for the year is also highly encouraging. There were far less honor societies last year and also far less in classes of B and C. The total increase this year was over 600. The honor societies are more than 800, those of class A are above 700, class B above 1100, class C above 1300 and the grand total above 4100. It certainly pays to have a measuring rod!

The questions about the graded W.M.U. system also produced some interesting answers. Eighteen states reported that there was at least one missionary organization in 9325 churches; fourteen said there two such organizations in 2188 churches; thirteen, that there were three such organizations in 1010 churches; thirteen, that

there were four such organizations in 637 churches; while the same number reported the full graded W.M.U. system in 312 churches. This is over one hundred more churches than were reported at the Atlanta meeting as having the five W.M.U. organizations.

Nothing so beautifully as does the spring-time proves the truth that from the seed comes the plant. During the past year many of the societies studied "A Crusade of Compassion". Naturally they wanted to help the medical work on the foreign fields, so they rallied their Red Cross and other willing-hearted and skilful-handed workers and made bandages and other hospital supplies. Kentucky's report of such work is truly remarkable, that Union having shipped eight boxes of supplies valued at \$1960 to the Stout Memorial Hospital at Wuchow, China. All such work is of course over and above the regular offerings for foreign missions, just as the much needed boxes to the frontier missionaries are a love-gift above the regular effort for home missions. It is hoped that every state will appoint a chairman for this foreign hospital work that she may encourage the societies to help with it, may enlist the Baptist Red Cross workers and may greatly relieve the need of our Baptist hospitals on the foreign fields.

Mrs. W. C. James writes: "Attending the annual meeting of the state Unions is a pleasure to be coveted by any one, particularly by a general W.M.U. officer. It was the rare pleasure of the W.M.U. president to visit two such meetings in April, one in Vicksburg, Mississippi, and the other in Helena, Arkansas. Driving through the National Park at Vicksburg, that famous battle ground of the Confederacy, we were told at a certain point that we were then on the highest point between Cairo, Illinois, and New Orleans, Louisiana. Vicksburg is on the east side of the great Mississippi. On the very next day in Helena, Arkansas, as we were passing along a certain driveway overlooking the river our attention was called to the fact that we were then on the highest point between Cairo, Illinois, and New Orleans, Louisiana, west of the Mississippi. These two incidents brought to mind

very forcibly the fact that in Mississippi on the east of the river and in Arkansas on the west, the reports of the officers of each state and their forward plans had this year reached the highest point along the highway of their endeavor. From this vantage point with courage born of past achievement and faith in God, with never a thought of ever finding lower ground, they were looking out over the great plateau on which their feet were planted to yet larger and greater achievements in the Prayer, Enlistment and Stewardship campaigns yet to be won".

From Mrs. James comes also the following: "Two very high points in the meetings both in Mississippi and Arkansas were the young people's sessions. In Mississippi among the outstanding features were talks by a courageous Royal Ambassador and a lively little G.A. girl on what the twenty-five clubs in that state had meant and would mean to the boys and girls who had joined them. Then, too, there were exceedingly fine reports from the College Y.W.A.'s read by representatives from the colleges and other exercises participated in by college and other young women. In the young people's session in Arkansas a pageant quickly gotten up by a number of young people, from Sunbeam age up, was well carried out and set forth in a telling manner the work and value of the graded Union. The pageant was simple and effective and would be worthwhile if presented in local society programs".

An account of the N.C. W.M.U. annual meeting is given as follows by Mrs. H. M. Wharton: "Bright skies and spring breezes fragrant with new life greeted the delegates of the North Carolina Union as they gathered, April 6-9, for their annual meeting. The old-time hospitality was extended with southern warmth of heart. The sessions were held in the commodious Baptist church. It was uplifting to hear of the gift of nearly \$175,000; to follow their president, Mrs. W. N. Jones, in her inspiring address; to hear the Sunbeams take their part; to listen to Dr. W. J. McGlothlin; to rise with the body in greeting the aged mother of the three Bosticks of China and to hear the college girl tell of joy in service. Could one

but intersperse all this with the song, the Scripture lesson, the talk; the pointed suggestion there would result the comprehension of the strong program presented. And how can one omit the greeting of old friends, the stepping from acquaintance to friendship with new ones, the response from heart to heart, 'the fellowship of kindred minds' that made the hours full of happiness there in Shelby?"

Miss M. M. Lackey thus describes the Mississippi meeting: "The forty-second annual meeting of the Mississippi W.M.U. was held in Vicksburg, First Baptist Church, April 13-15. 'Women Winners' was the theme of the great evangelistic message brought by Dr. L. R. Scarborough in his sermon at the opening session. The president's address 'Lift Up Your Eyes' keyed the great audience to psalms of victory. It was the gracious privilege as well as peculiar pleasure of the Union to have as honored guests our president, Mrs. W. C. James, and the missionaries, Rev. A. Y. Napier and Miss Olive Edens. Their messages brought information and inspiration, for the people heard them gladly. Dr. Frank Moody Purser gave to mission study a higher significance than had been realized. State secretary, Dr. J. B. Lawrence, gave a helpful and masterly address. Reports of the past year were encouraging in a high degree. The women of the state went home inspired to attempt greater things for the Master, as the campaign progresses. Mrs. J. A. Taylor created in each soul a yearning for loftier spiritual heights, as in a consecration service she pleaded 'That He might have the pre-eminence'. One beautiful feature of the meeting that was not on the program was the presentation of an Overland car to the corresponding secretary, who was bidden to 'go on wheels' in future itineraries".

From the Arkansas state W.M.U. office comes the following item: "Arkansas State W.M.U. Convention, which met at Helena April 14-16, was one of our best in point of speakers outside the state—Mrs. W. C. James bringing us closer to the southern Union, Mrs. M. R. McLure giving us an inside view of the W.M.U. Training School, Mrs. Lucile Conger Bailey representing our

Fort Worth School, Miss Mary Cason the New Orleans Bible Institute and our own dear Mrs. Pearl Harrison Rowland speaking for far-away China and teaching us how to spell it in two new ways we shall not forget—N-E-E-D and O-P-P-O-R-T-U-N-I-T-Y. All phases of our state work were also ably represented, and reports showed good increase in gifts and general interest".

The personal service returns for the past year are indeed heartening. Among these "in-as-much" totals are: 361,327 visits; 13,846 religious services held; 1,779 conversions; 5,975 Bibles given away; 454,268 pieces of literature distributed; 75,427 garments made; 63,901 baskets of food given away; 10,730 hours of nursing; 3,307 societies doing personal service; 2,313 societies having personal service committee; 191 societies helping in or conducting a Good Will Center; and 30 Good Will Centers in 12 states. Much work was also done in mission Sunday schools, cottage prayer meetings, Cheer-All Clubs, industrial schools, Home-makers' Clubs and Daily Vacation Bible Schools.

Y.W.A. PROGRAM

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work of Christian education. There are 38 schools of college and university rank under Southern Baptist influence. A good many of these are for girls, and yet this past year some of the schools were taxed to the utmost to accommodate the students and many of them were turned away. In one of the colleges the auditorium had to be turned into a dormitory.

We are told that "Christian schools are the great recruiting stations for mission workers. The latest available statistics show that eighty-four per cent of missionaries come from Christian institutions, and that fifty-four per cent of them volunteered while attending school". On the foreign fields our Christian schools are a big asset in winning the people to Christ. Year by year these schools are turning out native Christians who will be a power in their own lands. Dr. Love tells us that "most effective service is being done in the east by natives who have been trained in mission schools."

* Home and Foreign Fields, June, 1919



BOOK REVIEWS



THE JOY OF WORK.

IN a list of books recommended for young women we find one with this name, The Joy of Work. Today we find our young women in practically every line of industrial work, we watch them holding their own in nearly every profession and we see them offering their lives more than ever before for social and religious service. Some we know enter the fields because they must, others sense the restlessness of the age and ambition drives them onward and still others hear the call of the needs of men and women for the Christ and would answer with His message. Whatever the cause—necessity, ambition or love for others, our young women are workers. To them we would offer this little book which breathes forth the joyousness won from doing well the daily task, which points out the right attitude towards those around us and calls for the use of that talent which has been entrusted and which is needed in the work of His kingdom.

It is not a new book that we are recommending, nor do we apologize for not suggesting a more recent publication. The author of these thoughts has some time ago entered into that joy which the Master gives to His servants whose work has been well done. The young people of today may gain inspiration and uplift from the words of Him who is "remembered as one who worked". The three short chapters which make up this little book have been arranged from notes taken on the sermons of Dr. Maltbie D. Babcock. In the first chapter, Work: A Spiritual Necessity, he says: "O the joy of work! The sense of self-mastery and the mastery of tools. To feel the energy throbbing through you, and to know that you can control and guide that energy! To know that you can make every bit of it worth while! 'Ah,' you say, 'If you knew what my life is, you would not say so. If you knew on what a low plane I must work; how sordid, how uninteresting, how monotonous it is! You don't know my life. Such work as mine cannot be uplifting, and you

would not say it was if you knew.' Yes, I would. I regret that the sky-line is shut out of so many lives. I arraign the social conditions that make it so. Do the best you can where you are or you will never be fitted for a higher or more responsible place. Use well the tool that is in your hand and so prepare yourself to use a more delicate tool. It will be given to you as soon as you are fully able to handle it. God will find you if you are busy, just where and as He has found all His workers—where He had placed them. And He will promote you if you are worthy of promotion." Dr. Babcock points out these three things which he enlarges upon: "Work fits us to know, and to grow, and to enjoy".

In the second chapter, Work: A Social Grace, he shows the need of the right relationship towards others. We are not meant to live our lives independently. "A man who lives solely for himself has no right to live, for life is relation to others." And again he says: "Think for others; let your desire to help be a constant goad. Think less of yourself and what you want. Be superior to things. You are a servant, a clerk, a seamstress, what does it matter? Work for the common good, the common weal—see how far out the ripples of your related activity reach!"

The third and last chapter is called The One Talent Man. He calls our attention to Paul's phrase, "Quartus, a brother", and points out that this is all we know about him, a brother, but he is a man "the world needs, needs supremely. Quartus may be weak by himself but when he unites with the many of his clan he is the mightiest force in the world". He shows "his danger and his duty". His danger is that being a one-talent man he will not realize the value of that talent; and his duty is that of being a brother to all who need, a servant to mankind.

"As into the world we go, may we truly present Him who died for us, and lives for us, and waits to receive us!"

W.M.U. ORGANIZATION PINS

As manufacturers of jewelry can no longer procure purple enameling we are now obliged to have our W.M.U. pins made without coloring; and as the lettering will require more skilful workmanship the price for this additional care will balance cost of enameling, the price of pins will, therefore, remain unchanged for the present. We still have a few of the enameled pins for those who will send in orders at once.

All gold (14 K) with safety catch	\$9.50
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Gold filled	2.50

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