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Laborers together with God—I Corinthians 3:9

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## CRUSADE OF COMPASSION HYMN

*O Thou Whose love didst stoop to feel  
Our weaknesses, our pain, and care,  
O Thou Who didst the leper heal  
To us Thy selfless love reveal  
That we the gift may share.*

*Thou once didst hear the silent plea  
Of her who touched Thy seamless dress  
And came that instant whole and free,  
Thou mad'st the sightless eyes to see  
And the dumb lips to bless.*

*O give us now the surgeon's skill  
And science freed from craft and greed  
Submissive yearning for Thy will  
Wisdom divine our minds to fill  
And eyes to see the need.*

*To mothers in the pangs of woe,  
To children starving without bread  
O let us feel the debt we owe  
In self-denying love to go  
Wherever Thou hast sa d.*

—Laura Scherer Copenhaver

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## EDITORIAL



### WOMEN AND THE BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE

It is not my purpose in this brief article to tell you anything of the great meeting of the Baptist World Alliance in Stockholm. Those of you who read your state denominational papers have already read much concerning that meeting. I will say just this—in that meeting we saw and heard the glory, the grace and the love of God made manifest through His children from almost every nation on earth. The exhibits from the different Baptist bodies throughout the world were both interesting and helpful. It cheered our hearts as we walked through the great rooms of the Technical High School where the exhibit was displayed to see many worthy exhibits from the Boards of our Convention and particularly to see those of our W.M.U. It was almost like being at home to see the faces of the women from some of the state W.M.U. meetings, from some of our women's societies and from the Y.W.A's., G.A's., R.A's. and Sunbeams.

For many years the Woman's Auxiliary of the World Alliance has not been active in its work because of world conditions. Mrs. McLeish of Chicago was the president and Miss Edith C. Crane, (Mrs. S. T. Lanham) then our corresponding secretary, was the secretary. After Miss Crane's resignation and marriage Miss Mallory served as secretary. Your W.M.U. president had the honor of being chosen temporary chairman and presided at the meetings held in Stockholm.

The women had a great meeting in the First Baptist Church of Stockholm on the afternoon of Tuesday, July 24th. The devotional service was led by one of our Swedish sisters and Mrs. Anna Stadling, president of the Women's Union of Sweden interpreted, as all the speakers used English and there was a large number of Swedish women present. Mrs. Stadling welcomed the visiting women in a most cordial address of welcome and gave us a brief history of the Baptist work in Sweden. The Baptist women's work of Sweden was this year celebrating its seventy-fifth anniversary. We have always known that the Swedish people who have come to America have been among our most substantial citizens but never did I appreciate their great worth, their sterling character and their delightful natures till I had the privilege of spending more than a week in their beautiful and prosperous country.

Mrs. Russell James of London, daughter of Dr. Shakespeare and vice chairman of the Baptist women's school in England for the training of women Christian workers, made the first response to the welcome and gave us much information concerning the work of the school. A very delightful incident of the meeting was the setting apart of a Polish young woman for service in her own country and who had been educated in England for her work.

Mrs. Geo. Coleman, president of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the Northern Baptist Convention responded on behalf of the women of the north. The Woman's Auxiliary of the National Convention of negro Baptists of the United States was represented by the president, Mrs. Layton. Your W.M.U. president responded in behalf of the Woman's Missionary Union. We had the pleasure of hearing from women representatives from England and several countries on the continent of Europe.

A nominating committee was appointed who at a later meeting brought in the names of the following women for officers: Mrs. F. C. Spurr of Birmingham, England, president; Mrs. Ayers of Montreal, Canada, vice president and Mrs. Helen Barrett Montgomery of Rochester, New York, secretary. It was decided to have an Executive Committee of fifteen women chosen from the different countries, a proper balance being maintained among the countries. Each cooperating organization will be asked to appoint a correspondent to whom the secretary may write sending greetings and such information as may be deemed necessary. We may likewise hear of the progress of our various women's organizations throughout the world. After the meeting on Tuesday afternoon the Baptist women of Sweden served coffee, tea and such delightful confections as only the women of Sweden know how to serve.

It would have cheered the heart of every reader of ROYAL SERVICE had she had the opportunity to see the joy of our sisters from the various lands in being able to come in contact with the Baptist women of America and countries more advanced in the work than their own. It would well-nigh have broken your hearts to hear of the hardships they had suffered and the difficulties they have to overcome in their work for the Kingdom. How very, very grateful all of us should be that we live where we do and can worship God without let or hindrance. It was driven home in my heart as never before that we who are more fortunate are but stewards of all that comes to us in both a material and a spiritual way and that we should be more thankful. I wish every Baptist woman in America could have seen the delight in the faces of the women when they expressed their joy at being allowed to be members of a great world organization of Baptist women, loose though such an organization necessarily must be. It is indeed our obligation to pray that these people in Europe may have the opportunity and be strengthened to carry on their work as we have prayed for the missionaries and the work in other lands. In addition to that we must give out of our abundance in America that help may be sent through our Foreign Mission Board for those in Europe who are particularly to be assisted by southern Baptists.

From Stockholm Mrs. Neel and myself, in a company of ten with Dr. and Mrs. Love and Dr. Gill, our European representative, traveled to Berlin where we worshiped with the Baptists on Sunday. We stopped in Dresden for a day then went on to Prague in Czecho-Slovakia where we visited the Baptist property. In Vienna we worshiped with the Baptists and saw the Baptist property. From Vienna we went to Budapest in Hungary where we had some happy experiences with our Baptist people about which I shall tell you later. We are now in Roumania and will be for several days to come.

You will recall that since the war the northern Baptists, the English Baptists, the southern Baptists and others are aiding the Baptists in the war-torn countries of Europe to recover themselves and to plan for larger things. We are all deeply interested in all the Baptist work in Europe but our responsibility is to assist the Baptists in Hungary, Roumania, Jugo-Slavia, Italy, Spain, the Ukrain and southern Russia to the Caspian Sea.

"Many a generous neighbor I have—  
Mongol and Ottoman, Briton and Slav,  
Brahmin and Christian and Saracen;  
From my open door to the long street's end,  
I reckon each man my comrade and friend,  
For a neighbor am I to the race of men."



## BIBLE STUDY



### TOPIC—"The Fever Left Her"

*"The healing of the seamless dress is by our beds of pain,  
We meet Him in life's throng and press and we are whole again."*

I. *The Loving Healer*: Mark 1:29-31. After preaching in the synagogue Jesus accepted the invitation to dine at the home of Peter and Andrew. That evening after His tender healing of the sick woman a great crowd of sick folk gathered; Jesus must have stood in the doorway on the occasion of this wonderful sunset scene. It was the hour of hope for the weak and suffering while the great Physician was near, Luke 4:31-37. He approaches sin and sickness with the power and skill of the Father whose Son He is. "Jesus releases in men the forces of life that win the victory in the wonderful fight going on in all of us for life or death." A physician has great opportunities of usefulness and should be consecrated and pious to fulfill the mission to his patients.

II. *The Humility of Faith*: Luke 7:1-10; Mark 5:21-43. When the woman touched the hem of the Redeemer's garment the virtue which was in Him flowed out to her. The finger of faith not only touched His garment but it touched the secret spring of His heart which faith alone can reach. Jesus withholds nothing from the touch of faith, Gal. 2:20. The joy of thankfulness cannot always be controlled, when we have received the highest blessings we must tell out the results, Mark 1:40-45. The leper shows how we may extend the name and bring blessings upon the gracious power of Jesus Christ. The disciples were not prepared for the ministry of healing until their hearts and lives had been developed by humility and sacrifice, Mark 9:14-29. Throughout the Gospel by Mark we see the mighty and gracious Christ at work.

III. *Importance of Prayer*: Mark 1:35; 6:46; Luke 4:42; 5:16; 11:1, 13; Matt. 14:23; John 17:1. Christ's habit of prayer shows how He depended upon His relationship with the Father whose heart glows with affection toward all who believe on His Son, Jesus Christ, Matt. 6:25-34; 7:9-11. Prayer, therefore, is a child's petition to an all-wise, all-loving and all-powerful Father God. What a reproach to our self-complacent, easy way of doing Christian work! When Jesus predicted Peter's denial He said "but I have prayed for thee", Luke 22:31-34. In Gethsemane He prayed alone, Matt. 26:36, 53; Luke 22:39-46. In His great intercessory prayer He prayed for those whom the Father had given Him, the believers, His Father's love gift to Him. If Jesus needed to pray how much more do we poor, sinful creatures need the Holy Spirit for faith and guidance! Faith gives confidence in prayer, I John 5:14, 15.

IV. *Liberty of Children of God*: Rom. 8:11-17. This is the full result of the Gospel. The work of regeneration and daily renewal by the Holy Spirit is the pledge of preparation for the full and perfect sanctification at the appearing of the Lord. Healing by the power of the Holy Spirit is a foretoken of God's purpose of resurrection and transformation into Christ's perfect likeness. Sin and sickness are in the world, we must believe that they are not beyond the redemptive work of Christ. Christianity has two sides to its work, the ministry to the soul and the ministry to the body, Acts 8:4-8; 3:1-11. Hospitals are a fit expression of the spirit of Jesus.—Mrs. James Pollard



## DAILY BIBLE READINGS



### TOPIC—The Fever Left Her

*"O Word of God incarnate, O Wisdom from on high,  
O Truth unchanged, unchanging, O Light of our dark sky!*

*We praise Thee for the radiance that from the hallowed page,  
A lantern to our footsteps, shines on from age to age!"*

#### *The Loving Healer*

Monday, 1st

Mark 1:29-34; Psalm 111:4; 1 Peter 3:8

Tuesday, 2nd

Matthew 8:2, 3, 5-13, 28-34; Psalm 78:38, 39; 103:14, 22

Wednesday, 3rd

Matthew 9:27-30, 35-38; 10:7, 8; Zechariah 7:8, 9

Thursday, 4th

Luke 4:31-37; Romans 8:8, 9; Psalm 145:9, 14, 18-21

Friday, 5th

John 11:1-15, 38-46; 15:14-17; James 2:23, 24; Proverbs 18:14

Saturday, 6th

Acts 3:1-8; 4:13, 14-22; 10:38, 39; 28:7-9; John 14:12

Sunday, 7th

Luke 14:1-6; Mark 3:1-5; 2:28; Psalm 147:1-11

#### *Humility of Faith*

Monday, 8th

Luke 7:1-10; Mark 5:25-34; Galatians 2:20; 1 Peter 5:6

Tuesday, 9th

Luke 5:12-14; Mark 1:40-45; 9:17-29; Acts 14:8-10

Wednesday, 10th

Luke 18:9-14; 1 Corinthians 3:4-9; 2 Corinthians 10:5-7, 15-18

Thursday, 11th

Matthew 17:14-21; Luke 9:37-43; Daniel 9:3, 20-22

Friday, 12th

Luke 7:37-50; Matthew 9:2-8; Mark 2:3-12; Psalm 103:1-4

Saturday, 13th

Luke 4:17-19; 18:35-43; Isaiah 61:1; Ephesians 4:17, 18

Sunday, 14th

Matthew 9:10-15; Acts 5:12-16; 13:3-5; Mark 16:19, 20

#### *Importance of Prayer*

Monday, 15th

Mark 1:35; 6:46; Luke 4:42; 5:16; 11:1-4, 13

Tuesday, 16th

John 16:1-6; 17:9-21; Philippians 2:9-11

Wednesday, 17th

Matthew 26:36-39; Mark 14:32-36; Luke 22:39-44; Psalm 68:17-28

Thursday, 18th

Matthew 27:45, 46; Mark 15:33, 34; Luke 23:34, 46; Psalm 23:4

Friday, 19th

Acts 1:12-14, 23, 24; 2:1-4; 7:59, 60; Revelation 8:3, 4

Saturday, 20th

James 1:2-7; Proverbs 2:3-7; Mark 11:24-26

Sunday, 21st

1 Timothy 2:1-8; Psalm 3:4, 5; 63:1-8

#### *Liberty of the Children of God*

Monday, 22nd

Acts 15:7-11; Romans 8:11-17; 2 Corinthians 3:17, 18

Tuesday, 23rd

Titus 3:3-8; Romans 12:1, 2; Hebrews 12:2

Wednesday, 24th

Colossians 3:10-17; Ephesians 2:19-22; 1:22-23

Thursday, 25th

John 8:31-36; 9:1-7, 17-25, 32, 33, 38; Isaiah 58:6

Friday, 26th

Romans 6:14-23; 3:23-26; 8:2, 6, 8, 10; Revelation 22:17

Saturday, 27th

Romans 8:28-39; Galatians 5:1, 13, 25; Psalm 119:45

Sunday, 28th

1 Peter 5:4-11; 2 Peter 1:3-8; James 1:22-25

Monday, 29th

1 Thessalonians 5:5-11; 2 Thessalonians 1:10-12; James 2:12

Tuesday, 30th

Acts 1:9-11; 2 Peter 3:1-9; 1 John 3:2; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-4

Wednesday, 31st

2 Peter 3:10-18; Isaiah 4:2, 6; Philippians 2:9-11; Romans 8:21

## "BRING YE ALL THE TITHES"

**W**HERE there is a will there is a way. One woman, whose husband paid all the bills, taught as supply in the public school until what should have been her tithe was earned. Another woman living in the country dug sweet flag root, dried it in sugar and sold it. A woman on an allowance has only to tithe that allowance, and God will surely guide in her expenditures so as to make the nine dollars go as far as ten. Thousands have proven it. Faith and prayer will open the way to tithe for any woman who is really in earnest in her desire to tithe.—Mrs. A. B. Newman, Tenn.

**O**NE internal evidence of the divine inspiration of the Scriptures is that, whenever any perplexity confronts us in our Christian living, somewhere in God's Word we may find unmistakable direction that, if followed, will make a straight path through what would otherwise be an intricate labyrinth. Tithing is God's way of sustaining His worship. Every Hebrew was required to devote to the purpose of sustaining the worship of God one-tenth of his income, whatever that might be. Even from as early as the time of Abraham we are told of this law. Christ commanded it. In Malachi 3:10 God tells of the advantage of this method. Jesus taught that true religion is more than a code of morals, that it is a life of love and sacrifice. "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son". If we truly love Him, with His Word as His divine guidance, we can find the way to follow His commands. Our government may have had trouble in deciding just what is due in the income tax, but we know that it does not fail to demand it. Can we be less fair with our Heavenly Father. How shall we give? "Every man according as he purposed in his heart, so let him give, not grudgingly nor of necessity, for the Lord loveth a cheerful giver". "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by in store as he may prosper." We should give regularly, give individually, give as you may prosper. Let our gifts be according to our prosperity, lest the Lord should be displeased and make our prosperity according to our gifts. How shall we give? "Freely ye have received, freely give." "When thou makest a feast, call in the poor, the maimed, the blind, the lame; and thou shalt be blessed, for they cannot recompense thee." Shall the poor give? Yes, there is a blessing in giving. Why should the poor be deprived of this blessing? Christ commended the poor widow who gave her two mites, all she had, even her living. All can give something, of time and talent, of money and property, of love and sympathy. Teach the children to give. Let every member of the family give for themselves that they may know the joy of giving. How much shall we give? Give all you can out of a heart of love and gratitude. "He gives twice who gives quickly." Give thankfully, remembering His mercy and kindness to you, cheerfully as a privilege, lovingly as one for whom Christ died. Every gift of time and money, for every word of comfort and sympathy, for every sacrifice and self denial, for every soul won to Jesus will be a treasure laid up in Heaven.—Mrs. Bessie Alred, Ga.

**M**Y husband draws a salary from his own business and gives me a monthly allowance. I think it may be truly said that we have always been good givers, but we had never thought seriously about whether we were giving the Lord His part until the 75 Million Campaign was launched. We decided to tithe and for each of us to give one-tenth of our income to Kingdom causes as represented in the Campaign program. In addition we subscribe as liberally as we can to the local church budget and contribute in some way to every demand made by the church. We thus feel that we are giving Scripturally "tithes and offerings". It amounts to more but there is a feeling of satisfaction that we have not experienced before, and we feel what we give now is an investment in spiritual growth and development.—Tenn.

## Calendar of Prayer for Southern Baptists October, 1923

*So here hath been dawning  
Another blue day;  
Think wilt thou let it  
Slip useless away?*

*Behold it aforesaid  
No eye ever did;  
So soon it forever  
From all eyes is hid.*

—Thomas Carlyle

### Topic: Hospital Work of Southern Baptists

#### 1—MONDAY

Let us thank God for enlargement of hospital efficiency through 75 Million Campaign  
He Himself knew what He would do.  
John 6:6

#### 2—TUESDAY

For ever increasing results from ministry of Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Hayes, M.D., Canton, China  
He that watereth shall be watered also himself.—Proverbs 11:25

#### 3—WEDNESDAY

For medical and evangelistic work of Dr. and Mrs. Roscoe Etter and Miss Ruth Pettigrew, Ying Tak, China  
I am the Lord thy God . . . which leadeth thee.—Isaiah 48:17

#### 4—THURSDAY

That Christian hospitals show the tenderness of God to the afflicted  
Jonah was exceeding glad of the gourd.  
Jonah 4:6

#### 5—FRIDAY

That His presence abide with Misses Leonora Scarlett and †Sarah Funderburk, of Kong Moon, China  
Truly our fellowship is with the Father.—1 John 1:3

#### 6—SATURDAY

For Baptist hospitals in Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia and Louisiana  
God who is rich in mercy . . . hath quickened us together with Christ.  
Ephesians 2:4, 5

#### 7—SUNDAY

That W.M.U. annual meetings of Illinois, Maryland and Missouri be planned in prayer  
Their voice was heard . . . even unto heaven.—2 Chronicles 30:27

#### 8—MONDAY

Praise God for fruits of labor of Dr. and Mrs. George Green

†Training School Alumna

and †Miss Ruth May Kersey, Ogbomoso, Africa

I will strengthen them in the Lord.  
Zechariah 10:12

#### 9—TUESDAY

That our young people be led to assume Campaign responsibilities  
That they might set their hope on God.  
Psalm 78:7

#### 10—WEDNESDAY

Thank God for spiritual zeal of Rev. and Mrs. C. L. Neal, M.D., Toluca, Mexico  
He that soweth to the Spirit shall . . . reap life everlasting.  
Galatians 6:8

#### 11—THURSDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Vermillion, staff, nurses and patients, Southern Baptist Sanatorium, El Paso, Texas  
Thou hast put gladness in my heart.  
Psalm 4:7

#### 12—FRIDAY

Give thanks for devoted service of Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Leavell, Stout Memorial Hospital, Wuchow, China  
Thou also hast wrought all our works in us.—Isaiah 26:12

#### 13—SATURDAY

For Miss Clara Keith, superintendent medical work, Oyo, Africa  
Christ is preached and I therein do rejoice.—Philippians 1:18

#### 14—SUNDAY

That church hospitals be greatly multiplied in the homeland  
With His stripes are we healed.  
Isaiah 53:5

#### 15—MONDAY

That Dr. and Mrs. R. E. L. Mewshaw, Kweilin, China, enjoy refreshing rest while on furlough  
My meditation of Him shall be sweet.  
Psalm 104:34

## Calendar of Prayer for Southern Baptists October, 1923

*Out of Eternity  
This new is born;  
Into Eternity  
At night will return.*

*Here hath been dawning  
Another blue day;  
Think wilt thou let it  
Slip useless away?  
—Thomas Carlyle*

### Topic: Hospital Work of Southern Baptist

#### 16—TUESDAY

For rich returns from work of Mrs. L. W. Pierce and Misses Alice Parker, M. E. Moorman, †Hazel Andrews and Mary Demarest, Yangchow, China  
Every day will I bless thee.  
Psalm 145:2

#### 17—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Rogers, Mrs. W. E. Crocker and †Miss Rose Marlowe, Shanghai, China  
He knoweth them that trust Him.  
Nahum 1:7

#### 18—THURSDAY

For Baptist hospitals in Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico and Oklahoma  
His tender mercies are over all His works.—Psalm 145:9

#### 19—FRIDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. R. V. Taylor and Miss E. E. Teal and patients under their tender care, Yangchow, China  
In Jesus Christ . . . faith worketh by love.—Galatians 5:6

#### 20—SATURDAY

For renewed efforts to enlarge Campaign results  
Ask counsel, we pray thee, O God.  
Judges 18:5

#### 21—SUNDAY

Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God.—Psalm 92:13

#### 22—MONDAY

That God strengthen the hands of John Dare and Daniel Okanla, native assistant and evangelist, hospital work, Ogbomoso, Africa  
Ye serve the Lord Christ.  
Colossians 3:24

#### 23—TUESDAY

For Drs. Joaquim Paranagua and his son Augusto Paranagua, Corrente, Brazil  
The Lord is round about His people.  
Psalm 125:2

†Training School Alumna

#### 24—WEDNESDAY

For evangelistic work of Rev. and †Mrs. J. H. Ware, Rev. and †Mrs. E. Whisenhunt and Rev. and Mrs. Eugene Steele, Shanghai, China  
I have called thee . . . thou art mine.  
Isaiah 43:1

#### 25—THURSDAY

For Baptist hospitals in South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas  
We thy people . . . will show forth thy praise.—Psalm 79:13

#### 26—FRIDAY

For loving service of Dr. and Mrs. E. G. MacLean in new industrial school, Iwo, Africa  
The hand of our God is upon all them for good.—Ezra 8:22

#### 27—SATURDAY

Thanksgiving for larger opportunities in Warren Memorial Hospital, Hwanghsien, China, and for Dr. and Mrs. T. W. Ayers  
Ye have done it unto me.  
Matthew 25:40

#### 28—SUNDAY

That souls be saved through W. M. U. personal service in hospitals  
He is gracious and full of compassion.  
Psalm 112:4

#### 29—MONDAY

Thanksgiving for manifest results from work of Rev. and Mrs. Cecil Moore, Concepcion, Chile  
He is precious.—1 Peter 2:7

#### 30—TUESDAY

For medico-evangelistic work of Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Downing, Pernambuco, Brazil  
Oh Lord, . . . undertake for me  
Isaiah 38:14

#### 31—WEDNESDAY

That we place Christ alone as our motive for fulfillment of 75 Million Campaign  
Do all in the name of the Lord Jesus.  
Colossians 3:17



## PROGRAM FOR OCTOBER



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.

Hymn—At Even When the Sun Was Set  
Prayer—For the World's Sick and Suffering Ones  
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Closing Exercises

Perhaps this is the queerest age the world has ever known. It is self-seeking to an amazing degree and yet there is an unparalleled awakening of the heart of the world to the sufferings of humanity. Instances of cruelty and greed fill the headlines of our newspapers and on the same sheet are blazoned enormous individual and collective gifts for charities, colleges and hospitals. What the last named, under civic and philanthropic agencies have done for suffering humanity is beyond computation. There should be many more of them and all richly endowed. And yet these institutions do not always provide either a Christian atmosphere or religious teaching, they were not established primarily for that purpose. And since the national provision for the sick does not always open the way for the kingdom message hospitals under Christian control should be placed in all needy localities in our land as well as in foreign countries. That there is room for these is shown in the fact that the four hundred and twenty Christian hospitals in the United States were forced from lack of room to turn away daily from five to six thousand applicants. Think of it—more than two millions in one year! Those who live in cities well know the dis-

culty of securing a room in any of the civic hospitals. The opportunity for church hospital service is unlimited and the reasons for this service are to be found in the teachings of Jesus. When He sent His disciples into world service He charged them: "Heal the sick that are therein and say unto them, the kingdom of God is come nigh unto you." So near to the bed of pain is the kingdom message that feeble fingers may touch His garment's hem and have life again. Jesus was the first to establish free clinics and certainly He devoted a large part of His life to the ministry of healing. To this privilege He invites the church of God—to alleviate suffering, which is Christlike, and to minister to souls, which is giving to them Christ Himself.

The lesson of financial responsibility for medical work is taught in that great parable of Christian duty, the Good Samaritan: "Take care of him and what thou spendest . . . I will pay thee." If every Christian were to become a good Samaritan drives for hospital work would be filed away with unused methods and even the headlines of our newspapers could not fail to show that "the Great Physician liveth yet".

#### HOSPITAL WORK IN THE UNITED STATES

2. The Ministration of the Gift

"Man's inhumanity to man makes countless thousands mourn" sings the poet in minor key. But a brighter note follows as we turn the page and see that the something like 7200, Christian and secular, hospitals in the United States have made countless thousands rejoice. The hospital enterprise is a "big business", twice as large as the automobile industry and we know that that is immense. It is also known for scientific skill and efficiency. "But," says one of the staff of a large city hospital, "though we speak with the tongues of bacteriologists and ophthalmists and have not love we may become sounding brass." So love is the keynote and very often it is mightily sounded in our city hospitals and many patients leave them with grateful memories of suffering relieved. But the true aim of the Christian hospital is so to exemplify this love that it will bring human beings into a new or a renewed experience of the love of Christ. A strong appeal can be made to the grateful heart of the patient. For this spiritual ministry God gave His best—His only Son. For the ministry to the body the Christian hospital should have the best: the highest degree of science, the most expert medical and surgical treatment and a most thoroughly trained nursing staff. So equipped it will indeed be as a tree by the river of life whose leaves are for the "healing of the nations". And the nations are coming to its doors. In one city church hospital forty-three patients of different nationalities were treated. Two out of every three patients were foreigners. It is something to have this opportunity for doing Christian Americanization work.

"In the emergency ward Jimmy opened his eyes and spoke the first words that marked his return from the dark valley. It became clear that the boy would live although the automobile had given him a narrow chance when he fell under it. After a few days he began to enjoy the special attention and good food of the hospital. Smiling into the face of his nurse he said, 'Gee, this is the life.' Day by day she told him of the real life and that if he would play fair he should give to God the life He had saved. On the morning of his departure Jimmy said to his beloved nurse, 'More things can happen to a feller than I ever knew there was, and the thing you prayed for has happened. I am going to be a real Christian. I have promised Him. Some day I want to be a doctor and have a boys' ward and tell them all the things you have told me.' We cannot look into Jimmy's future but the Christian hospital nurse was true to her opportunity. Immigrant boys

have risen to high places in our national life and it was not unkindness that put them there."

#### 3. Baptist Hospitals in Southern States

Notwithstanding the plain and unescapable teachings and example of the Master relative to the care of the sick and suffering it was forty-five years after the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention before our people ceased to play the part of the priest and the Levite and really began to plan seriously for the building and maintaining of hospitals as a part of our regular work. The movement was finally initiated by Missouri Baptists who opened the Missouri Baptist Sanitarium in 1890. During the World's Fair held in St. Louis in 1904 thousands of Baptists from all sections of the southland had opportunity to see the successful working of this hospital. Henceforth the movement spread rapidly all over the south—the Baptists in Texas, Tennessee, Mississippi, Georgia and South Carolina leading off in a splendid way.—Dr. E. P. Allredge

Twenty-one Baptist hospitals have followed the example of humane Christianity set by Missouri Baptists. They are located as follows: Alabama 3; Arkansas 2; Georgia 1; Louisiana 1 (with another in prospect); Mississippi 1; Missouri 1; New Mexico 1; North Carolina 1; Oklahoma 3; South Carolina 1; Tennessee 1; Texas 5, including the Southern Baptist Sanitorium for the treatment of tuberculosis. The last named hospital, located at El Paso, Tex., makes a very encouraging report for the year just past of increased work and decreasing deficit, 144 patients were treated, 42 having left the hospital improved or cured. When we consider the almost hopeless nature of the disease treated this is a wonderful average.

Our hospitals in the south have a total property value of \$8,300,268, and a value in sight of the Master that is beyond human computation.

The Good Samaritan Hospital at Selma, Alabama, is conducted by white Baptists for Negro patients. The Baptist Hospital at Columbia, S. C., is also used for colored people.

Other states are planning for the erection of large new modern hospitals, while six of those we have are enlarging their quarters, four new ones are under course of construction. When all these are completed we will have a system of thirty-two denominational hospitals. Five are carrying on special research work and several of them have nurses' training schools in which 573 nurses are in training.

Although our denominational work be ever so great in the homeland it never can be a complete service if we regard not Christ's suffering ones. This service is now too meagre for existing needs and should be extended to meet all classes, all races, all creeds and all conditions, and above all and at all times administering to the soul. "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."

#### GATEWAYS TO THE KINGDOM IN CHINA

The gates of pain had closed me in;  
I lay distraught, no longer free,  
My prison wall a chamber small.  
"O Son of David pity me!"  
And then He came.

The tiny room grew wondrous wide;  
In painless joy I heard Him say,  
"My child I came through gates of pain  
To lead thee out a larger way."  
I went with Him.

Eighty-five years ago the first hospital was opened in China. China's millions manifested an unfriendly spirit of opposition to western doctors and treatment. After nine years five other hospitals were established. From that day to this, with scant equipment and small staff—more often single handed—the medical work has grown until now there are about three hundred and fifty missionary hospitals in which are working about four hundred missionary doctors and about 180 nurses, these figures do not include native doctors and nurses.

Love for humanity is a high and noble motive for service and has succored thousands, as the mighty work done by the Red Cross during the recent war has testified, but enthusiasm for saving humanity alone would not hold our medical missionaries to their task for one hour. It is the love of Christ that constrains. They find their call to preach Him through their chosen profession too sacred for a division of purpose. It is in the power of one medical missionary to preach Christ to hundreds even thousands. Multiply this power by our fifteen men and four women foreign doctors; sixteen native doctors; seven foreign and fifty-six native nurses, all strengthened by prayer, and you have the medico-evangelistic force of southern Baptists in China.

#### 4. A Gateway in Central China

The only medical work done by southern Baptists in Central China is at Yangchow, where we have a fine new hospital under the care of Drs. R. V. Taylor and C. F. Jordan, the women's department being in the charge of Dr. Ethel M. Pierce. During the furlough of Dr. Taylor, which he spent as an interne in the institution of the celebrated Mayo Brothers, Dr. Jordan was assisted by Dr. H. W. Newman of the Northern Baptist Board. Dr. Tang, a graduate of Nanking University, is a welcome addition to the staff. A splendid feature of the work has been the treatment of a group of lepers who improved under the injection of chaulmoogra oil, the recently discovered remedy for leprosy. As in all of our foreign hospitals, daily prayer services are held in the chapel. Clinics are conducted at outstations in connection with evangelistic work.

#### 5. Medical Centers in Interior China

The medical work in Interior China has two centers, Chengchow and Pochow. "It was a joyful time for all when Dr. S. O. Pruitt returned to Chengchow from the language school and Peking Medical Hospital, for this meant that the Chengchow Hospital which had been closed for more than two years would be opened again. Soon the hospital compound was filled with the sound of saw and hammer as the workmen renovated and repaired the building. Dr. Pruitt used this time for visiting the Kaifeng Boys' School, examining and treating the pupils. He plans to do this in all the schools possible later on. Dr. L. O. Wilkerson will have charge of the surgical and Dr. Pruitt of the medical department."

Pochow has been a life saving station in more ways than one, the missionaries giving their time and strength to famine sufferers. Dr. Mary King who gave herself unstintedly to both medical and relief work became ill with typhus fever. As there is no hospital building at Pochow Dr. King on her return to the work prepared a place for in-patients and a dispensary, here she ministers to the suffering and tells them of a loving and sympathizing Saviour. Miss Clifford Barratt, who is still studying the language, is doing good service among the women patients. One woman who was in the hospital last year with frozen feet, who now is getting about a little on her knees, tells others of the peace she has found in Jesus Christ. It is delightful to report that a new building will soon be ready for the increasing number of patients.

- "A little while for winning souls to Jesus;  
A little while to teach a Saviour's grace;  
A little while to show Christ's touch of mercy  
Ere he beheld His beauty face to face."
6. Gateways in  
North China

Dr. Oxner spent only three years in China but in that time he treated 15000 patients. These three years were literally given in exchange for the Oxner Memorial Hospital at Pingtu. Think of an operating room, drug room and office all crowded into one tiny room 8 by 12, where the surgeon must either crawl under or over the table to get on the other side of the patient! After the death of Dr. Oxner in 1907 money was appropriated for building a hospital. Dr. and Mrs. T. O. Hearn (now absent temporarily from their work at Laiyang on account of ill health of Mrs. Hearn) took charge of the work. Drs. George N. Herring and A. W. Yocum are now in charge of this hospital with Dr. Yu, a graduate of Shantung Christian University, as assistant. Miss Florence Jones, nurse, is caring for the women's hospital. The new buildings are now completed and during the past year there have been 402 in-patients and 9,698 out-patients with a total of 17,704 treatments. Wherever a body has been touched for healing a soul also has been brought in touch with the knowledge of salvation through Jesus Christ.

7. The Fruits of  
Compassion in  
Laichow

Upon the foundation laid by Rev. J. W. Lowe and Dr. Huckaby in 1910, Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Gaston have built and organized a splendid medical work at Laichowfu. Dr. Jeanette Beall joined the staff three years ago. Miss Alda Grayson who recently completed two years of language study will be associated with the hospital force. One native doctor having finished a three years' course in hospital training will have charge of one ward. Another graduate student, now taking a special course in clinical microscopy, will soon become a part of the staff. Two new buildings have been added and in a corner of one of them are well filled shelves, showing abundant supplies from the "dear White Cross workers at home". Throughout the hospital modern appliances dear to the heart of doctor and nurse are in constant use, but these are only a means to an end—to declare to their patients that through healing the "Kingdom of God has come nigh unto them".

8. The Gift of  
Healing in  
Hwanghsien

We have read what could be done in a room 8 by 12 and that it cost the life of one missionary (see par. 6); and now in this year of 1923 let us see what is being done in the large and well equipped modern Warren Memorial Hospital at Hwanghsien: "Many lives have been saved this year. Children have been born and men and women have been born again. 28,591 treatments were administered to 8,822 patients. The hospital staff consists of Drs. T. W. Ayers and N. A. Bryan with Misses Blanche Bradley and Lucy B. Wright as nurses. (Miss Bradley has been obliged to return home on account of ill health.) There are 26 Chinese helpers, including doctors and nurses and three evangelists, the latter preaching and teaching daily in the hospital and dispensary. Several hundred free treatments were given each month, while almost at all times there were charity (love) patients in the wards." Valuable aid has been given during the year by the Baptist women of Georgia and Missouri through the sending of large bundles of hospital supplies. Seventy-seven per cent of hospital expenses were met by charges to patients who were able to pay for treatment and by small donations.

"The healing gift He lends to them  
Who use it in His Name;  
The power that filled His garment's hem  
Is evermore the same."

**9. Gateways in South China**

Through the gateway of the Stout Memorial Hospital located at Wuchow, have passed in one year 19,478 patients receiving free treatment. Drs. G. W. Leavell and R. E. Beddoe consider this the best chance they have to give the free Gospel to the heathen. Recent enlargement has increased the facilities for both medical and spiritual work. As this hospital is in the "trouble district" of South China a large number of the wounded from the various military groups stationed in the city have been brought into its wards, these and other treatments total 63,273, the largest number ever registered. The Stout Memorial Hospital has been more than self supporting this year, and rejoices in a balance in the bank from which investment has been made in the motor boat, Roanoke (Virginia Baptists take notice!). This boat is used for free clinics and for preaching the Gospel up and down the rivers about Wuchow. Dr. Leavell tells us that "on a recent trip up the West River in three days we were able to treat 318 people, hold six preaching services and distribute 300 tracts. In response to the appeals more than twenty people confessed their belief in Christ." Surely God who "didst cleave the earth with rivers" will bless this highway for His saving Word!

**10. Chinese Hospital Work in Canton**

One year ago the Leung Kwong Baptist Hospital at Canton, conducted by the native Baptist Association of South China, was almost without equipment, today under the splendid management of Dr. Cheung San Kei, the chief of staff, it is rejoicing in the additions of a new wing, new operating room with modern surgical outfit, new isolating wards and other necessary buildings. Dr. C. A. Hayes and Dr. Roscoe Etter are at present associated with the Leung Kwong Hospital. The eye, ear and throat department has been of untold benefit to the students of Pooi Ching and Pooi To schools, hundreds of them being examined, treated and many cures effected. Mrs. C. A. Hayes, M.D., has been giving much time to work for women and children at the "Sarah Jaffray Dispensary" near the Big North Gate, the only medical work in that section. 2098 patients were treated during the year, all of whom were told of the Great Physician and many of whom accepted Him.

The largest piece of property we have in South China, Taai K'am Island, three miles long, is owned by the native Baptist Association. Here the first temporary buildings for the leper colony have just been erected and the first unit in connection with the larger work for lepers is to be built at once. Chinese Christians, now working on the island, are conducting Sunday a school at the fishing village there. We have a teacher and a Bible woman working among the lepers, the former being herself a leper.

**11. Winning Hearts and Souls in Ying Tak**

"The Ramseur Hospital at Ying Tak is winning the hearts of the people of the city and surrounding country." In this house of consolation soul winning walks hand in hand with heart winning. Through its medical ministry and through a regularly employed evangelist hearts will be touched and souls brought into the kingdom of God. The regular hospital work, during the absence of Dr. Etter (see paragraph 10) is under the care of a foreign trained Chinese doctor. The total number of patients during the year was 2,281, treatments about 20,000. Two more doctors are needed in this field for the millions of people untouched by medical missions. May it be granted to some of our graduate physicians in the south to open a gateway of healing love in the great Hakka field of China.

"Oh Holy One, great Lord of consolation,  
Who sojourned in this world of desolation,  
Where pain and death are rife;  
Bend to the multitudes who still are lying  
In utter misery, sick and dying,  
And touch them into life."

**12. Christ Magnified in Kweilin Hospital**

In spite of building hindrances the Kweilin Hospital has done a great work this year. Dr. Edwin Dargan Smith, only physician in charge during the furlough of Dr. and Mrs. R. E. L. Mewshaw, tells us: "Owing to the conditions under which the work had to be done the records are incomplete, yet they show that 108 in-patients were treated and that 95 major and 227 minor operations were performed. Patients had to be taken care of in their own homes, even major operations were immediately followed by the careful removal of the patient to the home. A total of 2440 people were treated and the Gospel message given to them through the hospital evangelist and the Bible woman. These two workers told the story of salvation to 37,200 souls and many of them were saved. Truly the name of Christ is magnified in the Christian hospital."

**13. Lights that Glorify—  
Matthew 5:16**

Responding to a fire alarm the big engine came clanging up to the threatened building. All was dark but the owner came to the door and said he thought the fire was in the cellar. He placed a candle in the hand of the fireman that he might search for it. A forgotten gas jet was flickering in a corner, making the darkness more visible. So might we search through the 12,000,000 square miles of big dark Africa for the 150 men and women missionary doctors lost among the dusky throngs of its 140,000,000 people. Yet when we do find them what a gracious light we see, one that shines as far as human strength will permit.

Turning to our own work in Africa we find that southern Baptist medical missions had their real beginning about sixteen years ago when Dr. George Green and Rev. S. G. Pinnock made a prospecting tour through the Yoruba country. On this trip wayside hospitals were set up and the sick, blind, lame, deaf and dumb thronged about the tent. Patients were treated for hours while the native evangelist preached to the waiting company. The doctor had literally to run away. After a month's itinerary the travelers returned to Ogbomoso with visions of an adequate medical work at that station. Not until May of this year when the Virginia Hospital was formally opened was the dream fully realized. Rev. S. G. Pinnock who shared the vision has largely assisted in placing furniture, equipment, etc. in the buildings. All southern Baptists rejoice with them in these six buildings dedicated to the ministry of the Gospel through medical aid for the body. "The evangelico-medical work has been carried on this year largely by Miss Ruth May Kersey, John Dare, our native assistant, and our dispensary pastor and preacher, Daniel Okanla; Dr. Green giving the larger part of his time to the erection of the hospital. There have been more than four thousand treatments during the year. In the dispensary work remuneration to the amount of \$101.66 for drugs and dressings has been received. Selfsupport in this department is very promising." May the day quickly come when the Dark Continent will be so thickly dotted with Christian hospitals that one need no longer seek for them as for a light in a dark cellar, and may they be as lights set on a thousand hills!

14. Our Woman  
Physician in Mexico

"There is no certainty but uncertainty" might truly describe conditions in Mexico. Disorder, unrest and dissatisfaction is the mark on all countries where the Bible is a hated book. Mexico is no exception. The exceptional thing in that land is the character of our missionaries, for in spite of unsettled conditions they all write of steady advance for Christ in every station. One of these exceptional missionaries is Dr. Hallie Garrett Neal who conducts medical work at Toluca. Of her work this year she writes: "I have waited on 5,743 patients, four hundred less than last year. I think this was due to the fact that another doctor opened an office just two doors from mine. In order to accomplish other work I am obliged to have office hours while the other doctor kept open from early morning until late at night. My receipts for the year were \$2,978.91, Mexican currency; my expenses were \$801.70. A part of these expenses were the sending of two of our church members to the Baptist Hospital at Puebla, aiding in the purchase of a bell for our church at Morelia and helping to build a pastor's home at Atoyac." Today we can repeat with the same truth the words spoken by Miss Fannie E. S. Heck thirteen years ago: "Mrs. Neal, our woman physician in Mexico, has met with constant opposition and persecution. Yet she goes fearlessly on winning her way and opening many homes to the Gospel."

15. Medical Missions  
in Brazil

Southern Baptists have no hospital work in Brazil, but from his dispensary at Bahia Dr. J. L. Downing has treated about 2000 patients. Dr. Downing has recently moved to Pernambuco where he continues to combine unceasing evangelistic preaching with his medical work.

In Corrente Dr. Joaquim Paranagua, a noble native physician, is greatly influencing the people of that city and surrounding section to seek the Great Physician that He may lead them to that Zion where none shall say, "I am sick" and where the "people that dwell therein are forgiven their iniquities".

A well equipped hospital is essential as a base from which to operate in doing medical mission work. But with all our fine hospitals, equipment, workers, staff, meetings and success along every line we cannot evangelize without the simple old-time methods of Christ. Christ never held a protracted meeting. Christ was never known to write a sentence except on the seashore and that was soon obliterated by the waves of the sea and forever destroyed. Christ's simple method was in dealing with the individual. Let us go back to the first chapter of Mark, the wonderful Gospel that every missionary should know intimately, for there he finds the fullest instructions for the work he must take up day by day. "Come ye after me and I will make you to become fishers of men." "Come ye after Me"; there is only One to follow and that is Jesus Christ.—Dr. G. W. Leavell, Wuchow, China

**QUESTIONS ON PROGRAM TOPIC FOR STUDY AND DISCUSSION**

1. What is your argument for best equipment in Christian hospitals?
2. If ill would you choose to go to a poorly equipped Christian hospital or to a well equipped civic hospital?
3. Why does the healed body sometimes bear scars?
4. Does spiritual healing remove results of sin?
5. Why did Jesus charge the healed to "tell no man"?
6. What was the object of Christ's coming to earth?
7. Did all whom Jesus healed glorify God?
8. Did Jesus cease to heal because some of His patients were ungrateful?
9. Where are the nine? Should we go after them? Give Bible illustration.
10. Is your society doing personal service work in hospitals?

**Y. W. A. PROGRAMS**

Material found in the general program on pages 11-17 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—The Burning Light

Devotional—Mark 1:29-34

Hymn—At Even Ere the Sun Was Set  
Introduction

The Light from the Nearest Bed  
From the Next One

Hymn—The Great Physician Now Is  
Near

From the Chinese Ward  
Out of the African Room

Prayer for All Hospital Activities  
Hymn—O Zion Haste  
Prayer

**Introduction**

In all well equipped hospitals the patient has but to touch the electric button placed conveniently at hand and out where the nurses wait their call the light flashes. All day long, all night through, the lights are continually shining and nurses are hurrying to answer the patient's needs. Hospital authorities say that some light is always burning for one need is no sooner answered than another is calling. Certainly this is true in the world's hospital, the light is always shining, calling for attention from nurses and doctors far too small in number to give answer to all. We are studying the lights that call today.

**From the Nearest Bed**

(See paragraph 1 of general program.) General hospitals in the United States provide one bed to every 339 of the population whereas there should be one hospital bed for every 200 persons. Our morbidity statistics indicate that between two and three per cent of our people are sick or injured all the time. This means we have 2,700,000 persons sick or injured continually with one out of five of them, or 540,000, needing hospital care and attention but we have only 312,000 hospital beds in all general hospitals. In the south conditions are much worse. One report says the sec-

tion 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. While the various evangelical bodies are maintaining between 25 and 30 hospitals in the south, Roman Catholics have 70 hospitals and 18 homes for the aged within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention. Of course the Catholics do not need this number of hospitals for their own people in the south; they are taking advantage of the wholesale neglect of evangelical Christians in order to serve the great need—and, by no means incidentally, to reap a rich reward in membership, in money and in standing.—Southern Baptist Handbook

**Next Down**

(See paragraph 14 in general program.) Mrs. Neal writes further: "I have given out a great many tracts but the visible results are few. One thing I have noticed since the Knights of Colon are so active is that I have a decidedly reduced number of patients among the well-to-do Catholic families. Four of the old men that I was waiting on died during the year. Three died in the faith, two were those that I had taught and it was a joy to know they died trusting in Jesus, the third was a Christian for many years while the fourth died a Catholic. I tried to teach him the true way but his daughters would not let me; when I gave him a tract to read they changed doctors immediately".

**From the Chinese Ward**

(See paragraphs 3-12, general program.) China has enough sick people to fill all the hospitals in the world, 90 per cent of whom cannot secure the services of a doctor. We have 12 hospitals with 34 physicians and 47 nurses, of these 19 are our American doctors and 7 are American nurses, the others are natives trained by medical missionaries.

Our total number of beds is only 651 while there were 192,354 treatments, many had no bed at all to recuperate on or in. Statistics show that in all of China 80 per cent of the hospitals had in 1920 only one foreign or foreign trained doctor; 52 per cent no foreign nurse and 34 per cent no trained nurse at all. 65 per cent of the hospitals have no isolation block or courtyard for infectious cases. 37 per cent possess no bedding for patients and 48 per cent no clean hospital garments while 33 per cent neither boil nor filter the water before use and 50 per cent seldom or never bathe their patients, 9 per cent of the 50 may be partially excused since they do not possess a bath of any description. One of the worst features is that there is so little success in keeping things sterile for 73 per cent have no means of sterilizing bedding or mattresses and 20 per cent do not sterilize their ward dressings.

In the Foreign Mission Board report of work in North China comes this incident from Laiyang. "During the year two of our pupils died. One had only a minor ailment and sent to a Chinese doctor for medicine. He became paralyzed immediately upon eating the 'dope' given him by the Chinese doctor and died within a couple of days. The other died within two days after calling in the Chinese doctor. With a doctor and nurse here deaths would not have happened. Throughout the country each year, the toll caused by ignorant Chinese doctors is fearful". Surely the light constantly burns from the Chinese ward.

#### Out of the African Room

(See paragraph 13 of the general program.) The peril of Africa's climate and its unsanitary surroundings coupled with the native's ignorance of the primary laws of health and hygiene keep the light continuously calling "Come and help". It is not strange that only one child in ten ever reaches maturity when one considers the treatment each receives. The witch doctor relies on weeds that may or may not be poisonous, on queer concoctions and incantations, disregards simple rules of cleanliness and really spreads instead of stopping disease. Plagues of malaria, yellow fever, small pox, sleeping sickness, dysentery, blindness and leprosy are frequent

scourges in Africa. There are said to be no old persons in Central Africa because when they become sick or enfeebled with age, they are cast out to starve or be devoured by beasts. If the mother dies in child-birth the baby is buried alive with her no matter how perfectly formed and healthful. If the baby's teeth are irregular, it is bewitched and must be put to death.—Adapted from *Southern Baptist Handbook*

#### SECOND MEETING

Topic—Wearers of the White Cap

Devotional—Luke 4:16-21; 7:19-23

Hymn—The Hem of His Garment

Here's to the White Caps

In Other Lands

Supplies for Them

In Our Tuberculosis Sanatorium

In Our State

Will You Wear the White Cap?

Hymn

#### Here's to the White Caps

Consider the gratitude in all hearts to the gentle nurses who hurry quietly here and there ministering as Jesus did. Call forth expressions of appreciation from girls who have had hospital experiences. It is good to think of the blessings that they bring us here where a hospital is comparatively easy of access. Perhaps the Y.W.A. would like to entertain some of the nurses from the city hospital that they might be cheered by such expressions.

#### In Other Lands

On the inside cover of *Home and Foreign Fields* there is always printed according to their stations on the fields a list of our foreign missionaries, our "partners over there". The following are our medical women missionaries, 5 doctors—Miss Jeanette E. Beall, Mrs. Mary L. King, Miss Ethel Pierce, Mrs. C. A. Hayes and Mrs. Hallie Garrett Neal. And nurses—Miss Ruth Kersey, Miss Clara Keith, Miss E. E. Teal, Miss Blanche Bradley, Miss Lucy Wright, Miss Florence Jones, Miss Alda Grayson, Miss Nannie David. Look them up and see where each is located. By referring to back issues of *Home and Foreign Fields* and to the "From Our Missionaries" pages of ROYAL SERVICE you can secure incidents about their work. See general program also. From

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## COLLEGE Y. W. A.

### FIRST THINGS FIRST

THE college girls are back at their studies, what is your W.M.S. doing for them? If ever they needed the mother-heart guidance of Woman's Missionary Union it is now. Today in our schools the emphasis on mental achievement tends to supersede the importance of spiritual development and some professors would raise a great barrier between the two, suggesting that increased intellectual ability prohibits a growth of spirituality. Our young women must realize that the finest minds of all history and of today are those which remember allegiance of both mind and heart to God. "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy mind"—there is no prohibition of intellectual attainment there. "And the peace of God which passeth all understanding shall guard your minds and hearts through Christ Jesus"—no separation there, but how shall our girls steady themselves unless the W.M.S. in the college town is alert to hold them fast and keep them firm in the faith that is theirs? Cultivate the friendship of college daughters until they shall feel free to talk these problems over with the college Y.W.A. hostess since mother is too far away. Letters will not satisfy for explanations of burdened perplexities, would have to be too long, the W.M.S. must fill the gap. There are many practical ways. Learn the names of all the Baptist girls enrolled in the institution of your community. Welcome the girls to church services first by inviting them cordially—a group of callers at the dormitory on Friday or Saturday afternoon will result in a group of girls at church and Sunday school on Sunday. And when Sunday brings them to God's house welcome them there, not just as one of the number of girls but so earnestly and completely that names and faces are really connected. A live, large committee will be necessary to do this and your local Y.W.A. should help. If possible take the Baptist girls all home to dinner on the first or second Sunday—not all to one home but one or two or three, just enough to really make them "at home". Dormitory life is a rich experience for girlhood but it is enhanced in value by a homey touch occasionally. That is one "why" for arranging for the college Y.W.A. to meet once a month in a W.M.S. home and to hold its other meetings in the dormitory.

The task of the college Y.W.A. counselor will not be so very difficult for programs and suggestions come in the College Y.W.A. Bulletin and the young women are well able to prepare their programs and present them. The counselor will need time free to be friendly, ready to back up every endeavor. In the heavy schedule of the usual college there is little time planned for Y.W.A. meetings but college girls must so value His work as to make time—they can do it and will if the counselor helps the officers "to keep on keeping on" until the habit is formed. Begin early then before every day's hours are taken for other things. The miss is at the forefront of missions and unless she realize the importance of standing there missions will suffer. It is the business of the W.M.S. to magnify missions to her so that through knowledge of His work in the world the college girl shall grow surer in her faith in the Master and in her devotion to God. The Y.W.A. must hold up its ideals high and challengingly that she may see them above the supposed scholarly ideas which lose true wisdom.

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." "Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom."



### GIRLS AND INSTRUCTIVE FROLICS

THE G.A.'s. will find plenty of splendid program material in *World Comrades* this quarter, thanks to Mrs. Storer of Mississippi again. The Y.W.A. ones in ROYAL SERVICE can easily be adapted for the two more programs needed or these suggestions may be followed out. October, picking up the work in the fall should have some good times for G.A. girls. The twelfth of the month, Columbus Day brings opportunity for splendid missionary emphasis showing as it does the linking together of all the world. G.A. girls want to cultivate a world consciousness, a feeling around the roundness of the world, so use every point of contact with daily life and everyday matters to bring this interest to the front. Following the Columbus Day thought consider how much connection history shows between geography, exploration expeditions and missionary enterprises. The coming of our Puritans, the discovery of the Mississippi by the French Fathers, Whitman bringing information about Oregon so that that far-away state became a part of our United States, Livingstone and Stanley in Africa, the many islands of the sea which missionary boats have charted—here are incidents which may well be called to the attention of G. A. minds. For too many growing girls there is a great gap between all religious activities and school affairs, show that the two are related and interwoven in every way. Such incidents as suggested above might be acted out as charades. The following story will help the girls realize that the world looks to America for help which we must not deny.

#### The Picture That Loved the Stars and Stripes

Southern Baptists have a fine new hospital building in Kweilin, built by money from the 75 Million Campaign. Dr. R. E. L. Mewshaw is our missionary doctor there and he tells of a strange incident that happened during the time Dr. T. B. Ray was in their

station on his trip around to all our Chinese and Japanese compounds. The hospital was almost finished so it was to be dedicated while Dr. Ray was there. It is the largest building in that city of 400,000 Chinese and they are very proud of it because they helped to build it as well as to give the land on which it stands. Throughout all the city of Kweilin this dedication was a rare event. Dr. Mewshaw announced that he wished a picture taken of the crowd that would come to the services. When the people heard of the proposed picture they decided that the flags of allied nations should be in the picture with the Chinese flag flying too. The English missionaries in Kweilin brought their flag, the Americans brought the Stars and Stripes and some small flags to pin on the coat lapels, while the French, Italian and Belgian flags were also carefully and loyally brought for the occasion.

In front of the new building with John 3:16 written in large Chinese characters on a banner above their heads, the crowd was arranged by the Chinese photographer. The officials and the missionaries stood in front. The boys from the Chinese Boys' School stood on one side with the girls from their school on the other. The flags were grouped together in the center front that they might show as plainly as possible.

What a fine picture it did make! The faces were plain as could be, the buildings were beautiful, but the flags! Not a flag came out clearly in the picture except the United States flag! Side by side they had hung from their staffs but all the others were blurred so that none could be distinguished except the Stars and Stripes with every star gleaming, every stripe shining.

The Chinese all exclaimed, "This picture loves the Stars and Stripes", said they. Presently they added, "We, too, love the Stars and Stripes. It is the

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### SOME MEDICAL MISSION SUGGESTIONS

IT will be an excellent medical mission program for Royal Ambassadors if they will act out the story of Dr. Roswell H. Graves, our first medical missionary to China, as given in "The King's Own." If your chapter has not studied this splendid series of sketches of pioneer missionaries told so well by Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence, use it for a fall mission study class; if the R.A.'s. are familiar with it they will enjoy acting out the story nevertheless. Read the brief story entitled "The-Man-Who-Came-From-Heaven" completely through aloud asking the boys to watch for parts which they would like to dramatize. This will be done without practise of course. Two scenes will readily be seen. First the visit of the Chinaman who lived away from Canton but read a bit of the Bible which told about heaven and came to know more. Imagine further conversation than that indicated in the book, for instance the visitor may tell of his long journey, of his home village and its needs; he may question Dr. Graves about his home in America and why he came to China. Be sure to tell the inquirer the real story of "the Man who really did come from heaven and died on the cross that we might know about heaven, and go there when we die." A second scene would be many other Chinese people, as many as there are R.A.'s. present, studying the Bible, learning to read the characters and understand the message. The life story of this great doctor may well be one of the ones best known to our boys and actions always speak louder than words so "act away."

Since this last quarter of the year brings us three months' study of medical missions, the biography of Dr. John Anderson, a Greatheart of the South, written by Dr. Gordon Poteat will be especially suitable as a mission study text. Dr. Anderson's Chinese name was "An Dai Fu", the friend of children. A real friendship with Dr. Anderson which will come through reading his biography will mean much to every Ambassador

and will help each to hold the light and fight the fight.

Supplementing the two programs given in *World Comrades* and the above suggestion let your fourth Royal Ambassador meeting in October be about Russia. "People Who Take Pains about Dying" may be the topic. Lead out in a discussion of Russian conditions, after asking the boys at the previous meeting to especially watch the newspapers for press items concerning that troubled country. The more use R.A.'s. can make of current press numbers the more fully they will understand that missions links up vitally with the progress of nations and world events. Russia's Baptists are hard to number for in the past few years they have doubled and trebled in spite of the fact that because of persecution they must keep more or less hidden in propagating the gospel. Our own representative to Russia is Mr. Hoyt C. Porter, who went to Moscow eighteen months ago and has been busy with relief work especially since. *August Home and Foreign Fields* brings a letter from Pastor N. Chodasevitch of the city of Voconesh—look it up and so understand the great good our Baptist Bundle Day did. If your R.A. Chapter helped collect clothes at that time they will enjoy knowing the actual good accomplished by the clothes when they had journeyed to Russia's distressed ones. Center the thought on the health conditions, the typhus and other epidemics which under-nourishment bring on, then turn the thought to their formal religion which demands much ceremony in dying. The Russian is terribly afraid of death. If he is sick he is quite sure to give up and declare that his last hour has come. His religion makes him wish to allow enough time for full preparation for death. As soon as the doctor looks serious and shakes his head, the priest is summoned. On arriving he has a white cloth spread over a table by the sick bed and on it a dish of flour and a holy picture. He gives a lighted taper to every one in the room, waves incense and

proceeds with a lengthy service of scripture readings, prayers and ceremonies which include making the sign of the cross on the forehead, nose, cheeks, lips, breast and hands, seven times. After the seventh time the priest holds the Bible open over the head of the sick person and the service concludes with the patient asking the forgiveness of the priest, the members of the family and friends. If he is so far gone as to be speechless a groan will suffice while the priest gives the formula. When washed and dressed the body must be laid cornerwise on a table with a saint's picture above it and a small picture of Christ or a saint placed on the breast. Four tall candlesticks will have been brought from the church meanwhile and placed on the floor at each corner of the table with the crucifix standing at least five feet high from the floor. Every mirror in the room must be covered with a cloth. In order to send notice of the death a messenger is sent to all friends or a few lines are inserted in the columns of the paper saying, "Mr. Alexis Michaelovitch desires compliments to you and hopes you may live long." The funeral does not take place for three days after the death and meanwhile the priest says mass twice a day while preparations are made for the mourning feast. The coffin pillows must be lined with flax or wadding; the pigeon is greatly respected in Russia therefore a feather pillow cannot be used for fear there might be a pigeon's feather in it. Nine o'clock in the morning is the funeral hour. A long mass is read, a paper prayer is placed in the dead hand and a coronet on the forehead. After the interment the guests return to the house for the sumptuous feast, priest as well as others. Those who can afford it have mass performed for forty days after the death. Surely the R.A.'s. will see how pitiable such procedure is as it reveals the little knowledge of Christ which Russia really has. She has asked for "Bibles not bullets," who shall supply her needs? Challenge the boys with the world demands for Christian doctors and turn some of them to this profession following the Master's healing example.

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flag of your country, the United States, which has always been just and fair to China. You have come over here to help us, to heal our diseases and to bring joy to our aching hearts. No wonder the Stars and Stripes is plainly seen in the picture, it is plainly seen in our hearts."

And the building behind the flag, they will love it too for it will be a household of cleanliness and health to them. It is not yet furnished but when it is how many Chinese men and women and girls will find Jesus, the Great Physician there!

**P**ERHAPS a more truly Hallowe'en frolic with ghosts and witches for the theme might be carried out by thinking of all the witches of evil and illness that beset humankind. Begin with America and name some of these injurious witches. Flies, unsanitary conditions, ignorance about foods, housing conditions, foolish dress habits—here are some witches, think of others. Flying across to other lands there would be these same evils many times multiplied with plagues and epidemics added and the injuries inflicted by heathen doctors with their superstitious practises. Missionaries will be readily seen to be the "ghosts" who put these witches to flight. A pleasant guessing contest can be planned which will help in remembering their names. None but a ghost could summon missionaries from all our foreign fields so a ghost should be the official introducer. Each missionary spirit will be draped in a white sheet and will reveal his identity by acting out his name or by carrying in one protruding hand objects that would show the name. The ghost introducer should tell the station from which these spirits come so as to help in the identifying. The entire roster of our missionaries is found in *Home and Foreign Fields* and each guesser may have a copy if needed to help along the memory. It may be well to use the new missionaries who go out this fall and they are listed in September ROYAL SERVICE. We do want to know our partners over there and keep in touch with them daily through our intelligent prayers.



## SUNBEAM DEPARTMENT



### "SUNSHINE CENTERS"

**Poster Program**—Secure or have drawn a large map of your state. Locate by a large spot of gold paper the Baptist hospital, or hospitals. Then with gold paint or strips of gold paper draw lines from the farthest corners of the state to the hospital. Ask the children to find out how far it is across the state in both width and length and then talk about the length of these radiating lines. Perhaps your hospital is not in the real center of the state, but Sunbeams can quickly see that it is the center of sunshine for all those who live in the shadow of sickness and affliction. Talk about the hospital as an agency for state missions. If possible secure pictures of the superintendent, the superintendent of nurses, the hospital pastor or personal worker. Place them around the gold spot. Several boys and girls may be able to tell about how a hospital looks inside. Let them talk of the kindness of nurses, the wonderful things the doctors can do and have done, and have at least one Sunbeam tell what difference it would make if we had no hospitals, doctors or nurses.

#### The Emergency Case

With the children choosing the characters play out the handling of an emergency case. Sunbeam imaginations can quickly turn a chair carried lengthwise into an ambulance, especially if it has been described to them, in case they are not familiar with it. Similarly, another chair might be the automobile that strikes a child. One corner of the room is the town where the accident happens, another the one where the hospital is located, while any number of Sunbeams will be eager to make up the train that carries the injured person from one to the other. Then the doctor must be carefully chosen, as well as the nurses, and the ambulance driver.

**Scene I**—A car strikes a child on the street.

**Scene II**—People run to pick him up, he is carried into a drug store. A doctor is called. He says he must be carried to hospital at once.

**Scene III**—Train carries hurt child to town where hospital is.

**Scene IV**—Ambulance meets train, child is carried on cot (chair back) from train. Ambulance hurries to hospital.

**Scene V**—Is met at door of hospital by a doctor and two nurses and carried on cot into room. Doctor makes examination, finds operation necessary.

**Scene VI**—In operating room leg is set, arm bandaged and cut in head sewed up. Remember to have nurse give anesthetic so the hurt child will know nothing about the pain.

**Scene VII**—Back in room the child wakes up, finds flowers in room, smiling nurse, and knows everything is all right. Nurse brings a scrap book sent by a Sunbeam Band to the hospital. Patient is propped up in bed and is happy, looking at pictures.

#### How Somebody's Grandfather Found Sunshine

He was so poor and old and dirty that no one could look at him without almost shuddering. But worst of all he was sick, very sick. That morning he had been to the City Hospital to see if he could get a bed there where a doctor could see that awful sore on the side of his neck and could ease the pain in his poor head.

But at the City Hospital they told him he could not have a bed. He was not a resident of the city and they could not take him in. They told him he might be taken in at the Baptist hospital across town. But he was too sick to ever get to the Baptist hospital. He stumped across the street and sat down on the curbing, feeling as if he could go not one step farther. A young doctor looking out the City Hospital windows saw him and remembered how old and helpless he had looked as they told him he could not stay there. He stepped to a telephone and called a doctor friend who was interne at the Baptist hospital and told of the old man.

"We can't take him here because he does not live in this city, but I want you

to make room for him at the Baptist hospital if you can, for he looks like somebody's grandfather.

Ten minutes later a car drove up to the curbing and a kind voice spoke to the old man sitting there.

"Would you like to go to a hospital?"

"Why—I guess it's no use, I can't get in. I'm a stranger here." The old man's voice broke and he was near to tears.

"Oh, yes, you can get into the Baptist hospital. Come get in the car and let's go see." The old man painfully got in and was driven across town to the big white Baptist hospital. Here questions were asked him by a gentle-voiced little woman and it was found that he had a daughter and three charming grandchildren living in a distant state. He had started to them when he was taken sick and, in the months when he could not work or travel, had gone from bad to worse. Now he had a terrible sore on his neck and felt that he never would get well enough to see this daughter and her precious children.

As in a dream, he went from the office where the little woman had told him he could have a bed in the hospital up to the big white operating room. There the sore was carefully examined by a doctor, and instructions were given to a nurse to get a bed ready for him. With a soft bed to lie on, warm, rich food to eat, cleansing baths and kind words, the poor old fellow grew in a few days into the cheeriest person in the whole hospital. Even the operation that cut out the sore did not dim the smile that had come upon his face, for even though he had much pain, he was happy for the doctor said he would get well.

One day a lady stepped in to speak to him. She had heard his story, had even heard of the little grandchildren in a far-away state. As she talked with him she wondered what these little children would think of their grandfather if he should come home to them with his old rags and broken shoes. She knew that must not happen. She knew of a group of Baptist women who made it their business to help all those who came to the hospital without money or friends. To this circle she went and told of "Somebody's Grandfather". So it happened that one day a new suit of clothes was laid on his bed and as he fingered

each article tears came into his eyes and he said, "I had not wanted to go home to my grandchildren, for I had nothing but rags to wear, but I want to go now."

One day a well-dressed old man, walking erect and smiling, came out of the hospital and stepped into the car that the doctor drove. In his hand was a long blue piece of paper. It was his ticket home! For "Somebody's Grandfather" was going home—going home well and happy just because there was a hospital that took in everybody who was in need.

#### Shadow-Chasers

How many Sunbeams have ever seen the sun rise? Do you know how the rays of sunlight chase away the shadows of the night farther and farther down the valleys, into the wood and around the houses until it is all bright day? That is just the way southern Baptists are chasing away the shadows of disease and pain, blindness and fear from the "night-time places" of the earth. Ask your mother to tell you what she finds in her part of ROYAL SERVICE about the "Sunshine Centers" in China and Africa. Find out the names of the places where they are located and the doctors who are working so hard to make the darkness all sunlight. Then in the Sunbeam meeting have a program like this:

#### Shadow-Chasers Program

1. How to be a Shadow-Chaser
2. Where the Shadows are Darkest
3. Our Sunshine-Bearers

*How to be a Shadow-Chaser.*—Three years ago the women of the Southland decided that they could do something very definite to help our wonderful doctors and nurses. It was right after the war, and everybody knew how to roll bandages and make sponges and all those Red Cross supplies. Everybody knew, also, that because the women of America did these things victory came sooner and many a soldier's life was saved. Our missionary doctors and nurses are in a great war that never seems to end,—a war with disease and pain and fear in lands where there have never been real doctors, where the people know nothing of how to prevent disease or heal the sick. So southern Baptist women said, "Let's help in this great

war and maybe we will bring the victory nearer."

So plans were made and in church after church the women met together just as they had during the war and rolled bandages, packed cotton and made garments. Then boxes were packed, oh, so securely and away over the sea they went to all the hospitals of our Foreign Mission Board. How happy the doctors and nurses were to have all these "shadow-chasers,"—for that is what every bandage, every sponge, every towel and every nightgown was. How much happier still were the boys and girls, men and women who used all these supplies, for sores got well more quickly, eyes grew strong and well under the heavy bandages, cut places healed when the soft cotton eased the pain and aching bodies grew still, wrapped in the well-made garments. So clean were they, so white that it was easy for the Bible woman and the evangelist to tell how the blood of Jesus makes hearts clean from sin and washes even the blackness of sin from the life. So did these hospital supplies help to tell the story of the cross of Jesus. Because of this the women said, "We will call this work our White Cross Work". And so it was done.

#### Where the Shadows are Darkest

Let the children decide at the previous meeting who shall take the different parts of this little "play like" story. Then each part should be learned. Either have a box at the meeting or draw one on paper. Then let the leader pretend to pack the box and send it off. Then come the Fairies of the box to tell what happened.

*Fairy Bandage.*—I went to Yangchow, China. There I found a little girl whose father had beaten her so hard that she was nearly dead. The doctor took me from my box and wrapped me round and round her poor little arms and then poured soothing medicine all over me. She had never smiled before but after they had laid her on a little bed she looked at me and smiled and said: "I love this white medicine". So you see I chased the shadows from her face and from her life, for she is now well and happy.

*Fairy Cotton.*—I went to China, too, but down in South China to Leung Kwong Hospital which belongs to the Chinese Baptist Association of Canton Province. There I was gently laid on the eyes of a little boy who was about to go blind. The doctor had operated and I was wet with cool medicine and I helped to heal the eye and now the boy can see. I brought sunlight to him instead of darkness.

*Fairy Sheets.*—I was spread on a little bed in the new hospital in Ogbomoso, Africa. There came an old woman who had been so sick that her people thought she would die, so she had been laid out on the side of the road. The missionary found her and brought her to the hospital. On my white soft coolness she was laid and cool cloths were put on her head. The doctor sat by her side watching until finally she grew better. She had been so afraid of the hospital and the bed for she had never lain on a bed before. But as her poor aching body was eased she liked it and she found there was nothing to fear. So I helped to chase away fear-shadows from her heart.

*Fairy Towels.*—How busy I have been! My, I do believe half the people of the earth have never had a bath. I could have been used a million times in my hospital in North China, Oxner Memorial hospital at Pingtu. How very much afraid of me the people were! but how happy I made them after the refreshing water had cleansed their tired bodies and I had rubbed briskly over their skin. After that they looked forward to their bath as the happiest time of the day. So you see I am a shadow-chaser, too.

*Fairy Check.*—I am just a tiny white piece of paper but I carried all these other fairies across the sea in a great box and then, too, I was large enough and strong enough to take care of a whole room full of sick boys and girls for a whole year. I bought the medicine and paid the men and women who cleaned and kept the room, so you see, tiny though I am, I can chase many black shadows and bring sunlight into hundreds of darkened lives.

*Sunshine-Bearers.*—Look up in the W. M.S. program the names of all our missionary doctors and nurses. Have

ferent Sunbeams tell where they are located. If you have the new missionary map which can be obtained from the Foreign Mission Board for \$1.50 locate them on it.

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Warren Memorial Hospital where Miss Wright serves come these incidents. One man was brought in who had been stabbed. By an operation on him two lives were saved—his own and the man who stabbed him, for we have capital punishment in China. Another man was brought in wearing his burial clothes. In China the burial clothes are always put on before a person dies, for when his spirit leaves him he must have on his clothes or the spirit has to go through eternity with no clothes. He was operated on and at the end of four weeks went home well". Mrs. Neal tells the story of a drunkard Mexican whose wife was a faithful Catholic. As a result of too much drinking he began to suffer with his liver and abscesses developed. He was very much afraid of the necessary operation and that gave her opportunity to talk to him of religion. The wife had a large image with a little light burning in front of it for him to pray to. Mrs. Neal told him how foolish that was and explained about Jesus. He was carried to a Catholic hospital for the operation but she continued to visit him. She gave him a copy of the New Testament but his wife did not let him read it. He was converted by reading "In His Steps" and even his wife talks of the great change in him though she is still loyal to Catholicism.

#### In Our Tuberculosis Sanatorium

Southern Baptists have a sanatorium out at El Paso, Texas, where those who contract tuberculosis can be taken care of in the best of climates by the best of doctors. Write to the Home Mission Board, 1004 Healey Building, Atlanta, Ga., for leaflet about this sanatorium.

#### In Our State

Locate your state Baptist hospital, write to it for information regarding number of beds, needs in equipment, opportunities for training. Perhaps there will be some handwork which your Y.W.A. can do, sheets, towels, bandages

needed, curtains or dresser scarfs to be made.

#### Will You Wear the White Cap?

There are many calls for nurses, far more than can be answered by the number of young women now in training. Present earnestly the opportunity for Christian service offered by the healing of bodies and the accompanying chance to lead to the Healer of souls. Consider the Master's example and His entreaty to go and heal.

#### Supplies for Them

Discussion of White Cross work, for which see W.M.U. annual meeting minutes and W.M.U. Year Book.

#### Adult and Senior Books

- Oak and Laurel—By Mrs. F. W. Withoft ..... 40c and 60c  
A study of the mountain schools of the Southern Baptist Convention.
- Baptists in Italy; Their History and Work—By Peter Chiminelli ..... 50c and 75c  
Deals with history and work of Baptists in Italy, author is a native of Italy and a Baptist preacher
- A Galilee Doctor—By W. P. Livingstone ..... \$1.75  
A sketch of the career of Dr. W. B. Torrence of Tiberias
- Alexander Duff—By Wm. Paton..... 1.50
- Francois Coillard—By Shillito..... 1.50  
New biographies of great missionaries
- Missionary Heroes of Africa—By J. H. Morrison ..... 1.50  
Lives of Livingstone, Mackay and others interestingly retold
- Outlines of Missionary History—  
 By A. DeWitt Mason..... 2.00  
From New Testament times to the present
- Khama, the Great African Chief—  
 By J. C. Harris..... 1.25  
The story of an African chief who became a great power for Christianity

#### For G.A.'s. and R.A.'s.

- More Jungle Tales—By H. A. Musser ..... 1.50
- Young Japan—By Mabel G. Kerschner ..... paper, 40c  
Handbook for leaders. It outlines a series of programs and contains stories, suggestions for worship, instruction, dramatization, class projects etc. for young folks
- Short Missionary Plays—By Margaret Applegarth ..... 1.00

#### For Sunbeams

- Better Americans—By Joyce Constance Manuel ..... 60c  
Handbook for leaders, study of foreigners in America



## BOOK REVIEWS



### COMBINED BOARD REPORTS

A GOOD basis for general missionary knowledge is an intelligent understanding of the work of our own organization, and at no time in its history has Southern Baptist Convention work been more interesting than at present. Enlargement at home and abroad; in our Sunday school work; in our educational work; in our ministerial relief and in our Union work has been so marked that not to know of these expansions would be extremely unintelligent—for a southern Baptist. So rapidly have these Boards gone forward that information gleaned two years ago is now very much of a back number. Therefore, nothing better, as a basis of all mission study, could be put in the hands of our women and young women than the Combined Reports of the Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention (1923), Prepared for the Special Use of the Woman's Missionary Union.

The six reports are assembled under a strong paper cover in the following order: Foreign Mission Board; Home Mission Board; Sunday School Board; Ministerial Relief and Annuity Board; Education Board and Woman's Missionary Union. While there will be parts of each report which do not lend themselves to definite study there are many pages which must be carefully conned if the student wishes to win the W.M.U. seal for the study of this book. These pages are indicated in the opening paragraphs of the book. Here also will be found a set of questions on the work of each Board with convenient and helpful page references. When the study of the book is completed each member of the class will be granted one week in which to answer the questions necessary to entitle the student to the seal.

This new contribution of practical and timely information on a work dear to our hearts should be taken up at once in our mission study classes—indeed it is almost peremptory in its demand for our attention.

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### OAK AND LAUREL

IF you desire a trip to the mountains for refreshment and, incidentally, a good deal of first hand information as to the whereabouts and condition of our mountain schools just take your place in the home mission study class and embark in the new book Oak and Laurel, written by Mrs. M. S. Withoft. As the laurel clings to the cliff and blooms to enhance the beauty of the mountains, so may all we learn on this trip keep its hold upon the mind and blossom into deeds of ministry to our mountain schools, their teachers and pupils.

The book has seven chapters of unvarying interest. In chapter one the author carries us to several schools in Alabama and Arkansas, carefully pointing out their advantages and needs. Chapter two is given to schools in Georgia and Kentucky with the same impartial survey of facilities and hindrances. In chapter three the reader will find interesting details of each one of North Carolina's eight schools. In chapter four we visit the splendid Southwest Baptist College of Missouri and the six schools of the Tennessee mountains. Chapter five is wholly descriptive of schools in South Carolina, these are cited as above par. In chapter six we see the beautiful Lee Baptist Institute and the other four schools of Virginia. The seventh and last chapter is full of additional information, local incidents and an appeal for prayer for this large work of southern Baptists. This chapter also glows with blossoms as does the allegorical introductory pages, with this difference, these blossoms are in the form of tributes to the long and loving service of our only superintendent of mountain schools, Dr. Albert E. Brown; to the faithful mountain school teachers and to the mountain people themselves. Throughout the book one will come upon beautiful Bible texts referring to mountains.

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## SOCIETY METHODS



### REACHING THE STANDARD

*Clause 1. At least twelve regular meetings a year, with a devotional service and a definite missionary program, preferably one each month*

**T**HE constitution of the W.M.S. says its object is to stimulate a missionary spirit in the women of the church through prayer and increased knowledge of the Bible, study of missions and, in addition to this, a regular contribution to all causes under the care of the W.M.U. and to other Campaign objects.

Now turn to our Standard of Excellence; as the first requirement we find this: "At least twelve regular meetings a year, with a devotional service and a definite missionary program, preferably one each month". Does this not fit in admirably with the purpose as stated in the constitution?

Surely no standard could ever be attained without the assembling of ourselves together. The Bible injunction is, "not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together." The "at least" has a wonderful appeal. To be sure we must meet as often as twelve times a year.

The women who meet are the women who are interested. They are interested because they are in touch with each other and world interests. They are in touch because they meet. So it goes around in a circle and always comes back to meet. We must meet else we can never plan our work. Without well planned work we can do nothing worth while.

To meet is vitally important, to plan is most necessary, but the foundation of all work is prayer. A devotional service will start the wheels of the meeting going in the right direction. An atmosphere will be created that will be felt during the entire meeting. The devotional service will be a mighty factor in stimulating a mission spirit in the women. We must not neglect this second requirement of the first point in our Standard.

Important as the first two are, no meeting of the W.M.S. is complete without a definite missionary program. We

have organized to work for missions. Can we do work about which we have not studied? Our definite missionary program brings to us our work. When we know then we do. How many do not believe in missions? Just so many do not know missions in all the term includes. A missionary program opens up our work, brings us in touch with fields and problems.

No work is done intelligently unless some one has studied. With a leader who has given time, thought and prayer to a program, who has planned it to bring the greatest amount of definite information and who will herself furnish inspiration, a W.M.S. can be so fired with zeal for missions that there will be no limit to the work it will do.

Without knowledge there is no vision. "Where there is no vision the people perish". Without regular meetings with devotional service and definite missionary program there can be no vision and a W.M.S. will become a valley of dry bones. To pay means much, but to meet, to pray, to study mean more and make paying easy.

The importance of the first clause of the Standard of Excellence has been stressed. How can it be reached? When the majority of the women in the W.M.S. realize the full importance, it will be reached. Until then we must urge, persuade, telephone, write and in every way keep before the women the importance of reaching the first requirement—*Meet*. That reached, the rest will be easy. Use your telephone freely, speak a word in season, beg a little more, mail some of those Attendance Cards\* we can secure from the Birmingham headquarters. Keep busy, never lose your patience nor your faith.—Mrs. Pendleton Scruggs, Ky.

\*Price, 10c a dozen from W.M.U. Literature Dep't., 1111 Jefferson Co. Bk. Bldg., Birmingham, Ala.



## UNION NOTES



### ROUND TABLE

**W**HAT reader of ROYAL SERVICE has not wondered how faithfully those blank pages provided in the July number were used? Such interested ones will rejoice to know that when our corresponding secretary sailed from Seattle she carried a portfolio of these pages containing more than 21,000 names of women and young people who by their signature said "I solemnly pledge to do my best by the close of the Baptist 75 Million Campaign to redeem in full and to increase if possible my pledge to the Campaign. I furthermore promise to try to get others to redeem their pledges and to get still others to pledge and pay before the Campaign closes". Surely such evidence of devotion to the Campaign causes us to "thank God and take courage". Why not make a copy of the pledge to keep in a place where your eyes may rest often upon it, thus emphasizing to yourself day by day the purpose it affirms?

**T**HIS month a departure is made from the usual nature of the leaflets suggested on page three of ROYAL SERVICE. Practically all available information on the month's topic is given in the programs published in the Union's two magazines and in Home and Foreign Fields. Two more months will be devoted to a general study of medical missions, hence the October leaflets recommended are not particularly applicable to that subject. Their use, however, is all the more strongly urged as they will be found helpful in reviving and increasing interest in various phases of our work. A delightful program for circle meetings could be worked out with these leaflets followed by discussion of the topics, stewardship, enlistment, young people's work etc. which they bring to mind.

**W**ITH the coming of school time it is easy to turn our thoughts to the subject of making "good grades". In this issue of ROYAL SERVICE begins a series of articles that will serve as a wise school teacher to steer many

a society clear of the difficulties that have hindered its efforts toward a "good grade" on the Standard of Excellence. Turn to page 30 and read the article this month on the first clause then follow the succeeding articles month by month and see if the end of the year does not find your society on the Honor Roll.

**A**GAIN Woman's Missionary Union is distinguished by having a book by an author from its own ranks to offer its constituency. This is a study of our mountain school system written by Mrs. Frank H. Withoft of Georgia. See the review on page 29. Attention is called also to the announcement from the Sunday School Board that the Combined Board Reports for 1923 are now on sale. This is the book to be used with a recommended book on prayer in the Union's fourth mission study course which study is rewarded by the large purple seal.

**T**HE Union Year Book contains on pages 62-64 a list of recommended mission study books for women and young people. There are other books which should be added to this list and these are on page 28. Order them from Educational Dep't., Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.; prices include postage. Book reviews in this and recent numbers of ROYAL SERVICE give you a foretaste of what may be found in those we are pleased to call the leading text books for fall and winter study.

**F**ROM Miss Blanche Sydnor White we have the following: Meeting new friends brings pleasure but renewing acquaintances is even more joy. I am visiting several states for the second time. In Danville, Va., a unique experiment gave the associational W.M.U. opportunity to hold its annual meeting in connection with a three days' institute, when all departments of the associational life were represented. This plan proved so effective it will be followed again next year. One touch with Maryland Baptists creates a taste for another experience so it was a welcome

breeze which blew me to a western Maryland associational gathering. South Carolina assembly was in full swing when your field worker dropped into Greenville. South Carolina W.M.U. believes in keeping up to date in her work. This year she went one step further and before the text-book could be put into print, Mrs. Withoft led the assembly W.M.S. mission class in the study of "Oak and Laurel", our splendid mountain school book for fall and winter study. The R.A. camp, led by Miss Wofford numbered 75 and Mrs. Davis' G.A. camp enrolled 45. The sweet spirit of the Mary P. Willingham school lingered and blessed Georgia's assembly at Blue Ridge. Under Miss Patrick's capable management the program presented this year could not have been surpassed. Drs. Sampey, James, Fugate and Purser, missionaries Bryan, Clarke and Patterson, musicians Hening, Garwood and Hoffman,—these names will give you some idea of the daily treats we enjoyed. Can the W.M.U. arrange and carry through a worthwhile full assembly program? Come to Blue Ridge next year and see for yourself. Helpful associational gatherings in Hiawassee, Georgia, and Sulligent, Alabama, bring my journeys down to date.

IT is quite a step from Florida to Mississippi but your young people's secretary found the same spirit of enthusiastic study among Baptist young people at the Mississippi Assembly in Hattiesburg as had been manifested in DeLand. Mission study classes were provided for each organization of W.M.U.'s. graded system. It was the pleasure of your secretary to teach the Leaven in Japan to a cozy class of women and girls. The atmosphere of devotion to Jesus Christ increased in power until on the closing day nearly every one in attendance at the assembly consecrated himself to do the Lord's will whatever it might lead to. It was rather like going home to attend the Mississippi Assembly for the third time but going to the Illinois Encampment was new—new to the five hundred who registered also because it was held for the first time at Ewing in our own college buildings there. Interest was added as former students met and talked over college life and old times, telling the students-to-be of college life

at Ewing. Outstanding features at both Illinois and Mississippi Assemblies were the sunset services on missionary topics. Dr. Davidson in Mississippi told a series of love stories in the lives of pioneer missionaries while in Illinois Mr. Connely of Tsinin station chatted of life in China. Illinois W.M.U. was more and more heartened as Miss Evelyn Quarles proved again her fitness for the big task which is hers as corresponding secretary. She had well arranged with the program committee for mission study classes for every one and nearly every one was enlisted too. After a Sunday at Marion with Miss Doerr, the college correspondent for Illinois, the journey to Oklahoma came, ending at last up in the cool Arbuckle mountains near Davis. This first trip to Oklahoma was a busy, happy one with daily W.M.U. conferences, a Sunbeam leader's course and a class in From Strength to Strength. Mrs. Spooner chaperoned the Y.W.A. house which is one of the largest on the grounds. Despite the fact that funds do not allow for a young people's leader, mission work among the young people grows steadily in interest. The final summer engagement was at a Y.W.A. camp near Batesville, Arkansas. The fair grounds became the world to a merry group; the tent where evangelistic services were held each evening was Sung Way Dong, "Happy Sound Tent", and the Japan class met in the Plum Blossom House. "Cuba for Christ" was taught by the author. A special treat was having travelogue stories each afternoon from Mrs. Blake of Ouachita College, who brought as a climax the account of her visit to the passion play. The camp government was carried on through a golden circle of honor, friendship and wisdom. Never did the fair grounds exhibit more loyal, faithful service than that of the women of the W.M.S. of Batesville who were beautiful Marthas in their eagerness to foster the camp for their young women. Mrs. Lawrence, the state leader, these women and the girls of the golden circle are all to be congratulated upon the success of this second annual camp. The crowning feature of it all was the return of Mrs. J. G. Jackson from Stockholm just in time to tell all about the Baptist World Alliance.

## WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

### Campaign Pledges

Including Receipts of First Quarterly Report

STATES	PLEDGES	PAID	DUE
Alabama	\$ 1,087,000.00	\$ 643,738.29	\$ 443,261.71
Arkansas	640,000.00	397,226.62	242,773.38
District of Columbia	10,000.00	44,700.55	*
Florida	274,539.00	223,267.88	51,271.12
Georgia	2,262,013.00	1,283,601.14	978,411.86
Illinois	312,000.00	170,945.31	141,054.69
Kentucky	1,693,703.00	1,259,369.69	434,333.31
Louisiana	874,962.00	466,806.43	408,155.57
Maryland	215,388.00	115,554.90	99,833.10
Mississippi	850,675.00	475,713.35	374,961.65
Missouri	800,000.00	172,770.31	627,229.69
New Mexico	125,000.00	61,970.99	63,029.01
North Carolina	2,167,335.00	1,152,688.40	1,014,646.60
Oklahoma	1,043,093.00	612,800.28	430,292.72
South Carolina	2,015,000.00	1,117,293.29	897,706.71
Tennessee	1,170,996.00	769,892.84	401,103.16
Texas	4,100,000.00	1,649,277.78	2,450,722.22
Virginia	2,424,076.00	1,465,505.28	958,570.72
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$22,065,780.00</b>	<b>\$12,083,123.33</b>	<b>\$10,017,357.22</b>

\*District of Columbia has more than paid Campaign Pledges in full.

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	Alabama	Arkansas	District of Columbia	Florida	Georgia	Illinois	Kentucky	Louisiana	Maryland	Mississippi	Missouri	N. Mexico	N. Carolina	Oklahoma	S. Carolina	Tennessee	Texas	Virginia	Total
W. M. S.—Foreign.....	\$ 2953 47	\$ 1921 83	\$ 1125 42		\$ 6679 85	\$ 1463 98	\$ 9146 38	\$ 4113 47	\$ 270 72	\$ 1040 66	\$ 1576 27	\$ 229 80	\$ 17312 94	\$ 1149 09	\$ 8679 61	\$ 5020 84		\$ 18736 27	\$ 81519 55
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Margaret Fund.....			212 00		1256 27	487 64	3461 50	471 60	600 00	789 92	556 80	256 41	104 45	804 80	207 81	541 84	\$ 4117 78	865 24	12950 45
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Home.....	118 27	50 00			138 98		223 10											24 00	
Bible Fd. S. S. Bd.....							24 00												25 00
Margaret Fund.....							25 00												150 00
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G. A.—Foreign.....	22 53	2 55			18 21		13 10		3 10	40 00	93 94		222 49	117 11	24 60	250 77	250 77	808 70	
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Bible Fd. S. S. Bd.....							5 00											5 00	
Margaret Fund.....							36 79		10 84		315 90		6 00					6 00	
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Totals.....	\$ 14963 29	\$ 11984 62	\$ 13300 55	\$ 8628 88	\$ 13028 14	\$ 40255 31	\$ 12396 69	\$ 47804 43	\$ 1476 90	\$ 6428 35	\$ 9156 31	\$ 3320 20	\$ 27043 40	\$ 7387 28	\$ 13081 29	\$ 22364 84	\$ 9417 78	\$ 9825 29	\$ 257612 33

Totals: For Foreign Missions \$91,203.24; Home Missions \$50,330.93; Bible Fund of S. S. Board \$180.00; Margaret Fund \$943.38; Training School \$3,989.80; Scholarship Fund \$861.70; Campaign Endowment and Enlargement \$8,552.51; Other Campaign Objects \$15,266.77. Total \$276,123.33. Value of Boxes to Missionaries \$516.81.

OTHER CAMPAIGN OBJECTS  
Included in First Table

States	Ministerial Relief	Christian Education	State Missions	Orphanages	Hospitals	Miscellaneous	Totals
Alabama.....	\$ 597.70	\$ 3,600.71	\$ 1,794.50	\$ 1,226.06	\$ 315.63	\$ 1,529.40	\$ 9,064.00
Arkansas.....	214.20	3,407.87	2,671.78	680.99	486.09	3,968.71	11,429.64
District of Columbia.....			937.85				937.85
Florida.....							
Georgia.....	184.50	1,629.98	1,038.54	588.30	33.61	16,422.08	16,422.08
Illinois.....	1,293.50	4,529.15	4,545.82	1,739.63	1,199.04	520.15	13,827.29
Kentucky.....	164.54	11,736.97	4,113.42	2,303.52	1,837.33		20,155.78
Louisiana.....			46.09			594.81	640.90
Maryland.....	82.66	1,523.39	1,121.88	177.15	312.94	6.25	3,218.02
Mississippi.....	62.84	1,122.01	3,393.19	112.56	47.78	1,632.71	4,744.63
Missouri.....		17.00	771.73			933.65	2,421.44
New Mexico.....	3,093.14	11,557.69	12,387.17	6,472.27	4,185.07	215.45	38,628.99
North Carolina.....	143.64	1,795.46	2,155.21	646.36	359.09	757.60	5,315.21
Oklahoma.....	757.60	15,622.19	3,907.66	3,190.94	1,202.48		25,438.47
South Carolina.....	884.96	7,079.26	2,212.29	1,327.37	2,212.29		13,716.17
Tennessee.....							
Texas.....	5,181.67	21,081.58	12,271.11	5,120.73	2,176.28		45,831.37
Virginia.....							
Totals.....	\$ 12,660.95	\$ 84,703.26	\$ 53,368.24	\$ 23,585.88	\$ 14,367.63	\$ 26,580.81	\$ 215,266.77

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