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 Philippians 4:13

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EDITORIAL



MEETING OF CONSERVATION COMMISSION

ON September the eighth the Conservation Commission for the Baptist 75 Million Campaign met in Nashville, Tenn., in response to the call of the chairman, Dr. L. R. Scarborough. For the benefit of those who may not remember, this commission was first appointed at the Convention in Washington, May 1920, and reappointed in Chattanooga in 1921. The commission is composed of the chairman, several ministers and laymen from different states, the secretaries of the general boards, the president and corresponding secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union, the state secretaries, the president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and the president of the Baptist Bible Institute.

It was at the meeting of this commission in January of this year that the "Loyalty Campaign" of the spring was planned. There are few of us who do not recall with joy how this campaign strengthened the morale of our people and infused us all with enthusiasm. The "Loyalty Campaign" did much toward making the meetings of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Union times for rejoicing. The meeting of the commission in Nashville in September if it had done nothing else would have been worthwhile because of the spirit of hopefulness and trust that was created or recreated in the hearts of those in attendance.

The morning session was given over entirely to hearing reports of conditions in the several states. Many of the state secretaries discussed the problems that were facing them, while there were others who said they had problems but refused to mention them choosing to dwell exclusively upon the hopeful possibilities of the situation. All, however, were optimistic and courageous in face of the situation which all recognized as serious, calling for the best efforts and the utmost trust if success is in any measure to attend the closing of the respective state years this fall. Most encouraging were the reports from the summer evangelistic campaigns suggested by the commission in May. It was indeed inspiring to hear these reports from all the states: how in some churches there was an increase of ten per cent in the membership by baptism, in others twenty, twenty-five and even fifty or more per cent increase from baptisms alone. The reports from the campaign for 500,000 tithers before the year closes were likewise encouraging. Surely if our Father in heaven is so bountifully blessing us along these lines He will not fail us in making it possible for us to meet our pledges and each state to close its year practically out of debt. The hope for this was strong in the hearts of all because of the evident improvement in business and industrial conditions and particularly in the price of cotton. "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

At the close of the morning session, with all the facts in hand, a committee composed of several state secretaries and the corresponding secretary of the Union was appointed to draw up a suggested outline of procedure for the fall campaigns in the states and make some recommendations that would be helpful. Until this committee was ready to report the time of the afternoon session was spent most profitably in hearing reports of the condition and work of the general boards, the Woman's Missionary Union and the Laymen's Movement. The committee brought in many helpful suggestions for use by the state boards in the rounding up of their fall campaigns. Outstanding among these was that an appeal calling all southern Baptists to a recognition of the needs and their responsibilities be sent out by the commission signed by Dr. Mullins, president of the Convention, and Dr. Scarborough, chairman of the commission, this to be printed in card form and sent out in letters and likewise published in all denominational papers. You will find

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TOGETHER

WITH GOD

TOGETHER

A GREAT WORD
for
A GREAT FOLK
for
A GREAT TASK

TOGETHER the stalks of wheat make the harvest. ¶ Every time a stalk falls by so much the harvest fails.

TOGETHER southern Baptists can win the victory. ¶ Every time a Baptist fails by so much all fall short.

TOGETHER: The responsibility for the success of our kingdom program is therefore on the individual Baptist.

TOGETHER we succeed but divided we surely fail. ¶ Let none break the fellowship yoke in this crucial hour.

To the Throne of Grace
To the Altar of Sacrifice
To the Fields of Service
To the Mount of Victory

PRAYER ON ARMISTICE DAY

PRESIDENT HARDING in the early fall was said to "feel that on Armistice Day the tribute to those who gave their lives in the World War should be mingled with prayer for a closer international understanding, the hope being that on that day, the initial one of the Disarmament Conference, there would be prayer in many churches, special meetings of women's organizations and ceremonies of various forms by civic, industrial and political bodies generally". Before this attitude of the national administration was made known, Mrs. I. J. VanNess of Nashville, Tenn., had written to W. M. U. headquarters urging a southwide season of prayer on November 11 by W. M. U. organizations. If the prayer service is held in the morning, then the closing prayer may fittingly be offered just at noon when the wheels of the nation's industry will be stopped for two minutes as all "stand attention" before God. The following outline program is suggested for use on that occasion:

Hymn: "Lead, Kindly Light", Prayer of thanksgiving for the Light of Life; Hymn: "For All the Saints Who from Their Labors Rest"; Prayer of thanksgiving for the heroes of the World War; Prayer for the families of soldiers who laid down their lives; Scripture: Psa. 24: 7-10; 55: 18, 19; II Chron. 20: 15-23; Hymn: "When Peace like a River"; Scripture: I Thess. 4: 13-18; Prayer for the President of the United States; Prayer for all members of the Disarmament Conference; Scripture: I Tim. 2: 1, 2; I Kings 3: 8, 9; Psa. 20; Prayer that the Disarmament Conference may open the way for real peace; Prayer that every Christian in the Conference may be true to the Prince of Peace; Hymn: "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"; Scripture: Ex. 20: 13; Isa. 2: 1-4; 3: 13-15; Matt. 5: 5, 7, 9; Gal. 5: 22, 23; Hymn: "Lead On, Oh King Eternal"



BIBLE STUDY



THE VALUE OF THE INDIVIDUAL

I. *The Individual*: Acts 1:1-9. This account would seem to be addressed to one man for his particular instruction. This is proof that God's way of making himself known to the children of men is to speak to individuals. He calls a man aside and puts the mystery of the divine purpose into that one man's heart and from the individual center there goes out a glowing warmth that fills the whole earth with its gracious ardor. God made Adam. God called Abraham. God selected Mary. God has called out the particular individual, the one person, and has worked out His purpose from very small and insignificant beginnings. Acts 7:54-60, Stephen, the Christian martyr, speaks to the multitude and we might suppose God would defend him from the crowd and work a miracle of preservation. God wrought the miracle upon the inner spirit and thought of His suffering one, Stephen saw the invisible and felt not the pain of the stones. Stephen lived again in the young man at whose feet the clothes were laid down. That young man may rave a while for it will be needful for Saul to be violent for a time in order to keep his ears deaf to the appeals of conscience. Stephen's resurrection in certain spiritual senses may take place in Saul. We do not know who is hearing us, who is watching us or into whom our spirit is being transfused. We live in one another. God maketh the wrath of man to praise Him, Ps. 76:10. Life is a mystery and time its explanation.

II. *God's Care*: Job 35: 6, 7, 10-14. There is a conception of God which represents Him as keeping man at a distance but in Jesus Christ we have boldness of access, Heb. 12:18-29. We may have such communion with God that there will be the fragrance of heaven in our very breath. I would live and move and have my being in God and there is an obvious sense in which God lives and moves and has His being in man, John 17:21-23. He seems to spend His eternity in thinking about us and enriching us in all the regions and departments of our existence and nature. Never let us suppose for an instant that God cannot be interested in the individual, Matt. 6:25-34. Should doubt of this seize the mind despair quickly follows and you have given the key of your heart to the enemy of souls who will enter and work all the mystery of damnation. Let us keep him at bay by saying of the gracious Father "He is my God and will not forsake me, He loves me as an only child. He has pleased to make me essential to His joy", I Cor. 2:9-13.

III. *One Man's Life*: Luke 19:1-10. Here is much given to the delineation of one man's life while so many great subjects are hardly touched upon. Here we have the most practical aspect of the Christian faith. When we see Jesus face to face with one sinner we see the whole scheme of redemption in miniature. We see God's love vividly displayed because intensely concentrated on one man. Each one of us should have a paragraph of Christian history especially her own. Can you point to any record of a personal interview with the Saviour? When Jesus spoke to Zacchaeus he did not hesitate to respond. Many when invited to active service on behalf of Jesus Christ excuse on trivial grounds and treat with coldness the invitation which might call their souls into a fruitful and glorious development. Zacchaeus made haste, he gave a joyful answer to Christ's appeal, v. 6. There are many who only need to be addressed in Christian love to yield with overflowing joy to the gentle demand of the Saviour.

IV. *Salvation*: Luke 19:9. Jesus receiveth sinners, Luke 15:2. Jesus meets man dwarfed and crippled by sin and glorifies him with the dignity and enriches him with the blessedness of eternal life. It is possible to think of salvation as a distant blessing but Jesus makes it a present reality. It is impossible for any heart or home to receive the Redeemer and King without cherishing the memory with rejoicing, v. 10. When one finds Jesus he wants others too to share the Saviour, John 1:45.—Mrs. James Pollard

Calendar of Prayer for Southern Baptists November, 1921

*If slumber should forsake
Thy pillow in the dark,
Fret not thyself to mark
How long thou liest awake.*

*There is no better way—
Let go the strife and strain:
Thine eyes will close again,
If thou wilt only pray.*

—Henry van Dyke.

Topic: Enlistment

1—TUESDAY

Pray for a program of broadening service for southern Baptists
Called to be saints with all that... call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
—1 Corinthians 1:2

2—WEDNESDAY

That plans for great forward movements mark W. M. U. annual meetings of Virginia and Illinois
He led them on safely.—Psalm 78:53

3—THURSDAY

That results of Enlistment for Service Month bring thousands of new pledges to the Baptist 75 Million Campaign
Even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you; so that ye come behind in no gift.—1 Corinthians 1:6

4—FRIDAY

Praise God for the faithful service of Rev. and Mrs. L. M. Reno and for our new missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. R. A. Clifton, Victoria, Brazil
Everlasting joy shall be upon their heads.
—Isaiah 51:11

5—SATURDAY

For the Father's blessing upon the work of Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Muirhead and Rev. and Mrs. D. L. Hamilton, Pernambuco, Brazil
The Lord preserveth the faithful.
—Psalm 31:23

6—SUNDAY

That more and more our young people be called into definite Christian service
Of these things put them in remembrance.
—2 Timothy 2:14

7—MONDAY

For the Department of Enlistment of the Home Mission Board
So were the Churches established in the faith.—Acts 16:5

8—TUESDAY

That increasing strength and usefulness flow from decisions made at W. M. U. annual meetings of Kentucky and New Mexico
Be of good courage and do it.—Ezra 10:4

9—WEDNESDAY

That the Spirit of Christ direct all plans in W. M. U. annual meetings of Alabama and South Carolina
In Him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.—Colossians 2:9

10—THURSDAY

For the school work of Misses Pauline White, Essie Fuller and Bertha Lee Hunt, Pernambuco, Brazil
The Father Himself loveth you.
—John 16:27

11—FRIDAY

Thanksgiving for the many instances of faithful stewardship in Baptist 75 Million Campaign gifts
They first gave their own selves to the Lord.—2 Corinthians 8:5

12—SATURDAY

That encouragement cheer the daily ministrations of Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Stapp, Aracaju, Brazil
The Lord hath done great things for them.—Psalm 126:2

13—SUNDAY

That Christians realize that a life task for the Master must confirm a profession of faith
Faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.—James 2:17

14—MONDAY

That joy in service be the portion of Rev. and Mrs. James B. Parker, Maranhao, Brazil
That your joy might be full.—John 15:11

15—TUESDAY

That all deliberations of annual meetings of Georgia and Tennessee lead to triumphant things for God
That utterance may be given... to make known the mystery of the Gospel.
—Ephesians 6:19

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"Rabboni, in the garden sweet,
Kneel I enraptured at Thy feet.
Thyself transfigured walkest here—
Might such a change in me appear!

"Shall death alone illumine me?
Nay, soul, that were a travesty.
Only living man can praise;
Then touch me with Thy living rays."

Topic: Enlistment—Continued

16—WEDNESDAY

Pray for fruitful seasons of joyful fellowship in annual meetings of District of Columbia, Louisiana and Oklahoma
Being filled with the fruits of righteousness.—*Philippians 1:11*

17—THURSDAY

Praise God for the long and loving service of Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Lawton and for the new service of Rev. and Mrs. L. O. Wilkerson, Chengchow, China
I have graven thee upon the palms of my hands.—*Isaiah 49:16*

18—FRIDAY

Pray that our God may overrule to His glory the serious financial difficulties affecting the Baptist 75 Million Fund
Thine is . . . the power and the glory.—*Matthew 6:13*

19—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. L. L. Johnson and Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Taylor, Pernambuco, Brazil
He shall choose our inheritance for us.—*Psalms 47:4*

20—SUNDAY

That the children of today be more carefully taught in the Scriptures Nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine.—*1 Timothy 4:6*

21—MONDAY

That God give strength of body, mind and spirit for the work of Rev. and Mrs. Robert S. Jones, Pernambuco, Brazil
God is able to make all grace abound unto you.—*2 Corinthians 9:8*

22—TUESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. F. J. Fowler and their field of promise, Mendoza, Argentina
He is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.—*Psalms 16:8*

23—WEDNESDAY

Give thanks for those who enlisted for active service for the Master during summer conferences
Rejoice because your names are written in heaven.—*Luke 10:20*

24—THURSDAY

That the "careless daughters" of the W. M. U. family "rise up" and gird themselves for active service
The Master is come and calleth for thee.—*John 11:28*

25—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. M. S. Blair and native pastor, Gabriel Osterman, Cordoba, Argentina
They shall trust in the name of the Lord.—*Zephaniah 3:12*

26—SATURDAY

That the power of the Spirit be with the pastors as they call sinners to repentance and Christians to larger service
Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe.—*1 Timothy 4:10*

27—SUNDAY

For the fifty missionaries who answered the call and were in June appointed for service by the Foreign Mission Board
I have chosen you out of the world.—*John 15:19*

28—MONDAY

That the joy of encouragement attend the labor of Rev. and Mrs. A. E. Hayes and Rev. and Mrs. E. G. Wilcox, Pernambuco, Brazil
That they might have joy fulfilled in themselves.—*John 17:13*

29—TUESDAY

That the problems of the annual meeting of W. M. U. of Texas be worked out through the power of the Holy Spirit
Light shall shine upon thy ways.—*Job 22:28*

30—WEDNESDAY

Thank God for the many consecrated missionaries sent into the waiting harvest field through the Baptist 75 Million Campaign
They shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy.—*Revelation 3:4*



PROGRAM FOR NOVEMBER



ENLISTMENT

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Closing Prayer

A wonderful opportunity is given pastors and Christian workers to multiply themselves in Christian service and replenish the waste places by searching out and calling out the called. May the Spirit of our God come upon the young manhood and womanhood of our churches, our schools, our homes, and may the feet of them that be obedient be as beautiful as the feet of those who carry glad tidings.—Dr. J. F. Love.

FOR THE BLACKBOARD

E Even so send I you
N Neglect not the gift that is within you
L Lengthen thy cords
I I will give you a mouth and wisdom
S Strengthen thy stakes
T Take heed to all the flock
M Make full proof of thy ministry
E Exhorting them to continue in the faith
N Not by might nor by power but by my Spirit
T Thanks be to God who giveth us the victory

"Awake, awake, O church of God!
Comes now to thee the call
Of Christ thy Lord, who bids thee on
Till every foe shall fall.
What though the hosts of darkness stand—
Their last fierce battle make—
The Victor, Christ, He summons thee;
O church of God, awake!

"O church of God lose not the day
That now has come to thee;
A world awakening from its sleep,
Is waiting light to see.
Thy sons, thy daughters made their vow
To dare for Jesus' sake;
O golden hour! What call is thine!
O church of God, awake!"

In the immensity of the systems of the world our Earth is but a small body. The Martians see it only as a bright star. But to us who have our feet planted upon it it is a large world with many objective goals. Enlistments of those who have striven to reach these goals include the names of the great and wise. Historians have come, written their annals and have gone into silence, leaving only a partial and often disputed story. Early scientists have made discoveries which present-day men of science speak of as either inadequate or just the shadow of greater things to come. Philosophy, "the rational explanation of facts," has various and changing explanations; that which once seemed as "fixed as fate" is now frequently set aside as debatable. Literature lives but the ancient high points are visible only to the comparative few; the reading world is floundering in a sea of literary production, each one choosing that which seems good to himself. "Art is long" but it is not "from age to age the same". Fleeting time brings new ideas of art and sometimes strange substitutes. Enlistment in these fields makes for world lore, knowledge, understanding and culture, and is worthy. It makes the world more fit to receive and publish the one and only established fact and finished work—the finished work of redemption through "the precious blood of Christ, who was foreordained before the foundation of the world . . . and which liveth and abideth forever". The stability of the work of salvation is beautifully emphasized in the following reference to the British Army before Jerusalem: "Four cities may be said to stand out in the story of man as centers of the highest life of the race, and about them are gathered the vastest accumulations of history and of legend: Jerusalem, Athens, Rome and London! But no city can have the same place in the spiritual geography of mankind that Jerusalem has. For four thousand years it has been an altar and a confessional of the race. Religiously, it is the capital of the world, if only because Jesus walked in it and wept over it. O Jerusalem, if we forget thee, Athens fails, Rome fails, London fails! Without the faith and vision that burned in the city on Mount Moriah our race will lose its way in the dim country of this world. Berlin does not mean much. Jerusalem means everything."

It might be interesting to know the derivation of the word "enlistment". List is an old textile word meaning edge or border. Some of us are "Enlistment" old enough to remember, before the days of weatherstripping, when the edge or salvage was cut from woolen goods and tacked around the door or window frame to keep out the cold air. This was called listing the door or window. Later the word was applied to paper having a border. Hence to make a list—to enlist. The word list was also used to designate the place where a tournament was held in the days of chivalry. To enter the lists was to accept a challenge. Perhaps this is the best explanation of the spirit of the word. Enlist means to enroll, to enter a service voluntarily. But there is still the question in the mind as to the object and nature of enlistment as we use the term. The word does not fully define the character of the service but is used for the want of a better one. Those we desire to enlist are already enrolled—that is their names are on the church membership list. We wish to stimulate the inactive Christian to activity, to energize the inert, and to arouse torpid powers and unused talents for ready service. Without this unified activity no great forward movement can be accomplished as it should be.

Our woman's share in the enlistment work is to reach the indifferent woman, inform the ignorant woman, put the indolent woman to work, inspire the cold woman and to

give to all the vision of the great work that awaits them through the missionary activities of the church. The Woman's Missionary Union enjoins this service all the year round but October has been selected for special effort on this line. May large results be reported at all of our November Meetings.

In one of our southern states there are over 300,000 white Baptists, of which number more than 200,000 are doing nothing in the forward movement of God's Kingdom. In other states the situation is equally appalling. In every communion there is the church within the church, that is the group of its members who are more deeply interested and industrious in the affairs of church life than, judging from the above statement, the larger outer circle upon whom their obligations sit more lightly. Here the need for enlistment is unquestioned and the duty of the inner group clear. Indeed they cease to be of this group unless they are mindful of Acts 20:28, "Take heed, therefore, unto yourselves and to all the flock over which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers". But not to pastors alone is committed the responsibility of the enlistment of all the flock into the church within the church, its whole membership must cooperate in solving the enlistment problem. Paul was not a pastor but the care of all the churches "was on him daily". As the individual is often a problem—even to himself—and as there are almost as many causes for indifference as there are individuals, prayer, tact, and a loving desire to win must, through the Holy Spirit, direct the appeal. One enlistment field worker, W. F. West, gives the following clever illustration of the governing cause of all indifference: "Many Christians are like that Ford car—it had a record of wonderful achievement. It had pulled through the worst kind of mud. It had climbed the steepest hills. It had traversed the roughest roads. But one day as it was running along a smooth highway it suddenly came to a stop. The driver examined the car carefully, there was plenty of gas, there was sufficient oil and water, the spark plugs were all right, the timer was in good condition, there was nothing wrong with the coils. What could be the trouble? Directly one came by who knew and suggested that the point on the magneto be examined. This being done it was found that a tiny bit of trash had lodged on this point and had broken the contact. It was so small that it was almost imperceptible, yet it was sufficient to rob the car of all its power and usefulness. These Christians have allowed something to come into their lives that has broken their contact with the power of God—something seemingly insignificant; perhaps even little thought of but nevertheless real."

The point of contact! There lies the duty of pastors and zealous laypeople—to restore to the half-hearted the joy of His salvation. Many pastors might voice the prayer of the old Presbyterian divine, Father Hunt, who prayed that "all church members languishing at home on beds of illness and *chairs of wellness* might be raised up to renewed service." Oh that a great revival like a "Pied Piper" might pass through our churches and call their children into "fields white for the harvest"!

Prayer makes it possible for God to work through us. "Prayer will create a warm spiritual atmosphere which will crystallize purpose and encourage perseverance." At the regular missionary meeting have a season of prayer for enlistment that will leave none out; an earnest opening prayer followed by sentence prayers should bring a petition from all. A called meeting for this purpose would emphasize the importance of the undertaking. There must be a carefully thought-out plan. Make a survey of the women of the church and have every member of the society on the visiting committee if possible, these going out in couples or singly. The most painstaking judgment should direct the approach. Perhaps the first visit should be purely social, followed by a later visit at which the hostess is invited to attend the next missionary meeting. Get a promise if possible but do not force it. These two visits could be made by the same or different women. Choose those women who would be the most congenial to the one to be enlisted. The enlistment campaign should be conducted in a quiet and natural manner and without the church-visitor air. Someone has truly said that this sort of drive cannot be accompanied by a brass band nor can it

be successful if visitors are tactless. The usefulness of one young matron was long deferred by the want of tact in her first visitor from the church. At the close of the call the early winter twilight made the suburban path to the main avenue quite indistinct. "Are you timid, shall I walk with you to the car?" said the young hostess. "Oh no," replied the older woman, "I am doing the Lord's work and He will take care of me. This is my fifth church visit this afternoon and I feel safe in His care." After closing the door the young woman looked into the hall mirror and said to her reflection, "You may be the Lord's work but I doubt whether Mrs. B. is a chosen implement." What might not have been the result had the visitor taken advantage of the short friendly walk to the car and used it for the Master she really loved. Let us choose the right implement.

Do not make your efforts of no effect by presenting an indifferent program at the initial meeting of new members. Put the dear member who talks too long on the hospitality committee, for there should be some light refreshments served at this meeting. Welcome the newcomers and express the hope that they will join the society at the close of the meeting. Have short talks and a question box on the topic for the month, a solo, a recitation or a well-told narrative. Open and close with earnest devotional periods.

No amount of paper plans have the force of those actually carried out and tested but for a beginning the above suggestions will be useful.

Unremitting follow-up work must determine the success of all plans.

5. The Heart of Enlistment This will be done by the continuation committee whose duty it will be to give the closest study to their determinative work. For the help of this committee and all who are enlisted in enlistment service

we quote again from Mr. W. F. West in the *Christian Index*: "The first thing necessary for the realization of our enlistment program is the creating and renewing of the point of contact between the inactive church member and the power of God. There will never be any passion for souls or any missionary zeal as long as this point of contact is interrupted. The secret of this passion and zeal is revealed in Romans 5:5, 'The love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us'. Not our love to God but the divine love, that same love which God manifested when He 'so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son'. That same love which Jesus showed when He went to the cross of Calvary. There will never be any true estimate of values until this divine viewpoint has been attained, nor will we ever appreciate the true worth of a human soul until we see this world as God sees it. It is here we are confronted with the greatest difficulty for it is hard to get men to see that such a thing as material value does not exist and to show them that they have been spending their time and energy gathering unto themselves material goods which possess no value, for after careful study one finds that material things acquire value only as they come in contact with the human soul or in some measure meet the human need. Jesus manifested His appreciation of this fact throughout His life's ministry for we hear Him say, 'The foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man hath not where to lay His head.' And at last when they had nailed Him to the cross and had pierced Him through and He had poured out His life's blood for you and me He left no estate, there was no will to be probated; He left nothing but the garments which He wore and over which the soldiers cast lots. Yet there has never been a human being who has trodden the face of this earth who has so enriched the world as Jesus. Thus we see that the very heart of enlistment is the vitalizing and energizing of the latent forces of our denomination, and this can be realized only as the power of the Holy Spirit becomes operative in lives of individuals."

6. * Seeking Our Own At the close of the war, perhaps because of the preponderance of young life thrown into military service, there came to the churches a quickened understanding of the need of youth in Christian service. It is noticeable that more and more the great conventions are giving young people larger opportunities for expression and their hour is often climatic. "There is a high courage about consecrated youth which makes the pulses beat more quickly. They are bound

*See editorial in September ROYAL SERVICE, paragraph three, "The Call"

upon the quest for the far horizon of the soul's desire." These high ideals must be captured by the church, young men and women must be lovingly called to a decision for service. The enlistment of youth, humanly speaking, will insure a long term of service for Christ; will direct the trend of life and will determine the future status of church activities.

That the Woman's Missionary Union has not been slack of purpose in regard to our young people is shown in the latest report of Committee on Young People's Work which gives the following increase in numbers during the past year: "1,135 new Sunbeam bands, making a total of 4,637; 302 new R. A. chapters, making their present number 950; 507 new G. A.'s, giving a total of 1,546; 445 new Y. W. A.'s, present total 1,920, making a total of 8,963 organizations "which probably represent 125,000 individuals. How we rejoice over even one young person of our acquaintance whose "joyous service" is bringing soul enrichment to herself and fuller blessing to others; multiply her by 125,000 then add the thousands still to be won and we see the assured future life of the Union. From among our R. A. chapters we see some presidents, secretaries and treasurers of conventions and mission boards as well as missionaries, pastors and teachers. A large task is still before us, specially do we need leaders for young people's work, leaders who will give careful thought and earnest effort to enlisting youth for the great world battle against sin. Let us enlist leaders for

"Young souls so strong the race to run,
And win each height sublime,
Unweary still do they march on,
And still exulting climb."

7. Enlistment Call of the Campaign

The list of high points of achievement of the Baptist 75 Million Campaign given in the new Southern Baptist Handbook has one more point than the League of Nations and this, the 15th, is one that places the spiritual value of enlistment as a climax to all that this privileged season has done for southern Baptists. It is this: "The Rediscovery of Our Source of Supply of New Workers. Southern Baptists have never prayed to God to send forth laborers into the harvest as they did preceding the days for 'calling out the called' in our schools and churches in October 1919, and God answered their prayers by inducing 6,500 consecrated young men and women to dedicate their lives to the ministry, missionary work and other forms of special Christian service in those two days." A like achievement was listed thus: "An Awakened Laity. Thousands of our laity who had never been active in church work before found in the Campaign opportunities for real service and responded whole-heartedly. The Baptist women of the south have long been organized for Kingdom service, and while the Campaign marked great strides in their development our forward movement did even more to arouse the men of the churches than anything else in our history."

For these and other blessings, results of our wonderful Campaign, and for the certainty that the full amount of \$75,000,000 will be met in the five years a prayer of thanksgiving and a hymn of rejoicing should engage heart and voice. Our enlistment task is a spiritual and not a financial one, but as growth follows rain and sunshine so will a full surrender of will, mind and spirit be followed by tithes and thankofferings. "It is a short step for the Christian to the realization that all he has and is belongs to his Master and is held in trust."

8. Enlistment Purposes of the Home Mission Board

The fundamental purpose of our Southern Baptist Convention at its organization was to carry into effect the benevolent intentions of our constituents by organizing a plan for eliciting, combining and directing the energies of the denomination for the propagation of the Gospel. This is the fundamental principle of the enlistment work in which the Home Mission Board engages about eighty enlistment field workers.

In a general sense it presupposes evangelism. It is the schoolmaster leading the young, the uninformed, the undeveloped into larger knowledge and better training. It is the

foundation on which the superstructure of Christian character must rest. It constitutes the prime need of southern Baptists at this time. The fame of our zeal and success in evangelism has been heralded everywhere. We are modest in the claim, supported by the testimony of others, that in evangelism we are behind none, and probably stand first among all Christian denominations just now. Our embarrassment comes when the religious competency of our people is put in the balance. There, in a large measure, we are found wanting. It will not suffice to explain why we have measurably neglected the enlistment of our forces in our dominating zeal for evangelism. Our over-shadowing duty just now is to give heed to training and culture in all the round of Christian doctrine and life. We have an army made up of raw recruits instead of trained veterans. Much of our field lies fallow; into it we must push the plowshare and be unsatisfied until it has been converted into a field of fruitfulness and a garden of the Lord.—*S. B. C. Report*

In this serious hour we southern Baptist women who are interested in missionary work must include the spirit of enlistment in the spirit of our service. Some of us will have to change our ways. It is not enough to say, "I will do my duty and leave my sister to her own interpretation of Christian responsibility." If we can champion a cause we can lead others along the road which led us to the cause we champion. We can help the tardy sister to find life and service in the way God wants her to live and serve.

In 1920 the enlistment program of the Home Mission Board was enlarged 100 per cent. Rich results followed in the increased attendance of men upon Bible classes and the enlargement of Sunday schools.

These enlargements open fields of immeasurable possibilities and a responsibility that will burden souls of thoughtful men. We have never had in all our history so wide open a door of opportunity for enlisting our men in the work of the Kingdom as at present. We shall be false to them and to our cause and to the blessed Master if we fail to make use of this great and mighty force for the on-going of the Kingdom.

While rejoicing in the growth and achievements in enlistment results the Home Mission Board and indeed the whole Baptist brotherhood was called upon to mourn the sudden death of Dr. S. Y. Jameson, superintendent of Department of Enlistment. The work under his direction for the past two and one-half years made solid and rapid progress. Just when his grasp on its problems was reaching its zenith he received the Master's call and exchanged the toil of earth for the rest of heaven.—*S. B. C. Report*

The Home Mission Board has been peculiarly fortunate in securing, as a successor to Dr. Jameson, of Dr. O. E. Bryan, former secretary of the State Board of Missions of Kentucky.

10. A Matchless Honor While still abiding with His disciples Jesus promised them to send the Spirit of truth to bear witness of Himself. Later He prayed the

Father that the truth so sanctified might be given to the world through these disciples—and "them also which shall believe on their word". Assuming His sacrifice as already accomplished He claimed on their behalf "I have finished the work thou gavest me to do". Here is the truth and its completion. Into this incomparable held we are called to enlist and to enlist others, for some sleep. The poison gas of apathy has lulled them to slumber. To these we are called to be the angel of awakening lest their "faith and vision" fail and they "lose their way in the dim country of this world". The light that went out in Jerusalem liveth forevermore and we who name the Name have but a dull sense of our high calling if we do not hold aloft the torch quickened from that light. Are you in line? Does your neighbor know that Jesus is passing by? Have you touched your sleeping sister? Have you answered your call to a matchless service?

"O matchless honor, all unsought,
High privilege surpassing thought
That Thou shouldst call us, Lord, to be
Linked in work-fellowship with Thee!
To carry out Thy wondrous plan,
To bear Thy messages to man;
'In trust' with Christ's own word of grace
To every soul of human race."



Y. W. A. PROGRAMS



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FIRST MEETING

Topic—Sleeping Giants

Concert Prayer—Psalm 8

Hymn—Praise Him, Praise Him, Jesus

Our Blessed Redeemer

Scripture—An Unenlisted Church,
Revelation 3:1-6

Hymn—More Love to Thee, O Christ

Topics for Talks

1. Do-Nothing Churches

2. Do-Little Churches

3. Do-as - Little - as - Possible Mem-
bers

Prayer—That God's Holy Spirit May
Vitalize the Unvitalized

Catechism Contest

Leader's Charge—A Call to a Matchless
Honor

Hymn—Revive Thy Work, O Lord

Closing Prayer

Do-Nothing Churches

"We have still about 11,000 southern Baptist churches that are doing nothing for missions or other cooperative work. Three or four thousand preachers give more or less of their time to these churches. It is not an easy task to bring these churches and preachers into a sympathetic and alert cooperation with the best our denomination is doing." (Consult Publicity Department, Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.)

Do-Little Churches

"There are only about 5000 preachers who serve 20,000 rural Baptist churches in the south. In 11,000 of the rural churches the pastor has only one chance monthly to instruct the people. The total average salary paid these is not more than \$500, so that they usually earn their living outside of their preaching. There are 7 or 8 thousand churches which are doing something cooperatively, but which are yet not really awake to putting forth more than a tithe of their latent strength.

Each of them ought to permeate its entire community with the Gospel spirit and each ought to reach out to the parts beyond with something like its real ability. They are not doing it. This task of helping into a larger life thousands of churches that are already doing something is quite as important a part of what we call enlistment as it is to get the do-nothing churches to begin to do something."

"The remote country church has not failed. It has really done most of that which has been done. But, in the midst of a civilization making marvelous material advances, it has just stood still. Here is our problem, and its appeal is enough to touch the heart and sense of fair play of any discerning Christian." (See current issues of "Home and Foreign Fields".)

Do-as-Little-as-Possible Members

(See Paragraph 3, General Program.)

Catechism Contest

Order in advance from the Publicity Department, Baptist Home Mission Board, Healy Building, Atlanta, Ga., a sufficient number of copies of "A Catechism of Enlistment", latest edition (Tract number 10), for every girl in your Auxiliary to have one. Get the girls thoroughly interested in the contest at least two weeks beforehand so that everyone will study the Catechism of Enlistment and be ready for the contest. Invite G. A.'s. or members of W. M. S. as guests. Have the leader question her "class" as in a school recitation. Put as much life as possible into the quiz. Honorable mention may be made of the two best contestants at the next meeting of the W. M. S.

Leader's Charge—A Call to a Matchless Honor

"With more than forty per cent of the religious membership in the south, Baptists are in wealth and culture, as they are in their New Testament principles, abun-

dantly able and fitted to nurture into vitality and a large fellowship in Christ every remote Baptist church in every corner of the land. We must do it, if we are to be half as big as our principles require that we shall be."

"The Baptist 75 Million Campaign has united the hands of our Home Mission work in scores of places and the great work this Board has accomplished in the past by the blessing of our God will from this good year become greater as a power for saving the people and conserving the life of the south."

See also paragraph 10, General Program.

SECOND MEETING

Topic—Setting the Alarm Clock

Hymn—In the Harvest Field There Is Work to Do

Prayer—That Christ's Followers May Not Fail to Do His Work

Scripture—Children of Light, Eph. 5:6-17

Leader's Charge—"Eyes to the Front"
Hymn—Hark! The Voice of Jesus Calling

The Enlistment Man—An Enlistment Story

Three Minute Talk: There Is Work to Do

Hymn—To the Work! To the Work!

Talk—How to Wake Them Up

Pastor's Charge to Y. W. A's.: Calling Out the Called

Closing Prayer

Leader's Charge

There must be education. Numbers alone do not constitute strength. An undisciplined mob is a menace to efficiency rather than a promise of power. This is perhaps the weakest point in our Baptist life. We must educate. Every local church must become an educational institution, nurturing its membership for life and for service in the Kingdom of God. We must enlist those who are not enlisted. We must nurture and teach those who are enrolled in our churches in order to enlist them in service, for enlistment in service can only follow knowledge and vision. We must bring out the latent powers which reside in us.... We have the numbers. Let us train them into efficiency for evangelizing at home and

for the support of the great work abroad. Education rightly understood is the process of completing the work of evangelization. Each is incomplete and one-sided without the other.... There must be renewed and deeper consecration. Our numbers and our education will mean little unless we give ourselves to the work, to the Kingdom, to our God.... The world is open and opening to us. In the last century and a quarter we have gained at a rate which is without precedent in our history. The next century and a quarter ought to give us a Baptist Community of 500,000,000 people, nearly half the race. The opportunity is overwhelming. Our foreign missions will be successful in proportion as we put behind them a united and nurtured constituency devoted to the work. As the military leader steadies his lines and prepares them for the great struggle, so let us use his language and say, "Men, men of God, steady. Eyes to the front; forward! forward!"—*Dr. McGlothlin*

The Enlistment Man—An Enlistment Story

Order in advance Tract No. 8, "An Enlistment Story" from the Publicity Department, Baptist Home Mission Board. Have the story told with animation.

Talk—There is Work to Do

Let this talk stress the need of workers in some phase of activity in your church—in the Sunday school; leaders for the Sunbeams, R. A's., or G. A's.; in the musical services of the church. See "Home and Foreign Fields," Oct. 1919.

Talk—How to Wake Them Up

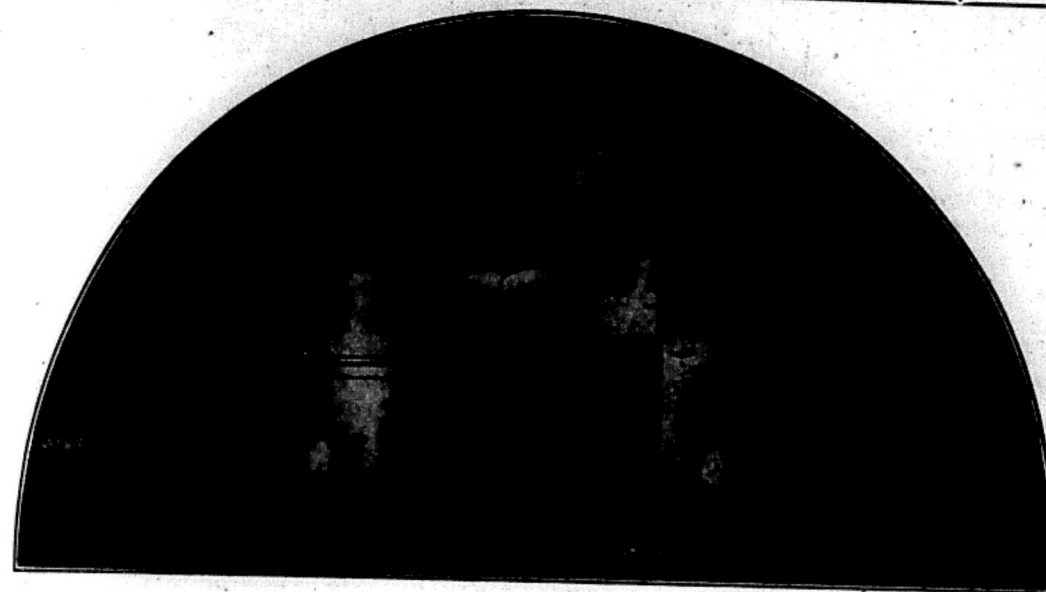
Emphasize the opportunities which Y. W. A's. have to help and the privilege of enlisting recruits for Y. W. A. work. "Be sure to refer to Miss Susan B. Tyler's excellent article in "Home and Foreign Fields", Oct. 1919, entitled "Together Spells To Get Her". See also pars. 2, 4, 5 and 6, General Program this issue.

Pastor's Charge

Ask your pastor to give to the Y. W. A's. a real heart-message on the subject of responding to God's call for special service for Him.



COLLEGE Y. W. A.



IN the Congressional Library in Washington among the works of art designed by Elihu Vedder is this plaque representing Good Administration. As Columbia sits in her chair, evenly balancing the scales of justice, over her head is an archway in which each stone fills its office of support, there can be no shirking. In the mind of the artist these were to represent the states of the Union but for us may they not suggest the various activities of our Y. W. A.? Let us be sure that each part of our plan is fulfilled that the members may be equally strong in their prayer life, in Bible study, in Christian fellowship, in missionary knowledge, in the grace of giving—so shall our Y. W. A. arch be truly a symmetrical span of Christian beauty.

On the right enters youth with books under his arm casting his vote into an urn. Naturally in a democracy there is need for civic instruction but often the sphere of college life is limited in interest to the activities of the campus. Mathematic calculations, Latin and French lessons, English parallel reading require so much time that the newspaper accounts of world happenings are practically neglected. As Y. W. A's let us be sure that we do not lose touch with the progress of events as we look back into histories of days gone by.

Wisely administering the days' hours, including a time for keeping abreast with the current news, sharing in the mission study classes where we see the changes in nations and the growth of international brotherliness, college girls may hasten the day when the womanhood of our land shall be so well informed that men may not scoff at woman's voting.

At the left of Columbia gracefully poses a maiden carefully winnowing wheat from the chaff. Are college days giving discrimination in thought, principle and deed? The year slips by all too fast, two months gone already, let us be certain that the habits we form are desirable ones. Winnow the wheat from the chaff before both have fallen into the urn of our lives. There are habits of helpfulness, of cheeriness, of friendliness, habits of prayer and habits of study—desirable ones that Y. W. A. girls wish to cultivate, let not opposite unworthy habits crowd out these fair and beautiful ones.

In Columbia's lap is an open book, the law, but for us let it be the Bible, open and ready for use. That Bible that mother put carefully in your trunk when she helped you pack up two months ago, where is it? In daily use? Only so will your privileges of college days be well administered. Y. W.

A. girls are those who read God's word each morning that it may be a light for the daily path.

Again, in the background are fields of grain and fig trees fruitful; for us they are the grain of wheat that falls to the ground and dies and brings forth abundantly, and the fig tree that bears her fruit in due season. So shall our lives be best lived, be noblest as our life fades into the background save as in Him we bear fruit, save as in Him we lose our life to find it again.

A wise college president remarked one day, "Do not let your studies interfere with your education". The wise Y. W. A. girl will balance her life at the close of this first quarter in new surroundings and new environment to see that her college days are well administered in ways of choicest growth.

Did you receive your College Y. W. A. Bulletin? Did you like it and does it help you where you need help the most? Write to your State College Correspondent or to your Young People's Leader about it? W. M. U. plans to make the Bulletin a paid publication which will be of real value to you, your suggestions would indeed help to that end.

Twilight Studies

First Twilight: November with its autumn hush brings us moments of quiet pause among them that excellent day, Thanksgiving, "the tired world standeth still in a trance of peace and praise". J. M. Ludlow suggests that "Thanksgiving Day is our annual time of saying grace at the table of eternal goodness". Patriotically we glory in the Christian Stoicism of the one hundred two emigrants who landed one winter day at Cape Cod Bay, built two rows of huts for nineteen families and, though by the end of the first year there were seven times more graves than houses, proclaimed a Day of Thanksgiving for the mercies of God that had followed them in the new Land of Liberty. Years passed before the first Presidential Proclamation was given by George Washington with a thought like David's in Ps. 95:1-6. Still do we thank the God of the nations so established, the child of the heroic launching out of a few in faith, 1 Chron. 29:10-14.

Look at other nations of the world to see our causes for thanksgiving and we find Ps. 15 applies to nations as to individuals. Ps. 67:1-4, 115:1.

Second Twilight: For the homes that make up our government let us give thanks. Twilight time is the time of the day when most our hearts turn homeward. "The hearthstone is the heartstone", yes, it is the lodestone that draws us in spirit and for it we shall praise God, who is Father of here and in the "home over there". Japan has no word meaning "home" in her language; the Chinese word is but the character for pig under that for roof. America should thankfully praise God for the Anglo-Saxon word of beautiful connotation and pray that it remain inviolate in our land. Ps. 145; Ps. 147.

Third Twilight: As we think of the disasters and persecutions in countries where state and church are united, we here in free America, have a sense of gratitude. How blessed are we who worship in perfect safety and according to the sincere desires of our hearts. We to whom the Bible is not forbidden. Col. 1:18. Let it be that the great multitude of saved in our churches shall join in the praises of the angels as given in Rev. 7:12.

Fourth Twilight: Most of all as young people do we thank God for life itself. "O, the mere joy of living." How often David's heart overflowed in praise for God's blessings, Ps. 9:1, 2; Ps. 103; Ps. 105:1, 2; Ps. 118. On dark days let us rejoice for our strength mindful of those who lie on beds of illness; in bright days let us give thanks for His kindness in giving us joyous happiness. In every condition then shall we not think in the terms of Ps. 34:1, Ps. 92:1, 2 or Phil. 4:6? With youth, friends, opportunities for study, service and love, the final note of the Psalms should ever ring in our hearts and on our lips, Ps. 150:6. Thanksgiving means Thanksliving.

"I will remember all Thy love divine;
Oh, meet Thou with me where Thy
saints are met,
Revive me with the holy bread and wine,
And may my love, O God, lay hold on
Thine,
And ne'er forget."



G. A. PROGRAMS



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FIRST MEETING

Topic—Winning the Won
Worship in Song—Hark 'Tis the Shepherd's Voice I Hear
Intercession—For Christians Who Are Not Enlisted in God's Service
Need for New Zeal—Bible Study, James 1:22-25
New Consecration—Take My Life and Let It Be
Individual Prayer from Each for Success of Enlistment Campaign
New Jobs for All
Getting Girls Together
What to Do First (paragraph 4, page 11)
Old Business Cared For
New Business Discussed
Mizpah

Winning the Won

We are told that about two-thirds of the people who are really Christians are not enlisted in service. They have their names on the church roll. They have been converted and made open profession of their faith in Jesus as their Saviour; they attend church services occasionally or oftener; they may even belong to a Sunday school class which they attend more or less regularly; but that is all. They are merely passive Christians. They seem never to have realized that there is a job for them in the work of bringing in Christ's Kingdom. They do not often oppose any of the forward movements of the church but neither do they help. If we could enlist these Christians, if we could win to service those who are already won to Christ, and if they should do anything like as much as those who are now in service, the affairs of the Kingdom would go forward by leaps and bounds. This is our greatest task. It is not enough that each one of us shall do what we can. We must awaken these indifferent ones that they may do the things that we cannot. A wise president of a missionary society once took as her motto, "Never do anything which you can get another to do". That may sound lazy but she found that it was often far more difficult to find another to do things than it would have been to do them herself. At the end of

her two years' service as president she had developed more new material in her society and trained more leaders ready to undertake the tasks connected with the work of the Union than had been developed in that church in many years, more than anyone dreamed existed in that church. What she was able to do herself was wonderful and important but the things that she induced others to do were far greater. It is for this reason that our Woman's Missionary Union has set aside the month of October for a special effort to enlist the unenlisted Christians in our churches, whether grown-ups or boys or girls. In our meeting today we are to try to make some definite workable plans for enlisting the unenlisted girls in our church. Let us check up and see who belongs to our G. A. but does not come regularly and find out "why" in order to win her back. Then begin on the girls you know who could and should belong but who do not, go after them with zest and enlist them too so that this fall the G. A. will have a banner record.

New Jobs for All

In the W. M. S. program for this month is an interesting history of the word "enlist". You will notice that it was the knights who engaged in the tourney who were really enlisted, not the maidens who sat in the covered balconies and watched the jousting. So it is the girls who are "busy about the Father's business" who are truly

enlisted as His followers. Each one needs a task which it is her distinct privilege to fulfill and do. Enlistment month is a good time to see that no one has been left out and if such an accident has occurred make a new job for that G. A. If you will check up your G. A. by the Standard of Excellence you will likely find just the things to be done that somebody needs to do. Measure up on the standard right now.

Suggestions for Leaders

"The way to have a wide-awake missionary society is to put the members to work. Unless we put something into the meeting we will not get anything out of it. You know how much more interesting a meeting is if you take part in it or help to plan it. Our young people must be given something to do if interest is to be held." Every member of an Auxiliary should be either officer, chairman of a committee or on a committee from which definite work is expected and called for. There is nothing more discouraging than to do one's work well and accomplish that for which one's committee was appointed and then not have the work called for and be able to report in an adequate way. The best way to kill a committee is to forget it. The best way to enliven a committee is to remember always to call for its report and to give it the time and attention it needs. A little expression of appreciation of the work done also helps and makes the girls more ready to give their best service the next time they are asked. Some committee suggestions from a leaflet called "Putting People to Work" published by the Lutheran women are quoted below.

1. Invitation Committee: *a.* To invite young people of the proper age in the congregation to become actively enlisted in the society. *b.* To invite outsiders and visitors to meetings. *c.* To remind members of hour and day of meeting. *d.* To advertise meeting attractively.

2. Program Committee: *a.* To plan and arrange for leaders. *b.* To pray and plan with appointed leaders for success of meeting. *c.* To arrange suitable place for meeting.

3. Social Committee: *a.* Act as hostesses. *b.* Introduce new members and visitors. *c.* Endeavor to make the society a means

of helpful Christian fellowship. *d.* Arrange for socials.

4. Mission Study Committee: *a.* To organize and secure leaders and arrange for study groups and classes and reading classes. Library and Literature committee duties might be combined with this committee if desired. These secure mission books, periodicals and leaflets and see that they are distributed and used and also collect literature for shut-ins.

5. Personal Service: Southern Baptists must always add to the list of committees suggested one for personal service which shall be charged with finding out places in one's own community where social and religious help are needed that the opportunities may be presented to the society. This committee will also be eagerly interested in the "Win one" campaign.

"Be sure your committee chairmen are well chosen. Have them meet with officers once each month in prayer. Then have each committee meet in prayer at regular intervals when they also plan and discuss their work."

Getting Girls Together

Girls of G. A. age follow the crowd. Success appeals to them. Be an Auxiliary of boosters. Talk success, plan and pray for success, have success. It comes in cans—failure in can'ts. Have "something doing" all the time. Undertake definite tasks, the bigger the better. Constantly set new goals and attain them. Make the work concrete. Have many socials. Plan for variety in every department of the work. Cultivate a worth-while G. A. spirit.

SECOND MEETING

Topic—A Pod of P's and the Program
Hymn—The Son of God Goes Forth to War
Sentence Prayers for Missionaries Away from Home at Thanksgiving

Hymn—O Zion, Haste

Watchword—Daniel 12:3

The Lord's Prayer

Bible Study—the Acrostic (page 9)

Hymn—Work for the Night Is Coming

A Pod of Missionary P's—One at a Time

Song—Brighten the Corner

Business

Refreshments

Mizpah

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R. A. PROGRAMS



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FIRST MEETING

Topic—Enlisted R. A's. in the King's Army

Song—Volunteers to the Front

Prayer—That All R. A's. May Be Loyal Soldiers of Christ

Business

Commission and Declaration of Order of R. A's.

Song—The King's Business

Talk—Meaning of the Word "Enlistment" (See W. M. S. program, par. 2)

Series of Talks by R. A's.

Song—Fight the Good Fight

Prayer for the International Conference Meeting Nov. 11 in Washington, That the Spirit of the Prince of Peace May Lead

Talk by Pastor on Life Enlistment

Reading of Poem (W. M. S. Program, page 14)

Song—The Banner of the Cross

In the U. S. Army there are nine departments of enlistment. Each is distinguished in the dress of the soldier by the color of his hat cord. From our regular soldiers are suggested these nine phases of the R. A's. life as a soldier of Christ, the King.

First R. A. Infantry—blue cord. See John 14:6; 18:37. As R. A's. we want to walk in the way of Christ as loyal followers. It is a narrow way that our companionship with Him may be close and dear. The blue cord typifies the truth as we speak of "true blue". Jesus told Pilate "everyone who is a friend of truth listens to my voice". Strange that Pilate should not have listened. We must be always listening to Him that we may walk with Him in the way of truth.

Second R. A. Cavalry—yellow cord. 2 Kings 6:13-17. Probably the cavalry men receive much encouragement in battle from the mere fact of the love of the master for his horse which produces the feeling of

comradeship that the cavalry soldier has. Many times an R. A. may feel that in his fighting temptation he is alone but we know that "they that be with us are mightier" when we are on God's side. The yellow cord is for the brightness that is in our hearts as we remember that encouraging fact of His presence with us.

Third R. A. Artillery—scarlet cord. Joshua 2. The artillery was most valuable in the late war in creating a barrage of protection for the soldiers as they advanced. This story of Rahab shows how the scarlet line in her window protected her. The line typifies the blood of salvation which insures our spiritual safety. Every R. A. should certainly accept the salvation provided for him by Christ's death.

Fourth R. A. Medical—maroon and white cord. Luke 7:1-10. Many incidents of Jesus' healing power are given to us. Of the 34 miracles of our Lord 26 are miracles of healing. R. A's. in their personal service can cheer and brighten the sick ones by taking them flowers, by carrying a glass of mother's jelly or by reading a while to a brother R. A. and jollying him up a bit. They can carry in the kindly deed the "cup of cold water" as the soldiers of the medical corps did on the actual battle fields.

Fifth R. A. Engineers—scarlet and white cord. Isaiah 40:3-5. All of us as Ambassadors are crying "prepare ye the way of the Lord". We build the King's highway as we win others to know Him as Saviour, to be "washed in the blood of the Lamb" and to strive for the white purity of holiness. No wonder the scarlet and white cord!

Sixth R. A. Ordnance—black and scarlet. The weapons which we need, the supplies for defense are listed in Eph. 6:13-17. If you can refer to the April, 1920, ROYAL SERVICE you will find a helpful discussion of this armor. We know that

all will be supplied for Paul tells us in Phil. 4:19 that "God will fully supply every need".

Seventh R. A. Signal Corps—orange and white cord. In I Samuel 20 is the story of how Jonathan signalled to David news of Saul's dangerous anger. So today R. A. friendships can keep us safe from temptations by our signalling warnings to each other and reminding one another of the need for soldiers with undivided allegiance to the Master.

Eighth R. A. Field Clerks—black and silver. Matthew 13:38. "The field is the world" so enlisted in His army we must know of the whole world through mission study which will tell us about Baptist activities in the world field. The black cord is suggestive of the dark blackness of heathendom and the silver of the redemptive light of Christianity.

Ninth R. A. Quartermasters' Corps—buff cord. Jesus said "I am the bread of life", John 6:35,47. We know that He will sustain us in all of our life if we but trust Him. R. A's. will surely not enjoy blessings of knowing Him better through their organization without sharing that privilege with others, so let us busily enlist those boys who are not already members of our chapter and let us be sure that every member is present every time at the chapter meeting.

SECOND MEETING

Topic—Thanksgiving Pie

All Royal Ambassadors
Meet in their chapters
Making Thanksgiving Pie;
Each as easy as anything
Mentions a blessing
And says—
"How thankful am I".

No apologies are due Jack Horner because he didn't pass his Christmas-pie around.

Let this program be a fall good time as well as a thanksgiving service of informal nature. Sing some of the "Harvest Home" songs which the boys know including of course "America", "Praise God from whom all blessings flow" and some of the other praise hymns, such as "Crown Him Lord of All" and "Oh could I sing His matchless worth". Psalm 65

would be a good devotional reading. Give the boys opportunity to name blessings and privileges for which they are grateful including national, individual and denominational causes for giving thanks. A nice Thanksgiving Day story told by a good story teller would be a splendid addition to the prayer and praise service.

The history of the observance of Thanksgiving Day is an interesting one. Soon after the Pilgrim days, governors neglected to set apart a special day until in the war of '75 as in our late war, the nation realized its need of a day of united prayer and in '77 such a day was proclaimed by George Washington. The Continental Congress then decided on having quarterly Thanksgiving days. This was found to be impracticable making too much cooking or too many vacations so the House of Representatives settled on Nov. 26. The matter was overlooked in the Congressional records until Mrs. Sarah J. Hale in 1859 began a series of letters to the state governors asking them to urge the observance of a day of thanksgiving. All but two did this but Mrs. Hale was not satisfied and at the close of the war of '63 she wrote to Abraham Lincoln about it. He heeded the suggestion, looked up the record and established Nov. 26 as Thanksgiving Day. It has been observed yearly since then on the last Thursday of November.

To the R. A. leader. In the Sunbeam and Girls' Auxiliary programs this month you will find suggestions which will doubtless prove helpful for R. A. enlistment work as well as for the other organizations. Be sure to look at them. It is well always to file ROYAL SERVICE for reference in the future.

"Come, ye thankful people, come,
Raise the song of harvest home!
All is safely gathered in,
Ere the winter storms begin;
God, our Maker doth provide
For our wants to be supplied;
Come, to God's own temple, come,
Raise the song of harvest home.
All the world is God's own field,
Fruit unto His praise to yield.
Lord of harvest, grant that we
Wholesome grain and pure may be."



SUNBEAM PROGRAMS



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FIRST MEETING

Topic—Working for Jesus
Sunbeam Song
Lord's Prayer in Concert
Song—Jesus Once Was a Little Child
Roll Call—Answered with Name of a
Missionary or of a Place where We Work
Bible Study—Jesus Sending Helpers
Song—Help Somebody Today
Prayer Service
Song—L-O-V-E, Love
Giving Service
Story—Peter the Cobbler
Song—Jesus Loves Me
Business
Goodbye Song
Closing Prayer

Jesus Sending Helpers

I wonder how many of you have ever heard anything like this, "Come here, John, or Mary, and help me"? Have you? Yes, I know you have. Everybody in the world needs help sometime and they generally call on somebody when they do. Have you ever thought that Jesus needs people to help Him, too? He did when He was here in the world and He does now. Shall I tell you about a time when He was here among men and called twelve of His best friends together and sent them out to be His helpers? Jesus had been preaching and teaching and healing in the land of Palestine until many people had come to believe in Him and love Him. Among these there were ten men who loved Jesus most of all and were with Him more than others were. One day Jesus called them to Him and gave them His wonderful power to heal diseases and to make the lame walk and the blind see, to cast out evil spirits and do many other of the wonderful things that only He could do. Two by two He sent them out to be His helpers. He told them that when they came to a town they were to heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, even to raise the dead, in His name, and to preach to the people

telling them that God had fulfilled His promise and sent His Son that they might repent and be saved. Jesus told them not to charge anybody for these things they did but they need not pay people for what they ate for that was due them. He loved His friends and did not want them to make any mistakes so He told them just how to act and what to do that they might be happy with all the people they met. So these twelve men set out on their journey as Jesus' helpers. Wherever they found need they helped people, cured them of their diseases and tried to lead them to repent and believe. When they saw what wonderful power Jesus had given them and how much they could help Him they were just as proud and happy as they could be.

Today there are men to whom Jesus has given power to heal disease. I am going to tell you just a little bit about one of these men. He cannot heal by just laying his hands on the sick ones as Jesus' friends did long ago but he is a Christian doctor and each day before he goes into his operating room he kneels down and asks God to let him be strong and skillful to make people well. Each time a new patient is brought to him he asks God to let him make this sufferer well if it is best. Sometimes God says "No" because that is best, but most of the time He says "Yes" and the people who come become well again. While they are growing strong this good doctor tells them about Jesus whom he loves and who has given him the skill and knowledge to heal them. Then he asks them to believe in Him and be sorry for their sins and let Him save them. Many listen to the good doctor and repent and believe and are baptized.

We are not doctors or nurses and we may not be when we grow up but Jesus has some work that He needs even little children, Sunbeams, to do. Who can tell me some of the helpful deeds that Sunbeams can do?

Peter the Cobbler

Once upon a time there was an old cobbler who did nothing but make shoes. Every day he tried to make the new pair better than any that he had ever made before. He worked hard all day long and then at night he swept up his floor, cleared away his tools and leather, ate his simple supper, took down his old Bible, spread it out on the bench and read until it was time to go to bed. One day he must have been working very hard for he fell asleep while he was reading and had a wonderful dream. This is the dream. He thought that Jesus came to him and said, "Peter, I have seen your faithfulness. I have seen how each day you try to do your work better than you did it the day before. I have seen you read your Bible and try in every way to serve me and tomorrow, Peter, tomorrow I am coming to visit you in your own house". Then Peter was very happy and dreamed that he got up early the next morning, cleaned his house again very nicely, sweeping out every tiny little piece of leather from between the cracks and dusting and setting everything straight. Then he thought that he went out into the woodshed and brought in a big load of wood so that he would have a nice warm fire for the Lord Christ when He came. He set on the table a loaf of snowy bread and a pitcher of nice fresh milk that the Lord Christ might have food to eat. Then he sat down at his bench to wait. As he waited he set to work on a pair of boots, trying to make it the very best pair that he had made in all his life. As he tapped away he wondered when the dear Lord Christ would come. At last there came a feeble tap at the door. There stood a poor bent old woman who said, "Good morrow, Peter. 'Tis a cold day without and the wind blows bleak. May I come in and warm by your nice warm fire?" "Oh, yes!" cried Peter, "Come in. I am glad to have thee". He led the old woman to the fire and piled on the wood till the flames leaped merrily and there she sat until she was nicely warm again. Then she left but at the door she turned to thank him and said, "Goodbye, Peter, the Lord Christ bless thee". Peter sat again at his work until after a long time another knock came. This time he was sure that

it would be the Lord Christ who had come but when he opened the door there stood a poor shivering mother with a little child in her arms, moaning with hunger and cold. "Good morrow, Peter. The day is cold and the wind blows bleak, may I come in and warm by your nice fire?" said she. Peter answered, "Yes, come in. I am glad to have thee", and leading her close to the fire he piled on the wood and stirred the coals till the flames leaped merrily. The woman lifted the little child to the glowing heat until it too was warm. When Peter saw the tiny face so blue with cold and hunger his heart was touched and he poured a mug of milk and gave it to the mother to feed the child. Seeing her face he went back and brought a cup for her also and a slice of the snowy-white bread. As he gave it he thought, "It was for the dear Lord Christ when He came, but I am sure He would not want me to let one of His little ones go hungry". When the woman was warmed and ready to go, Peter took down his other coat from behind the door and wrapped it about her saying, "Take it friend. Thy need is greater than mine". The woman thanked him and as she passed through the opened door, turned and said, "Goodbye, Peter, the Lord Christ bless thee".

Again Peter sat at his bench and tapped away at his shoes wondering when the Lord would come. At last as the afternoon wore on there came another knocking at the door and hastening to open it for the dear Lord Christ he saw, not Christ, but a poor feeble old man who said, "Good morrow, Peter. The day is cold and the wind blows bleak, may I come in and warm by your nice fire?" Peter answered kindly, "Yes, come in. I am glad to have thee". The old man hurried to the fire and held out his trembling hands to the blaze. Peter looked at the few remaining logs and thought, "If I put these on there will be none to make a nice warm fire for the Lord Christ when He comes but I am sure that He would not have me let one of His little ones go cold". So he piled on the wood and stirred the coals until the flames leaped merrily and the old man was warmed and comforted. Peter noticed the eager look in his eyes as he saw the milk and snowy bread and he hastened to

the table and poured for him the rest of the milk, and cut a piece from the bread. When the old man was both warmed and fed, he rose to go and as he passed through the open door he turned, saying, "Goodbye, Peter, the Lord Christ bless thee".

Once more for the last time that day, Peter sat again at the bench and tapped, tapped away at his shoes. The last long rays of the setting sun filled the tiny room with their splendor and Peter thought, "O, I wonder if He has forgotten. I wonder if the dear Lord Christ will not come?" Even as he thought he looked and behold, in one of the rooms a glorious light more radiant than the shining sun and softer than a summer moon. In the midst of the light stood the dear Lord Christ Himself. As He stood He looked at Peter and smiled very sweetly, and as He smiled He said, "Ah, Peter, did you not think that I would come? Peter, Peter, three times have I been with thee this day. I was the bent old woman; I was the mother and child; I was the feeble old man. And, Peter, 'inasmuch as ye have done it unto these, my children, ye have done it unto me'".

—Adapted from Tolstoi

SECOND MEETING

Topic—Thanksgiving
Welcome Song
Snow Prayer
Song—Praise Him, Praise Him
Memory Verse of Thanks and Praise
Song—Can a Little Child like Me
Prayer of Thanksgiving
Song—America
Story of the Pilgrims Dramatized
Flag Song
Salute to the Flag
Song—Star Spangled Banner
Roll Call Answered by Names of Missionaries
Sentence Prayers Thanking God for All His Good Gifts
Thanksgiving Recitation
Business
Song—How Strong and Sweet My Father's Care
Closing Prayer

Snow Prayer

I read it in the Bible,
This tender little prayer,
And when the flakes are falling
So beautiful and fair,

I'll say to my dear Saviour

This little prayer I know,—

Wash me and I shall be

Whiter than snow.

Whiter than snow, yes, whiter than snow,

Now wash me and I shall be whiter
than snow. —Selected

Suggestions to Sunbeam Leaders

This is enlistment month in the W. M. U. and the Sunbeams will want to have their part. Of course you want your band to grow but your problem of enlistment is different from that of the W. M. S. for the children are eager enough to come, it is the home that is indifferent. Visit your primary department to find out who are there and not in your Sunbeam Band and go after them. Your going must be two-fold. First to the child; talk to him in such an enthusiastic, interesting way about the band that he will want to come enough to insist on being reminded of date and time. Then go to the mother and make her feel the importance of the work which you are doing for her child. Even the mothers who are members of the missionary society sometimes fail to realize that their own children really need more missionary instruction than they can receive in the Sunday school period. These mothers must be enlisted for you cannot have a successful Sunbeam Band without the cooperation of the mothers any more than one could have a successful public school without the cooperation of the mothers of the community. Do not go enlisting in your own strength, but go in His strength guided by the Holy Spirit. Be as tactful and considerate, as sympathetic in understanding as may be; base your plea on the spiritual need of the child.

The children can be made valuable allies in your enlistment. The small fish and other rewards for new members gotten out in the different states and by the Sunday school publishers are immediate incentives for which they will work. An honor roll for those who bring a good number of new members helps. Frequent parties and good times are talking points, but interesting programs coupled with plenty of well directed personal service will be far better still. The children will take their cue from you. If you are eager, interested and optimistic they will be also.



FROM OUR MISSIONARIES



COMMENCEMENT AT POOI TO

WE ARE graduating our first high school class of six fine girls and giving certificates to nineteen who finished the seventh grade. There have been nearly six hundred enrolled in Pooi To this year. It has been a wonderful year in many ways. In two weeks seventy-five of our students have accepted Christ. The most of these are children of the lower primary department, boys and girls of 12, 13 and 14 years' old. Most of our older girls are church members or confess Christ as their Saviour. However, eight of the older ones were baptized today. We are thankful to our Father too that our school is recognized as one of the standard high schools of south China. In a recent athletic meet of Kwong Tung Province our girls won in volley ball the president's gift, a silver loving cup. This is the first girls' school in south China to win a prize in athletics. They also won second place in a volley ball tournament with nine other schools. We have the president's grandchildren in our school and a number of other noted officials' children. I boast not of this from a worldly point of view but I do rejoice in the opportunity to witness for Christ and bring Him to the homes of different classes of people in this great land. I wish you might attend our commencement. It is going to be very nice indeed. President Sun's son will be our speaker. He lives here at Tung Shan.—*May Hine, China*

MAKING A SCHOOL A HOME

Since Dr. Anderson's death I have been living in Peking. It was my intention to stay on in Yangchow but a position in the Language School here was offered that meant I could stay with my baby and yet be of some help in a work that had been very near our hearts when we were here as students—that of trying to “mother” the new missionaries. It seemed a very presumptuous task for so young a missionary to undertake but it has been a constantly

increasing joy to do what I could to make this a homey spot and to help when I could in facing all the many problems of the “first year out”, in most cases the most difficult of all years.

From ninety students that first year, five winters ago, to over three hundred now, from forty Chinese teachers to a hundred and twenty, it has been a fascinating work fraught with grave problems and difficulties but always full of interest and love. Not all of the students are missionaries, of course, for Peking is full of legations and business people, but the large majority are missionaries. It is always a peculiar joy to greet the S. B. C. missionaries. This year it is an added joy to have my own brother, Gordon Middleton, among them. My three year old son, John Todd Anderson, is full of “pep”, speaks Chinese almost altogether and is already talking about America, our furlough being due next year.—*Minnie Middleton Anderson*

ENCOURAGING NEWS FROM NIGERIA

The students from our seminary are accustomed to go on preaching tours to the villages and towns in this section of the country. I know the people at home would be interested in the reports they make as they return after such trips. We are in the midst of our annual mission meeting; today we have been listening to the reading of many of the letters which the seminary boys sent in. One after another wrote the wonderful opportunities, the hunger of the people for the Gospel and their pleas for teachers and preachers. Never before have we had such an opening for work or such a spirit of evangelism among our students. Many of them beg to remain in these towns instead of returning to school. Our hearts ache as we have to tell the towns, one after another, “We can send you no teacher”.

The future for mission work in Africa has never seemed so bright as now. God

has answered our prayers in opening up the hearts of the people and in the sending out of men and women for this great harvest field. Their coming to us has wrought a wonderful change, it is meaning the extension of our work and a unification which has long been needed. I must confess that I was much discouraged after my return from furlough but God has brought to us such a fulfillment of His promises that I now look up and take heart. We cannot express the gratitude which is in our hearts for you dear people at home who made possible the sending out of these noble, consecrated young men and women who are taking their places in this trying field with such a beautiful spirit.—*Olive Edens, Nigeria, Africa*

MEDICAL NEWS

This has been a most happy year for me. The women met me as though an old friend had returned. It speaks well for those who have worked so faithfully here for fifteen years that the women greet a newcomer so cordially. The language is very like the dialect I learned so many years ago and a little daily study has helped me to learn the new words, so that I have had no difficulty, though in the dispensary work I meet a great many who have not talked with a westerner before. We often see twenty a day in our temporary dispensary and the one room available for in-patients has been most of the time uncomfortably full. About half of the people come to be treated for various inflammatory diseases of the eyes; we have operated in about eight cases for the deformity of the lids caused by trachoma, the disease that is so common here.

We are so glad to hear that we are to have a part in the “missionary ship” that was scheduled to leave the states in August. Miss Barrett has been appointed to Pochow; she will probably go on to Peking for the language work the first year. That is such a help to beginners. My daughter is to teach in the American School near Peking and my thirteen year old son will go there as a pupil, so Miss Riddell will likely be alone this winter; we look forward to a busy season.

It is not the sight of naked children on the streets or of men sleeping on beds set

on the streets that reminds us most forcibly we are not in a Christian country but the stories we hear of mutual hatred, fear and cruelty. In the yard next to us a mother has hidden her daughter for a full month. She ran away from her mother-in-law's persecutions but as the law holds that she belongs to her husband her own father would not risk taking her in. He rents just one room and several families equally poor have their rooms opening on the same yard so the hunted creature has taken refuge in first one room and then another, keeping herself and child out of sight in the day in spite of the awful heat. The mother wanted us to take her but we knew she would be seen and, sooner or later, taken by her husband's family. It seems she has no rights, even though the mother-in-law has threatened to kill her. It is claimed that the woman herself has serious faults. I would so like to help her.

The lack of efficient helpers is a serious hindrance as to the amount of work done and as to its quality, so we are glad to have one of our girls just graduated from the grammar grades in Kaifeng who wants to be trained as a nurse. She is on probation until fall and we believe will want to go on with the training. We have a Nurses' Association of China with fixed course of study; it is not easy either. A proper woman to attend the gate and help in dispensary is yet needed but the church members have come loyally to our aid in serving during the day. It is so necessary that Christian women meet and talk with the strangers who come daily.

We have a large Mohammedan population living with but quite separate from the Chinese. Several of the women have become Christians and others are open to the Gospel. A well-to-do family of that faith has brought to us a little daughter with an almost incurable spleen infection. She is getting better and the family is very grateful. A funny little woman has been in for an operation on one eyelid. She was here when I waked this morning, having come before sunrise, so I made ready the instruments and got it over while the day was yet cool. She has a most remarkable memory and it is amusing to hear her sing; some of the folksongs are most interesting.—*Mary L. King, M.D., China*



CURRENT EVENTS



AN interesting suggestion has recently been made with regard to the non-Christian literature of China. The proposal is that a committee of Chinese scholars—Christian, Buddhist, and Taoist—make a careful compilation of the best ethical teachings of the Confucian, Buddhist and Taoist faiths to be used as a text book on Chinese ethics in the schools. Additional selections would be used for advanced training in colleges and seminaries. It is believed the plan would aid greatly in the education of Christian workers by giving them a fuller appreciation of the religious mind of China and a more comprehensive point of view in facing religious problems.

While in some sections the Bible has no place in the public schools there are states in which the reading of the Bible in public schools is required. An interesting illustration of what may be done by a man of Christian character and energy comes from Hereford, Texas. Some years ago the president of the Western National Bank decided to try to get the Bible into the schools of Hereford. He interested others and they succeeded in introducing a Bible course with the result that at present Bible study is required in the grammar schools and is elective in the high school. Of the 250 students in the high school 65 are enrolled in the classes for Bible study having two forty-five minute periods a week. In the grammar schools there are two twenty-minute Bible classes a week. The superintendent of schools reports an improvement in discipline since the Bible study was introduced and says that he would not superintend any schools into which he could not get the Bible.

A new evangelist is creating great rejoicing among many earnest souls in England. A Baptist pastor in one of the suburbs of London was stirred by an appeal from the venerable Dr. John Clifford in which he stated that the chief need of England today is an evangelistic revival. The minister prayed about it earnestly then began going to nearby towns during

the week and returning to his own church for Sunday. After a few weeks' preaching in the streets of these towns the conversions mounted above a thousand and the whole section known as East Anglia was afire with religious fervor. The churches began inviting the preacher, Rev. A. Douglas Brown, to come into them and both established church men and non-conformists joined in supporting the meetings. At length he was invited to the proud university town of Cambridge and Gypsy Smith assisted in the great meeting.

In the recent census of India great efforts were made by Mohammedans and Hindus to keep down the number of Christians reported, this caused many persecutions and a missionary writes that in his district lies, threats, bribes and flattery were used to make Christians enroll as Hindus. Christians were dismissed from their positions, preachers were thrown into jail on false charges. Some Christians out of fear denied Christ but many unbaptized believers insisted on being enrolled as Christians. One old sweeper was ready to fight the census taker who at first refused to number him among the Christians. "True I have not been baptized", he said, "but Jesus is in my heart".

An interesting observation on Bible work in Japan comes from an undenominational Christian preacher in the empire. He says that Christianity seems to be making little progress in Japan at present but that this does not prove the absence of a demand for Christianity among the Japanese. Among hundreds of publications the Bible is the best selling book in Japan today, the demand for it comes not from Christians alone but from all classes of people.

It has been brought out that a fundamental qualification for missionary work and one that is receiving increasing recognition by missionary leaders is the attitude of mind and will with which one undertakes his work. New missionaries are being urged to go with a spirit of open-mindedness, humility, courtesy and a willingness to receive as well as give.



TRAINING SCHOOL



VACATION DAYS AT HOUSE BEAUTIFUL

OH, how delightful!" is the usual exclamation when the massive doors swing back and one enters the Frost Memorial Hall. In winter it has the temperature of a summerland and during the torrid days of the past weeks it had the cool air of another clime. So in winter and summer, through heat and cold, House Beautiful is full of refreshment and manifold blessings. As always the vacation time is a busy time for somebodies at the Training School. For a month Miss Warren, our Director of Home Economics, was busy getting the big house ready for the workmen who had to do over woodwork and make other repairs. Then Miss Conner, our office secretary, always has piles of catalogues to send out and dozens of letters to answer about students and applications. For two summers she and her mother have kept House Beautiful comfortable and cheerful for the little colony that finds a delightful abiding place within its spacious apartments. Miss Emma Leachman, for so many years assistant to Mrs. McLure in Good Will Center, has made her home in the school since 1914. The Home Mission Board has recently captured her for southwide work which her experience as a missionary under the State Board and as helper to Mrs. McLure in Applied Missions in the Training School has well fitted her to do.

Miss Fait of Missouri has worked through the summer at Good Will Center and Miss Monroe of Virginia has had charge of a mission under the auspices of Fourth Ave. Baptist Church in Louisville. Miss McQuady, a graduate of last session, has worked with the Sunday School Committee and Miss Garner of Georgia has been secretary for Dr. Gaines Dobbins of the Seminary faculty in extensive work he was doing in Church Efficiency. These young women have all found a safe home in House Beautiful. Other students who were out in state W. M. U. work have made this their headquarters and six students who went into the Children's Hospital for training during the summer have found their recreation hours in their Alma Mater. So the great white building really serves as a "benignant mother" the year around. The Chairman of the Board and the Financial Secretary, Mrs. George B. Eager, returned June 6 and, with the invaluable help of Miss Conner, had the newly acquired property next door overhauled and equipped for several additional students as well as for a temporary home for herself and Dr. Eager, in grateful acceptance of the gracious invitation of Woman's Missionary Union at Chattanooga. Warmest appreciation of this beautiful deed is now and here expressed to all these valued friends of the Baptist W. M. U. Training School and its officers.

The enrollment for the session of 1921-22 opening September 19 is the largest in the school's history. One hundred and thirty-five can be cared for and all the places are engaged with some names on the waiting list. Soon we must "arise and build". The S. B. C. Theological Seminary has bought a beautiful site and it is expected that building operations will begin in the spring. When the new seminary is completed, the teaching for our students will be done in our school and new class rooms will be built with additional bedrooms on the lot recently purchased. Mrs. Maud R. McLure, our principal, returns in fine health and spirits after a busy summer. Miss Carrie Littlejohn of South Carolina comes as Director of Good Will Center—one of our own graduates who knows and loves the life and aims of the school. Two students, Miss Wharton, N. C., and Miss Godwin, Miss., who give finest references as musicians, are to share the work in that department while they take a part of the course. Miss Crawford, Ga., takes charge of athletics which is now a required course. Mrs. G. W. Sutterlin we are fortunate to retain as teacher of expression. Miss Coombs, our tried and trusted nurse, will be on hand to keep our girls well and Miss Warren, who proved such a treasure last year, is again in charge of Home Economics.

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PERSONAL SERVICE



SUGGESTIONS FOR SOCIETIES

(Continued from October Issue)

THE Russell Sage Foundation and the American Red Cross, 249 Ivy St., Atlanta, Ga., will give information on social service; so will your State Board of Charities or Welfare, your state university and all the great denominational publishing houses; so also does the splendid paper *The Survey*. We need to make a real study of these questions. Perhaps the chief criticism to be made so far of much of the personal service work of our societies is that it is not based on enough study of fundamental principles of social work or on thorough knowledge of the conditions and needs of our own communities. Good physicians make a careful diagnosis before prescribing treatment and good personal service must be based on facts instead of mere sentiment.

One of the first and best things any society can do is to adopt the suggestions of our leaders and make a survey of its own community. The W. M. U. leaflet, *The Survey*, is suggestive but it would be well to consult also the *Pathfinder Survey* of the Red Cross and other publications on the subject. When you have learned the actual facts as to housing, sanitation, health, education, recreation, child labor, family conditions, industrial conditions, church and Sunday school membership and attendance, conduct of jail, orphanage, county home and other local institutions in your community you will then find what is the greatest need and where your society can best put its time and effort. Such a study will show you that the needs of a poor family are not met merely by haphazard donations of food and clothing and that soup and jelly to the sick are not solving the health problems that kill the babies in your town. You will see where the boys and girls are going for pleasure and what are the conditions sending them to the Juvenile Court and reformatory. You can do much better work with your Sunday school class and Sunbeam Band after such a study; yes, much better work for your own family.

Another point that needs to be impressed upon our societies is the importance of keeping good records. Case histories should be written of the families with whom you deal in order that intelligent, constructive work can be done from year to year and that you may analyze your own procedure and its results. Here the trained social worker can be of much benefit and if you have one in your community she will appreciate being consulted on this question. Information on the records needed and the proper method of dealing with needy families is abundant. We should not be content to do in a blundering way what touches so many lives for good or ill. Charity as it is usually administered by the untrained worker does more harm than good. Seek to study the causes and build up the family life and standards. That is the Master's way. He never pauperized.

Another point to remember in our work is the necessity of cooperation. Part of our study of our community should be the study of all agencies and individuals in the community working for its improvement, and the society should seek to give and receive help in a program big enough to take in all the community. Notify the school nurse or public health nurse of the people that need her help and make your work cooperative. A community council to bring all these agencies together as a clearing house will be a fine thing to start if you do not have it. Many church workers do not realize the resources available and do not enlist half of the help they might have. These other workers, too, can do much for a society in suggestions and information. We can be loyal to our own church and denomination without dwelling in isolation in our community. The motto of our country is a good one, "United we stand; divided we fall". There would not be so much wasted energy, cross-purposes, duplication of services if we drew closer together all the leaders in our community. So we can help extend the influence of Christ.—Miss Mary Livermore, Tenn.

(To Be Concluded in December Issue)



BOOK REVIEWS



"HELP THOSE WOMEN"

IF women interested in church work and especially in that branch which is distinctively missionary would like to read about themselves, the beginnings of their work—often in the face of opposition—its growth and finally its grateful acceptance by the whole church as a power for achievement, let them turn to Dr. F. A. Agar's charming discourse on women's work in his book, "Help Those Women". He carries the story from the early "Ladies Aiders" down to the well-officed and efficient organizations of the present day, missionary and otherwise.

The first of the four chapters in the book, *Organized Women's Work*, tells of "pioneer work done under adverse conditions" and of "persistence, devotion, intelligence and general efficiency" that has carried women's work to its existing place as a part of the whole Kingdom task. It closes with an admonition to the church of Christ to "help those women" that they in turn may help the whole organization to secure for our Saviour all He desires for the world".

The Mission Society or Circle is the title of the second chapter. This treats of the missionary society in its relation to the local church, it speaks of the harm of monthly dues which are always put at a low figure and thus limit the giving of many who should have paid into the cause much larger amounts; it deplores the wrong device of offering "something material or some pleasure in return for money paid for God's cause"; it gives useful and usable rules for the disbursement of money and closes with many on practical missionary work.

Chapter three, *The Aid Society or Women's Auxiliary*, gives this organization its rightful place as a spiritual aid to the life of the church. The material comforts it provides are "loving efforts to meet the needs of a world that greatly needs love and comfort". "These women are to be

helped in their simple ministry, so simple that it has often been neglected."

"Love is the oil that will keep the machine in good working order" says chapter four, entitled *Methods and Machinery*. Here are grouped suggestions for prayer, educational work, visiting, the use of the bulletin board, the budget and many other helps to efficiency.

Surely Dr. Agar in this book has obeyed the injunction of the apostle to "help those women". The book is more than a mere list of suggestions and should create a lively interest in a mission study class of women who would carefully read and discuss its contents. Price .75, cloth only

THE STEWARDSHIP OF LIFE

A later book by the same talented author, Dr. F. A. Agar, under the title of *The Stewardship of Life*, will give the student, for this book should be a study, many profitable and truly enjoyable hours. The incidents and illustrations are graphic and fit closely to the lessons the author wishes to teach. These lessons are simple and imperative because they are wholly akin to the rules for stewardship and thank-offerings in the Old and New Testament, and those who study them with a sincere desire to profit by them will speedily become tithers if they have not already done so.

In presenting stewardship the author takes nothing for granted as to our knowledge of this topic and "starts at the genesis of the subject and carries the reader through to the logical conclusion". The five chapters: I. The Road and the Guide, II. Ownership, III. Possessor and Possession, IV. The Steward, and V. A Planned Life, are sections of the highway which carries the student to the grand conclusion which is after all but the beginning, for Dr. Agar tells us in his closing paragraph that the planned life "will continue throughout eternity after we have gathered in the presence of the Father-Owner and for Christ's loving sake He has said, 'Well done good and faithful servant'." Price .75, cloth only

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"HEAVEN'S MORNING BREAKS"

JUST as the dawn came over the red ore hills of Birmingham, Alabama, on September 30, the radiant spirit of Clyde Metcalf Stamps winged its flight to Heaven. Only last April was she married to Mr. Hubbard Stamps and her thousands of friends rejoiced in their happiness. These friends were largely among the Baptist women and young people of Alabama, among whom she joyfully rendered for many years her labor of love as young people's leader of the Alabama W. M. U. Beautiful of face and spirit she led them "into paths of joyous responsibility". As a graduate of Judson College and a student for one year at the W. M. U. Training School she was highly honored by both institutions and as a member of the W. M. U. Secretaries' and Field Workers' Conference she extended her friendship and usefulness throughout the south. To her bereaved husband and father and other loved ones the Union's tenderest sympathy is extended even as it gives thanks for her missionary life.

"It singeth low in every heart,
We hear it each and all;
The song of those who answer not,
However we may call.

"They cannot be where God is not,
On any sea or shore;
Whate'er betides, Thy love abides,
Our God forevermore."

MEETING OF CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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it on page 36 of this magazine. On page 5 you will see a diagram by Dr. Arch C. Cree of Georgia. It was used in the *Christian Index* as a "Campaign Keyword" and proved so helpful that it was recommended it be adopted and published in the state papers and other publications. Another appeal setting forth conditions and urging all to meet the situation in an heroic way was approved for publication in the papers, this being signed by all members of the commission.

Other excellent recommendations were made but one from which we should expect large returns was the plan by which we were to enlist for pledges for the remaining years of the campaign the large numbers who have recently been brought into our churches by baptism. It is the earnest hope of your officers that all Union workers will fall in line with these plans as they come to you from your state headquarters.

The meeting of the commission came to a close after an inspiring talk from Dr. Mullins. Among other things he called our attention to the fact that never had the power of God nor the resources of God been diminished, certainly not since the great pledging campaign in the fall of 1919, but that it is only faith that has grown less. It is yet our privilege, notwithstanding the apparent odds against us, to step out on the promises of God and claim the victory.

"Two men looked out from prison bars,
One saw mud, the other, stars."

According to your faith be it unto you.—Matt. 9:29

TRAINING SCHOOL

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The summer expenses have been cared for without a deficit or call upon our wonderful treasurer for "more". Thus happily, courageously, gratefully, we enter upon another year of blessed work for the Master in training southern Baptist young women for high and holy tasks.—Mrs. George B. Eager

Royal Service

SUBSCRIPTION VICTORY FOR KENTUCKY

The all-summer campaign for subscriptions and renewals for ROYAL SERVICE has resulted in the exchanging of places by Kentucky and Texas. Kentucky now becoming victor and Texas taking second place. In the states listed below an advance in number of subscriptions has been noted. States not listed have also made fine records. Total of subscriptions from June 1 to October 1 12,775. The whole Union congratulates Kentucky!

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G. A. R. PROGRAMS

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Program Do's and Don't's

Do—Decorate. Costume. Vary. Practice. If necessary, get outside talent. Have open meetings.

Don't—Read parts. Go through the form. Have cut and dried information. Complain about lack of interest.

Clothe with life the weak intent,
Let me be the thing I meant.
Let me find in Thy employ
Peace that dearer is than joy,
Out of self to Love be led
And to heaven acclimated,
Until all things right and good
Seem my natural habitude.

—J. G. Whittier

ATTENTION : W. M. U. TRAINING SCHOOL ALUMNAE

THE TIME has come again when your message is due the Bulletin. Please do not put it off until tomorrow but mail it to the address given below before you have a chance to forget it. Don't forget your dues! If you have not paid your pledge to the Leachman Memorial please send that in also.

Carrie Littlejohn, Sec.-Treas.
334 E. Broadway, Louisville, Ky.

OPENING AT W. M. U. TRAINING SCHOOL

SEPTEMBER 20th was the date of the formal opening of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and therefore of the W. M. U. Training School in Louisville, Ky. By that date one hundred and thirty-three young women had enrolled. At their first chapel service in the Heck Memorial Chapel Mrs. Maud R. McLure, the principal, spoke from the passage in Matt. 16:24. That evening she introduced the other members of the faculty and the student committee. A new member of the faculty is Miss Carrie Littlejohn, who succeeds Miss Emma Leachman, now of the Home Mission Board. Will not ROYAL SERVICE readers faithfully pray for the school's faculty and student body?

FALL AND WINTER STATE W. M. U. MEETINGS

State	Place	Date	Union Representative
Missouri	Moberly	Oct. 18-20	Mrs. James
Maryland	Baltimore	Oct. 26-28	Miss Mallory
Virginia	Petersburg	Nov. 1-4	
Illinois	Casey	Nov. 2	Miss Patrick
New Mexico	Albuquerque	Nov. 7-8	Mrs. James
Kentucky	Mayfield	Nov. 8-10	Mrs. Wharton
South Carolina	Spartanburg	Nov. 8-10	Miss Mather
Alabama	Anniston	Nov. 9-11	Miss Mallory
Louisiana	Shreveport	Nov. 14-16	Mrs. James
Tennessee	Nashville	Nov. 15-16	Miss Mather
Georgia	Macon	Nov. 15-17	Miss Mallory
Oklahoma	Oklahoma City	Nov. 15-16	Mrs. McLure
D. C.	Washington	Nov. 16	
Texas	Waco	Nov. 29-30	Miss Mather
Florida	Miami	Dec. 5-8	Miss Mather

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ADDRESS OF W. M. U. HEADQUARTERS

As stated in the October issue of this magazine, the removal of W. M. U. headquarters to Birmingham has been effected. From now on, therefore, all orders for ROYAL SERVICE, priced literature and organization pins should be sent to the new address:

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A Statement to Southern Baptists

Written by Request of Campaign Conservation Commission



WE ARE at a great crisis in our history as a people. Our faith, our loyalty, our courage are severely challenged by a great situation of danger and of possible victory. We are in the most trying period of our five-year Campaign program, the third year. Two courses are open to us. We may look at the difficulties, real and imaginary; at our financial losses, great or small; at our own weaknesses of various kinds, until the difficulties, losses and weaknesses become mountain high, until God's presence and power become empty unrealities. That way lies defeat, ruin, the ignominy of broken pledges and a fickle loyalty.

But there is a glorious alternative. We may renew our vision of the coming Kingdom; replenish our courage at the living fountain of Christ's boundless life, link ourselves once more to His unbroken promises and His infinite power, renew our fellowship with God's living Spirit, rededicate ourselves to prayer and the performance of the task to which all power in heaven and on earth are pledged and, with unfaltering faith and courage, go forth to victory.

We must not falter. We must not abate our zeal. We must not think or talk failure or defeat. We must not permit a passing situation to destroy our morale. We must not end with the flesh after beginning in the Spirit. Our Baptist people are not children, who undertook a foolish or ill-advised thing, nor quitters who are daunted by circumstances. We were led of God to undertake a great enterprise. We must toil and sacrifice and suffer, if need be, but we must win. The eyes of men and of angels are upon us. God is with us. His grace and power are pledged to us. With renewed strength from God let us be "steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord" until the final victory.

DR. E. Y. MULLINS

President Southern Baptist Convention