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EDITORIAL



THE STATE ANNUAL MEETING

N the mountains of North Carolina on the divide there is a spring of the purest and sweetest water which flows in two directions gathering reinforcement on the way till finally that flowing east empties into the broad Atlantic and that flowing west into the Mississippi and thence into the great gulf-south of us. As these waters of the spring high up in the mountains seek their way to their outlet they dig deep channels through which waters that are to follow will find their safe way and at the same time afford refreshment and help the land through which they flow to bring forth its fruit in due season, finally emptying into the great sea, becoming one with the waters that flow from many sources and many lands.

Three denominations and the Y.M.C.A. have chosen to make the region near the vicinity of this spring in North Carolina a rallying ground where they seek to instill into the lives of those who attend their assemblies a full and lasting appreciation of the sweetness and purity and the life-giving quality of the living water which flows from the throne of God. It is not the purpose, however, that those who have been so privileged on these mountain tops of inspiration become mere receptacles of the water of life. It is rather the purpose that each life shall become an overflowing spring and that as they go down from the mountain in their several directions each life shall gather reinforcements and together they shall dig deep channels making the way for others and along which the love of God can flow for the refreshment of the sin-sick and weary and for the bringing forth of the fruits of righteousness in our own land, at the same time steadily seeking to join their lives with the lives of the multitudes from every land and clime so that the world may become one in Jesus Christ even as the many waters empty into the sea.

It is not necessary that we go to the mountains of North Carolina nor the mountains anywhere that we may gain the experience and inspiration that will flow out in every direction winning souls, enlisting the unenlisted, helping our own community and making a neighbor of anyone who needs help. There are many opportunities for such mountain top inspiration but one of the greatest we of the Woman's Missionary Union have is in our state annual meetings. Soon many of us will be on our way or will be preparing to go to our state meeting. And may we urge that every woman who is planning to attend can be of tremendous help in the meeting even though she may not be an officer nor is to serve on the program. Each one can serve by praying for the officers and for those who are to take public part in the meeting, by listening sympathetically and determining to carry back to her society every helpful suggestion from whatever source and seeking to put it into operation.

Would it not be a glorious thing if all the women who go, and even so those who do not go, would give themselves in prayer that from the annual meeting this year there shall flow a spring of such boldness and power that the life of our denomination may become more surely a channel of blessing, that souls may be won to Jesus Christ, that the indifferent may be enlisted, that they will recognize to the full their stewardship of time, talent and money? Let us all pray that our annual meetings will be a source of refreshment in our own land and that all people "unto the uttermost parts" will feel the influence of them in the days to come.

WORLD COMRADES

Your nurture it and give it the opportunity to be of real service to you in helping to build up the Kingdom. This magazine is being published because of the earnest request of the state young people's leaders. So many felt that it was impossible to give all the help needed for Sunbeams, Royal Ambassadors and Girls' Auxiliaries in the few pages available in ROYAL SERVICE. A sample copy of the first issue with subscription blank was sent to every leader of the organizations mentioned above. The expense of this large issue was borne entirely by the W.M.U. expense account but the next issue will be large or small according to the number of subscriptions received and we are hoping that like ROYAL SERVICE the expense of WORLD COMRADES will be met by money from subscriptions. The price is 50 cents a year and the magazine will be issued quarterly. See address on page 34.

It is most essential that every leader of a Sunbeam Band, of a Girls' Auxiliary and of a Royal Ambassador Chapter shall be a subscriber to WORLD COMRADES if that leader is to be the best leader possible for in it are the programs for the society meetings and reviews of books that will be helpful. Neither should the leaders be without ROYAL SERVICE for it will carry suggestions as to methods and helps for the leader. We earnestly hope that every Woman's Society will see to it that the leaders of the three junior organizations under its fostering care have both WORLD COMRADES and ROYAL SERVICE. They cannot do their best work without both magazines.

Now to you mothers: We hope you will think the missionary training of your own child so important that you will subscribe for WORLD COMRADES that it may be in your home. It not only has the programs that will be of inestimable value to your boy or girl but it has news from the foreign lands. In addition there will be in each issue a missionary story for the little tots and one for the older boys and girls.

The success of the magazine depends upon us all and we are depending upon you to help us make it a magazine that will be worthwhile and will contribute to the strengthening of the work among our young people.

"THANKS UPON EVERY REMEMBRANCE"

AST month we had something to say concerning our trip to Ridgecrest and vicinity. The pleasure of that trip still lingers with us as well as some of the impressions received. One of the greatest pleasures of the stay at Ridgecrest was that of meeting Mrs. T. P. Bell, formerly Miss McIntosh, the first president of Woman's Missionary Union. It was indeed a delight to sit on the front porch of Pritchell Hall in sight of the everlasting hills and talk with Mrs. Bell of the things of the Kingdom, of the growth and progress of W.M.U. work at home and in foreign lands and the spread of those ideals for which the Union stands. Mrs. Bell's interest is as keen in the Union work and her love as great for the Union workers as in the pioneer days when she gave such valuable service in this branch of our denominational work. We who are serving today can never be grateful enough to those who gave their time, their talent, their best thought and their deepest devotion to woman's work when it meant real sacrifice and in many instances real suffering because of criticism due mostly to a misunderstanding of the motives that prompted the women in the work. There are many workers of the early days of the Union whom we would remember in our prayers and have our constituency keep in loving remembrance. Among these are Mrs. Bell, the first president; Miss Annie Armstrong, the first corresponding secretary; Miss Alice Armstrong, whose

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BIBLE STUDY



TOPIC—Continue in Prayer

"I believe God answers prayer, I am sure God answers prayer, I have proved God answers prayer. Glory to His Name!"

I. Preparation for Prayer: (1) Renunciation of all known sin, Ps. 66:18; (2) A spirit of forgiveness, Mark 11:25; (3) Confidence of faith, Mark 11:24; (4) A spiritual motive, James 4:3; (5) In Jesus' name, John 14:13, 14; 16:23; (6) According to God's will, I John 5:14. He commands us to "acquaint thyself with God", Job 22:21; "be conformed to the image of His Son", Rom. 8:29; "keep yourselves in love of God", Jude 21; "study to show thyself approved", II Tim. 2:15; work with God, I Cor. 3:9; "taste and see that the Lord is good", Ps. 34:8; "command Him concerning the work of His hand", Isa. 45:11. The greatest obstacle to the conversion of men is that Christians, individually as well as the church of God, have never yet accepted intelligently, lovingly, joyfully and confidently the promises of God to praying souls.

II. Faith in Prayer Rests on the Word of God: John 15:7; 16:23. Prayer in the name of Christ is such as is offered in the nature, mind and spirit of Christ. To repeat a holy name is an easy thing but to attain that holy abiding is to reach the highest ideal of discipleship, yet to nothing short of this perfect union has He promised the unrestricted blessing. When guided by the Spirit of Christ the Christian can ask nothing but what is in accordance with the will of God, I John 5:13-15; because none may ever have fully measured it we must not doubt the divine possibility. A submitted will rests on the great sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ and on nothing of itself, Heb. 5:7-9.

III. Promises Which Fortify Feeble Faith: (1) The promptness of divine help, Isa. 65:24; (2) Possibilities of faith, Mark 9:23; (3) Abiding with Christ, John 15:7; (4) God's measureless ability, Eph. 3:20; (5) The riches in glory, Phil. 4:19; (6) Agreement in prayer, Matt. 18:19; (7) God's graciousness unto us, Isa. 30:18, 19; Ps. 4:3; 17:6; Micah 7:7. The power of prayer rests in the faith that God hears it. It is this faith that gives one courage to pray. "My God will hear me", what a blessed certainty! God delights to answer prayer, "Call upon Me and I will answer thee". In my nothingness and helplessness as a creature, my wretchedness and transgressions as a sinner, my feebleness and unworthiness as a saint "my God will hear me" for the Holy Spirit is sent into my heart to cry "Abba, Father", Rom. 8:16-26.

IV. Continue in Prayer: Col. 4:2; Rom. 12:12. There is need that Christians should be trained to the work of intercession, II Thess. 3:1. You have accepted Christ Jesus to make you whole and to give you strength to walk in newness of life, Eph. 1:15-23, now claim the Holy Spirit to be in you the Spirit of supplication and intercession, Eph. 6:18. It is a life of faith and the prayer life of intercession is of the first importance, I Thess. 5:17-25. It was when the friend at midnight, in answer to his prayer, had received from another as much as he needed that he could supply his hungry friend, Lk. 11:5-10. We should pray for the power of the Holy Spirit, Eph. 3:16; Acts 1:4. God has one promise through His Son, one gift to His church, there is one need, all prayer unites in one petition—the power of the Holy Spirit. Examples of intercession Abraham, Gen. 18:22, 23; Moses, Ex. 32:30-34; Samuel, I Sam. 7:5-12; Elijah, I Kings 18:36-46; Daniel, Dan. 2:16-23; Paul, Eph. 1:15-23; 3:14-20; the great intercessory prayer of Christ, John 17.—Mrs. James Pollard

Calendar of Prayer for Southern Baptists November, 1922

"I am not wise to know
What most I need,
I dare not choose my way;
Do Thou me lead.
I would be quiet, Lord
Nor tease nor fret,
Not one small need of mine
Wilt Thou forget."

Topic: The Ministry of Healing

1-WEDNESDAY

Thank God for the spread of the Gospel through medical missions

He sent them to preach the kingdom of God and to heal the sick.—Luke 9:2

2—THURSDAY

For still greater blessing upon the medical and spiritual work of Dr. and Mrs. T. W. Ayers, Hwanghsien, China They that know their God shall be strong and do exploits.—Daniel 11:32

3—FRIDAY

4—SATURDAY

Thank God for the extended influence of medical and evangelistic work of Dr. and Mrs. R. E. L. Mewshaw and Dr. and Mrs. E. D. Smith, Kweilin, China Eyes to the blind and feet was I to the lame.—Job 29:15

5—SUNDAY

That Christian responsibility for Sabbath-keeping grip southern Baptist hearts
That God may know mine integrity
—Job 31:6

6-MONDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Yocum and Miss Florence Jones (nurse), Pingtu, China The Lord shall be thy confidence. —Proverbs 3:26

7—TUESDAY

For those who are sick in missionary homes and hospitals
Nothing shall by any means hurt you.

—Luke 10:19

-WEDNESDAY

That the great Physician guide the hand of Dr. T. O. Hearn and for Mrs. Hearn, Laiyang, China Heal the sick . . . say unto them the kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.—Luke 10:9

9—THURSDAY

For "White Cross" work at home and abroad She hath wrought a good work upon Me.—Matthew 26:10

10-FRIDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. J. McF. Gaston, Dr.* Jeanette E. Beall and for Misses* Alda Grayson and C. E. Miller (nurses), Laichowfu, China
The works which the Father hath given Me... that I do.—Words of Jesus

11—SATURDAY

Thank God for better equipment in S. B. C. hospitals through Baptist 75 Million Campaign Thou shalt see greater things than these.—John 1:50

12—SUNDAY

For a new baptism of power in our churches
The Lord came . . . and called as at other times.—1 Samuel 3:10

13-MONDAY

Thanksgiving for the energy of spiritual health imparted through work of Rev. C. L. Neal and Mrs. Hallie Garrett Neal, M. D., Toluca, Mexico He that watereth shall be watered also.—Proverbs 11:25

14-TUESDAY

Pray for rich blessings upon Dr. and Mrs. G. N. Herring, Pingtu, China
God has not given us the spirit of fear but of power.—2 Timothy 1:7

15—WEDNESDAY

For the medical and soul saving work of Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Downing, Bahia, Brazil
They that hear shall live.—John 5:25

*W.M.U. Training School' Alumna

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"What most I crave, perchance Thou wilt withhold. As we from hands unmeet Keep pearls of gold. Yet choose Thou for me-Thou Who knowest best; This one short prayer of mine Holds all the rest."

Copic: The Ministry of Tealing

16—THURSDAY

For relief, evangelistic and medical service of Dr. and Mrs. P. S. Evans, Tsinan, China Jesus . . . saw much people and was moved with compassion.—Mark 6:34

17—FRIDAY

Praise God for work done through Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Leavell, Wuchow, China He walked with me .- Malachi 2:6

18—SATURDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. L. O. Wilker. son and Dr. and Mrs. S. O. Pruitt, Chengchow, China Be of good cheer . . . thou hast testified of Me.—Acts 23:11

19—SUNDAY

That our churches emphasize the spiritual intent of Baptist 75 Million Campaign Builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit-Ephesians 2:22

20—MONDAY

For the great interdenominational "Mission to Lepers" The Lord raiseth them that are bowed down.—Psalm 146:8

21—TUESDAY

That God bless the labors of Dr. Mary L. King, Pochow, China Ask of God, God will give it thee.

22-WEDNESDAY

For our leper colony in the In His love and pity He redeemed them.—Isaiah 63:9

23—THURSDAY

For precious results in work of Dr. Ethel M. Pierce and Miss E. E. Teal (nurse), Yangchow, Hitherto hath the Lord helped us.

24—FRIDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. N. A. Bryan and Miss* Blanche Bradley (nurse), Hwanghsien, China He gave them power .- Matthew 10:1

25—SATURDAY

Thanksgiving for souls saved through hospital and evangelistic work of Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Beddoe, Wuchow, China Love never faileth .- 1 Corinthians 13:8

26—SUNDAY

That the message of this day send many into the highways and hedges, seeking the lost As ye go, preach .- Matthew 10:7

27—MONDAY

For Misses Clara Keith and Nannie David, nurses at Oyo and Saki, Africa The everlasting God fainteth not. neither is weary .- Isaiah 40:28

28-TUESDAY

That our investment in 75 Million Campaign increase our trust in God Ye have in heaven a better and an enduring substance.- Hebrews 10:34

29-WEDNESDAY

Ask for God's tender care over Dr. and Mrs. R. V. Taylor and Dr. and Mrs. Carl F. Jordan, Yangchow, China Freely ye have received, freely give.

-- Matthew 10:8

30-THURSDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. George Green and for Miss* Ruth May Kersey (nurse), Ogbomoso, Africa They constrained Him . . . and He went in to tarry with them. -Luke 24:29

*W.M.U. Training School Alumna

Reinforcement Reasoning

I-How can a salaried woman tithe?

It is easy enough to deduct the tenth upon receipt of her salary, whether weekly or monthly. If she receives an annual income it can be divided at once or an account book kept of the use of the tenth.-Ala.

II-Why can a tither answer many appeals for help?

I know one woman who did not seek to be excused from tithing because she had no income. She lived in a city. Her husband was a small wage-earner and was not a Christian. She had a small garden spot for her Lord's money and she said that He wonderfully blessed that garden both summer and winter. She always has money to give to her Lord's work. One Sunday, after her church was destroyed by the high waters, she pledged to a new building fund though her tithing box was empty. When chided by her husband she replied "The Lord will provide". That night a neighboring hotel asked her to house two travelers and her pledge money was made!-Ga.

III-"Weighed in the Balance and Found" True

Our W.M.U. Association reported 43 tithers the first year of the Campaign, paying \$1316. The second year there were 96 tithers, the W.M.U. gifts being \$5,014. This past year which was one of great financial depression, we have 303 tithers and have paid \$5311 and have given to other interests nearly as much as we paid on Campaign pledges the first year. One woman daily asks God to direct her spending of every dollar and she rarely makes a mistake in her purchases.-Ky.

A minister's wife says that by giving much thought to the purchasing and by leaving off some things which the family really did not need, with the cooperation of the family, she tithed the household money. The family improved wonderfully

under the plan!-Ga.

There was a family in our church that had to receive help from the church. The father was an invalid, the mother a cripple with four small children. At that time I had charge of the church books and every Monday when I posted them I found six envelopes: Mr. Brown, 3c; Mrs. Brown, 3c; Charlie, 1c; Mary, 1c; Anna, 1c; Sam, 1c. I knew that the \$1.00 per week was all the cash they had, though the church people helped them in other ways and they had their garden. I have watched this family: the mother is better, the father is able to work, all the children are Christians and hold positions of trust. All are devoted church workers. A home has been bought and paid for. If this woman could in those early, hard days tithe, any woman can .- N. C.

IV-Is a small beginning worth while?

One woman began by tithing her own living. Her part of the family budget was \$25.00. This she tithed; likewise her Christmas and any other money which was given to her personally. Through prayer and faithfulness she gained God's blessing of wisdom and the desire to give more into His storehouse.-Okla.

I began tithing when quite young when my earning capacity was very limited. From the first I have followed the very simple rule of keeping two boxes: one for the Lord's tithe and the other for myself. Whenever I made any money or had any given me, I laid aside the tithe first. If the money came in very small amounts I kept the pennies in one box until I had accumulated enough to remove a tenth to the other box. Somehow I always pay my pledges, never having to call on my husband for help.—Va.

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1 Samuel 7:12

Publicity Pointers

Frank E. Burkhalter

Suggestive Wall Poster for Use in Advertising Medical Missions

(There is in nearly every congregation where there is a W.M.S. someone who can do good lettering and will be glad to reproduce the text below on a poster to be placed in the church lobby or other conspicuous position about the church. If there is among the members an artist who can illustrate the poster by indicating immediately under the title a woman or child on a bed suffering intensely with no doctor or nurse available, the lesson can be driven home more effectively.)

IF THERE WERE NO DOCTORS

(Illustration of suffering one, with no doctor or nurse available)

Life would be almost unbearable, you think.

Yet there are hundreds of millions of women and children in China, Africa, Brazil, Mexico and elsewhere who have no doctor, preacher or Sunday school teacher. Help remedy this situation by reinforcing the

BAPTIST 75 MILLION CAMPAIGN

Suggestive Advertisement for Back Page of Church Calendar for First Sunday in November

(Those charged with responsibility for printing calendar may not want to give up this page, but the women have a way of getting whatever they want, and in this instance it will be easy to convince the pastor and others that such a use of the calendar's back page is worth while.)

WHAT IS PERFECT OBEDIENCE?

Christ was not a man of one idea, nor was His ministry to mankind a one-sided service. He healed the bodies and minds as well as the souls of men and He commanded His disciples to do likewise when He said, "Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the leper, cast out demons; freely ye have received, freely give".

We cannot perform miracles in the same manner the Master did, but we can, through our means, provide the sick and suffering in the homeland and on the foreign fields with expert medical and surgical skill through the provision of Christian hospitals where patients will be told of the Great Physician who can mend their broken characters as well as broken limbs and who can save their souls as well as relieve their physical suffering.

If you are a woman, join the Woman's Missionary Society this month in its study of "The Ministry of Healing"; but whether woman, man, girl or boy, help in the relief of human suffering and in the promotion of every form of Christian benevolence, education and missions by supporting liberally our world-wide program for carrying out the will of Christ the

BAPTIST 75 MILLION CAMPAIGN

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PROGRAM FOR NOVEMBER



The programs given month by month present the present-day conditions in our home and foreign mission fields. Societies just beginning mission study or those wishing to review past history of any subject treated will find what they desire in the mission study books, a list of which will be furnished, on request, by Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va. For a few cents leaflets suggested in this number can be obtained from W.M.U. Literature Department, 1111 Jefferson Co. Bank Bldg., Birmingham, Ala.

THE MINISTRY OF HEALING

Hymn-God Moves in a Mysterious Way Bible Study (See page 6.) Prayer-For Our Medical Missionaries Personal Service Period Hymn-There's a Wideness in God's Mercy The Handmaid of Christian Missions (See par. 1.) Some Medical Missionary Pioneers (See par. 2.) "Who Follows in Their Train?" (See par. 3.) Ministering Angels (See par. 4.) Prayer for Our. Missionary Nurses Hymn-We May Not Climb the Heavenly Steeps White Cross Work (See par. 5.) Christian Compassion in Africa (See par. 6.) Without the Camp (See par. 7.) Medicine in Mexico (See par. 8.) Baptist Hospitals in the Southern States (See par. 9.) The Touch of Jesus (See par. 10.) Hymn-Come Ye Disconsolate Dismissal

1. The Handmaid of Christian Missions

When John the Baptist sent two of his disciples to Jesus to inquire, "Art thou He that should come or do we look for another?" the reply of Jesus was, "Go and show John again those things which ye do hear and see: the blind receive their

sight and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up and the poor have the Gospel preached to them". Do not these words of the Great Physician define medical missions as the handmaid to the preaching of the Gospel? Jesus not only performed these miracles but He commissioned His disciples to do the same. The apostles Peter and Paul were especially famous for their power to heal the sick and even to raise the dead in the name of their Lord. After apostolic days the power to heal seems to have disappeared. Fables, superstition, false claims to work miracles and all sorts of so-called healers took their place in the history of the church and are still in the land. At about the same time in which this healing power disappeared the science of healing through God-given remedies developed and so made the calling upon superhuman forces less necessary. But this discovery in no way lessens the power of God to work miracles of healing. It was in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries that medical ministry became associated with Christian missions. These early attempts met with much disfavor by Protestant mission boards on the ground that souls could not be saved through quinine or paregoric. Notwithstanding this prejudice of the boards and the strong

antipathy to foreigners and all their works in heathen lands, the medical missionary has penetrated these countries in a really marvelous way. In almost every instance foothold has been gained by direct benefit to the individual. This one incident is a type of thousands of others: "During the early days of medical work in China a patient came to the hospital with a cataract in both eyes that caused complete blindness. An operation restored sight and the patient went back to his friends a happy man and became a useful member of the community. It needs no argument to show what effect this single event had on the individual and the community". It has been eighty-five years since this man received his sight. From that day to this what has not the medical missionary, in spite of scant equipment, accomplished! The way has been hard and slow but has led up to the day when any mission beard would feel it a shame to have a poorly equipped hospital. Through the \$2,125,000 of our Baptist 75 Million Campaign appropriated to the building and equipment of hospitals we southern Baptists may hope to escape this shame.

2. Some Medical Missionary Pioneers

John Thomas, designated as "medical evangelist", went to India with Carey in 1795 and was the first modern medical missionary. In 1800, by preaching the Gospel to Krishna Pal while setting his broken arm, he won him to Christ, the first trophy of medical missions and the first convert baptized by Carey.

Theodosius Vanderkemp, a Dutch physician, who, when over fifty, sailed for Capetown in 1798 was the first medical missionary to Africa. He blazed the trail for later missionaries.

Dr. John Scudder, a New York physician who sailed for Ceylon in 1819, was the first medical missionary from America. His operations were regarded as miracles. Six of his sons and two of his grandchildren became medical missionaries.

Dr. Peter Parker was the first medical missionary to China. He founded the first hospital in China at Canton in 1835. He is the doctor who is said to have "opened China at the point of the lancet". The Chinese Medical Missionary Society. first of its kind, was organized at Canton in 1838 to aid his work. The Edinburgh Medical Missionary Society was organized as a result of his visit to Scotland.

Dr. James Curtis Hepburn was the first medical missionary to Japan (1859-1892) and opened the first dispensary. His skill as a physician did much toward breaking down opposition to foreigners. On his ninetieth birthday he was decorated by the emperor with the "Imperial Order of the Rising Sun".

Nor are women lacking in this hero list:

Dr. Clara Swain, sent to India in 1869 by the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church, was the first woman medical missionary. She opened the first hospital for women in heathen lands. Her success was so great that women physicians were soon sent to every land.

Dr. Fannie Jane Butler, who went to India, was the first English woman medical missionary. In 1888 Isabella Bird Bishop, the famous traveler, saw her work at Shrinagar and was so much impressed with it that she gave her money for a hospital.

Dr. Mary Pierson Eddy, born in Syria of American missionary parentage, was granted (1893) the first permit ever issued by the Turkish government to a woman to practice medicine and surgery.

In later years came: "

Dr. Martha Sheldon, an American missionary who spent twenty years on the Tibetan border; Dr. Eleanor Chestnut who did heroic work for ten years in South China; Dr. Ida Scudder of Vellore, India; Dr. Catherine L. Mabie working in Congoland and Dr. Mary Stone, the famous Chinese woman physician who received her

degree at the University of Michigan in 1896. She is a skillful surgeon and very successful in all her work .- Missionary Review of the World

Like Paul's (?) recital in the hero chapter of Hebrews, time would fail us to enumerate the hundreds of other medical missionaries of valor, but we would that they were multiplied by thousands for the number is far too inadequate for the task. In China there is but one foreign doctor for every 400,000 persons; in India just 300 missionary doctors for 340,000,000 and in Africa 126 medical missionaries for 140,000,000 people. These figures are taken from World Survey for 1921.

3. Who Follows in Their Train?

These pioneer missionary doctors have left to us the rich heritage of an open way into heathen hearts through medical service. To this heritage has been added the further enrichment of new discoveries and appliances in medical science. Dr. Beebe, execu-

tive secretary of China Missionary Medical Association, says that "No Christian worker has so much to make the heart glad as has the medical missionary in China. That China is to have opportunities in modern medicine that shall stand in the front rank of the world is as marvelous as it is unprecedented". Our missionaries in China realize and appreciate their great privilege and only need the financial support of Christians at home in order to take their place in this front rank of China's God-given opportunity to heal and to save.

CENTRAL CHINA

Our medical work in Central China was formally opened in Yangchow in 1907. In that year Dr. P. S. Evans opened a dispensary and was joined later by Dr. Adrian S. Taylor. In 1912 Dr. Richard V. Taylor, Dr. Adrian's brother, took up the work. Both Dr. Evans and Dr. Adrian Taylor have gone to other fields and to Dr. R. V. Taylor was left the strenuous but congenial task of planning and superintending the erection of a splendid hospital and the other necessary buildings. Funds from the Judson Centennial, the Rockefeller Foundation and the Baptist 75 Million Campaign have contributed to this great plant for the double cure of body and soul. - Dr. and Mrs. Taylor are now taking their delayed furlough in the United States where the former will take advantage of a coveted term with the Mayo brothers in Rochester, Minn. Dr. Carl F. Jordan and Dr. Ethel Pierce have dedicated their lives and talents to the medical work at Yangchow. Mrs. Jordan, who is a trained nurse, will be an ex-officio but very important member of the hospital staff.

INTERIOR CHINA

It was not an easy task to establish medical mission work in Interior China but Dr. A. D. Louthan persevered. After coming to Chengchow in 1905, opening a dispensary in 1908, preaching the Gospel and treating patients in three other stations, he had the joy of seeing a hospital built in 1910. Here he worked alone for ten years; then came his resignation. For a time this hindered the medical work at this station, but the road is never up hill all the way and the prospect looks more promising as we learn that plans are being made for a more complete hospital plant and for the coming of two splendid physicians, Dr. S. O. Pruitt and Dr. L. O. Wilkerson, now preparing for work in this field by studying the language and the best hospital methods in Peking.

Often our missionaries as well as the natives are without medical aid in times of sickness. It was so at Pochow until 1920 when Dr. Mary L. King reached this field. Dr. King had served under our Foreign Mission Board years ago and has now returned to China well equipped for medical work. Only one room accommodating twelve patients and a dispensary represent medical facilities in Pochow! Notwithstanding this handicap, Dr. King treated 3,520 patients during 1921. May God renew her strength from day to day and may we send her the needed hospital and surgeon to relieve her single-handed fight for souls and bodies in Interior China!

NORTH CHINA

Our hospitals in North China are rejoicing in the attainment of efficient medical accommodations and appliances or, where these are lacking, they are rejoicing in the hopeful expectation of having them. In Pingtu, Dr. Oxner was the pioneer followed with several years of faithful service by Dr. T. O. Hearn. The latter with Mrs. Hearn are now stationed in Laiyang, where they have established a dispensary doing medical and evangelistic work. Dr. A. W. Yocum, now on furlough, has been in charge of this work. Recently Dr. George N. Herring has become a member of the staff at Pingtu.

At Laichowfu we have Dr. J. McF. Gaston and Dr. Jeanette Beall with a number of Chinese men and women nurses. From the beginning this station has had trained nurses who have given assistance to the sick far beyond the skill of the native doctors.

The first hospital built in China by southern Baptists is the one for men at Hwanghsien; in no place is medical work more closely related to evangelization than in the hospitals located here, two now, for one has been built for women. Dr. T. W. Ayers has been with this work from the beginning, now more than twenty years ago. While no poor patient has ever been turned away, yet the income from those who are able to pay has almost entirely met the running expenses of the hospitals, including a good portion of the salaries of the doctors, nurses, orderlies etc., numbering 25 in both hospitals. Here as in all of our hospitals the rich and poor alike find first aid for the soul as well as the body. Dr. N. A. Bryan has recently joined the staff at Hwanghsien.

If a medical missionary is "a missionary and a half", Dr. P. S. Evans has been three missionaries and a half for he has so multiplied himself by doing medical, evangelistic and relief work at Tsinan. Dr. and Mrs. Evans are now in the United States taking as much rest as our missionaries are generally allowed to take. We so need the inspiration of their presence that perhaps we ask too much of them when at home. "Blessed are the merciful."

SOUTH CHINA

Aside from our interest in the Leung Kwang Hospital in Canton, conducted by the Chinese and helped by Y. W. A's., we have, in connection with the North Gate Church, dispensary work in charge of Dr. C. A. Hayes. In each sick body Dr. Hayes touches a precious soul for whom Christ died.

The hospital in Wuchow is the second largest in our medical work and is under the care of Dr. G. W. Leavell and Dr. R. E. Beddoe, with Mrs. Beddoe doing evangelistic work among the women. During the seige of the city in 1921 the wards and private rooms were full and many were turned away. In spite of war troubles advance has been made on all lines of the work. This hospital is self-supporting and this year sends out the rare report of a balance in the treasury—a good tonic for any enterprise.

The hospital at Yingtak has no foreign doctor, but Dr. Wong, a faithful and efficient young Chinese physician, is ably managing the work until Dr. Roscoe Etter arrives, which he expects to do about the first of the year. Through her skill as a trained nurse Mrs. J. M. Scott, one of our new missionaries, is serving the hospital during this waiting time.

The influence of the hospital at Kweilin is extending far beyond the confines of its own province (or state) of Kwangsi. Dr. R. E. L. Mewshaw is the physician in charge while Mrs. Mewshaw directs the evangelistic work among the women. There is also a native evangelist who gives his time to spiritual work among the patients. The new hospital building has been finished this year and Dr. and Mrs.

Mewshaw are looking forward with great pleasure to the time when Dr. and Mrs. Edwin Dargan Smith will have finished their language study and can join them in their duties.

BRAZIL

At Bahia, Brazil, Dr. J. L. Downing is doing medical and evangelistic work which will lead to enlargement of the medical branch in the near future. At Corrente the eminent and beloved Brazilian physician, Dr. J. Nogueira Paranagua has been healing and preaching with great success. Dr. Paranagua is well on in years and a young physician should be ready to divide responsibility with him as soon as possible. Christian students of our medical colleges will do well to heed this call.

The qualities of the missionary nurse are seldom exaggerated when she is called a "ministering angel". What a pity it is that 4. Ministering these angels of mercy are so difficult to secure. It is said that Angels there is scarcely a missionary hospital on the foreign field that is not urgently asking for nurses. There are in America today over 700,000 graduate nurses as compared with the 700 who have gone out to mission fields. Surely this imperative call has not been heard by some of our noble Christian nurses or it would have been heeded. A medical missionary writing from China says: "In most cases the missionary nurse is a true pioneer. She has the joy of working out the adaptation of her training to the conditions which she meets. In many cases, with the physician's help, the missionary nurse will undertake a training school and thus will multiply her usefulness. The fascination of teaching these young people to be clean, to be kind and to serve grows with the days. Moreover the instilling into their eager young minds the noble Christian ideals which should actuate the profession will have a determining effect on future generations of nurses".

In the Southern Baptist Convention hospitals and in the homes of the people our nurses are meeting a tremendous opportunity of teaching those to whom they minister that "the kingdom of God is nigh unto" them. That we may know these rare women and pray for them by name let us acquaint ourselves with them and their stations in China:

At Yangchow Miss E. E. Teal devotes her tireless efforts to the sick and to ways and means of raising the standard of the hospital work. Evangelism is always a part of the duty of the missionary nurse; it is rather a joy than a duty.

Miss Blanche Bradley is nurse at Hwanghsien. The second nurse is Miss Lucy B. Wright who has full charge while Miss Bradley is on furlough.

Miss Florence Jones attends to the needs of the women in the Pingtu Hospital. This tired nurse is now taking a rest in the homeland.

At Laichowfu Miss Alda Grayson will take up the duties of nurse in the hospital and superintend training classes for native nurses.

How Christians love to gather under the symbols of the Cross!

5. White Cross Something done or endured for Christ's sake is their most congenial service. White Cross work has in it the appeal of a ministry that relieves suffering, hence an appeal to womanhood and southern Baptist women it is no vain call. Box after box of hospital supplies was sent out. The hospitals on the foreign field are sending words of grateful appreciation for the abundant and loving gifts of surgeons' and nurses' supplies. As they received the precious parcels of gauze, bandages etc. at Laichowfu, Hwanghsien, Pingtu and other hospitals in China their hearts were made glad for this ministry of the women at home. One of the hospitals in reporting these supplies says: "As these parcels came rolling in we were reminded of that group

of women who followed the Master and who from their own means ministered to His needs. Blessed service that was and this also is done in His name". Surely under the banner of the "White Cross" our women have wrought a good work in Him.

"Apart from Him all gain is loss All labor vainly done; The healing shadow of His Cross Is better than the sun."

6. Christian Compassion in Africa

"It is quite conceivable", says a well known writer on medical missions, "that Christ might have cured all the sick the world over had He deemed such to have been His mission. This He did not do. He did heal some in order

to demonstrate to the world the spirit of the heavenly Father whom He came to reveal". It saddens us to think how few of the suffering millions of the world are being reached and, when we turn to Africa and this same writer tells us that there are only eighty-five Protestant missionary hospitals in that vast country, we are dismayed. While we should pray for their number to be increased we need now to center our immediate concern on placing our hospital work on a basis that will give force to the message of salvation. In the completion and equipment of the Virginia Baptist Hospital at Ogbomoso we have made a forward step in emphasizing our invitation to the African to come to Jesus. The beloved Dr. George Green is the physician in charge and Miss Ruth May Kersey the compassionate nurse. At Saki Miss Nannie David fills the offices of nurse, dispensary worker and evangelist. The same triple duty falls upon Miss Clara Keith at Oyo station. The completion of the hospital at the last named place and more doctors and nurses are still greatly needed to give power to the Christian message. Do not forget to add the names of our nurses in Africa to the list of "ministering angels" for whom we are praying.

Leprosy is the most ancient disease recorded in history. Ancient 7. Without Egyptian writings dated six thousand years before Christ mention the Camp this disease—so terrible that our Lord used it as an illustration for sin. While leprosy abounds chiefly in eastern countries it has its victims in every land and it may be a surprise to some of us to know that the largest leper colony in the world is conducted under the Stars and Stripes at Culion, Philippine Islands. All these years leprosy has been considered incurable nor do the doctors who are treating it with the recently discovered remedy claim to have found a permanent cure but, says one of the physicians at Culion, "It is a remedial agency of great value". Some of the results, however, have been encouraging and hope is in the air.

The healing of Naaman, the Syrian captain, and of the lepers in apostolic times are blessed truths of the power of God. That His power has not abated in more modern times is shown in the recovery from leprosy of Mary Reed, the young American Methodist missionary, who, although not a missionary to lepers, contracted the disease while in India and did not discover it until she had come home on furlough. She returned to her field to devote the remainder of her life to ministry to lepers. The arrest of the disease, in answer to prayer, has caused great rejoicing and for many years Miss Reed has continued her work for lepers in India. Many conversions to Christ have rewarded her beautiful service.

The well known "Mission to Lepers" is doing a great international and interdenominational work throughout the world. It is now teaching Christianity and giving medical service in ninety-two stations, one of these being the work in Culion, and furnishing thirty homes for untainted children of lepers. This great work calls for the prayers of all Christian hearts.

On Molokai, one of the Hawaiian Islands, there is a colony of 700 lepers. A book was written about them called "The Lepers of Molokai". A young boy read this book and in his heart was created the desire, if opportunity ever offered, to minister to lepers. After years of missionary service in China under our Foreign Mission Board Rev. John Lake, this same boy, made a journey to the Suz Yap country where for the first time in his life he saw some lepers. Half frightened at the sight he threw them some coin. But the old desire came back and he determined in his heart to do something for these sufferers. He and his good wife sought to interest others, among whom was Dr. Wu Ting Fang, former ambassador to the United States and now acting president to the Southern Government of China. They succeeded so well that Dr. Wu has purchased an island off the southern coast of Canton Province and donated this to be used for a model leper colony. The island is a beautiful spot in the China Sea and will soon be dedicated to the Master's service through a new hospital building for lepers and a laboratory for research work. There will also be houses for men and women and homes for the untainted children. Here the alleviating touch of God's minister will ease the pain of the leper and God Himself will make his soul whiter than snow through the blood of Jesus Christ His Son. We do not know the name of this beautiful island but the prayers of southern Baptists will center around it and they will know it as "God's Island" and that it "cannot drift beyond His love and care".

8. Medicine in Mexico "I have been able to purchase two properties for the Foreign Mission Board with the funds from the medical work of this year", quietly announces Mrs. Hallie Garrett Neal, M. D., of Toluca, South Mexico. What of all the effort back of this simple statement? It means that

last year Dr. Neal treated over 6000 patients; it means that she has visited many times the old, the blind and the sick as well as doing hours and hours of dispensary work. Many of the cases are repulsive in their nature and others are merely uninteresting. But to the never wearying love for soul winning that warms the heart of this medical missionary the Mexican is never uninteresting. The soul for which Christ died dwells in those sick and often unsightly bodies-and the soul-call is the main business to Dr. Neal; the purchase of the property for the board is but a byproduct of her medical work. "The next thing I want to do", goes on Dr. Neal, "is to build a house of worship on a lot offered for sale provided a house for religious service is put on it". And she will do it! Not with fees from the poor but from those who are able to pay for treatment! Past history justifies this assertion. Rev. and Mrs. C. L. Neal, M. D., have been our missionaries since 1907, when they went out a newly wedded couple, "young, winning, energetic, enthusiastic, skilled and determined". They are still young and their other qualifications are still dominant, both in the evangelistic work of the husband and the medical work of the wife. They have sown precious seed in a difficult ground which has ripened for the Master of the harvest. May their reward be an hund-edfold!

9. Baptist Hospitals in the Southern States

The interest of Southern Baptists in establishing medical missions in the homeland is expressed in the seventeen hospitals owned and operated by the denomination. Two others are conducted under private ownership with Baptist cooperation. Sixteen of these hospitals have nurses' training schools

in connection with them. The largest one is the Baptist Memorial Hospital at Memphis, Tennessee, which has 450 beds and is valued at \$1,500,000.

Sites have been chosen and appropriations made for six new denominational hospitals. These are to be located at Louisville, Ky.; San Antonio, Harlingen and Abilene, Texas; Lynchburg, Va.; and Winston Salem, N. C. Those already finished and in operation are the Baptist Hospital at Clovis, New Mexico; the Josephine

Baptist Hospital at Hope, Ark. and the Baptist Hospital at Little Rock, Ark.; and the Alabama Baptist Hospital at Selma, Ala.

The Southern Baptist Sanatorium at El Paso, Texas, our Home Mission Board hospital for tuberculosis, covers several acres of ground, is of good equipment and has added four new buildings in the past year. The ministry of mercy of this splendid hospital cannot be computed in numbers of treatments or by the work of its clinics but by the spirit of its Christlike administration which is more and more recommending it to our Baptist people. Only lack of financial support can hinder this great work for these suffering from the white plague. Let us pray for a rich endowment for this hospital.

10. The Touch of Jesus

Jesus healed for a purpose. Of the ten lepers made whole only the one who fell at Jesus' feet fulfilled His purpose. Jesus came first of all to seek and save the lost but had compassion for the suffering ones and healed them that they might "return to give

glory to God". There is something wonderfully appealing in the healing touch: even the most hardened person will show pleasure when human suffering is relieved. Yet to the missionary doctor the greatest skill he can render is but a means to the higher service to which he is called-the saving of souls. All stethoscopes, X rays and blood pressure appliances avail nothing without the touch of Jesus. None but He can go back of all human effort and heal the sin sick soul. Thus Jesus is the standard for all medical missionaries and from Him alone can Christian doctors and nurses take their commission to go forth to "heal the sick and preach the Gospel to the (spiritually) poor". May the purpose of Jesus be fulfilled in the thousands who are seeking aid from all Christian missionary doctors and nurses and may the Great Healer guide them to that land where none shall say "I am sick".

> At length the Great Physician-How matchless is His grace!-Accepted my petition. And undertook my case: First gave me sight to view Him, For sin my sight had sealed. Then bade me look unto Him. I looked and I was healed!-John Newton

QUESTIONS ON PROGRAM

For Study and Discussion

When did medical missions become associated with Christian missions?

Can you name some famous missionary physicians?

Who was the first woman medical missionary?

Where was the first Baptist hospital in China located?

How many medical missionaries, including nurses, have we in China? In Africa?

Why are there not more missionary nurses?

How many women missionary physicians have we in China?

Compare number of missionary nurses on the foreign field with those in America.

What is one of the chief values of missions to the lepers?

How can medical missions be made a great spiritual force?

How do our medical missionaries compare with the men who brought the palsied man to Jesus?

*If your child were taken sick in the night what would you do? What would the Chinese mother do? The African mother?

What White Cross work has been done in your society?



Y. W. A. PROGRAMS



Material found in the general program on pages 11-18 as well as other items in this issue will be quite helpful to supplement the following programs. It is hoped it will be freely used in this supplemental way. The leaflets suggested on page 3 will also prove attractive additions.

FIRST MEETING

Topic-Some Health Questions

Devotional Service-The Compassion of Jesus

Hymn-The Great Physician

Talk-A Missionary and a Half, Why? Talk-Apart from Christianity, How? Hymn-At Even E're the Sun Was Set Map Drill-Where?

Biographical Sketches-Who?

Prayers for Our 23 Medical Missionaries and 9 Nurses

Talk-Our Task Now, What?

Closing Prayer for Accomplishment of Our Task

Suggestions

EVOTIONAL-Scripture Reading, Luke 4:16-21; 9:11. Refer to incidents of Mt. 20:34; Mk. 5:19; 9:22. Application to us suggested in following quotation from Dr. A. J. Gordon: "I have long since ceased to pray 'Lord Jesus, have compassion on a lost world'. I remember the day and the hour when I seemed to hear the Lord rebuking me for making such a prayer. He seemed to say to me, 'I have had compassion upon a lost world and now it is time for you to have compassion. I have left you to fill up that which is wanting in Mine afflictions in the flesh for the body's sake, which is the church. I have given My heart; now give your hearts'".

A Missionary and a Half, Why?-"Since the day when Christ exercised the ministry of healing and committed that power to His disciples, healing and preaching have gone hand in hand, as instruments of salvation. The healing of the body has ever been suggestive of the healing of the soul, so we see that medical missions has a most important bearing upon the evangelization of the world. Many a benighted heathen, finding no relief for his suffering body in answer to his idolatrous worship, has in the mission hospital found not only a cure for his physical disease but has been led to the

Great Physician, who alone has power to heal the sin-sick soul. Truly it has been said, "A medical missionary is a missionary and a half".-Selected

The medical missionary has often been able to penetrate out-of-the-way places, places where religious opposition has been most severe and race barriers most formidable, districts where the severity of the climate has made it unsafe for any but the medical missionary to enter. With his healing mission as his defense and the Word of God as his weapon, the medical missionary has been able to traverse safely the tracts of country never before trod by Christian feet. In districts once visited his return is eagerly looked for, and in the train of his pioneering labors other forms of mission work beside his own have been duly inaugurated. For his sake other missionaries are not only tolerated but welcomed. -From "The Healing of the Nations"

Missionary medicine has not exhausted its influence when it has healed the sick one and brought him to know the Christ. . . . It reaches round and exerts its power on a larger world than that gathered in a hospital waiting room. It pioneers education, it stimulates scientific methods, it inculcates sanitary principles and introduces plague precautions and deals with epidemics. Again and again it becomes of political importance; its weight is thrown on the side of benevolent undertakings; while all the time it is raising the value of human life and the sacredness of womanhood.-Selected (See also par. 1 of general program.)

Apart from Christianity, How?-"The first thing an embryonic medical student does is to commit to memory the three hundred places in the body through which skewers may be driven with safety." "One last resource remains to the Persian physician to save his own reputation-to recommend the patient to try a forty days' course of a decoction made from a certain root. The victim

^{*}See ROYAL SERVICE, November 1920.

must take it forty days consecutively, three times a day, about half a pint at a time, after food and never once lose his or her temper, or it will be of no avail. The fortieth day the patient returns probably worse than before or certainly none the better, and at once the physician says, 'But have you lost your temper?' Of course, he or she has, and then it is not the physician's fault but the patient's." "The poor mother said, 'I have been so careful: I have put the medicine in each day.' We asked what it was and this was the answer: 'A donkey's tooth ground up with charcoal and the powder put into the child's eyes'. And for two whole months the mother had patiently applied this."

Map Drill—Make this really a drill with a map, pointing out the few stations where southern Baptists have hospitals. See general program, par. 3, 6, 8.

Biographical Sketches—Who?—Divide the material found in pars. 3, 4, 6, 7, 8 of the general program among several members for presentation.

Our Task Now, What?-In America there is one physician to about five hundred fifty people, in China one to two and one-half millions. "North America and Great Britain have two hundred thirty times as many physicians as there are medical missionaries among the whole of heathendom. The united population is but one-ninth of the heathen world. Can it be that such a population requires 156,000 physicians and can spare less than 700 for the neglected one thousand millions in mission lands?" 80% of hospitals in China had only one foreign or one foreign-trained doctor. 52% had no foreign nurse, 34% no trained nurse at all. 65% have no isolation courtyard for infectious cases. 37% have no protection whatever against flies or mosquitoes .--From "China Medical Missionary Association Findings"

Dr. Scudder sailing for India as pioneer years ago said, "Only give me your prayers, that is all I ask". The need is still the same. Our task then to send more missionaries, to better equip our hospitals, to pray for the missionaries and nurses there now. See Southern Baptist Handbook for further information.

SECOND MEETING

Topic—About Our Own Sick
Devotional—Scripture Reading, Mk.
16:14-20

3 Talks—(1) Did You Know?

(2) Did You Know Also?

(3) Y.W.A. Opportunities

Period of Praise and Thanksgiving A White Cross Shower

Suggestions

DEVOTIONAL—Point out how in Christian lands is seen truly the fulfillment of the Master's promises read. There were institutions for the treatment of the sick before the advent of Christianity but there was no thought of care for the poorer classes, there was no thought for others outside the nation. God has given to men the skill to heal and unselfishly the knowledge must be beneficial to all. See par. 10 of general program.

Did You Know?-The hospital situation in this nation is not satisfactory. In 1920, for example, the total hospital bed capacity was 620,000 for the 105,710,620 persons in the United States. Only 312,-000 beds are provided in general hospitals, or one bed to every 339 of population, whereas there should be one hospital bed for every 200 persons. Between two and three per cent of our people are sick or injured all the time. This means 2,700,000 persons continually, with one out of five of them, or 540,000, needing hospital care and attention. In the south conditions are much worse. The American Medical Association summarizes: "The section most lacking in hospital facilities is the south-central group of states which has one hospital bed to 705 people and whose hospitals are not well distributed".-From "Southern Baptist Handbook"

Did You Know Also?—It was fortyfive years after the Southern Baptist
Convention was organized before our
people began to pay heed to the Master's
example of caring for the sick. In 1890
the Missouri Baptists opened a hospital
in St. Louis. In 1904 as visitors went to
the World's Fair there they visited the
hospital, realized its success, and the
movement spread over the south. Our
progress will be seen by reference to
general program, par. 9. Meanwhile the
Roman Catholics have 70 hospitals in the
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COLLEGE Y. W. A.



THE W.M.S. IN THE COLLEGE TOWN

HE W.M.S. in a college town has a challenge to unusual activity for it must "mother" the away from home college girls, not only as individuals but as a Y.W.A. The college branch of our Y.W.A. work is indeed growing in importance and will more and more develop with encouragement from the local W.M.S. Do you know how many Baptist girls are attending the institution in your city, be it college, denominational school or university? Have the girls sufficient real religious development in their college organization? Do they receive Baptist training there? Will they go home ready to be leaders in all phases of church activity? Have they the denominational magazines on their library tables, in the club reading rooms? These are questions which you may well consider. Just as a mother does not care for her daughter, plan with and for her, guide her growth and enlarging interests only until she becomes a young lady, so W.M.U. does not limit her motherly care to Sunbeam, Girls' Auxiliary and Young Woman's Auxiliary days but goes on with these daughters dear to college. At a certain Alabama school, Auburn, just opening its doors to women students, an alert leader learned before the first Sunday the names of the Baptist girls and in couples the entire group of twenty-eight was invited into Baptist homes for dinner. That is a splendid way to really know these visiting-in-your-city-for-the-year young women. Probably no church failed to have its customary reception for the Baptist students in its city but beyond that general courtesy there is need of real friendliness between the members of the local W.M.S. and the College Y.W.A. These busy students will be glad to help on your programs; they will rejoice to tell stories to your Sunbeams; they will teach in your Sunday school classes; they will sing in your choir; what will you meanwhile be doing for them?

Virginia sends a copy of ROYAL SERVICE and Home and Foreign Fields to each of its colleges. If your state does not do so it would be a splendid investment for your W.M.S. to make, including World Comrades in the list. Most of the College Y.W.A's. are subscribers to the College Y.W.A. Bulletin but many need more than one copy; your W.M.S. could furnish the extra one-dollars for those additional copies and in a large way promote the efficiency of the auxiliary. Again it will be a delightful change to have the Y.W.A. meet in the home of one of the W.M.S. members. Do you not remember how doubly pleasant your college dormitory was after an afternoon in someone's home? The personal service work of the College Y.W.A. is naturally somewhat intermittent but last year's report showed many beautiful deeds done for others-Sunbeam Bands led, story hours conducted, visits made to hospitals and books read aloud in after class hours, Sunday schools conducted for mill people, dinners distributed at Thanksgiving time and gifts given at Christmas. Again the W.M.S. may help in this phase of the school girl's expression of her spiritual life by suggesting personal service deeds in connection with the plans of the older organization. South Carolina sends White Cross material to her college girls so that they may be busy with helpful tasks of bandage making. The college girl's allowance is ever too small and the frequent letters for "another check, please" will always go home but when they know through stewardship study about tithing, their giving privilege-the Campaign-generous hearts are stirred to spend less at the corner store and really cherish the grace of giving. The W.M.S. may well furnish leaders for mission study courses. North Carolina at Meredith College beautifully arranged for its mission study with eight of the townswomen teaching as many different classes just after the dinner hour.

Surely the W. M. S. in the college town dare not let slip these varied opportunities to serve the Master in a way which will count for to-day and for the to-morrow when our college girls have become the teachers, business women, the homekeepers and mothers, so the W.M.S. members in their turn, well-trained through the College Y.W.A.

WESPER STUDIES AND DAILY THOUGHTS

First Twilight: Christians are "the salt of the earth", Mt. 5:13. Not the sugar nor the pepper but plain salt. Salt is used in all sacrifices, Lev. 2:13; Ezra 6:9; Ezek. 43:24. Used to purify, 2 Kings 2:20,21. Its value depends on its serviceableness, Mk. 9:49,50. It really does something; it preserves and makes sweet. Salt dissolves in order to do its work, so a Christian gives herself unstintedly, wholly, in order to do her work for the Master. Christians are, again, "the light of the world", verse 14. A light cannot be hid. This light is for the glory of God, verse 16. "Lighted to lighten" is the motto of a Christian college in India. Jesus said, "I am the Light of the world", then, "Ye are the light of the world"—it gives us great responsibility of shining. Where do you shine? In what power is the secret of your radiance? Ps. 34:5; Ps. 18:28

Daily Thoughts: Ps. 3: David is in trouble but God will not fail him. The Lord sustains him sleeping and waking.

Ps. 8: God's glory is manifested in His works and in His goodness to you. Look out of your window and see the one, look in your life and see the other.

Ps. 11: Whom do you trust? Trust Him, "His eye beholds" you.

Ps. 15: Do you qualify to abide with Him?

Ps. 18:1-6: In your prayer today, like David, tell God of your love.

Ps. 23: The Psalm of the Crook. Have confidence in God's shepherding.

Ps. 24: The Psalm of the Crown. Your life and your all belong to God.

Second Twilight: The Law of Jesus, a series of fulfillments. He came not to destroy but to fulfill the law of Moses.

The old Law: Mt. 5:21. Jesus adds, 22-26. When were you angry last?

The old Law: Mt. 5:27. Jesus adds, 28-30. Complete purity is demanded.

The old Law: Mt. 5:33. Jesus adds, 34-37. No sanction for slang expressions

The old Law: Mt. 5:31. Jesus adds, 32. Would affect our divorce court

The old Law: Mt. 5:38. Jesus adds, 39-42. Bigger than "tit for tat"

The old Law: Mt. 5:43. Jesus adds, 44-48. Can you really? He is love and will help you.

Daily Thoughts: Ps. 30: David was grateful. He sang praises; what do you sing?

Ps. 34:1-9: Memorize verse 7 and never worry.

Ps. 52: Key verse 8. Are you growing and trusting?

Ps. 53: God is real; only a fool would doubt His existence.

Ps. 62: Do you ever give your soul time to wait before God?

Ps. 66:1-12: Christians should sing praises and be joyful.

Ps. 122: There should be joy in our hearts that we can go into the house of the Lord.

Third Twilight: Three Christian characteristics, Mt. 6:1-24. (1) Alms-giving should be done with simplicity, Mt. 6:1-4; with liberality, Deut. 15:11, Rom. 12:8; with cheerfulness, 2 Cor. 9:7. The reward, Deut. 14:28; Mt. 19:21; Luke 12:33. (2) Praying, verses 5-15; the true test of Christian development is the ability to pray in secret. (3) Fasting, verses 16-18. Fasting was observed on occasions of calamities, 2 Sam. 1:12; of afflictions, Dan. 6:18; of approaching danger, Esther

4:16. It was accompanied by prayer, Dan. 9:3; by confession, 1 Sam. 7:6; by humiliation, Deut. 9:18. The result, Mt. 6:19-24. Fasting covers everything that detaches the soul from the world; prayer covers everything that attaches the soul to God.

Daily Thoughts: Ps. 131: Humility is a Christian grace, do you possess it?

Ps. 86:1-12: The words of David's prayer should be ours. Complete confidence

Ps. 93: We worship and serve a mighty God, mightier than sea and flood, praised by the noise of many waters.

Ps. 100: Four great thoughts: sound joyful not grumbling notes, serve the Lord with gladness, know that He is God, enter into His gates with thanksgiving, because He is good.

Ps. 101: David vows that he will be godly. Good companions lead to the best.

Ps. 103: Memorize verse 13; let it satisfy your heart.

Ps. 108:1-6: Christians should witness before all people.

Fourth Twilight: The Sermon concluded, "ask", Mt. 7:7-12. Dr. Gordon says: "'Ask' should be spelled 'take' according to the Calvary spelling. But the taking must be as deep as your life; it must be as intense as opposition. Satan is a stiff fighter; he doesn't give except what he must, the taking must be definite. Prayer must be persistent". If you have studied this sermon and do these things you are like a wise man, 24,25. If you hear and do not you are like the foolish man, 26,27. This great sermon was so convincing that the people went away astonished, 28,29. No wonder, for they had heard the Author of our salvation; truly He did not teach as their scribes; He was God's Son, our Saviour.

Daily Thoughts: Ps. 133: Christian fellowship is delightful.

Ps. 138: God's loving kindnesses call for our praise.

Ps. 142: When other friends, other helpers fail, God is still our refuge.

Ps. 143: Can you learn verse 10 as your prayer?

Ps. 144:1-4: What are we as we contemplate God!

Ps. 144:5-15: America can be wholly happy if she will be fully Christian.

Ps. 145:1-10: Have you spoken of God to someone today?

Ps. 145:17-21: Is it not a comfort to know that He is near us? Lonely? No, not alone.

Ps. 124: If God is not on your side-?

Ps. 125: The mountains shall ever remind us of God's protecting care.

Have you been using the Vesper Studies and Daily Thoughts in October's ROYAL SERVICE? If not, begin with this series and keep true to Y.W.A. ideals. There is nothing so inspiring as a great meeting in the open air. Imagine yourself sitting on the mountain side overlooking blue Galilee surrounded by the beauties of nature including the wondrous lilies more lovely than Solomon in his glory, in a climate where the voice carries in a clear sweet tone for miles, and then imagine that you hear the voice of Jesus giving the beautiful lessons in this month's studies. As you read the daily verses think of David the shepherd boy, the king, the great poet of the Old Testament.

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facile pen as she wrote for the Union helped to clear up misunderstanding; and Mrs. James Pollard, the first recording secretary. These we would remember at the Throne of Grace as they with their faces toward the setting sun are journeying triumphantly because they "know whom they have believed and are persuaded that He is able to keep that which they have committed unto Him against that day".



G. A. DEPARTMENT



PRACTICAL PLANS FOR NOVEMBER'S PROGRAM

World Comrades to which all the members of every G.A. should be subscribers by this time. What about your subscription list? Your G.A. cannot afford to miss the splendid programs prepared by Miss Willie Jean Stewart, a member of the young people's committee of the local board of W.M.U. in Birmingham.

One of the best ways to supplement the month's study of medical missions will be to visit the patients in the hospital in your city, realizing how much the good care and gentle treatment means to them. Add to the pains of illness the harsh, cruel tortures thought to cure people in heathen countries; take away the tender sympathetic touches of nurses and loved ones and in the result see conditions in far away countries. Splendid story leaflets are advertised on page three of this ROYAL SERVICE. If your state Baptist hospital needs linen or table covers, the G.A's. could hem a number while the leader reads one of the message-bringing leaflets. White Cross activities are possible for G.A's. as well as for Y.W.A's. See par. 5 in the general program.

When G.A's. are visiting hospitals remember to pass quietly through the corridors, neither laughing nor talking out loud. Give the flowers or fruit to those whose rooms would else be bare although those may not be the particular people known to your auxiliary. Stop in the children's ward long enough to tell them some stories about the pictures in the scrap books which you have brought to leave with them. Do you know how to make the best kind of scrap book? It must not be too big or too heavy for frail hands to hold easily; nine inches by ten is large enough probably. Cut some

pink or blue cambric the desired size, sew it up envelope fashion and slip between each thickness of the cloth a piece of cardboard, three-fourths inch smaller than the width measurement so that all the pages may be stitched together without danger to the sewing-machine needle. Save carefully all colored pictures so that it will not be necessary to use black and white ones. Paste in not only large colored pictures but fill all the bare spaces with small ones of irregular shape so that each time a child looks at the pages there will be something new before him to give pleasant thoughts. A "peep box" is nice for the children who can sit up and peep. Perhaps some one of the patients will wish a letter written or a favorite book read. A puzzle would help to while away the days of growing strong again. A convalescing girl might like to crochet or tat if someone took her a hook, shuttle and thread. Encourage the G.A's, to put themselves in the place of the one who is ill and fancy what would cheer them under like circumstances, so cultivating the truly beautiful grace of real sympathy that helps.

Since November is Thanksgiving month the G.A. will want a special praise meeting with everyone ready to tell what she is thankful for. Sing only praise songs, pray only praise prayers, let God know the gratitude in G.A. hearts for all His goodness. Perhaps a dress-up-as-Puritans affair will be best. It would be interesting to have selected G.A's. dressed in fitting costume tell of such special Thanksgiving days as the first one, a Civil War Thanksgiving, Thanksgiving during the Great War and Thanksgiving today. A banquet with these talks for toasts would be delightful, inviting the girls whom the membership committee is

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Truly the magazine will prove to be all that its name indicates—a real Comrade to every R.A., G.A. and Sunbeam who welcomes its appearing.—Mrs. A. J. Aven, Miss.

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R. A. DEPARTMENT



R. A. TOOL BOX

World Comrades are just what we need." Good! Two November programs are there and the following suggestion and the demonstration will provide for two more, making the four for the chapters which wisely meet each week.

Thanksgiving! So a real thanksgiving meeting of the Royal Ambassadors with everyone praising and giving thanks to God. The boy who has been timid about joining in sentence prayers or leading the others in prayer will surely have something to be thankful for and will be ready to express his thanks aloud. At the meeting encourage discussion of conditions in other countries to show by marked contrast our great reasons for gratitude to God. At the close of the meeting a visit to sick chums in the hospital or the boys there with few friends would be an excellent way of giving thanks and would fit appropriately into the month's study of medical missions. The R.A's. may be a bit shy about visiting sick folks but an attitude of unconcerned expectancy on the part of the chief counselor will do much to overcome their hesitancy. Be sure to have puzzles, fruit, picture books, to take along. The W.M.S. may well use the R.A's. in distributing the Thanksgiving dinners which they will be sure to send out to the needy ones of the community.

The following demonstration for seven boys was prepared by Miss Azile Wofford, R.A. leader for South Carolina:

ROYAL AMBASSADOR TOOL BOX

Ambassador-in-Chief (Displays box marked "R.A. Tool Box"): Every good workman depends on his tool box for efficient service. One tool out of place, unused and rusty or unfit for use may cause loss of time and of money or a defect in the finished product. "We are Ambassadors for Christ" and we desire to prove workmen "that need not be ashamed". To be good workmen we must keep our R.A. tool box fitted with proper tools and ready for constant use.

First Ambassador (Displays Bible): This is the square for R.A. work. How soon we find out how far from true we are as boys or as a chapter, when this test is applied! Jesus made the perfect pattern of an ambassador sent from God with a wonderful message to sinful men; He tells us here how we may build aright. It is only as we square ourselves by the true square that we can hope to be straight, true and upright before God.

Second Ambassador (Displays literature, ROYAL SERVICE, World Comrades etc.) The R.A. nails are missionary facts about work at home and abroad which must be added to the building as it grows day by day. These nails of various shape and size are gathered from World Comrades, ROYAL SERV-ICE, our state paper and other periodicals which we hope to have in every R.A. home. The hammer which drives home such facts is the missionary program which we have at least once a month besides special seasons of prayer and study for state, home and foreign missions.

Third Ambassador (Displays mission study books, certificates, reading cards): Along with the hammer and nails is the saw which represents study. Some chapters do not make use of this tool and, as a result, the saw becomes rusty and R.A. work is filled with rough corners which do not look well. It is true that this is perhaps the hardest tool of all to use, but there is extra pay for we receive an R.A. certificate with seal for each book completed.

Fourth Ambassador (Displays blue card marked "Personal Service"): A finished piece of work is known by its color. The paint used by R.A. boys is "Personal Service" and the color is "True Blue". If we are to be known by the color, we must be found doing things. R.A's. are ever finding helpful tasks for the poor and helpless in our own community, in the home circles and even to "the uttermost parts" where our missionaries have gone.

Fifth Ambassador (Displays collection plate with money): The money which we give through R.A. becomes a ladder

which makes our work far-reaching. It carries the workman not only to the job at hand, but stretches our efforts into regions beyond. One-tenth of all we have goes into this ladder which in time will reach around the globe and like Jacob's dream ladder to Heaven and its glories. Let us think of our gifts not as money but rather as links or rounds of love added to our ladder of usefulness.

Sixth Ambassador (Displays Standard of Excellence): Our plan is the Standard of Excellence. At each meeting our work is measured by the chart on the wall to see that we have not warped or shrunk, so that all points may be developed equally. No one wants a one-sided R.A. Let us notice the points on our standard and plan our chapters so that A-1 chapters will prove the general rule.

Seventh Ambassador (Displays fishing material, ball etc.): When rest time comes then our good times come. This only serves to make us better workmen after we return to our task. Sometimes it is a hike, a ride or a fishing trip for the chapter, a picnic or a "weinie" roast. Even here we are not entirely selfish for we enlist others, remembering that God would have us always to be fishers of men as the disciples of long ago by Galilee's shore.

Ambassador-in-Chief (Holds tool box for each display): As true ambassadors we must not forget our leaders, the bosses who are anxious that we build well. There is our Chief Counselor, our R.A. Associational Superintendent, our State R.A. Leader, and our Young People's Leader of the South. Yet even they are working for a higher Leader and though we please them the final "well done" must be given by our Lord and Master. Let us build as unto God, not unto men.

Stewardship Suggested

A ROYAL Ambassador boy in our state was so impressed by his counselor with the importance of tithing that he made a miniature ledger. On one side he opened an account for God. Here

he entered one-tenth of all the money that came into his hands. The other side contained his individual account. It was my pleasure to see this book; of course the amount was small but who knows how many thousands of dollars may pour into God's storehouse because this boy learned to tithe?—Miss.

November is a continuation of October's stewardship training. R.A. counselors will be training for the best interest of the boys when they encourage saving some, spending only a part and giving one-tenth of their money to God. Boys hardly realize how much money they just squander until they begin keeping account of it; keeping accounts for God is the best method of learning the real value of the money that slips into and out of their pockets.

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endeavoring to enlist. The old game, "I'm going to California and in my trunk I'm taking",-the various articles beginning with successive letters of the alphabet could well be altered to "This is Thanksgiving and I'm thankful for"-apples, brothers, Christianity, day-light, energy, father and so on as the girls in turn repeat the list and add the word beginning with the next letter in the alphabet. This is the home-coming season too, so a G.A. reunion would be appropriate with all the Y.W.A. or grown up to be W.M.S. members who used to belong to the G.A. coming to the meeting. They could tell what they had done, reports of present work could be made, the G.A. could give a demonstration for the former members to enjoy. "Waiting for the Doctor" would be suitable. (Order from W.M.U. Literature Department, 5c.)

Thanksgiving time will remind G.A's. to keep right on giving. They surely will fill their place in the Reinforcement Campaign by paying pledges, meeting apportionments and making pledges if they have joined the church since the 75 Million Campaign began.

I do not recall in my rather wide experience in reading periodicals a first issue that had impressed me more favorably than World Comrades.—Mr. Frank Burkhalter, Campaign Commission

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SUNBEAM DEPARTMENT



A STEWARDSHIP ALPHABET FOR OLDER SUNBEAMS

A-Gen. 28:22, And of all that Thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth to Thee.

B-Malachi 3:10, Bring ye all the tithe into the storehouse.

C-Eph. 5:2, Christ gave Himself for us, an offering to God.

D-1 Cor. 10:31, Do all to the glory of God.

E-2 Cor. 9:7, Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give.

or

E-Prov. 20:11, Even a child is known by his doings.

F-Matt. 10:8, Freely ye have received, freely give.

G-Luke 6:38, Give and it shall be given unto you.

H-Prov. 3:9, Honor the Lord with thy substance.

1-Prov. 3:6. In all thy ways acknowledge Him.

J-Acts 20:35, Jesus Himself said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive".

K-2 Cor. 8:9, Know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ that though He was rich yet for our sake He became poor, that we through His poverty might be rich.

L-Deut. 16:17, Let every man give as he is able.

M-Ps. 66:1, Make a joyful noise unto God.

N-2 Cor. 9:7, Not grudgingly, or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver.

O-Deut. 15:7, Of every man that giveth willingly with his heart ye shall take my offering.

P-Malachi 3:10, Prove me now herewith, saith the Lord.

Q-Ps. 118:107, Quicken me, O Lord, according to Thy word.

R-Mt. 52:21, Render unto God the things that are God's.

S-Rom. 14:12, So every one shall give an account of himself to God.

T-1 Cor. 6:20, Therefore glorify God.

U-1 Cor. 16:2, Upon the first day of the week let every man lay by him in store as God hath prospered him.

V-Matt. 25:40, Verily, verily, I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these ye have done it unto Me.

W-Eccl. 5:4, When thou vowest a vow unto God, defer not to pay it.

X-Ps. 34:3, Exalt His name together.

Y-Luke 18:22, Yet lackest thou one thing, go and give.

Z-2 Cor. 9:2, Zeal hath provoked very many.

-Miss Frances Traylor, Young People's Leader for Miss.

THANKSGIVING AND STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

grams for Sunbeams are in the Sunbeam pages of World Comrades. The suggestion for children's activities there will help them to take part and to "learn by doing". More and more such features will be introduced into our programs, for the educational world is placing the emphasis on the importance of this expression on the child's part and in our field of missionary education we want to keep right up with all forward movements. The new name given in educational circles is

"project method", which is really extended and improved hand-work or what you may have called "busy-work". The theory applies not just to the handwork, however, but to the discussions also. If the Sunbeam leader can bring her Sunbeams to talk and let her know what they are thinking she can make the meetings more valuable through beginning just where the child's information dwindles and going on with the child to new bits of knowledge in easy, thought-out steps without wasting time jumping far into an unknown field. Our

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G. A.'s, R. A's, and Y. W. A's. will be glad to help in preparing material for the hand-work period and they will be blessed in the doing for others as well as the Sunbeams in the joy of doing the planned studies. The added time and thought necessary on the part of the Sunbeam leader will be far repaid by the added efficiency of the Sunbeam work and the ease with which the interest of the older Sunbeams may be held. It is a bit harder to get the Sunbeams talking along the lines of the missionary subject than it is to do all the talking for them; here as always the task which takes the greater effort brings double returns.

For the Thanksgiving meeting many ideas suggest themselves readily. Every child may bring pictures of things for which he is thankful. These will make a splendid scrap book which sent to the orphanage, the hospital or even to our foreign kindergartens will make others thankful too. They may be put on large pieces of paper or card board as posters to remind them of reasons for gratitude. There would be, of course, the various members of a family from mother and father down to baby brother, houses, schools, churches, flowers, vegetables, animals, trains, factories and so on indefinitely. The eyes of Sunbeam children may in this way be opened to a realization of all the things that God has put into our world for which we should be thankful. They will also see that they are indebted to many people for their daily enjoyments and that as all people seem to be united, each group contributing to the joy of all other groups, so they have a contribution to make to the world's happiness even as little children. The contrast with heathen people's blessings may be seen by covering up on the one poster, or by omitting from a poster just for them, the churches, schools, hospitals and other evidences of

Thank-you songs should be sung to the people who make the days happy for Sunbeams. "We're thankful to you" will fit into the melody of the customary "Good morning to you" or "Happy birthday to you" and so open up many possibilities of singing. There will be the song to dear mother, good father, big

brother, bright sunshine, cooling rain. They may also sing

"We're thankful to you,
We're thankful to you,
We're thankful kind milkman,
We're thankful to you."

Other phrases may be substituted besides those mentioned above. There is the brave fisherman who goes out into the sea, the faithful herdsman with his cattle and sheep, the stout farmer and his acres of produce, the farmer's wife with her chickens: all such groups may be brought to the mind of the city child while the child in the rural Sunbeam Band has cause to be thankful for the shoemaker, the mail-carrier, the newspaper man, the factory man for the cloth, for wagons, for farm tools. Think especially of the things which come to us from foreign lands for which Sunbeams should be thankful. Much sugar comes from Cuba so, "We're thankful Cuban people,

We're thankful to you". For the rice from China, "We're thankful Chinese riceman,

We're thankful to you".

The huckster perhaps came from Greece or Roumania and Sunbeams are glad that he brings the fresh vegetables to the door. America brought her first silk-worms from Japan and China and still some of our loveliest silks come from those countries, so we are thankful to "dainty Japan" for Sunbeam girls' best dresses. The rubbers which Sunbeams wear on rainy days may have come from either Africa or South America. So on and on the Sunbeams will themselves think of people to whom they are thankful if the leader starts their quick minds to working along that line. The older Sunbeams will have their lessons in geography to help them think up "from far away" blessings.

Most of all the leader will show how these blessings have all come from God and the thanks will be mainly His for them all and for the greatest gift, His Son. Thanksgiving will easily be linked with the stewardship teachings of the fall Campaign for even a little child knows that saying thanks and saying "I love you" is more true when accompanied by a gift to the one loved or to whom one is indebted. Some suggestions for teaching stewardship were given in last month's ROYAL SERV-

ICE, yet others follow here. The story by Mrs. A. T. Robertson will be of excellent use also if told by the Sunbeam leader to the W. M. S. when she makes her report, teaching as it does the lesson of giving and the truth that the early impressions of childhood will in very deed bring forth fruit in years to come so that mothers should feel their responsibility for sending Sunbeam children to the Sunbeam Band meeting, providing them with the best of reading and in every way nurturing their spiritual life -the world will slip in its teachings without any trouble but we must carefully counteract them.

DSTELLE had an allowance of forty C cents a week and she had watched her mother putting her tithe into her "tithing box" and she too wanted a box and wanted to tithe. She was given a nickel one morning and her little friend came by for her to go to the drug store with her. She asked her mother how she could tithe a nickel. When the mother suggested that she go on with Louise and take the penny out of the next nickel, she said, "O no, that would not be right. You must give God the first fruits; I will just take the penny out of this nickel and spend four cents today". Cheerfully she dropped the penny into her box and went hurrying off to play, with the four cents to spend for herself .- Mrs. W. J. Hatcher, South Carolina Sunbeam Leader

THE RING

ONE day a little boy woke up from a long nap and what do you think he saw? He was a tiny little boy, his mother had taken him to a missionary meeting and he had gone to sleep on her lap. Now the people were standing up to sing, and a tall dark-faced man was standing in front of them. He was a missionary doctor who had lived on an island among savages. The little boy liked to look at him. The collection plate was being passed around. It was coming nearer and nearer. The little boy saw his mother take off a gold ring

and put it on the plate. It was a very precious ring. Her brother had gotten the gold out of the ground himself in California and a dear sister had worn the ring. When she died she gave her baby girl to the little boy's mother and with her she gave the ring. The darling baby had gone away to heaven too, and only the gold ring was left. When Henry saw his mother give this ring in among the money on the collection plate, he knew she was giving it to the One she loved best of all—the Lord Jesus. To take the Good News of Jesus to poor wretched heathen, full of sin and sorrow, she gladly gave her precious gold ring.

She gave something better than the ring, too, but she did not know it then. When Henry grew up he was "a good minister of Jesus Christ". He was a great missionary leader who sent out many missionaries and planned all the mission work for many thousands of people for that small boy grew into the man Dr. Henry Mabie. He never forgot the ring his mother gave. Here are two Bible verses to finish the story:

"Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift".

"It is more blessed to give than to re-

-Mrs. Ella Broadus Robertson, Ky.

Y.W.A. PROGRAMS

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territory of our denominational activi-

Y. W. A. Opportunities — Christianity has a message of faith and good cheer for those who are ill and the very sickness makes the patient ready to hear. Busy people, who do not think about their souls's salvation when well and active, ponder much during days on the sick-bed. Then is the time to go with the message of Christ, the Divine Healer. Friendliness and prayerful interest may well be manifested at such times, and then if ever the loved ones may be reached also. "Young Women Alert" will care for the sick in their communities in (Concluded on Page 32)

World Comrades is excellent in every respect—the cover is attractive—paper and general make up leaves nothing to be desired and best of all the contents is just what our young people need.—Mrs. H. C. Peelman, Fla.

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TRAINING SCHOOL



HOUSE BEAUTIFUL IN VACATION

Y May 3rd, after a brilliant Commencement, most of our brightfaced girls were speeding away. Fifty-five had finished their years of training. The lately busy realm was almost given up to silence within a few days, except that our faithful homemaker, Miss Warren, and her indefatigable helper, Miss Conner, were actively preparing the annex as a summer home for the girls who were to stay in Louisville all summer or were detained to finish some outside courses. With Miss Littlejohn, our Good Will Center Director, and Miss Conner to chaperone and make a happy home, they have greatly enjoyed their surroundings They feel and express the deepest gratitude for the motherly care given them by the trustees and directors of the school in behalf of our great host of noble Baptist women who think and do so much for their comfort.

Ten of our graduates went to Jacksonville, summoned by the Foreign Mission Board. All received their appointments, and few more thrilling scenes were ever presented to our Union than those in which a bevy of their home mission workers, fresh from their fields, and this group of young volunteers for far-off lands, gave a demonstration to the women, suggestive of the great, unselfish, widespread work they are doing year by year in sending out "laborers unto the harvest". Training School affairs were considered during the annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union with deepest interest. Never was a more cordial and kindly hearing given to the principal and the chairman or a more enthusiastic reception given to the processional of nearly one hundred alumnae as they marched into the young people's meeting singing the stirring words "Take the Light". Apropos of that, at the beautiful alumnae banquet arranged by our trustee, Mrs. B. W. Blount, Mrs. Peelman and the Y.W.A's. of the First Church, were lighted candles in bright holders and dainty place cards with a Florida scene and a Bible quotation on light.

All the faculty of the school have had. or are having, vacations. Mrs. McLure. after a lovely family gathering in Columbus, Ga., had a great sorrow in the passing of a beloved niece. Later she went to gather strength and help for her important work on lovely Lake Chautauqua. Miss Warren, after leaving House Beautiful packed up in readiness for the renovators, sailed away to rainbow lands, her objective being the Passion Play at Oberammagau. We know "her girls" will share her rich experiences. Miss Coombs, our nurse, is enjoying the North Carolina mountains. Miss Conner, our untiring, but sometimes tired, office secretary, refreshed herself with Atlantic breezes and surf. Miss Littlejohn is happy in her South Carolina home for a season and Grandmother and Grandfather Eager have been tenderly cared for way down in Georgia and up on the Cumberland plateau.

A happy vacation happening, that I am sure will be deeply appreciated by our Union, is the generous purpose of Dr. Van Ness and his Board to give the school a course of lessons in story-telling by that incomparable teacher, Miss Annie L. Williams. We think that a wonderful gift, and "it wasn't Christmas nor anybody's birthday either", as the little girl exclaimed over a happy surprise. The Annex has had some interesting visitors during vacation. Our own Juliette Mather, who calls all hearts her own as she wings her shining way from place to place, lighted for a little breathing spell and sweet Faith Snuggs, who is soon going to sail for her longed-for China, made headquarters there while doing some work for the Foreign Board under the auspices of Kentucky W.M.U. Another pleasant vacation experience has been the realization that the vacant places left by several of our valued trustees, so deeply regretted, appealed to other valiant souls who are willing to bear their share of the burdens. We bid them welcome and Godspeed. Remember your school always when you go to our Father .- Mrs. George B. Eager



PERSONAL SERVICE



AT A FULLER'S EARTH MINE

NE mile from the outskirts of Quincy, Florida, is the largest fuller's earth mine in the world. The mine itself is exceedingly interesting but more interesting is the population of the "Floridin Company", as the village is called. All the houses are built alike; the white families number sixteen with almost an equal number of negroes. The people have come from the various states and are more or less transient. The different ministers of Quincy have been faithful in trying to get the people lined up with the various churches of the town but have met with very little success.

In the beginning of 1921, the president of the Woman's Missionary Society of Quincy Baptist Church decided to try to start a circle at the mines. After visiting a number of the homes, she felt somewhat discouraged for the people frankly said, "We can do nothing out here for we do not get along together. Why, half of us are not on speaking terms". Walking slowly homeward the impression that the difficulties were surmountable and offered no reason for not starting a class among the women became paramount. She quickly turned and went back to the home where the

most responsive woman lived and told her that she would be there the following Tuesday and to get as many together as she could, telling them to bring their Bibles. At this meeting there were five. including the teacher. They wanted to read the Bible only and the book of Matthew was chosen. Timidity and selfconsciousness were quickly lost in the interest that developed. The class grew and there are now fifteen families represented. Matthew was followed by Dr. Mullins' book, "Talks on Soul Winning"; twelve certificates being awarded. In April they came to the regular meeting of the society at Quincy and asked to be admitted as circle number 5; on Personal Service Day two appointed members came and read a written report. The spirit of love and Christian fellowship are now manifested throughout the settlement. A young woman of the Quincy Baptist Church has a story hour which is enjoyed by the children of this mining community. Four heads of families have been baptized and 25 members added to the Sunday school and B.Y.P.U. The results show the greatest need to have been the encouragement and loving interest of Christian people and the power of Christ that changes the heart. -Mrs. W. A. Burns, Florida



CLASS AT FULLER'S EARTH MINES, QUINCY, FLORIDA

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HOME DEPARTMENT



"THE SPIRIT OF MAN IS THE CANDLE OF THE LORD"

pected to be a medical missionary to China. But Africa needed his other gifts as well and in using these he found his medical training of the greatest value. It is doubtful whether he could have opened up the continent without it. According to one historian "the entire cause of medical missions received a great impulse through him". Not only medical missions but every kind of Christian work has been influenced by the life and character of this great missionary. Although it has been fifty years since his death his work still lives in Africa and in the souls of men and calls them to repentance and service. A vivid instance of this power is told in the story of the conversion of an avowed atheist. This atheist being anxious to talk out his views and willing to hear the other side of the argument came for this purpose to a prominent minister of the Gospel, one of great learning and godly life. This true minister of souls gladly talked with the atheist and finding him of unusual intelligence he loaned him from time to time well chosen books on the truths of the Bible. The unbeliever carefully read and promptly returned them, expressing his sincere inability to accept their teachings. A kindly intimacy grew up between these men, so like in mental strength and so different in spirit.

One day as the restless atheist was browsing among the books in the minister's library he came across "The Life of Livingstone". Glancing rapidly through it he came to the pages telling of Livingstone's tragic and lonely but triumphant death. Turning to the minister he asked, "Why did you not recommend this book to me?" The reply was, "I did not think it would be especially convincing to you". His friend took the book home and in a few days returned it with these words: "I have found it!" The minister forgetting the incident of the book inquired, "What have you

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The narrator of this true story closed the recital with these words: "Living-stone being dead yet speaketh and being alive forevermore still leadeth men to Christ. A pure, rich life touched with divine fire will shine with the love of God, as the stars, forever and ever".

Y.W.A. PROGRAMS

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a spirit of love and joy in service to them for Jesus' sake. Make plans for such personal service.

A White Cross Shower-Before the program, write to your state headquarters for specific directions as to the White Cross materials and work so that you may get your supplies ready quickly. The W.M.S. might share in your shower. Let some of the girls dressed as White Cross nurses represent our foreign hospitals, especially the one to which supplies from your state go. In a "conversation period" they can tell interesting bits of information gleaned from Home and Foreign Fields about their work, bringing pictures also cut from various magazines. Perhaps your state hospital is also in need of linen and supplies and should be included in the shower.

Note—A Greatheart of the South and Ministers of Mercy will be two excellent mission study or reading books to follow up the theme of medical missions. See page 63 of W.M.U. Year Book for prices.



UNION NOTES



ROUND TABLE

RS. GEORGE B. EAGER, chairman of the Local Board of the W.M.U. Training School in Louisville, Ky., sent the following enthusiastic message: W. M.U. Training School had a fine opening on September 19. More than fifty seniors are back. They are indeed happy and gracious big sisters to the scores of new girls. Full of enthusiasm the student body is falling into line at the Southern Baptist Seminary as well as at our school. Will Southern Baptist women continue to ask God's blessing on this great school?

NOVEMBER=REINFORCEMENT MONTH

THOSE who attended the Jacksonville W.M.U. meeting in May will recall that loving mention was made of the illness of Miss H. F. North of Shiu Hing, China. All summer she was a great sufferer and so in September the tender Physician gave her sweet release by taking her to Heaven. Surely she was greeted there by hundreds of Chinese Christians who were taught the Heavenly Way by her long, untiring ministry in China. Deep is the debt of gratitude which southern Baptists owe to her memory for certainly she "served 'her' own generation according to the will of God".

NOVEMBER 26-DECEMBER 3=LOYALTY WEEK

NE state W.M.U. annual meetings will be in session in November. This represents one-half of the W.M.U. constituency and is therefore a challege to prayer to the end that these meetings may indeed hear and heed the guiding of God. It is believed that they will be mighty factors in helping forward the Reinforcement Campaign. These state meetings will be in: Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia. Mrs. W. C. James will represent the Union at the gatherings in Georgia and Kentucky; Miss Juliette Mather will be at the ones in South Carolina and Virginia; Miss Blanche Sydnor White will attend the Texas meeting; while the W.M.U. corresponding secretary will go to New Mexico and Oklahoma.

NEW MEMBERS PLEDGING=REINFORCEMENT GOAL

O NE of the very historic places visited by the W.M.U. corresponding secretary during vacation time was Petersburg, Virginia. A trip was made to the site of the Battle of the Crater, the story of its unprecedented underground tunnel being graphically told by a Confederate veteran. That evening a missionary rally was held at the First Baptist Church and certainly one craved the zeal and loyalty of that veteran in order to portray aright W.M.U. ideals. The meeting was in charge of the local president, Miss Mae Burton, and the interest was certainly gratifying.

THREE-FIFTHS PAID ON PLEDGES=LOYALTY IDEAL

DURING November much time will be given by Miss Mather to visiting the colleges in Mississippi and Missouri. She will have with her Miss Louise Foreman, who has recently become a secretary to the colleges in behalf of the S.B.C. Student Activities Committee. Miss Foreman is a graduate of Rice Institute in Houston, Texas, and took her Master's Degree at Baylor University. Prior to her present work she was a student secretary for Texas Baptists. She will be given a cordial welcome as she journeys now throughout the south. Let the College Y.W.A's. work as never before so that Miss Foreman will be highly pleased with their missionary zeal.

REINFORCEMENT=ADDING STRENGTH

MISS WHITE, the Union's field worker, writes: The Baptist association is the heart of the denomination, and I have been close to the heart of the Alabama W.M.U. during September. In Etowah, Butler, Geneva, Columbia, Baldwin, Pine Barren and Marshall Associations the heart beat is strong, faithful, hopeful and devoted. I expected to find Alabama Baptist women a noble body and truly my expectations have been more than realized. They are willing and eager to go forward in the Master's service. The last week of September was spent in another associational round of Alabama engagements. Marshall, Unity, Cherokee and DeKalb W.M.U. annual meetings were encouraging and inspiring gatherings. The Coosa River and Calhoun General Associations very kindly gave space on their programs for woman's work and I had the pleasure of presenting W.M.U. work to both men and women.

GOD IS ABLE=CHRISTIAN'S RAINBOW

CEVERAL September meetings in or near Birmingham were attended by the W.M.U. corresponding secretary. The last of the month a trip was joyfully made to Montgomery, for its 23rd annual W.M.U. associational rally, the honoged superintendent, Mrs. T. W. Hannon, presiding. Two days later a very interesting meeting of the historic Summerhill W.M.U. Association was held under the direction of Mrs. W. S. Childs of Omaha, Georgia.

LOYALTY=SPIRIT OF 1919 VICTORY WEEK

CINCE the Louisiana Assembly the W.M.U. young people's secretary and college correspondent has spent most of the time in the office instead of continuously on the field. There have been pleasant interruptions of the stay-at-home duties, however, in the privilege of speaking at two Campaign rallies, one in Birmingham, the other in Montgomery. Alabama "took time by the forelock" commencing her reinforcement campaign before other states. It was a pleasure to attend two local W.M.S. circle meetings, leading the devotional service in one and teaching the mission study chapter for another. Soon after World Comrades was released from the press came the meeting of the W.M.U. of Birmingham Association where the magazine was first introduced. Copies of World Comrades have been sent to state officers to be forwarded to all Sunbeam, G.A. and R.A. leaders. Subscriptions are coming in with gratifying rapidity, but if you have not sent in yours hasten to do so. The words of commendation for this initial publication have been appreciated and passed on to those who deserved them for their stories and programs. Miss Willie Jean Stewart contributed the G.A. and R.A. programs; Mrs. W. J. Hatcher, Sunbeam leader for South Carolina, prepared the October Sunbeam programs; while Mrs. R. L. Creal of Bridgeport, Alabama, and Mrs. E. C. Miller, of Lexington, Missouri, planned those for November and December. With the early fall college visiting begins and already a single trip with Miss Reynolds has resulted in two new college Y.W.A's. in state institutions in Alabama. With the fields of service, waiting, calling, surely you friends in W.M.U. will be praying much for the state college correspondents and your college correspondent as we enter various colleges seeking to interest and enlist our splendid young womanhood for Him.

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REINFORCEMENT REASONING

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We live on a stock farm and I have poultry, eggs and butter to sell. When I sell a pound of butter for 40 cents I put this down and right opposite I put 4 cents as my tithe. Of course this seems little but it counts!-N. M.

A very simple and accurate method, especially in the training of young people to tithe, is to have a box with three compartments. When money is received, place it in the left-hand compartment, never using any of it until divided, nine-tenths being then put in the middle and the one-tenth for the Lord in the right-hand compartment .-- Ala.

I began when a girl to give a tenth of all I received and the Lord has blessed me so that now I can give one-third of my income to the Lord's work. My father and mother were tithers before me and my husband is a tither. I know the Lord blesses those who tithe because it is the Bible way.-Fla.

V-How can enthusiasm for tithing be created?

Men and women need only to know in order to become interested, cheerful, liberal, hilarious givers. I would suggest that we talk more at home of the large and glorious program before us, of the burning needs, the snow-white waiting harvest fields, of the pleadings of our hard-worked missionaries and of the responsibility which is ours, no less than theirs, in the Master's vineyard. Then with tact and patience let us use our influence and God-given powers of persuasion, along with much prayer, to cause our men to want to be tithers. We should keep tithing literature on our library tables .- Mo.

TO TITHE OR NOT TO TITHE

(With Apologies to Malachi and Shakespeare)



O tithe or not to tithe—that is the question: Whether 'tis nobler to accept God's lordship And myself as but His trusted steward Or to believe all substance is for self And, by withholding, rob Him? My time, my talent

He gave-perchance some pelf-aye, there's the rub! But when I've walked the shining road of service And when I've learned the joy of giving self, I'll ne'er turn back. But there's my purse That makes calamity of this tenth to God! Oh may I heed the whips and scorns of conscience, The Bible's teaching, the pastor's dissertation, The joy of happy tithers, the promises of blessing, Till I shall learn to walk honestly toward God. Then, conscience clean and purpose true, Blessings shall upon my way be showered. -Mrs. Geo. McMillan, Okla.

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