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Laborers together with God—Corinthians 3:9

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Psalm 72:19

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EDITORIAL



ENERGY IN EMERGENCY

Enthusiasm is usually aroused by contests in word framing, as for instance the game of getting many words out of one name. For the sake of arousing enthusiasm and for many other reasons, attention is called to the many words embedded in the one strong word "emergency". Easily are the following ones assembled: me, men, mere, cere, merge, emerge, energy! You may find other meanings held fast within the word but surely these seven will serve as the sacred number as the plans are unfolded for the "Emergency Effort" of the Woman's Missionary Union.

You will recall that at the May W.M.U. meeting in Atlanta it was announced that the Union had paid into the Baptist 75 Million Campaign all of its 15 Million Quota except \$261,859.00. Happy beyond words to describe were Union hearts on June 12 when this deficit was overpaid by \$25,200. From then until the close of the first quarter, representing the months of May, June and July, Campaign payments continued with the result that the W.M.U. treasurer's report on pages 35-36 shows the splendid total of \$583,053, which is an excess of \$206,930 over the same quarter of last year. Surely we will pause and give thanks to God for this signal victory.

But Union members pledged to the Campaign far above the 15 Million Quota, the amount pledged being \$22,065,780. This means that \$6,797,275 yet remain to be paid in by W.M.U. workers before the Campaign closes in December. Accordingly the W.M.U. Executive Committee has authorized the "Emergency Effort" to be inaugurated during this present month of October and to be pursued until the largest possible victory is won. That there is a real W.M.U. emergency no one can doubt since the payments of the five months of August, September, October, November and December are expected to reach \$6,797,275, which is more than twice the payments during the entire twelve months of last year. That it is an emergency is also realized after reading such articles as the one on page 27. You have doubtless wondered, unless you are versed in Japanese character reading, what is the meaning of the picture at the beginning of this article. Reading from bottom to top it says: "Rear Entrance to Seinan Jo Gakuin". So attractive is this "rear entrance" sign that you must wonder what marks the main gateway. While you are thus pondering, may we not use this sign as typical of the situation at our Kokura Girls' School with its beautiful name of "Seinan Jo Gakuin", with its commanding situation, with its excellent faculty and its large enrollment but with its all too small equipment? As one compares the opportunity with the present equipment, it looks as though the entrance were indeed being made at the rear and that southern Baptists were far behind in their appreciation of this, their golden opportunity for the Christian education of Japanese girls. Once more one seems to hear Paul saying: "Ye were running well; who hindered you?" and the only answer is failure to redeem Campaign pledges.

Not only is this emergency felt in Japan but it is also a vital issue in all parts of China. Listen to the appeal of Mrs. Wade Bostick for just one station, far to the interior where no other evangelical denomination is working: "At Pochow we very much need more workers and equipment, the 75 Million Campaign not having

provided one-half of our urgent requests. We need a hospital and a man for educational work, as my husband is almost smothered with the work of the boys' school here and of all the twenty out-stations. But our burning need is for more men for evangelistic work. The population of our field is between two and three million and Mr. G. P. Bostick is the only man in evangelistic work. The 75 Million Campaign has helped wonderfully but our burning need has not been touched. Send us some men who can go out and preach the unsearchable riches of Christ and His power to save even these poor, wretched Chinese, thousands of whom are going to Christless graves all around us every year".

Crossing into Europe we are pressed by the necessity in Rumania as told by Mrs. D. T. Hurley of Bucharest: "To our work in Rumania the Campaign has given two missionaries, a new school building which will accommodate 25 boys and a lot on which the seminary building has been erected. But we have no building for a girls' school and no training school for women students in connection with the seminary. We sorely need room for more students. There are 5,000 fine Baptist boys and girls in Rumania who should be in school but we have no schools for them. They are our hope! We also need a printing press".

Even so do the missionaries in Africa, Mexico and South America plead with us to redeem our promises to the people for whom they are pouring out their lives. Would that this magazine could publish every burning word from them, like the following from Mrs. F. J. Fowler of Mendoza, Argentina: "To Mendoza the 75 Million Campaign has given one new missionary, land for the church and our unfinished church building. We have been worshipping in this building for over a year, with only the walls up and the roof on—no floors, no windows, no doors but one! This same building was promised and we were instructed by the Board to begin the work but when it was only half finished word came that for a year there would be no money for buildings. We have a splendid congregation here from an excellent class of people. Oh, that I could tell you how the cause has suffered by this calamity, not to say anything of the exposure to the weather during the services! Just now the weather is freezing but there we sit with our feet on the cold ground, the wind whistling through the windows. Is not this an emergency?"

Please read your state Baptist papers and Home and Foreign Fields for other emergency messages for they are abundant not only from the foreign missionaries but from the leaders of the various causes here in the southland. Please assemble all of these articles and use them at your emergency meeting, for surely every society whether large or small will feel the urge of the hour and will determine at this time to put forth renewed, aye, increased energy. On page 6 a suggested program is outlined. You may care to incorporate this into one of your regular meetings, preferably, please, in October. Or you may think best to have a special luncheon, afternoon or evening hour devoted to it. Certainly during the Jubilate in 1913 Union workers aroused large enthusiasm through the luncheons. Some have objected to the luncheon idea, saying that it is contrary to the necessity implied by an emergency but during the war we learned how to have very attractive parties with "meatless, wheatless, sweetless" menus. But, however you may use the program, please get the emergency idea over to your constituency.

Take as your ideal: (1) that each member will know it is an emergency with her until her full pledge is paid; (2) that the entire society will feel that it is an emergency with it until every member's pledge has been paid in full; (3) that of those who have paid their pledges as many as possible will agree to "bear another's burden" by being emergency women. All that is necessary to be an "Emergency Woman" is to pay, over and above one's own pledge, \$15 before the Campaign books close in December. This is to be paid in the way other Campaign payments have been made and can be paid in many installments if need be. The Alabaster

Box will be handy for these daily savings. By signing the simple "Emergency Effort" card one simply agrees to pay the extra \$15 and does not bind herself to any other emergency call in the near or distant future. It may be that many women will be able to give much more than \$15, thus serving as two or three or ten or more emergency women. Remember that "the quality of mercy is not strained" and "the King's business requireth haste". Do your best in your society and church to get as many emergency women as possible. You ask why the amount of \$15 was chosen? It has been estimated that perhaps there are half a million women who are interested in the victorious completion of the Campaign, which from a W.M.U. standpoint is represented by \$6,797,275. When this amount is divided by 500,000 it gives about \$15 as the per capita share in redeeming the pledges. It is sincerely hoped that many Y.W.A.'s. will be "Emergency Women".

Let each of us remember that the emergency includes and is to be met by the personal *me*; that it follows the divine plan of human cooperation, working in and through *men* and women; that is a *mere* matter of mercy and honor; that if victorious it will, like softest wax, *cere* together for larger service our work the world around; that to make it a success every thought and deed must *merge* into the one big purpose; that out of all this effort will undoubtedly *emerge* a happier, holier denomination; and that in the launching of it and the completion thereof untiring *energy* is required—*energy* which in the spirit of love "suffereth long and is kind, envieth not, seeketh not its own, hopeth all things, endureth all things, never faileth". Will you be an "Emergency Woman" in this "Emergency Effort"?

SUGGESTED PROGRAM FOR EMERGENCY EFFORT

Hymn: O, Zion, Haste

Scripture: Psalm 72

Sentence Prayers for Christian Zeal

Hymn: Onward, Christian Soldiers

Sketch of Emergency Effort (See pages 4-6.)

Prayer for Willing Workers

Hymn: Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

Reading of Article: Testing Time in Japan (See pages 27-28.)

Talk: Why the Effort Needs Me

Hymn: He Included Me

Prayer for Realization of Personal Responsibility

Talk: Energy Required for Success

Hymn: Work for the Night Is Coming

Reading of Leaflet: Miss Maria and Campaign Pledges (Free from State W. M. U. Headquarters—It will be more effective if given as a demonstration, two R.A. boys taking part.)

Reading of Article: Earnest Entreaties (See W.M.U. Dep't. in October Home and Foreign Fields and in Emergency Effort Folder. Folder is free from state W.M.U. headquarters.)

Prayer that no W.M.U. member will turn a deaf ear to these appeals

Hymn: Jesus Calls Us

Four Talks on Southwide Needs: (1) Christian Education; (2) Aged Ministers; (3) Home Missions in General; (4) Cuba in Particular (See Emergency Effort Folder.)

Prayer that these emergencies will find every W.M.U. member eager to aid to the utmost

Singing of Emergency Song (See Emergency Effort Folder.)

Talk: Appeal from Our State (See article in W.M.U. Department of state Baptist paper.)

Prayer that state loyalty will gird each woman for the larger task

Emergency Demonstration by Young People (See pages 23-25.)

Singing of Emergency Song (See Emergency Effort Folder.)

Repeating in Unison: John 3:16

Season of Silent Prayer (All Standing or on Bended Knee)

Signing of Emergency Pledge Card (See "Emergency Effort" Folder. Secure sufficient cards, free, from state W. M. U. headquarters.)

Reading of Scripture: Ezekiel 47:12; Isaiah 11:9, 10; Revelation 5:11-13



BIBLE STUDY



TOPIC—Consecration of Wealth

I. *The Source of Wealth:* Deut. 8:17-18. "It is He that giveth thee power to get wealth". Money is a mighty power, wealth occupies a proud position in all the parliaments of civilization. Christianity enjoins frugality upon its disciples, its command is "Gather up the fragments". The fact that redemption has been secured at an infinite cost, I Cor. 6:20, the argument is that all things material and physical belonging to the Christian should be sanctified in devotion to God for He has made the outpouring of spiritual blessings dependent upon faithfulness in observation of tithes and offerings, Mal. 3:10-18. We imagine that all of God's benefactions are spiritual, we have shut Him out of field and vineyard, Deut. 28:8-14; II Cor. 8:7-15.

II. *Channels of Blessing:* Matt. 5:42-48; Eph. 5:1-17; Eph. 1:15-21; Heb. 13:16. Share what you have with others, Rom. 12:13; Gal. 6:6; I Peter 4:9-11, as good stewards. The only real life is to live for Christ, to live in the light of eternity, to use all we possess for the promotion of God's glory—this only is life in earnest and the life of blessing, Luke 16:9-13. If the world's riches come to the Christian he should diligently and faithfully use them in the service of Christ, for the advancement of the work of the Lord; in this way the riches, which else might crumble into dust and rust, shall produce precious fruit that will minister an abundant entrance into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ, I Tim. 6:19. The true motive is "the love of Christ constraineth us", Heb. 13:1-3, 18-21; Neh. 12:28-29.

III. *An Act of Remembrance:* II Peter 1:12-15; 3:1-3, II Cor. 1:12-14. Cornelius the centurion was rewarded by hearing the Gospel from Peter, Acts 10:4, 31. Thus on the divine side as on the human side there is an act of remembrance, Heb. 6:10-12; Matt. 25:40. We cannot work for God without reward, but the reward must form no part of the motive under which we work. In token of gratitude and of God's unmerited goodness Israel was established as a nation; in the promised land the offering of the basket of first fruits was brought—Deut. 26:1-19; Lev. 23:11-14; the sheaf of the first fruits was typical of resurrection, I Cor. 15:20, 23; I Thess. 4:3-18. This was a proper and beautiful act expressive of dependence on the God of Nature and providence. Money can only touch the lowest levels of life. "The love of money is a root of all evil"—not the money itself, but the love of it which excludes and modifies noble affections. We will do well to make the Prayer of Agur our own, Prov. 30:4, 7-9.

IV. *Almsgiving:* Deut. 15:7-11, Matt. 5:42-6 may be the choicest specimen of its class and many a hurt may be made glad by the donation. God tries the motives of the soul to see if love was in the gift, I John 3:17, to see if it was given to the poor or given to yourself. Humility is the result of divine action in the soul, Luke 14:12-14. So far as we are concerned it is impossible to fulfill all obligations of life if we had nothing to draw upon but our own little strength. Christ promised the Holy Spirit to abide, John 14:16, strengthen and direct our whole life into all the fulness and glory of truth. John 16:13, 14, "for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of things which he possesseth".—Mrs. James Pollard



DAILY BIBLE READINGS



TOPIC: Consecration of Wealth

A glory gilds the sacred page,
Majestic like the sun,
It gives a light to every age;
It gives but borrows none.—*Cowper*

The Source of Wealth

Wednesday, 1st

Deuteronomy 8:16-18; Psalm 66:12;
Proverbs 11:4

Thursday, 2d

Ecclesiastes 2:24; 3:13; 5:10, 18, 19

Friday, 3d

Haggai 2:8; Job 31:24-28; Proverbs 10:22

Saturday, 4th

Proverbs 3:9, 10; Deuteronomy 26:2, 10, 11

Sunday, 5th

Exodus 22:29; Deuteronomy 28:8, 12-14

Monday, 6th

I Corinthians 6:20; II Corinthians 8:9; 9:15

Tuesday, 7th

Luke 12:16-21; II Corinthians 6:10; Revelation 3:18

Channels of Blessing

Wednesday, 8th

Acts 8:5-8; 13:2-5; Revelation 1:3

Thursday, 9th

Ephesians 1:3-14; 4:32; 6:18-24

Friday, 10th

Romans 12:9-13; 13:8-10; 15:1-3

Saturday, 11th

Galatians 6:6; I Peter 4:8-11, 17-19

Sunday, 12th

I Corinthians 13:1-13; I Timothy 6:17-19

Monday, 13th

Matthew 25:34-46; 10:40-42; Mark 9:41

Tuesday, 14th

Luke 10:30-37; Proverbs 14:21

An Act of Remembrance

Wednesday, 15th

Genesis 7:11; 8:13; 9:11-17

Thursday, 16th

Ezekiel 1:28; Revelation 4:1-3

Friday, 17th

Psalm 30:4, 5; 102:12, 27, 28; 112:6

Saturday, 18th

II Peter 1:2-15; 3:1, 2; I Timothy 4:6

Sunday, 19th

Exodus 20:8-11; 23:12; 31:12-17

Monday, 20th

Luke 22:14-20; I Corinthians 11:23-26

Tuesday, 21st

Isaiah 62:6, 7, 11, 12; Malachi 3:16, 17

Almsgiving

Wednesday, 22d

Deuteronomy 15:7-11; Matthew 26:6-13

Thursday, 23d

Zechariah 7:9, 10; Psalm 112:1-10

Friday, 24th

Matthew 5:42-46; Luke 6:30-34

Saturday, 25th

Matthew 15:32-38; Mark 8:1-9

Sunday, 26th

Acts 10:1-5, 21, 22, 30-33; Hebrews 6:10

Monday, 27th

Acts 3:1-11; Luke 11:41

Tuesday, 28th

Acts 9:36-41; I Timothy 2:10

Wednesday, 29th

Matthew 6:1-4; 10:40-42; I Corinthians 3:14

Thursday, 30th

I John 3:16-18; 4:20; I Peter 3:8

Friday, 31st

Luke 12:27-34; Colossians 3:1-4

Calendar of Prayer for Southern Baptists

October, 1924

"From petty feelings; trivial days;
From harsh, unsympathetic ways;
From easy roads to provocation;
From shrinking fear of tribulation;
From hardness; from uncharity,
Good Lord deliver me.

"From vaunting of myself; from doubt;
From turning kindness wrong side out;
From being deaf when I have heard;
From waxing broader than Thy Word;
And from misrepresenting Thee,
Good Lord deliver me."

Topic: The Lady of the Kimono

1—WEDNESDAY

That national vicissitudes lead Japan Godward
He knoweth thy walking through this great wilderness.—Deuteronomy 2:7

2—THURSDAY

That full restoration to health be given Rev. W. V. Nix, and for †Mrs. Nix, Fukuoka, Japan
So that my bonds in Christ are manifest in all places—Philippians 1:13

3—FRIDAY

Thanksgiving for a new spirit of Christian service in Tokyo church since the great disaster
By works was faith made perfect.—James 2:22

4—SATURDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. George William Greene, evangelistic work, Canton, China
He hath made us accepted in the beloved.—Ephesians 1:6

5—SUNDAY

That 75 Million Campaign cease to be called an unfinished task
Your labor is not in vain in the Lord. I Corinthians 15:58

6—MONDAY

For evangelistic work of Miss Effie Baker, Fukuoka, Japan
It is God which worketh in you. Philippians 2:13

7—TUESDAY

For student and evangelistic work of Rev. J. H. Rowe and †Mrs. Rowe, Kokura, Japan
We preach Christ crucified. I Corinthians 1:23

8—WEDNESDAY

That Rev. and Mrs. John Sundstrom may be returned to their work, Kong Moon, China, fully restored to health
My mercy shall be with them.—Psalm 89:24

9—THURSDAY

For follow up spiritual work in camps for homeless refugees, Tokyo, Japan
Bear ye one another's burdens.—Galatians 6:2

10—FRIDAY

For God's blessing upon evangelistic work of Miss E. E. Rea, Kong Moon, China
Not I, but the grace of God which was with me—I Corinthians 15:10

11—SATURDAY

For the evangelization of Japanese in America
Minister in the name of the Lord.—Deuteronomy 18:7

12—SUNDAY

Pray for the awakening of southern Baptists who have not pledged to 75 Million Campaign
Let every man prove his own work... then shall he have rejoicing.—Galatians 6:4

13—MONDAY

That gospel tent evangelism in charge of Rev. and Mrs. Frank P. Lide, Hwang-hsien, China, have rich results
Thy God is with thee.—Joshua 1:9

14—TUESDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. Earle Parker, preaching and Sunday school work, Pingtu, China
My Father worketh... and I work.—John 5:17

15—WEDNESDAY

For inspiring and fruitful sessions in Kentucky W.M.U. annual meeting
He is our help.—Psalm 33:20

16—THURSDAY

For Rev. R. A. Jacob, principal Boys' Boarding School, Laichowfu, China, and for †Mrs. Jacob
The Lord will go before you.—Isaiah 52:12

†W.M.U. Training School Alumna

Calendar of Prayer for Southern Baptists October, 1924

"O may it please Thee to relieve
All who are falling, all who grieve;
To comfort those who part;
To house the homeless heart;
To meet in Thy great shining way
All who shall die this very day.

"O Lamb of God I pray Thee hear!
O Rock within a weary land;
O Water welling through the sand;
O Lily breathing through the clod;
O Heart so quick to understand,
Grant us Thy peace, O Son of God!"

Topic: The Lady of the Kimono

17—FRIDAY

That Christian missionaries in Japan
be used of God for international
good will
All flesh shall know that I am.
—Isaiah 49:26

18—SATURDAY

For Miss Cecile Lancaster, educa-
tional work, Kokura, Japan
The Lord God is my strength.
—Habakkuk 3:19

19—SUNDAY

Ask for God's blessing on W.M.U.
methods for completing Campaign
fund
That we might work the works of God
—John 6:28

20—MONDAY

For medical work of Dr. Mary L.
King, Pochow, China, and for Mis-
souri W.M.U. annual meeting
That they may see your good works
and glorify your Father
—Matthew 5:16

21—TUESDAY

That our mission kindergartens lay
lasting foundations for Christ in
Japan
He laid His hands on them.
—Matthew 19:15

22—WEDNESDAY

For literary and educational work
of Rev. and Mrs. Gordon Poteat,
Shanghai College, China
The sower soweth the word.
—Mark 4:14

23—THURSDAY

For our Theological Seminary, Fu-
kuoka, Japan
I will make you to become fishers of
men.—Mark 1:17

24—FRIDAY

For spirit directed sessions of Mary-
land W.M.U. annual meeting
If there arise a matter too high for
thee . . . the Lord thy God shall
choose.—Deuteronomy 17:8

25—SATURDAY

For Miss Lila F. Watson, educa-
tional work, Tsiningchow, China
Abide with God.—I Corinthians 7:24

26—SUNDAY

For an universal observation of
stewardship among southern Bap-
tists
For the perfecting of the saints, for
the work of the ministry
—Ephesians 4:12

27—MONDAY

For Bible classes and primary school
work of Rev. and Mrs. John T.
Littlejohn, Tsiningchow, China
They ceased not to teach and preach
Jesus Christ.—Acts 5:42

28—TUESDAY

For the womanhood of Japan
The Lord was with them.—Acts 11:21

29—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Black-
man, Yangchow, China
Thou shalt be His witness.
—Acts 22:15

30—THURSDAY

That the Illinois and Virginia W.M.
U. annual meetings report and plan
great things for God
The Lord is among them.
—Psalm 68:17

31—FRIDAY

That united prayer bring a church-
wide revival
And when they had prayed . . . they
spoke the word of God with boldness.
—Acts 4:31

†W.M.U. Training School Alumna



MY ALABASTER BOX



ABUNDANTLY BLESSED

AMONG all Christian virtues,
none shines forth in richer col-
oring than does the spirit of sac-
rifice. Clear in its meaning of render-
ing sacred that which a contrite heart
offers unto God, our thoughts turn at
once to Mary's gift of love. Naturally
enough we have accustomed ourselves to
look to Holy Writ for this Christ-like
spirit but there are rich and inspiring
examples coming under our observation
when we touch and understand the
hearts and lives around us.

In an unusually earnest message our
pastor brought to the hearts of his peo-
ple their responsibility and his deep de-
sire that the church would prayerfully
and sacrificially endeavor to meet before
the time of the Southern Baptist Con-
vention its full quota of the 75 Million
Campaign. In a few days, he received
from the wife of a college student a
letter containing five dollars. The hus-
band had answered the call to "preach
the Word" and, with wife and five small
children, the years of college prepara-
tion had been years of brave struggle
and real sacrifice. When the pastor
read the name signed to the letter he
involuntarily exclaimed, "This must not
be done". So well did he know that
this gift was "of her poverty" that he
went at once to her home and told her
frankly, yet tenderly, that it was not de-
manded of her to make such an extreme
sacrifice. "No, no, pastor", said she, "I
cannot take back that money. It has
been dedicated to God; it belongs to
Him who has so abundantly blessed us.
I cannot begin to tell you of the many
evidences of His care over us and of
His marvelous blessings upon our lives".
Is it any wonder that the pastor bowed
his head and thanked God for such a
life? Surely this spirit comes but by
faith and prayer and will solve all prob-
lems. To many, five dollars would have
been as a bagatelle; to her, it was as

"precious spikenard" and is told "for a
memorial of her".—Mrs. A. J. Aven,
Mississippi

NO SACRIFICE TOO GREAT

ABRITISH officer, stationed along a
dusty highway in far-off India, one
morning saw a native mother leading a
handsome lad about four years of age
and carrying a crippled and deformed
baby boy. In the evening the officer
saw the same mother going back with
only the crippled child. He inquired
where the handsome child was, for he
feared what had become of him. "Oh",
said the mother, "I have given him as a
sacrifice to the River God". "But" said
the officer, "why did you not give the
poor, sickly child who will not amount
to anything?" "Sahib" she replied as
she proudly drew herself up, "my god
demands the best!"

"What doth Jehovah thy God require
of thee but to fear Jehovah thy God, to
walk in all His ways and to love Him
and to serve Jehovah thy God with all
thy heart and with all thy soul, to keep
the commandments of Jehovah?" "Of-
fer the sacrifices of thanksgiving!"

An interested missionary worker,
while distributing "mite boxes", asked
that each lady drop a penny in her box
every time she had something for which
to be thankful. One lady at first re-
fused to take a box, saying she never
had anything for which to be thankful.
Reluctantly she allowed the box to be
left. As the missionary lady departed
she said, "I am thankful she is gone.
Oh! I will have to put a penny in now
for that thankfulness!" She soon found
that she had many things for which to
be thankful. Quickly the box was filled
and she asked for another one. "Count
your many blessings! See what God
hath done!"

A friend in the east heard of the Ala-
baster Boxes which the Woman's Mis-
sionary Union is using to help complete
(Concluded on Page 34)



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 Age-Herald Building, Birmingham, Ala.



Delegates to Japanese W.M.U., October 1923

THE LADY OF THE KIMONA

Hymn—Hark the Voice of Jesus Calling

Bible Study (See page 7.)

Prayer for the Redemption of Japan

Hymn—The Morning Light Is Breaking

Personal Service Period

Prayer that the "Royal Law" govern international conduct of Japan and America

Hymn—Father, Hear the Prayer We Offer

Lift Up Your Eyes

The Shame of Japan (See Home Dep't., page 29.)

Our Japanese Sisters

Good Housekeeping in Japan

Sentence Prayers for the Women of Japan

Where the Missionary Comes In

Where the Southern Baptist Missionary Comes In

Hymn—Speed Away, Speed Away

Closing Devotions

"O when in all the orient lands
From cities white and flaming sands
Shall men lift dedicated hands,
O Christ, to Thee?

"O when shall heathen darkness roll
Away in light from pole to pole
And endless day by every soul
Be found in Thee?

"Bring, Lord, the long predicted hour,
The ages' diadem and flower,
When all shall find their Refuge, Tower
And Home in Thee!"

LIFT UP YOUR EYES

WITHIN the last twenty years it seems that each nation on the globe has had its own period for appearing upon the great world screen as sole actor. Some calamity or national crisis has brought it into the limelight with the world for an audience. So it was with Japan. Just when nearly every Protestant Foreign Mission Board had selected Japan as the study topic for the year and a number of books had been prepared for this purpose, there came the terrible and swift disaster which almost wiped out Tokyo, her capital, and Yokohama, her principal seaport. More than 200,000 people perished in the two cities and the surrounding country, and over 1,000,000 were rendered homeless. Immediately the interest and sympathy of the whole world were centered on Japan. Cables and wireless rushed offers of help—liberal and free from selfish interest. America sent millions of dollars and from America came the first food supply from the outside world. As the United States Asiatic Fleet, summoned by the American Ambassador to Japan, Cyrus E. Woods, steamed into Yokohama Bay on the fourth day after the disaster there arose a wordless cry of gratitude which still echoes in the heart of Japan. American missionaries also gave immediate and unstinted aid for the needs of the hour. This cannot be forgotten and will tell for God. The Exclusion Act is an unfinished episode. Let us pray that its completion be made less "grave" through America's quick and generous response in Japan's extremity and through the love the Japanese bear to Ambassador Woods, whose heroic services during the earthquakes (there were over five hundred of them) endeared him to this grateful people.

But before earthquake, fire and flood had brought the Sunrise Kingdom to its supreme moment of universal interest it had, for seventy years, been presenting to the world a series of vivid, if less lurid, pictures showing national and in-

dustrial progress. First we see Commodore Perry persuading Japan to open her doors to western trade and friends. Then, six years after, we see four American missionaries telling the Gospel story to the Japanese. So wise and friendly were they that at least 1200 have been allowed to "follow in their train". Then come pictures with war clouds on the sunrise—wars with China and Russia; pictures of expansion of territory, advance in civilization and education, increase of political power, the opening of large industries, the building of railroads with luxurious, and otherwise, appointments, the sailing of ships flying the Japanese flag on every sea, the assembling of a powerful army and navy and the taking of her place at the table of nations as a great world empire. Then God spoke to Japan through wind, earthquake and fire. Has Japan heard His call? Are her ears open to the still, small voice?

Illumined by these highlight pictures of Japan's history let us endeavor to trace some fruits of the labor of those missionaries who have been planting the Word of God in Japan since 1859. The steady stream of reinforcement which followed the first missionaries has been distributed throughout the Empire of Japan, mostly at strategic centers. We find that all Protestant Christian operations along evangelistic lines have resulted in 1,141 Protestant churches with 127,826 communicants, making only one Christian to every 446 persons of the population, as over against one to every four in the United States. Japan has attained her political goal, she is recovering from the danger of physical destruction, but has her spiritual growth kept pace with other opportunities which came to her out of the west? If we had sent the bread of life as abundantly as we sent food for the body how different would have been the above figures! One devoted native Christian pastor says of the situation in Japan: "We are drifting into narrow nationalism, such as was not known even in

the anti-foreign days of fifty years ago, and it is only you missionaries with your Christian ideals of universal brotherhood that can keep us sane". With this pathetic appeal in our ears can we allow our Foreign Mission Board to retrench—to recall missionaries? Are we too self-indulgent, too small of soul to see without sorrow a nation perish for want of the knowledge of the saving grace of Jesus Christ? The triumphs of war could not save Japan; the call of God through her terrible suffering was not recognized; the material aid sent to her from Christian countries seems to have held no spiritual appeal; political supremacy but hardened her heart. Only the blood of Christ can save the soul of Japan. This precious salvation must be proclaimed through human agency. "We are His witnesses." Let us pray that "amid the tumult and the sorrow and the vain glory of the earth there may be heard the still, small voice that will bring peace and comfort and strength to the nations. May the senses of God's children be quickened that they may know His will and hasten to proclaim to the whole earth that He is King of the nations—that freedom and love and justice and mercy may spread throughout all lands".

A great and strong wind rent the mountains;

But the Lord was not in the wind.
And after the wind an earthquake;

But the Lord was not in the earthquake.

And after the earthquake a fire;

But the Lord was not in the fire.
And after the fire a still, small voice...

And it was so.

—*Passage from the Life of Elijah*

OUR JAPANESE SISTERS

THE ideal woman of old Japan was seldom seen, although she was good to look upon, and never heard, although her voice was not unpleasing. She was artless and unconscious of being looked at, perhaps because no one ever looked at her. Self-effacement, subordination and close attention to home duties made

her a model Japanese wife, while her love for children made her the most gentle and indulgent of mothers. These qualities were about all that were expected of her. Trained to please others and consider not herself must have made her a most attractive person and a great contrast to her aggressive brother. There is now a craze for education in Japan but before this period there was almost nothing done in this line for Japanese women and girls. When Christianity came with its uplift and gift of education they grasped their opportunity with a brain as nimble as that of their brothers and, side by side with them, they are offering themselves for all occupations and professions. They are claiming their share of civic duties and their brothers are beginning to support their claim.

"This new woman", says Mr. Galen M. Fisher, secretary of the Y.M.C.A. of Japan, "is one of the most promising features of Japan today. In no country has the law governing its womanhood made greater strides than in the Sunrise Kingdom. She may now become the head of the family, inherit property, act as guardian and have a voice in the family council. She is finding openings for self-support and proving herself capable of conducting business enterprises. Enjoying ever increasing educational advantages and better social conditions the women of Japan today are the richest promise for Japan tomorrow. The dainty, quiet dress of the average Japanese lady, with its soft neutral tints, is indicative of the habits and tastes of its wearer. Yet these gentle, retiring women, aroused by a sense of duty, are ready to throw themselves into Christian and philanthropic work in a way that commands our admiration". Close observers predict and recent events show that the ballot must be granted her before long. When that hour comes we may expect to see much civic and social improvement brought about by the women who have been trained in Christian mission schools. Let us keep in mind that the small band of Japanese

Christian women now teaching in schools, working quietly in business or in their own homes, influencing husbands and children, speaking of Christ to their neighbors "are no longer strangers and foreigners to us, but fellow citizens of the household of God"; let us come to the great Head of our family asking that He strengthen by His Spirit our Japanese sisters for their great task.

GOOD HOUSEKEEPING IN JAPAN

UNAIDED by mechanical contrivances to lighten labor or magazines with "hints and helps for housekeepers" the mistress of the Japanese home is quite able to carry on without them. But to do this requires many steps each day. Although the home has very little furniture in it as compared with the American home this must be put away as soon as used to make room for the next housekeeping operation. One who has spent many years in Japan thus describes the manifold duties of the Japanese homemaker: "Immediately upon rising, the woman must slide back all the wooden shutters on the grooves outside the wall of paper windows, which are closed at night as a safeguard against thieves. While her breakfast is cooking she must fold and put away all the bedding, which is kept in cupboards, and dust the rooms so as to have a clean place in which to serve breakfast. In Japan different rooms are not so often designated to different uses but may in turn be used for sleeping, eating, receiving guests or for studying. Dusting is done by means of a small rag spatter, made like a feather duster. One can generally hear before six o'clock in the morning the 'spat, spat' of the neighbors getting their houses in order for the day's routine. Early rising is a cardinal virtue and the Japanese woman never regards that part of her duty as a trial, nor have I ever heard of one for whom the rest cure was prescribed. Tuberculosis, however, makes sad ravages among them which more sleep and fresh air and better food would doubtless check. The wife, un-

less hers is a Christian family, does not eat with her husband, and the choicest delicacies are served to him. After the others of the household have eaten the mistress helps herself as a kind of after thought. As a rule water is drawn from wells outside of the house; washing is done largely out of doors and in a back-breaking position, the tub on the ground, the kitchen floor often lower than the rest of the flooring; nearly all the clothing and bedding are made at home and when soiled must be ripped apart for washing and then put together again.

"As everywhere, the mistress is looked to for establishing and keeping up the tone and decorum of the home. Even the most casual caller is served to tea, bowed in and out with ceremony, his wooden clogs having been put in place for him at the entry. The master upon his return is greeted at the door with form, his wraps and parcels taken from him and refreshments provided and all other wants carefully attended to.

"It may be fair to add to the above account of industry that the Japanese do not seem to work with great intensity and consequently there is less nervous strain. When a holiday comes their way it seems the greatest luxury to spend it in sleeping. Notwithstanding the non-intensity of their work and the holiday sleeping the outstanding quality of the Japanese housekeeper is industry. One can seldom catch her idle. When converted to Christianity she works at it just as faithfully as she has worked for other interests."

WHERE THE MISSIONARY COMES IN

THE Japanese churches, with their organized life and work, form the major part of the Christian movement in this land. Great credit is due to the Japanese Christian. It was, however, the missionaries who won and trained practically all the Japanese leaders and, since the first Protestant missionaries set foot on Japanese soil, this has been their constant task—a most important

one. With rare exceptions, the self-supporting, self-governing churches, which are making such fine contributions to the Christian conquest of the empire, were organized under missionary activity and direction. Is the missionary still needed in Japan? Emphatically yes! The Christian movement is still young and lacks the momentum which only years of experience can give it. The great majority of Christian churches are busy solving the problem of support and efficiency in their local work. A whole generation or more will necessarily pass before the Japanese church can evangelize the great untouched rural population. The evangelization of Japan has been well begun but only begun. It is still twilight in Japan. We are standing in one of the greatest hours of her Christian history. With fine faith and high resolve let us not fail to project our own lives, directly or indirectly, into this unfinished task. For in the last analysis, Christianity cannot be propagated, it must be communicated through lives that incarnate the cross and the Christ. The great movements of history which have lifted the world upward and God-ward have all been grouped around Christ-possessed men and women.

Japan needs Christ for her own sake. She needs also to be Christianized for the great role she is playing in the international drama that is now unfolding in the Orient. One of the best minds of England has said that "the problems of the Pacific are the world problems for the next fifty years or more. There America, Europe and Asia are meeting, and there the next chapter in human history will be enacted". Japan, awake, alert and ambitious, standing right at the heart of this new world center will largely determine the character of that next chapter. How different will be the story both for her and for the world, if she is a Japan risen to the call of Christ.—*From Japan on the Upward Trail*

WHERE THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST MISSIONARY COMES IN

(NOTE.—Use a map of Japan for this part of program. For \$1.50 from Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va., may be secured a muslin map of the world, showing each Baptist station.)

AS early as 1860 southern Baptists were looking toward Japan as a field for missionary labor. In that year our Board sent out Rev. and Mrs. J. C. H. Rhorer. These dear people never reached Japan as their steamer sank and all on board were lost. Two other missionaries were then appointed, Rev. C. H. Toy and Rev. John L. Johnson, but the outbreaking of the civil war prevented their sailing. During the reconstruction period the Board was financially crippled and it was not until 1889 that Rev. and Mrs. J. W. McCollum and Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Brunson were sent to Osaka, Japan. There they organized our first Baptist church in that country. Later this work was left in the care of the American Baptist Missionary Union and our missionaries opened a new mission station in Kokura, a large city in the heart of a great mining district. This good work is still going on and being greatly blessed. Others wrought in Kokura and have entered into their rest, among them Rev. Calder T. Willingham.

A pleasant way to meet our missionaries in Japan will be to follow the trail of Dr. T. B. Ray, educational secretary of our Foreign Mission Board, as he visited each station some time ago. First we arrive at Tokyo and meet Rev. and Mrs. W. Harvey Clark who, after twenty years of service in Kumamoto, are now stationed in this city. In Tokyo we have one organized church and connected with it a parsonage and a kindergarten. On the compound we have one missionary residence; it is the intention to erect another very soon. Here also will be built a dormitory for students who come to Tokyo seeking an education, having in mind those students who come from districts in which southern Baptists are doing missionary

work. Rev. and Mrs. J. G. Chapman have been recently added to the Tokyo staff.

Hiroshima, 580 miles southwest of Tokyo, will be our next stopping place. Here we find Rev. and Mrs. J. Franklin Ray conducting the work of a recently organized church as well as superintending the church and work at Kure, which is the great naval station of Japan, about one hour distant from Hiroshima. The Rays have gathered about them a band of young men, many of them college students, a number of whom have been recently converted. The importance of this form of service needs no comment.

About 140 miles beyond Hiroshima lies Shimonoseki where we will meet our veteran missionaries, Dr. and Mrs. E. N. Walne. Dr. Walne is at the head of our very successful Publishing House from which he distributes Christian literature throughout Japan. This property is located on a hill with a beautiful seaward view. Miss Florence Walne, the daughter of our missionaries, and two other young women, Misses Phoebe Lawton and Mary Walters, are doing evangelistic and educational work in Shimonoseki.

Crossing the strait of Shimonoseki we take the trolley, about one hour's ride, to Kokura, the center of our largest work in Japan. Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Rowe are the missionaries in charge, the latter being president of our Girls' School, Seinan Jo Gakuin. Mrs. Rowe has worked with unwavering zeal for the development of this school and, notwithstanding the lack of room and equipment, has brought it to a high degree of excellence. Best of all Mrs. Rowe tells us that 130 of the 164 pupils have signed cards asking for baptism, 42 have been received into the church. This is our only school for Christian education for girls in Japan. There is a big appeal here to our southern Baptist women for a larger support for this school. It is our woman's privilege to lead these girls into useful and happy

lives; they are *our* girls. In the Kokura field there are ten cities, none of them really small, and in this large district southern Baptists have only four churches. We should have at least one church in each city if we are to meet all the opportunities this great field offers. Misses Cecile Lancaster and Naomi Schell are giving precious service in Kokura, as are also Rev. and Mrs. Collis Cunningham.

Two hours south of Kokura is the city of Fukuoka. Here we are welcomed by quite a goodly number of missionaries. Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Bouldin, Rev. and Mrs. C. K. Dozier, Rev. and Mrs. Roscoe C. Smith and the Misses Conrad, Baker and Fulghum, Rev. and Mrs. W. V. Nix being away on furlough. The Doziers and Bouldins are doing wonderful service in developing the Boys' School, Seinan Gakuin. On the school campus are ten good buildings; others should soon be erected. From the theological department, through the high and middle schools down to the kindergarten this work is one of blessed success. Southern Baptists should be proud and thankful to support and enlarge the work at Fukuoka.

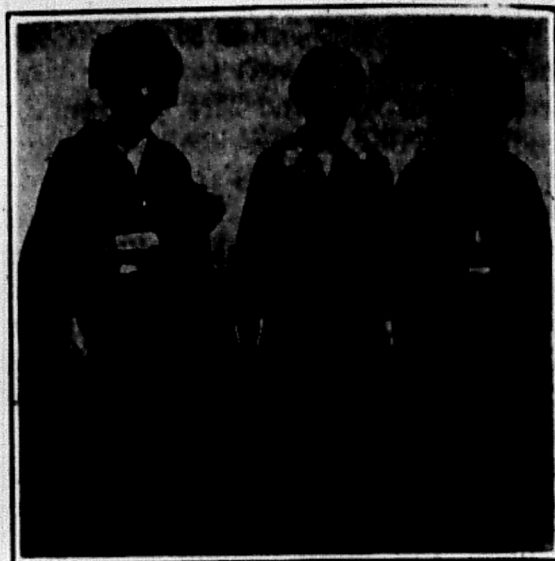
Six hours' ride to the southwest of Fukuoka takes us to Nagasaki and Rev. and Mrs. E. O. Mills, who occupy what is known as the Nagasaki-Sasebo field. Nagasaki is the most important seaport on the west coast and Sasebo is one of Japan's greatest naval stations. The churches in both of these cities are very progressive. The Sasebo church has a very good building and a splendid lot has been purchased for the Nagasaki church. A striking feature of the work of missionary Mills is the remarkable way in which he has won the favor of the railroad men along the line on which he travels and the officers connected with the army and navy, thus using his discipleship that he might save some.

Leaving Nagasaki we turn southward to the ancient city of Kumamoto. Here Rev. and Mrs. Norman F. Williamson

have recently taken splendid hold of the work and also of that at Omuta and Kagoshima, the southwestern limit of our missionary enterprise in Japan. At the latter city Rev. P. P. Medling labored for many years and from it went home to glory.

Of these men and women who represent us in Japan Dr. Ray says: "They are a hardworking band of heroic spirits that press on cheerfully in the face of grave difficulties. They faint not even though their number is pitifully inadequate for the colossal task before them. They press on in the hope that southern Baptists will reinforce them soon. Unless their number is increased at least threefold very quickly we shall not only fail to take care of the work already done but fail to take advantage of a

most favorable opportunity to advance our cause".



Some Officers of Japan W.M.U.

QUESTIONS ON PROGRAM TOPIC FOR STUDY AND DISCUSSION

1. What are the outstanding missionary events in Japan?
2. What conditions have hindered the progress of Protestant missions in Japan?
3. What reply would you make to a Japanese woman were she to ask why we had sent so few missionaries to her country?
4. In what way has Japan's great disasters helped or hindered missions?
5. Explain why America's prompt relief of suffering in Japan may influence international relations between these countries?
6. What has Christianity done for the social evil in Japan?
7. What can you learn from the Japanese housekeeper?
8. If you were a guest in her home what comforts would you miss?
9. If she were a guest in your home what substitute would she find for her kitchen god?
10. How many missionaries have we in Japan? Do you pray for them?

O, Zion, Haste

to

"Let the Whole Earth Be Filled with His Glory".

Y. W. A. PROGRAMS

Material found in the general program on pages 12-18 as well as other items in this issue will be quite helpful to supplement the following programs. It is hoped it will be freely used in this supplemental way. The leaflets suggested on page 3 will also prove attractive additions.

Prepared by Mrs. I. E. Enlow, Ky.

FIRST MEETING

Topic—The Sunrise Kingdom

Hymn—O, Zion, Haste

Devotional—The True Light: John 1:1, 13

Prayer that Japanese Girls May See the Light

Hymn—The Land of the Unsetting Sun

Introduction

Three Clouds That Have Hidden the Sunrise

The Morning Star of Christian Missions

The Morning of Missions

An Apparent Cloud

Saiki San Sees the Sunrise

Hymn—The Morning Light Is Breaking

Prayer for Our Missionaries in Japan

Introduction

JAPAN is known as the Sunrise Kingdom, but three dark clouds of heathen religions have hovered over her, preventing her from seeing the true sunrise. (Have three girls dressed in native costume, representing the three religions.)

Three Clouds That Have Hidden The Sunrise

1. Shinto Religion

MY religion is the native religion of Japan. It has no founder, no creed, no theology, no sacred book, yet it teaches me love, gratitude and patriotism. I believe that my country was the first created land and the gods sent us our first emperor. That is why we are so devoted to our country and our emperor. Daily, I put offerings of rice before our Shinto shrine which is a little wooden undecorated altar with a mirror

on it. We have 49,000 Shinto shrines and have 14,698 priests. We have the utmost respect and reverence for our dead ancestors and they take part in our daily repasts, festivals, pageants etc. In fact, our dead are as real to us as the living. Anyone who discharges his duty toward them will never be disrespectful to the gods or to his living parents.

2. Confucianism

STRICTLY speaking, Confucianism is not a religion, for we have no god, no temple, no ritual, no prayer. It is a system of ethics adapted to Japan's peculiar circumstances. It has produced a soldier class whose moral standards became standards of the whole people. We have one minister to 21,692 people, mostly of the educated higher classes.

3. Buddhism

MY religion dates back to 550 A.D. when Buddhism was having a hard time to gain a foothold in my country. Finally, the reigning sovereign became its patron and then it made its way very easily. It evolved a theology in which Buddha was the supreme object of worship, which included doctrines of heaven, hell and salvation. "Buddhism introduced art and medicine, molded the folk-lore of the country, created its dramatic poetry, deeply influenced politics and every sphere of social and intellectual activity". Now, an element of progress has crept in so that Sunday schools and 701 philanthropic, social, educational and religious institutions have been established. We have 46,000,000 adherents, 71,626 temples and one priest to 1,065 people.

The Morning Star of Christian Missions

IN the middle of the 16th century, the Portuguese Catholics led by Frances Xavier started a work, which developed very quickly until the church became involved in political schemes and the half million adherents were almost literally swept out. With them went all traces of Christianity. Ten years later missionaries came back. These were Protestant missionaries and in 1872 established the first Protestant church at Yokohama. In 1889 Rev. and Mrs. J. W. McCollum and Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Brunson organized our first S.B.C. church in Osaka.

The Morning of Missions

WHEN one thinks of the numbers of people who have been unreached and regions that have been untouched by missionaries or native workers, one realizes that it is the "Morning of Missions" in Japan. The morning light is breaking fast these last few years and great progress is reported from our missionaries. Dr. Walne of the Shimomaseki Baptist Church has said that never before in all his thirty years' experiences in mission work has he witnessed anything like the transformation which has been brought to pass. A year ago, they had a struggling little church community. At present, they have a "wide awake, deeply earnest, prayerful, working band of Christians with numbers greatly increased and fired by a zeal which is already burning its way into consciousness of people who as far as Christianity is concerned are ignorant, indifferent and unbelieving". (*Become acquainted with the missionaries of Japan and their work. See W.M.U. program, pages 12-18.*)

An Apparent Cloud

THE earthquake, bringing with it its toll of deaths and heavy losses of property, at first seemed to be a dark cloud hanging over our mission there. However, the churches have banded together since the catastrophe and are putting forth great effort to minister to both the physical and spiritual welfare

of the people. It seems miraculous that of the great number of Christian missionaries living in Tokyo and Yokohama, only one missionary and two Y. W.C.A. secretaries lost their lives.

Saiki San Sees the Sunrise

(Dress in native costume)

I WAS a little sewing teacher in the Buddhist Girls' School and when I openly became a Christian I lost my place and livelihood. Now, I have found shelter in the home of a deacon and I am trying to help all with whom I come in contact. I want to spend my life in evangelistic work and the missionaries are hoping that a means of support will be found so that my wish may be realized.

SECOND MEETING

Topic—The Japanese Girl at Home
Hymn

Devotional—"We Would See Jesus":
John 12:20-36

Prayer that Japanese Girls May
Have the Desire to See Jesus

Facts about the Homeland

The Japanese Girl's Chance for Education

Seinan Jo Gakuin

Her Customs

Her Artistic Sense

The National Evils of Her Homeland
An Exhortation

Hymn

Closing Prayer for Our Girls' School

Facts about the Homeland

Area—There are 5 large islands, total area being somewhat greater than Texas.

Population—There are nearly 80 million people, two-thirds as many as in U.S. 70% of people live in rural districts. Only 1/10 of country is available for cultivation.

The Japanese Girl's Chance for Education

THE Japanese girls are noted for their "passion to learn". The high per cent of children in school places Japan near the top of the list of nations that have cut down illiteracy to a mini-

mum. At the same time Japan was building her first railroad, she was preparing a compulsory system of public education to include all children between the ages of 6 and 12 years. Later she developed higher schools, step by step, until now the government owns six large universities, besides many that are owned by corporations. Mission schools have a fine opportunity not only to assist in general education but to bring thousands of young minds into daily contact with a genuine Christian environment.

Seinan Jo Gakuin

SEGINAN JO GAKUIN is the one southern Baptist school of high school rank for Japanese girls. Two dormitories and a gymnasium are inadequate, especially as part of one of the dormitories as well as much of the missionary's home has to be used for class rooms. For four years, because of non-payment of Campaign pledges, the Foreign Mission Board has had to say "No" to a very urgent appeal for another building and this year the number of girls had to be cut down. The president, Mrs. J. H. Rowe, says: "I believe if I might bring all of our southern Baptists to this mountain top, where your only school for Christian education for girls is located, and here let you look out upon 1,000,000 souls within forty minutes' ride on the street car from this school, who might be reached through this institution, you would rally to the Macedonian cry and come with your means to face the great opportunities for soul winning that are yours today. We have 164 girls, 130 of whom have signed cards signifying their desire to be baptized. Forty-two of these have already been received into the church. (See pages 27-28.)

Customs

THE Japanese girls have charming manners. It is the very nature of these people to be sociable. They love crowds and dread loneliness. Their houses are built with thin paper partitions, because they enjoy mingling even

when they seek privacy. It extends even into prisons where what we call solitary confinement is virtually unknown. They are scrupulously clean and every Jap takes a hot bath daily. They dress decently and are very thrifty. The solid board shutters put up at night make them sleep practically without ventilation. They check their shoes instead of their hats at the door of homes and public entertainments. The mother reckons her child's age as one year old the day it is born and when New Year's Day comes around it is two years old, though it might have been born the day before. The Japanese children rarely see the warning finger lifted to check them. They are guarded but not constrained, admonished but rarely punished. To frighten a child by loud, harsh words or angry looks is condemned by general opinion and to slap a child about the head is vulgarity and ignorance. At school the discipline begins. The teacher acts not as a master but an elder brother, punishing in form of public admonition by directing the opinion of the class against the evil done.

Her Artistic Sense

THE Japanese girl has a keen artistic sense. On the day of the first snow business ceases and every one admires the white miracle of winter. When the plum trees bloom, the cherry trees, the peach trees, each in turn, solemn celebrations are given in admiration. The most ardent of celebrations is that of the beautiful moon in autumn. She delights in flowers and flower arrangement which is part of her curriculum in school.

National Evils

1. Social Evil

JAPAN alone among the leading nations publicly licenses prostitution. This social vice fostered by the government is undermining the family, endangering the church, destroying the life of youth and eating out the heart of Japan. (See page 29.)

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COLLEGE Y. W. A.



OUR SISTERHOOD SPECIAL

EVEN College Y.W.A. girls will wish to rally to the challenge of Emergency Month and be especially generous in their gifts. One would like to use the word "sacrificial" but young women really sacrifice so little one wonders if the word is truthfully used. This year College Y.W.A. would like to cultivate the right to say her members have given "sacrificially". To begin with be sure that every member has an Alabaster Box on her dresser or table. In the hurry of college days those two sturdy pieces of furniture sometimes become quite crowded, but surely with its sacred suggestion of sacrifice no Alabaster Box is going to be crowded out of a front place on the stand nor out of a foremost place in heart interest. The question of college girls tithing sometimes rises but when one considers that father who sends that check, welcomed so merrily, does not eat for Miss College Daughter, does not sleep for her, does not breathe for her it becomes obvious that no matter how much he has tithed that was not Miss College Girl's tithe at all—the privilege and the responsibility for bringing all the tithes into His storehouse still rest upon her. There are a great many expenses in college days—books necessary for studies, gymnasium equipment, laboratory fees, but aren't there many unnecessary amounts spent which could go into the Alabaster Box? Why not eat another biscuit or another piece of bread at the table instead of saving that little hungry spot to be filled up with hot tamales or a Hershey bar? And wouldn't that Alabaster Box with its pictured reminder of that precious box of ointment, "pure nard" broken for our Master tell college girls they could save rich perfume money—Hudnut's and Coty's—and put it in Alabaster Boxes? Write to your state W.M.U. college correspondent for enough boxes for every member of your College Y.W.A. to be supplied at the very beginning of college days this fall.

Aside from the Alabaster Box appeal our College Y.W.A.'s. have taken on themselves a great joyous pleasure. We are calling it "Our Sisterhood Special" and the fund is to pay the expenses of Ludovica Cristea, Sophia Palyo, Amalia and Katrina Gerwich who have bravely left their home lands in Europe and come across the Atlantic to study in our W.M.U. Training School and be ready to go back and lead the women of Hungary and Rumania in their W.M.U. activities. Y.W.A. girls are going to rejoice to send their contributions for Our Sisterhood Special of \$2,000. It is a Special fund for it will not count on the Campaign; it is certainly a matter of Sisterhood as every quarter or dollar tells these splendid girls that they are our sisters in Christ Jesus and we want them to be well ready to go back and tell the young women of Europe they are also our sisters in Him; and oh, it is going to be Ours because College Y.W.A.'s. are really and truly going to give the amount themselves. This very nice plan of starting off to take the collection of Our Sisterhood Special in each college suggests itself. Oct. 6 is the anniversary of the death of Ann of Ava. Some way since College Y.W.A.'s. bear her name, Ann Hasseltine Y.W.A.'s., when on dress parade and since she went out as the earliest expression of the sisterhood of America in her feeling for all the world, wouldn't Oct. 6 which happens to be Monday be a beautiful day to plan some special way for announcing Our Sisterhood Special! It is almost a full hundred years since Ann of Ava fell asleep in Amherst, Burma, but she has awakened girls ever since as they have come to know her and follow her example of following their Master in complete obedience and surrender of sacrifice. Surely thinking of her on Oct. 6 will make College Y.W.A.'s. awake to see ways where they can save for Our Sisterhood Special.



OUR YOUNG PEOPLE



"EMERGENCY CALLS" AND OTHER MATTERS

THIS demonstration is suggested for presentation by R.A.'s., G.A.'s. and Sunbeam Bands in open program during this "Emergency Month". The characters may be in costume of the various countries and activities as correctly as possible, each wearing name on a band across the forehead or chest. All must speak slowly and distinctly, feeling the seriousness of the situation. As each is refused help, let the action indicate the sadness that results by sinking to the floor or leaning on chair in dejection. Select the older R.A.'s. and G.A.'s. for the longer parts, especially for the two doctors. A cupboard at the back of the platform will be the medicine chest. When the several nurses enter there should be impressive quiet. These nurses can easily be from the Sunbeam Band. Action in keeping with the general thought will come to mind naturally during the one or two practices. Aside from the cupboard there may be other scenery to suggest a dispensary; certainly a cot can be obtained. Any bottles should be empty.

The Characters

Dr. Foreign Mission Board

Dr. Home Mission Board

Japan, Growing Pains

China, Very Thin and Emaciated

South America, Serious Breakdown

Africa, Severe Headache

Japan, Fever

Cuba, Heart Burn

Colleges, Brain Fag

Mountain Schools, Badly Burned and

Crudely Bandaged

Orphanages, Leakage of the Heart

Hospitals, Congestion

Southern Baptists, Chill

Nurses of Brotherly Love, Prayer,

Stewardship, Tithing, Knowledge

of Missions, Sacrifice — (Bring

properties as indicated)

Dr. 75 Million Campaign

The two doctors stand talking in the World's Dispensary

Dr. Foreign Board—I don't know how you feel, Dr. Home Board, but for myself I find it hard to keep up to par with financial embarrassment always on my mind.

Dr. Home Board—That is exactly my case. I've held together just about as long as I can; if many calls are made my last shred of strength will snap. My own debt burdens me mentally until my head fairly aches; I fear it is affecting my heart too.

Dr. Foreign Board—Surely relief will come soon; we can't keep on without supplies always. If many of the world's countries should come for treatment today I should be hard put to it.

Dr. Home Board—Well, here comes somebody. It is your friend Japan.

Japan—Oh, doctor, what shall I do? Never was I so ill, it is growing pains. Something must be done. I want to get into your churches and there isn't room. What can you give me for relief, another building, new missionaries?

Doctor (Turns to medicine chest)—Absolutely empty, Japan. My supply is exhausted. I have more missionaries ready but there is no means for delivery. I don't know what I can do.

Japan—But, doctor, this is an emergency call.

Dr. Foreign Board—Yes, I know, but—

Mountain Schools (Hobbles in)—This is an emergency call, too. I'm so badly burned; two dormitories completely gone. Will it be necessary to graft or will you have to amputate?

Dr. Home Board—This is indeed serious. You will be handicapped for life unless I can replace these dormitories. Let me see what I can find. (Looks in medicine chest) There is nothing here,

no dormitory treatment, the best is money pills, you know. I'm sorry. (Doctor buries his face in hands as Mountain Schools limps away.)

China (Enters, very thin)—My condition is serious. I'm way undersize. Boys and girls clambering to come to school and I've no room; can't you give me a tonic to make me grow.

Dr. Foreign Board (Picks up bottle, shakes it in vain)—There isn't a drop left. My tonic of coin was empty long ago and the new supply hasn't come. Can I substitute a few powders of match?

China—No, they are so dangerous, they burn so easily, I can't stand them. I shall just have to wait.

South America—(Calls from outside and enters)—Help, doctor, help. I've had a breakdown. (Doctor goes to help South America in)—Oh, sir, I don't care about the Virgin Mary any more, and Catholicism is breaking down. What am I to do? I must have something to build up with; give me a big dose, sir, of knowledge of true Christianity. I cannot hold together long otherwise; my morals are all decaying; I'm an emergency patient.

Dr. Foreign Board—Here is a tiny amount of new missionaries sent to the dispensary by a special gift for you.

South America—But, doctor, that is so little; it really couldn't help much. I need far more than that.

Japan (Flushed with fever)—Doctor, something for my fever; desire throbs in me. Many press to know Jesus Christ and are feverish to hear about Him. Send me treatment for that.

Dr. Foreign Board—Japan, the treatment should come from the bottle marked "New Missionaries" and there is nothing there for you.

Japan—Nothing, nothing. It will give me brain-storm and I shall be lost, lost.

Orphanages—Here, doctor, what is to be done? My leakage around the heart grows more serious. I turn little children away into the cold and my

heart leaks out; I can scarcely breathe now.

Dr. Home Board—Who treats you usually?

Orphanages—Dr. 75 Million Campaign has been doing his best.

Dr. Home Board—He can't now; he is in bed sick and faint, under-nourished. And I'm too pushed to attend to you. Here is my patient, Cuba, on my hands.

Cuba (Enters as doctor begins speaking)—Such pains in my heart; it burns for relief. Your country helped me one time; can't you cure this greater trouble? I am not happy in my religion; my heart burns for a real God and a Savior; I know what I need even in an emergency.

Dr. Home Board—Yes, that is what you need but I am helpless to help you just now.

Africa (Holding head, enters)—What am I to do? The sun beats down and no churches. Roofs, roofs! I need them to cover heads when we worship; my pain is awful. Give me relief.

Dr. Foreign Board (Looks in chest)—My roof orders are all gone—completely. I haven't done any treatments like that for a whole year now. Keep out of the sun.

Africa—Tell Africa to keep out of the sun? We can't, doctor. We want to worship truly. Help us, help us in our emergency!

Hospitals—I'm so weak I can scarcely stand—one congestion and another crowd me. Not beds enough anywhere; build me more rooms, enlarge my floor space or I shall be in a hopeless condition soon; emergency calls.

Dr. Foreign Board—What doctor did you think I was?

Hospitals—Aren't you Dr. 75 Million Campaign? I'm so ill I can't see. Where is he? He promised to help. Can't he in an emergency?

Dr. Foreign Board—Sick himself from neglect that is tearing his heart out. He promised so well, too, poor fellow.

Colleges (Who enters in time to hear doctor's remark)—Oh, sir, who will care for me then? Brain fag! I know what it is—dread disease, result of trying to eke out rooms for students, pay adequate salaries, keep trying to be accredited. I can't stand it, I can't! Only 75 Million can help; tell him my emergency—surely he will try!

Aged Minister (Also overhearing)—Tell him I need him too. Hardly anybody else has ever thought to care for me. Oh, I have broken the Bread of Life so often and now nobody brings bread to me; I starve.

Southern Baptists (Shaking with chill)—Something is wrong with me. I'm having a terrible chill. A few years ago I was quite warm and thrilled with the joy of giving; now I am cold, cold. Can you help me, doctor? My heart action is very weak. Let me lie down.

(Doctors both turn their attention to Southern Baptists)

Dr. Foreign Board—If we could get you in shape I believe you could help these others. You ought quickly to be able to get up and stay up.

Dr. Home Board—Exactly my diagnosis. Some strange connection between this chill and all this woe and emergency. If only we could get our nurses!

Dr. Foreign Board—Maybe they will come soon; these emergency calls have been loud indeed. They could treat her if they would come.

(Enter the nurses) Doctors (Exclaim with joy)—Here they come! Here they are! Now Southern Baptists will be better.

(Nurses busy themselves with Southern Baptists, rubbing her and treating her, moving slowly and quietly so that their actions are clear to audience. Prayer puts her hands in clasped position for prayer and all pause a moment. Knowledge of Missions gives her a book to hold; being weak she lets it fall but tries again and succeeds in holding it. Brotherly Love gives her a hypodermic injection as she reads. Stewardship and

Tithe come to give her a series of exercises. She has recovered enough to sit up by this time. They bring her a lap-board with ten coins and she counts them over and over, putting one apart from the others. Finally when she can do it alone without any help from the nurses, Sacrifice teaches her to put more than one coin aside. She increasingly gets better and presently stands up. She goes to the doctors.)

Southern Baptists—I am quite well again. Let me help you with these many patients. Use my nurses too. (They start to help empty handed) But we must have medicines—bring them from the chest.

Dr. Foreign Board—Our bottles are empty.

Dr. Home Board—My supply is exhausted.

Southern Baptists—We must fill them. I will call to some helpers.

(Enter W.M.S., Laymen, Y.W.A., R.A., G.A. and Sunbeam, each bringing gifts of coin, bills, checks, Alabaster Boxes)

Southern Baptists—Here are new supplies, I knew they would come now that my heart is quite strong again and I am warm.

Dr. 75 Million Campaign (Enters at back; all turn to welcome him)—I feel better; my strength renews. I can answer emergency calls now that Southern Baptists has recovered from her indifference chill.

Suggestions

FROM the standpoint of R.A.'s, G.A.'s. and Sunbeams one of the most important happenings of this October is the appearance of WORLD

COMRADES, our young people's magazine, as a monthly. Every leader should more heartily than heretofore encourage individual members to subscribe and urge mothers to take the magazine in the name of son or daughter. Each W.M.S. should carefully no-



tice, Section 14, Article 4 in the Plan of Work for 1924-25 and supply the copies of WORLD COMRADES needed for conducting activities of the junior missionary organization in the best fashion. (See page 19 of W.M.U. Year Book.) October stints not at all in her fall colors, in giving her fruits and harvests; surely mother societies and mothers of mission interest will be equally generous in giving to our young people the reading matter which will color all their lives with the rich glow of mission enthusiasm and will bring abundant harvest of fruit in service for the Master. One dollar a year is by no means a large sum to invest in a good magazine for your child. WORLD COMRADES costs less than a two cent postage stamp each week for a year, but it brings news from every land; it costs about as much as three picture shows but shows the whole wide world; its cost about equals that of four gallons of gasoline but it will carry the reader thousands of miles comfortably—isn't a child's interest in the biggest enterprise of Christians worth \$1.00 a year? Encourage subscriptions now.

Programs for Intermediate and Junior R.A. and G.A. are not made entirely separate but it is expected that the older groups will study more thoroughly and develop their discussions more fully than the Juniors. There are four programs for Sunbeams under the new monthly publication regime, so the

needs of Sunbeam leaders are satisfactorily supplied. The wise counselor does not limit her reading to the one department designated to her special organization but reads all of WORLD COMRADES and all of ROYAL SERVICE.



THE October WORLD COMRADES carries an unusually long "News of Books" department. This with the list of mission reading and study books in the W.M.U. Year Book will suggest inexhaustible riches in mission study for young people. A young lady in her later teens upon finishing the reading of "Ann of Ava" sighed deeply as she said, "Why didn't I get hold of that sooner? It is such an inspiration!" She did not belong to a Girls' Auxiliary evidently and that was not all she missed by that neglect. Let each W.M.S. be more faithful in putting the miss into missions.

The alert W.M.S. will help in the observance of Children's Week, showing that missionary education agencies attach as much emphasis to this week as Sunday school interests. October 19-26 is the time. Demonstrate the work of G.A.'s, R.A.'s. and Sunbeams. "The world will be evangelized in that generation in which the Christian teachers of our youth determine that it shall be so."

O, Zion, Haste

for

"The King's Business Requireth Haste"



FROM OUR MISSIONARIES



OUR TESTING TIME IN JAPAN



Seinan Jo Gakuin Faculty

THE Campaign has meant much to the Kokura field which is composed of seven cities and many villages. From absolute lack of equipment, in men or materials, there are now on the field three church buildings, two kindergartens, one pastor's home, two missionary homes and the nucleus for the Girls' School, while five missionaries have been added to the lone couple who formerly tried to work this whole territory.

As to the emergency need on the field, it is hard not to say more missionaries when not yet one-fifth of those who signed applications for baptism during the Kanamori meetings have been followed up and brought into the churches. And, yet, the need of girls' school overshadows every other. In fact, could the burden of this unmet need be lifted from the hearts and minds of the workers both missionary and Japanese, I am quite sure the efficiency of each would be raised 100%. It is not simply a case of not having a few more girls in the school—though that itself is serious when one remembers that for almost every girl in our school the light of the Gospel of Christ goes into a home where it never shone before. But worse than not being able to reach these homes is the fact that Christianity as represented by southern

Baptists stands discredited in the eyes of the Japanese. Japan controls the educational work done within her borders. She has standards to which one must conform if one wishes to establish a school. In accordance, then, with government regulation, when it was decided to open a school for girls, your missionaries presented to the Prefectural Government an outline of the school as proposed. Authorized by the Foreign Mission Board, believing in the pledged support of southern Baptists in America, your representatives made promises to the Japanese government. Without this, license to open the school could not have been obtained; without it, hardly a student could have been found who would attend the school even had we gained permission to open it. But the Campaign was succeeding beyond anyone's fondest hopes, and orders came to go forward. How gladly they were obeyed! But suddenly the Campaign zeal began to wane and orders came to halt.

If you want to know what the hardships of missionary life are, there they are, all rolled into one! To look our Japanese co-workers in the face and say we can't go on—to be obliged to say to our students, who came to us expecting the school to reach the standard, that we cannot fulfill the promises we made them; to admit to the Japanese public and the government that our people at home have made it impossible for us to keep our promises to them. When we must face the fact of broken promises how can we proclaim a Gospel of Truth; especially a Gospel which we teach has power to change the heart and show its effect in the every day life of the believer! I wonder if that explains the decided falling off in applications for entrance this year! I wonder if

that explains some of the remarks we have heard for the first time about ours being a second rate school! I wonder if that explains the loss of thirteen girls from the class entered in April 1922 when the school first opened! But oh! I wonder most of all how long we must face the present situation. The mission is agreed on this one thing as I have never seen it agreed on anything since I have been in Japan. Members of other stations are willing even to defer the supplying of crying needs in their own stations to see this need supplied. Last year, they put this first of all requests. This year they are doing the same thing—more strenuously than before if possible. Our one missionary residence is being made to do service for: home for a family of four and for two other teachers, center of work for the evangelistic missionary in charge of all this field, meeting place for classes and individual work done by the single women missionaries, office of the president of the school, class room for the sight singing, studio for one of the music teachers and practice room for piano pupils. Do you imagine we find it hard at times to get quiet enough to concentrate our minds on this tongue-twisting, memory-defying language or even to calm our hearts enough to hear dis-

tinctly the Master's voice as He speaks to us? The Japanese dean's residence is also being used for class work. The dormitory is so crowded that almost every semblance of home life or homelikeness has been destroyed and our only excuse for maintaining a dormitory in this thickly populated district is to teach the girls what a Christian home is like. In short, our lack of room in which to work is defeating the realization of our deepest motive in establishing the school—that of calling girls into the Kingdom of God and training them to lead others into the Kingdom by founding Christian homes, to establish that Kingdom in the here and now. Furthermore, it is but six months now until we are expected to take in another class of girls. But the present equipment cannot possibly be stretched to take in another girl much less another class. *What are we to do?* We are but your representatives. We act only on your instructions. *What will you have us do?*

"Halts the Christ Kingdom with victory so near?

Thou art the cause, then, thou man in the rear.

Move to the fore!"

—Naomi Schell, Kokura, Japan



Seinan Jo Gakuin, Kokura, Japan—Faculty and Student Body

O, Zion, Haste
to
Help Seinan Jo Gakuin



HOME DEPARTMENT



THE SHAME OF JAPAN

THE social evil is to be found in every land. "Without taking the 'holier than thou' attitude we can greatly deplore the fact that Japan alone among the leading nations publicly licenses this festering evil which is undermining the family, endangering the church, destroying the life of young manhood and womanhood and eating out the heart of Japan." While the mind shrinks from open discussion of immorality among young women and girls we as Christian women must be informed in order to pray and fight against it. From the Missionary Review of the World we cull the following sad account of the social evil in Japan: "In Japan there are three kinds of girls of doubtful character, though in addition there are a large number of willfully wanton girls. The first of the three are the *Shogi*, who live in licensed quarters. Before 1900, girls were bought and held as virtual slaves. Any girl who escaped was sought out by the police and returned. But in that year, through the efforts of Christian missionaries and the Salvation Army (especially the latter), the Japanese government issued special rules making it possible for these girls to leave a life of sin if they wished to do so. At once 10,000 girls took advantage of this permission. Christian help was given them and rescue homes were provided. In this movement the W.C.T.U. was especially active. Educational facilities also helped, as educated girls are not willing to go into such a life; also the opening of factories gave them an opportunity to earn a living in the industrial world. But the battle is not yet won and no one who has the interests of Japan at heart will be satisfied until the whole license system is wiped away.

The second kind of recognized girls of doubtful character are known as

Geisha. These are supposed to be entertaining girls who help at feasts etc. Considering the demand for prohibition which is spreading throughout the world, the existence of this class is most undesirable, for Japan should not be the only country to have such girls to encourage people to drink and live thoughtless lives. This class is rapidly increasing and more than counteracts the position as to the *Shogi*.

The third class are the "*Tea House Girls*" who are a kind of *Geisha* of a very low class. They mainly exist in the country districts, serving in tea shops and certain classes of hotels. This class, too, is rapidly increasing. In view of this threefold problem what is to be done? Of course this is a matter for the Japanese government, "But", says a leading Christian Japanese, "nothing but a direct attack by combined Christian forces of Japan will save her from this licensed evil. The religion of Jesus Christ is the only agency which can save people from their sins, it is the only effective remedy for the social evil in Japan, for it provides not only the true standard of morality but also the power by which that standard can be attained".

Christianity has not failed in Japan; it has traveled far, but there are many steps to be taken before its mission is accomplished. There is a crying need for Christian schools for girls. The road is open and eager feet are ready to enter it. There are almost one hundred southern Baptist young men and women waiting to be sent to the foreign field; some of them want to go to Japan. Shall we set their feet upon this open road to carry salvation to this forward-looking, forward-moving nation, or shall we withhold that which would send them?



UNION NOTES



ROUND TABLE

Emergencies in China Entreat You!

EMERGENCY and enlistment are keywords this October—emergency in finishing the Baptist 75 Million Campaign—enlistment of all W.M.U. resources to that end and for the missionary training of thousands whose talents now lie idle. On pages 4-6 many emergencies on the foreign field are set forth. Then on page 33 other arguments are presented to show one how to have a vital part in enlistment, the emergency ever being borne in mind. *Enlist as an emergency woman!*

Emergencies in Japan Entreat You!

"MUCH study is a weariness of the flesh" was a statement made before the days of invigorating mission study books. On pages 62-64 of the W.M.U. Year Book is a well selected list, graded according to the age of the student. Practically every month this magazine contains reviews of two books. In case any of these books are not in the list referred to above, their titles and prices should be inserted in the Year Book so that the list may be thoroughly up-to-date. October is an ideal month to enlist many in mission study, each circle in the society being a prepared nucleus for such a class. *Enlist as an emergency woman!*

Emergencies in Palestine Entreat You!

EVERY reader of proof knows that mistakes escape the closest scrutiny. Thus it is that on page 28 of the W.M.U. Year Book the Bible study subjects for January and February are interchanged. Please correct them in your book, putting as the Bible study subject for January: "Mary, the Mother of Our Lord"; and for February: "Deborah". The other subjects in both columns are printed correctly. *Enlist as an emergency woman!*

Emergencies in Europe Entreat You!

RUSSIA is in direct need as the reading world has reason to know. During August an appeal for clothing for Russian Baptists came to the Union through the Foreign Mission Board from Dr. Rushbrooke, who has oversight of all Baptist work in Europe. He said that it bartered all words to describe the suffering even unto death if much clothing was not sent by American Baptists this fall. If you and your society have not had a part in this effort, please write for particulars to your state W.M.U. headquarters. *Enlist as an emergency woman!*

Emergencies in Africa Entreat You!

"GOING about doing good" is the pen-portrait of Jesus and, out on the frontier, is many a missionary following humbly in the foot-steps of the Master. Like Him they have no place which is their very own; no luxuries are theirs; little provision have they for the bare necessities of life. If you or your society can this fall send one of them a box of clothing and household furnishings, please write to your state W.M.U. headquarters for one of the very appealing frontier letters. *Enlist as an emergency woman!*

Emergencies in South America Entreat You!

EASILY was the trip made from the Birmingham headquarters by the W.M.U. corresponding secretary to the August assembly at Gulfport, Miss. Contrary to custom there was only one assembly held in the state, the place chosen being very attractive with its beach and big branching trees. One of these Druid oaks served

as the canopy for the large amphitheater, the great crowd keeping cool and interested through the morning conference hours and again for the evening addresses. The W.M.U. work was in charge of Mrs. A. J. Aven and Miss Fannie Traylor, Miss M. M. Lackey having gone as far as San Francisco with her niece, Miss Elizabeth Kethley, on her return to China after a very serious illness of several years. *Enlist as an emergency woman!*

Emergencies in Mexico Entreat You!

NICE things often happen by threes, so now that I am back in Birmingham I should not be surprised at the left over joy deposited in my heart by attendance on the Tennessee, Georgia and Kentucky assemblies all in a row. Ovoca is a choice spot, quiet and peaceful and choice people were present for the days of study of Ming Kwong and for the methods conferences each evening. Miss Mary Northington was unusually alert and shared the reward for her thoughtfulness by having Miss Mallory stop off for three addresses as she passed by. Tennessee Assembly had a "delightfully different" service in the family prayer service, held down on the edge of the placid lake and impressively conducted just before bedtime each evening by Dr. Boone of Memphis. A flying trip across to Blue Ridge led to niceness number 2 in the privilege of attending Georgia's splendid assembly. Here the unusual feature was the plan of emphasizing a department of church activity each day—Laymen's Day, Sunday School Day, W.M.U. Day and so on. Y.W.A's. and G.A's. living together in cozy quarters with fine sisterly spirit seemed to bring glad echoes of Ridgecrest Y.W.A. Camp and rejoiced Miss Julia Allen, young people's leader as well as me. Mrs. Neel presided most graciously and the program was skilfully planned by Miss Patrick, so again the rule of three worked. Journeying to Kentucky was unusually pleasant with Dr. W. O. Carver making the same trip and the new Clear Creek Springs Encampment was all one could have wished. Unsurpassed in natural beauties and wonderful springs, with a fine company of people registered for this very first meeting and an excellent program arranged, this new Kentucky Assembly could not fail to be a success. Miss Davies taught Ming Kwong, Miss Bright led G.A's. in the study of their new Manual and the Y.W.A. Methods study fell to my lot. Once more three worked together and the young people put on the pageant written by Mrs. McLure to present southern Baptist activities paralleling "Ming Kwong". "One splendid, two splendid, three splendid assemblies" so the old jingle might be parodied for my activities during the last month.—*Juliette Mather*

Emergencies in Cuba Entreat You!

CERTAINLY "as pastor so people" is an expression often heard. Its truth was demonstrated in the Illinois Baptist Assembly at Ewing, Illinois, July 25-Aug. 3. The pastors were there, the women, laymen and young people were there. Eleven of the pastors studied the "Manual of W.M.U. Methods" in the class taught by Miss Aretta Beswick; the laymen used "China's Real Revolution" as a textbook, while Missionary Frank Connelly interpreted it. Mrs. Connelly brought the G.A's. to consider the claims of China; Mrs. E. T. Mangum of Missouri led almost forty young women in the study of "The Ministry of Women"; and Miss Pearl Baugher held a large group of Sunbeams entranced as she told them the story of the "Chinese Baby". Your field worker led the women in the study of "Decade of W.M.U. Service". Best of all was the good group of R.A's. led by Mr. S. A. Lilly, a splendid worker from Harrisburg. "As pastor, so people"! If the pastors study missions, their people will be faithful in their mission study.—Another great missionary assembly was held in August at Arcadia Heights, Missouri. Dr. W. W. Hamilton of New Orleans led the men in the study of "Bible Evangelism"; Mrs. Byrd of Herculaneum taught a large group of women studying "Ming Kwong";

Mr. Byrd led twenty-five R.A.'s. in the study of Livingstone's life; Mrs. Greenway conducted the Sunbeam Story Hour; Miss Viola Beagle made the "G.A. class in "Chinese Lanterns" so charming that her class enrollment broke all records; and the Y.W.A. class studied "Ming Kwong". Never has your field worker enjoyed young women more than those enrolled in that class. Missions had a large place in the assembly, in both class work and in the missionary hours, led by Missionaries Connelly and Lowe of north China and Davis of Mexico.—The New Mexico Assembly at Montezuma College, August 14-22, did not have so large a place for missions as did most of the assemblies. All departments held their classes at the same time, there being two hours of class work each day. Thirteen faithful women and two Y.W.A.'s. studied "Ming Kwong" at the eight o'clock period and "How to Pray" at the ten o'clock hour. Miss Amy Goodman taught the latter book and told missionary stories to thirty-one children.—*Blanche White, W.M.U. Field Worker*

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WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION CAMPAIGN PLEDGES

Amount Paid from May 1, 1919, to August 1, 1924

States	Pledged	Paid	Due
Alabama	\$ 1,087,000	\$ 776,918.88	\$ 310,081.12
Arkansas	640,000	618,902.07	21,097.93
District of Columbia	10,000	53,037.86
Florida	274,539	284,191.56
Georgia	2,262,013	1,544,555.43	717,457.57
Illinois	312,000	198,235.56	113,764.44
Kentucky	1,693,703	1,593,847.51	99,855.49
Louisiana	874,962	553,626.69	321,335.31
Maryland	215,388	139,580.01	75,807.99
Mississippi	850,675	579,632.65	271,042.35
Missouri	800,000	273,461.88	526,538.12
New Mexico	125,000	66,711.00	58,289.00
North Carolina	2,167,335	1,487,379.44	679,955.56
Oklahoma	1,043,093	671,303.78	371,789.22
South Carolina	2,015,000	1,423,490.57	591,509.43
Tennessee	1,170,996	997,150.94	173,845.06
Texas	4,100,000	2,249,080.91	1,850,919.09
Virginia	2,424,076	1,810,088.20	613,987.80
Totals	\$22,065,780	\$15,321,194.94	\$6,797,275.48



SOCIETY METHODS



THE W. M. U. PLAN OF WORK

Clause IX—Baptist 75 Million Campaign

YEARS ago in a great foot ball game the boys used as their rally cry "Play up! Play up and play the game". Surely we would do well to use as our slogan for the next three months: "Pay up! Pay up and pay our pledge". The grand stands are full; what will the end be—victory?

It must be and it *will* be victory if there is first of all on the part of each of us a consciousness of individual responsibility. Say to yourself: "I pledged to pay a certain sum in five years. It was voluntary on my part and our battle lines at home and abroad were pushed forward because our Baptist leaders had faith in me. Now the time is up and I am going to pay what I owe if I have to borrow the money".

There must also be the consciousness of group responsibility. Having paid my own part enables me to carry into the various circles of my W.M.S. that confident expectation that will put new courage and determination into the hearts of all. As an illustration of this, our church went to the Atlanta Convention "Paid in Full".

In our plan of work for 1924 we are urged to see that every cent given is properly credited to our organization, that our treasurers send out letters to those who are behind in their payments; that our Church Building Loan Fund gifts be designated when sent in; that one woman be appointed from each society whose duty shall be to assist the church treasurer, see that gifts are duly credited, that speakers are provided for each meeting of her W.M.S., that the use of the Campaign Clock is understood and that all discrepancies in public reports are corrected. It is also recommended that a committee be appointed to greet all women and young people joining the church, to urge them

to join one of the W.M.U. organizations and to make a Campaign pledge. Let us have in our hearts in these closing days the spirit that will *make* us "Pay up! Pay up and pay our pledge".—*Mrs. F. F. Brown, Tennessee*

Clause V—Enlistment

WITH all her departments the church is set for the establishment of Christ's kingdom. Success depends upon leaders' getting this conception and enlisting every member to help fulfill her mission. Article five in the "Plan of Work" recognizes this aim and seeks to attain it by suggesting the following "Enlistment Program".

At least one W.M.U. field worker is needed in every state. None but a woman can know and cope with conditions peculiar to woman's work. Gracious service is being rendered by strong societies fostering W.M.U.'s. in weaker churches. The names of those willing to do this should be filed with the associational W.M.U. leader. There are churches without leadership in which near-by well organized societies have maintained circles until leaders were trained to carry on an independent W.M.S. The same is true of the young people's organizations. Every year a number of young women give themselves for missionary service at assemblies, in colleges and church meetings.

October has been set apart as Enlistment Month, every state to develop its own plans. Urge societies to appoint, if they have not already done so, an Enlistment Committee of the best informed, most spiritual, tactful and popular women in the society. State, district and associational meetings afford an opportunity to present W.M.U. objectives and thus further enlistment.

Diversified programs assist in building up W.M.U. organizations. Admirable enlistment leaflets, plays and pag-

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FIRST QUARTERLY REPORT
From May 1, 1924 to August 1, 1924
OTHER CAMPAIGN OBJECTS
Included in First Table

States	Ministerial Relief	Christian Education	State Missions	Orphanages	Hospitals	Miscellaneous	Totals
Alabama.....	\$ 618.34	\$ 3,917.20	\$ 1,875.34	\$ 1,253.46	\$ 337.89	\$	\$ 8,002.23
Arkansas.....	189.30	3,668.38	10,272.88	2,351.95	588.92	17,071.43
District of Columbia.....							
Florida.....	176.25	1,633.83	2,513.71	881.30		22,625.42	5,205.09
Georgia.....							22,625.42
Illinois.....	172.57	1,561.02	954.76	567.97	31.98		3,288.30
Kentucky.....	1,216.00	3,317.71	3,808.85	1,529.86	1,370.50	137.50	11,380.42
Louisiana.....	137.84	9,832.31	3,445.90	1,929.71	1,539.17		16,884.93
Maryland.....			88.96		97.67	834.69	1,021.32
Mississippi.....	214.00	2,257.01	3,125.00	1,115.00	1,150.00		7,861.01
Missouri.....	553.79	1,704.71	2,730.32	135.63	61.89	123.87	5,310.21
New Mexico.....							
North Carolina.....	3,417.47	22,838.25	9,763.01	8,880.28	6,173.37	881.95	51,954.33
Oklahoma.....	126.36	1,579.53	1,895.43	575.30	315.90	189.54	4,682.06
South Carolina.....	742.36	15,511.42	3,829.02	3,125.72	1,172.14	742.36	25,123.02
Tennessee.....	1,367.72	10,257.89	5,128.93	2,051.58	3,761.21		22,567.33
Texas.....	4,685.91	29,809.65	11,206.67	1,925.71	10,170.53	37,614.49	95,412.96
Virginia.....	5,034.53	20,138.49	12,239.74	4,732.57	2,114.56		44,259.89
Totals.....	\$18,652.44	\$128,027.40	\$72,878.52	\$31,056.04	\$28,885.73	\$63,149.82	\$342,649.95