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## EDITORIAL

### MEMORIAL IN BEHALF OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

**M**EMORIAL is a word which is almost unique in that it has no discrediting characteristics, for it is "commemorative" and invariably suggestive of the sacredness of other associations. To Christians this may have come to be so because the Lord's Supper is known as the "memorial" of His death with the promise of His return. As the "Passover" again returns, Christian memory recalls that most sacred of all such occasions, when Jesus and His disciples memorialized it together. Though tears of gratitude fill the eye and heart, still one can see Him as He laid aside His garments, took a towel, girded Himself, poured water into the basin and washed the disciples' feet, saying "I am in the midst of you as He that serveth". Just as clearly does the Christian also remember that on that memorable night Jesus lifted up His voice in audible prayer as recorded in the seventeenth chapter of John. Therefore, service and prayer are forever associated with this sacred memorial.

Reverently is the application made to the memorial indicated by the title of this article, for it was conceived in prayer and is presented with the sole purpose of serving Christ's Kingdom. All during December and well into January the hearts of many southern Baptists were unusually concerned in behalf of foreign missions, the effort being made at that time to clear the deadening debt on the Foreign Mission Board. At mid-week evening services congregations gathered in prayer, on Sundays the pastors poured out their hearts as only preachers called of God can do and missionaries gave of their precious furlough days to go here and there telling of the need for more foreign mission work. All the while, at their regular society meetings or during a week of prayer many W.M.U. members asked God to show them what is meant by "heathen darkness" and to give them a spirit so loving that they would not be willing that "any should perish".

Humbled by the hallowed memories of those prayer services, there gathered in Birmingham, January 26-28, thirty-seven of the forty-two members of the W. M. U. Executive Committee of the Union and fourteen of the state W. M. U. corresponding secretaries. The closing evening was given to a joint session of the two bodies, the last hour being spent almost entirely in prayer and in pleading for the saving of a world lost in heathen darkness. Out from this concert of prayer, which was manifestly a continuance of the prayer seasons mentioned above, grew the following motion:

"The Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, herewith records its inexpressible regret over the debt on our Foreign Mission Board. Fearing recurrence of this condition unless a readjustment of percentages of the Co-operative Program funds is made, the Union begs that at least 50 per cent of all undesignated Co-operative Program funds, beginning with 1927, be allotted to foreign missions".

This memorial has been sent to every member of the Co-operative Program Commission and to all the state denominational papers. In so doing, the statement was clearly made that by 50 per cent is not meant just half of the funds for southwide causes but it meant fifty cents of every undesignated dollar for both state and southwide causes, attention being called to the fact that the Foreign Mission Board must do on its many pagan and papal fields work very similar to what is here known as state and home missions, orphanages, hospitals, Christian schools and ministerial relief. God grant that at the May meeting of

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### HOUSTON—THE CONVENTION CITY

**H**OUSTON was permanently settled shortly after the Battle of San Jacinto, when on April 21, 1836, General Sam Houston and his gallant little band of patriots wrested independence from Mexico for the new Republic of Texas. The battlefield, which is now a state park, is situated twenty-two miles from Houston and is easily reached by water or highway.

The city was named for General Houston who was the commander-in-chief of the Texas forces in the war with Mexico and who following the successful termination of the struggle was elected president of the Republic of Texas. On December 15, 1836, the first Congress of Texas selected Houston as the official capitol of the new republic. The site of the first capitol, which was a rambling frame building, is now occupied by the Rice Hotel, one of the largest and most beautifully appointed hostelrys in the south, constructed and furnished at a cost of three million dollars, with a guest capacity of 1500. This hotel will be the headquarters for the Woman's Missionary Union during the coming convention.

Probably Houston's most valuable asset has been and is her waterway. In the early days, when it was known as Buffalo Bayou, it was virtually her only medium of commercial communication with the outside world. Since the completion of vast improvements in the transportation facilities of the Houston Ship Channel, as it is now called, Houston has been enabled to establish herself as one of the great ports of the world. Added to Houston's waterway are seventeen railroads running into the city, thus showing that Houston is a commercial and industrial center of unusual proportions. Houston is also a center of oil activity, the oil business being an established industry, conducted along safe and sane lines.

The cultural side of Houston has not been neglected. From its humble beginning in 1836, Houston has grown into a modern city of skyscrapers, paved streets, boulevards, parks, fine schools and beautiful churches. Houston has a scholastic enrollment of around 37,000, housed in sixty-two buildings. In Rice Institute, Houston has one of the outstanding universities of the south. The original endowment of William Marsh Rice has grown to \$14,000,000. The equipment of Rice Institute is of the finest and its faculty has been recruited from the educational centers of the world.

Houston has an art museum, a magnificent public library, an outdoor memorial theater, a remodeled municipal auditorium and a number of projects in the interest of outdoor recreation. It has 2500 acres of land in its park system, not including a number of small ward beauty spots for public enjoyment.

During the last few years Houston has entertained some of the largest conventions regularly held in this country, including three national conventions, while last year she entertained the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World. This would indicate that it has ample hotel accommodations to take care of large conventions. In addition to the Rice Hotel mentioned previously, there are ten or more other first-class hotels operating in the city, among them being: The Bender, Sam Houston, Brazos, Cotton, Bristol, De George, Tennison, Stratford, Milby and Macatee.

The 500,000 white Texas Baptists are eagerly awaiting the coming of the southern hosts into the state and all eyes are turning toward Houston. The Houston women are busy preparing to welcome you in a most concrete way, and it is the earnest hope that this will be one of the largest attended conventions in the history of the W. M. U. Truly Houston and all Texas are honored to welcome the wearers of the royal insignia—these "laborers together with God".

—Mrs. Olivia Davis, Texas

REMEMBER THE DATES—May 10-12 Inclusive





## "PRAY YE"



### PRAYER'S PLACE

"My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples."—Isaiah 56:7; Mark 11:17



FEW INCIDENTS in the life of Christ are as striking as the one telling of His cleansing of the temple. Perhaps it is because three of the four gospels narrate it in well-nigh the same words (*Matt. 21:12-13; Mark 11:15-17; Luke 19:45, 46*). Significant is it also that in a fourth place in the Bible (*Isaiah 56:7*) occurs one of the two sentences of Jesus on that memorable occasion: "My house shall be called a house of prayer".

Does Jesus—or does any other Bible character—give any other description of "God's house"? Be the answer what it may, certainly Jesus and Isaiah, who was speaking for Jehovah, used prayer as the temple's distinguishing characteristic: it, therefore, has primal emphasis by God and by His Son, Jesus Christ, in describing the Heavenly plan for worship. To be sure, the believer is urged to "come before His presence with singing; honor Jehovah with thy substance". While thanksgiving with song and substance are assured means of getting glory unto God, nevertheless Jehovah in the Old Testament and Christ in the New said: "My house shall be called a house of prayer".

When Jesus used the quotation the word "peoples" is translated "the nations". How wonderful—"oh, how marvelous"—that into His house are coming "saints out of every nation"! How inexpressibly sacred and solemn should it be to all Christians to realize that they can by their prayers increase the number who thus come into His house of prayer, whether in the southland, in the far-away orient, in South America—"all nations". Key-words, therefore, in Christ's description are: "prayer—nations".

Further on in the same eleventh chapter of Mark Jesus explains that forgiveness is essential in preparation for prayer. It will be recalled that no offering is acceptable unto God until the one who offers it has sought to make amends for wrong-doing, and certainly since Jehovah's house is a house of prayer it is befitting that no cloud of an unforgiving prayer obscure the forgiving answer of God. Therefore, prayer presupposes forgiveness of others even as it petitions pardon from above.

Again Jesus shows the place of prayer to be a means of drawing believers together or at least He promises that "where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them". Earnestly is it hoped that throughout April, as societies or circles are planning for their programs, they will arrange for a preliminary period of prayer before the regular hour of meeting, if only for the "two or three". If led by the Spirit to do so, please pray along the following or kindred lines:

Thanksgiving for the death, resurrection, ascension and intercession of Christ

Praise for the place, privilege and power of prayer

All home and foreign missionaries

Native Christians; the unevangelized millions

Special effort during April for Co-operative Program

Committees planning for Southern Baptist Convention

W.M.U. committees in Houston that every chairman and member be kept in health and in prayerful co-operation

Commission to suggest plans for 1927 Program of Southern Baptists



## BIBLE STUDY



### TOPIC—The Path of Righteousness

I. *The Work of Righteousness*: Isa. 32:15-20; Isa. 11:5. Cultivating the life for the sake of others is true righteousness, Isa. 40:7-13; like the good Shepherd, John 10:11-16, giving our life for the sake of others. The reward of those who live for themselves will be spiritual death, but the promise is to the righteous, Isa. 40:27-31; Isa. 41:6-10. In the beginning man had original righteousness, Gen. 1:27, but lost this in the transgression, Gen. 3:8-19. We have no righteousness in ourselves; Christ is our righteousness by faith, Rom. 3:21-26. This righteousness is the gift of God to man, the state of forgiveness and acceptance before God which has been provided for mankind in the work of Christ; this becomes man's possession by faith. God's righteousness is displayed in acts by which He saves His people, Ps. 98:2, also Ps. 36:6, 7; 103:6; Rom. 3:5, 9-20; all human standards fail into insignificance alongside of Christ and life in Christ: the one great goal, Phil. 3:10-15.

II. *The Path of Life*: Ps. 16:11; John 14:6. Jesus opened the way through His life. He is the path of life to His people. He is our Guide. He will go before, He will lead in the way Himself, Ps. 16:8. Peter says we are strangers and pilgrims, I Peter 2:11, we need the Guide, the path is narrow, Matt. 7:13, 14, for one must walk alone, but Christ will teach the humble and strengthen, Ps. 25:9. God has many paths, all ending in salvation, Ps. 119:35; Ps. 23:3, in the one way, I Cor. 12:31; Prov. 6:23; 4:10-15; Ps. 119:105; all Thy ways are truth, Ps. 119:151. So sure a way to life is truth that John says, III Jno. 13, the gospel of truth is the truth itself. The Gospel of salvation is the word of truth, Eph. 1:13. The Word is the Truth, I Timothy 3:16. Christ our Redeemer Himself is the Way, John 14:6, that leads to life eternal, John 17:2, 3. The law is the light, the Gospel is the Way, even Christ, the path of life.

III. *Beauty and Truth*: Matt. 5:1-16; Luke 6:20-46. Here we have the groundwork of holiness, the life of Jesus translated into speech. The blessedness of those in their inmost heart, whatever this outward state, who have nothing of their own, must be dependent on the bounty of the great King, our Heavenly Father. The Beatitudes, Matt. 5:2-16, set forth the ideal life of the Kingdom of Heaven. The Sermon on the Mount is the eternal inheritance of the church of Christ. The counsel to the Pharisees to "give alms", Luke 11:41, and so find a more than ceremonial purity, to the disciples to sell what they have and seek for treasures in heaven, Luke 12:22-34; Luke 18:18-30: these are instances of the ideal life. Paul was like-minded, Acts 20:31-35, and loved to dwell on the pattern which Christ had set, II Cor. 8:9; Luke 12:15; I Tim. 6:9-17.

IV. *Fruits of Righteousness by Jesus Christ*: Phil. 1:9-11; I John 3:7. Christian character is the work of the Holy Spirit, John 16:8-11, not self-effort, Gal. 5:16, 22-26; 2:20, the out-living of the indwelling Christ, John 15:4-17. This character is possible because of the believer's vital union with Christ, I Cor. 12:12, 13, a member of Christ's body and as such we have a definite ministry; the fruit of the Spirit in those who are yielded to Him, Col. 3:1-17. Sins of the outward as well as inward life are to be destroyed and the new garment of Christ-likeness to be put on, Col. 3:12-17; the beautiful garments of holiness, Isa. 52:1, and the spirit of praise, Ps. 145:21. Matt. 5:48 urges full development, growth into maturity of godliness, Eph. 4:12-16; and we shall see in the daily life of the believer the indwelling power of the Holy Spirit, Eph. 4:30; 5:2, 19, 20, with the prayer atmosphere, Eph. 6:18-20; Phil. 4:6-9; I Thes. 5:17-23, Heb. 13:18-21.—Mrs. James Pollard





## DAILY BIBLE READINGS



### TOPIC—The Path of Righteousness

**W**E'VE traveled together, my Bible and I,  
Through all kinds of weather with  
smiles and with sigh;  
In sorrow or sunshine, in tempest or calm,  
Thy friendship unchanging, my Lamp and my  
Psalm.

#### The Work of Righteousness

**Thursday, 1st**  
Genesis 15:1, 6; Romans 4:3-6; Psalms  
106:23, 31; 14:11

**Friday, 2d**  
Isaiah 32:15-20; James 3:11-18; Psalm  
143:10, 11

**Saturday, 3d**  
Isaiah 11:1-5; Psalm 72:1-8; Isaiah  
45:22-25

**Sunday, 4th**  
Isaiah 55:1-13; Matthew 5:6; John 4:14;  
6:35; 7:37

**Monday, 5th**  
Acts 10:35; Romans 1:16, 17; 10:4-10

**Tuesday, 6th**  
Psalm 37:3-6, 16, 17, 23, 25, 29-40;  
103:6, 17

**Wednesday, 7th**  
Philippians 1:9-11; 3:8-10, 20, 21; Psalm  
31:19, 24

#### The Path of Life

**Thursday, 8th**  
Exodus 13:17, 18, 21, 22; Nehemiah 9:19;  
Psalm 78:13-16; 107:4-7

**Friday, 9th**  
Deuteronomy 8:2-9; Joshua 24:17; I  
Samuel 12:20-25

**Saturday, 10th**  
Matthew 7:13, 14; Luke 13:23, 24; I  
Corinthians 10:12, 13; Romans 10:13

**Sunday, 11th**  
Psalm 16:11; John 14:1-6; Hebrews  
10:16-22

**Monday, 12th**  
Jeremiah 10:23; 21:8; Proverbs 3:5-17;  
Romans 6:4

**Tuesday, 13th**  
Psalm 119:35-37; Hebrews 12:11-15;  
Psalm 18:30-33; 101:6

**Wednesday, 14th**  
Ephesians 5:2, 15-17; Psalm 23:3; Prov-  
erbs 12:28; Revelation 3:4; 22:14

**A**ND thou, my dear Bible, Revealer of  
Light,  
Thou Sword of the Spirit, dost put error  
to flight;  
And still through life's journey until the last  
sigh  
We'll travel together, my Bible and I.  
*Motto Song of Pocket Testament League*

#### Beauty and Truth

**Thursday, 15th**  
I Chronicles 16:29-36; II Chronicles  
20:20, 21; Psalm 29:2; 96:9

**Friday, 16th**  
Psalm 110; Isaiah 4:2; 28:5; 33:17;  
61:3, 10, 11

**Saturday, 17th**  
Isaiah 52:7; Matthew 5:1-16; Luke 6:20-  
23, 45-48; Romans 10:15

**Sunday, 18th**  
Acts 20:31-35; I Timothy 1:16, 17;  
Romans 15:4-6

**Monday, 19th**  
John 1:9, 10, 14, 17; 8:31-36; 16:13-15;  
14:36

**Tuesday, 20th**  
Proverbs 21:28-31; II Corinthians 11:10;  
13:8; Psalm 119:43-48

**Wednesday, 21st**  
Psalm 43:3-5; John 17:17-19; James  
1:18; Revelation 19:9, 10; 22:6, 7

#### Fruits of Righteousness

**Thursday, 22d**  
Hosea 10:12; Proverbs 11:18; Matthew  
25:19-21; 24:46, 47

**Friday, 23d**  
Romans 3:22-26; II Corinthians 5:21; I  
Corinthians 1:30, 31; Titus 3:5, 6

**Saturday, 24th**  
Philippians 3:8, 9; I John 1:9; Ephesians  
5:9; Titus 3:4-8

**Sunday, 25th**  
I Corinthians 15:20-23; John 12:24-26;  
Romans 11:16; 6:5

**Monday, 26th**  
Philippians 3:20, 21; Colossians 1:18-23;  
3:16, 17; Romans 8:11-13

**Tuesday, 27th**  
Galatians 5:22-26; I John 2:5-8; Colo-  
ssians 1:10-17

**Wednesday, 28th**  
Ephesians 2:18-22; Psalm 34:7-10; Isaiah  
54:17; Malachi 4:2; Romans 8:32, 33

**Thursday, 29th**  
John 10:3; II Timothy 2:19; Psalm 1:6;  
Isaiah 49:16

**Friday, 30th**  
John 14:2, 3; II Corinthians 5:10; I  
Timothy 4:7, 8; John 11:25; Revelation  
3:11

## Calendar of Prayer

April, 1926

**M**ASTER, where abidest Thou?  
We would leave the past behind,  
We would scale the mountain's brow,  
Learning more Thy heavenly mind.

**W**E FAINTLY hear, we dimly see,  
In different phrase we pray;  
But dim or clear, we own in Thee  
The Light, the Truth, the Way.  
*John Greenleaf Whittier*

### Topic: Our South American Fields

#### 1—THURSDAY

For Rev. and \*Mrs. S. M. Sowell,  
evangelistic work, Buenos Aires,  
Argentina  
Because as He is, so are we in this  
world.—I John 4:17

#### 2—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Frank Marrs and  
Rev. and \*Mrs. E. J. Gregory,  
Guaymas, Mexico  
Great peace have they which love Thy  
law.—Psalm 119:165

#### 3—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. S. L. Watson,  
evangelistic work, Rio de Janeiro,  
Brazil  
He will dwell with them.  
—Revelation 21:3

#### 4—SUNDAY

For proper buildings and equipment  
for Baptist schools and colleges in  
South America  
The Lord's hand is not shortened.  
—Isaiah 59:1

#### 5—MONDAY

That Rev. and \*Mrs. O. P. Maddox  
reap daily reward in their work in  
Bello Horizonte, Brazil  
Ye are complete in Him.  
—Colossians 2:10

#### 6—TUESDAY

That Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Leavell  
have blessed ministry in hospital and  
school work, Wuchow, China; also  
for Mississippi W.M.U. annual meet-  
ing at Laurel  
Ye are . . . my servant whom I have  
chosen.—Isaiah 48:10

#### 7—WEDNESDAY

That Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Yocum,  
hospital work, Pingtu, China, be  
messengers of the Great Physician;  
also for Arkansas W.M.U. annual  
meeting at Little Rock  
The Lord passed by before him.  
—Exodus 34:6

#### 8—THURSDAY

For Rev. and \*Mrs. R. E. Cham-  
bers, publishing and evangelistic  
work, Canton, China  
My word . . . shall not return unto Me  
void.—Isaiah 55:11

#### 9—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Paul C. Porter  
and their work in Sao Paulo, Brazil  
Whoso hearkeneth unto Me shall dwell  
safely.—Proverbs 1:33

#### 10—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Davidson,  
evangelistic work, Santiago, Chile  
It shall be well with them that fear  
God.—Ecclesiastes 8:12

#### 11—SUNDAY

That Baptist churches in our South  
American fields become the very  
doors to heaven  
He (God) had opened the door of faith  
unto the Gentiles.—Acts 14:27

#### 12—MONDAY

That rich harvest follow faithful  
seed-sowing of Rev. and Mrs. F. J.  
Fowler and Miss Azile M. Wofford  
(on furlough) in Mendoza, Argen-  
tina  
For His name's sake they went forth.  
—III John 7

#### 13—TUESDAY

For evangelistic work of Rev. and  
xMrs. Z. Paul Freeman, Concordia,  
Argentina; also for Louisiana W.M.  
U. annual meeting at Mansfield  
We do know that we know Him, if we  
keep His commandments.—I John 2:3

#### 14—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Wade Bostick  
and Rev. and Mrs. G. P. Bostick,  
Pochow, China  
I will call upon Him as long as I live.  
—Psalm 116:2

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## Calendar of Prayer

April, 1926

**HE** ALWAYS wins who sides with God,  
To him no chance is lost;  
God's will is sweetest to him when  
It triumphs at his cost.

**ILL** THAT He blesses is our good,  
And unblessed good is ill;  
And all is right that seems most wrong  
If it be His sweet will.  
*Frederick W. Faber*

### Topic: Our South American Fields

#### 15—THURSDAY

That evangelistic work of Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Quarles in Montevideo, Uruguay, bring many into the Kingdom of God  
There is none upon earth that I desire beside Thee.—Psalm 73:25

#### 16—FRIDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. M. S. Blair and Miss Emily V. Beck, Cordoba, Argentina  
Whoso keepeth His word in him verily is the love of God perfected.—1 John 2:5

#### 17—SATURDAY

For medical work of Mary L. King, M.D., and for Misses †Clifford Barratt and †Olive Riddell (*on furlough*), Pochow, China  
That ye may be found . . . blameless.—II Peter 3:14

#### 18—SUNDAY

That protestant churches of South America be kept free from political domination  
The Lord . . . is the saving strength of His anointed.—Psalm 28:8

#### 19—MONDAY

For evangelistic service of Rev. and \*Mrs. T. B. Stover, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil  
I have severed you from other people, that ye should be Mine.—Leviticus 20:26

#### 20—TUESDAY

That Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Christie have great power in preaching the Word in Nictheroy, Brazil  
Of the Lord ye shall receive the reward.—Colossians 3:24

#### 21—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. B. W. Orrick and †Miss Marie Leonard, evangelistic service, Montevideo, Uruguay  
I will yet praise Thee more and more.—Psalm 71:14

#### 22—THURSDAY

For medical and evangelistic work of Dr. and Mrs. P. S. Evans, Tsinan, China  
The Lord hath been mindful of us.—Psalm 115:12

#### 23—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Ehrhardt Swenson, evangelistic work, Buenos Aires, Argentina  
He hath heard my voice and my supplications.—Psalm 116:1

#### 24—SATURDAY

That Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Nelson, Manaus, Brazil, be refreshed by their visit in the homeland  
That your love may abound yet more and more.—Philippians 1:9

#### 25—SUNDAY

That southern Baptists may not waste their great spiritual opportunity in South America  
That all the kingdoms of the earth may know Thou art the Lord.—Isaiah 37:20

#### 26—MONDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Shephard, Rio Baptist College and Seminary, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil  
They shall be taught of God.—John 6:45

#### 27—TUESDAY

For Misses †Laura Cox and †Maggie Whaley, school and evangelistic work, Guaymas, Mexico  
He that sent Me is true . . . I am from Him.—John 7:28, 29

#### 28—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Taylor, preaching Christ in Pernambuco, Brazil  
It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom.—Luke 12:32

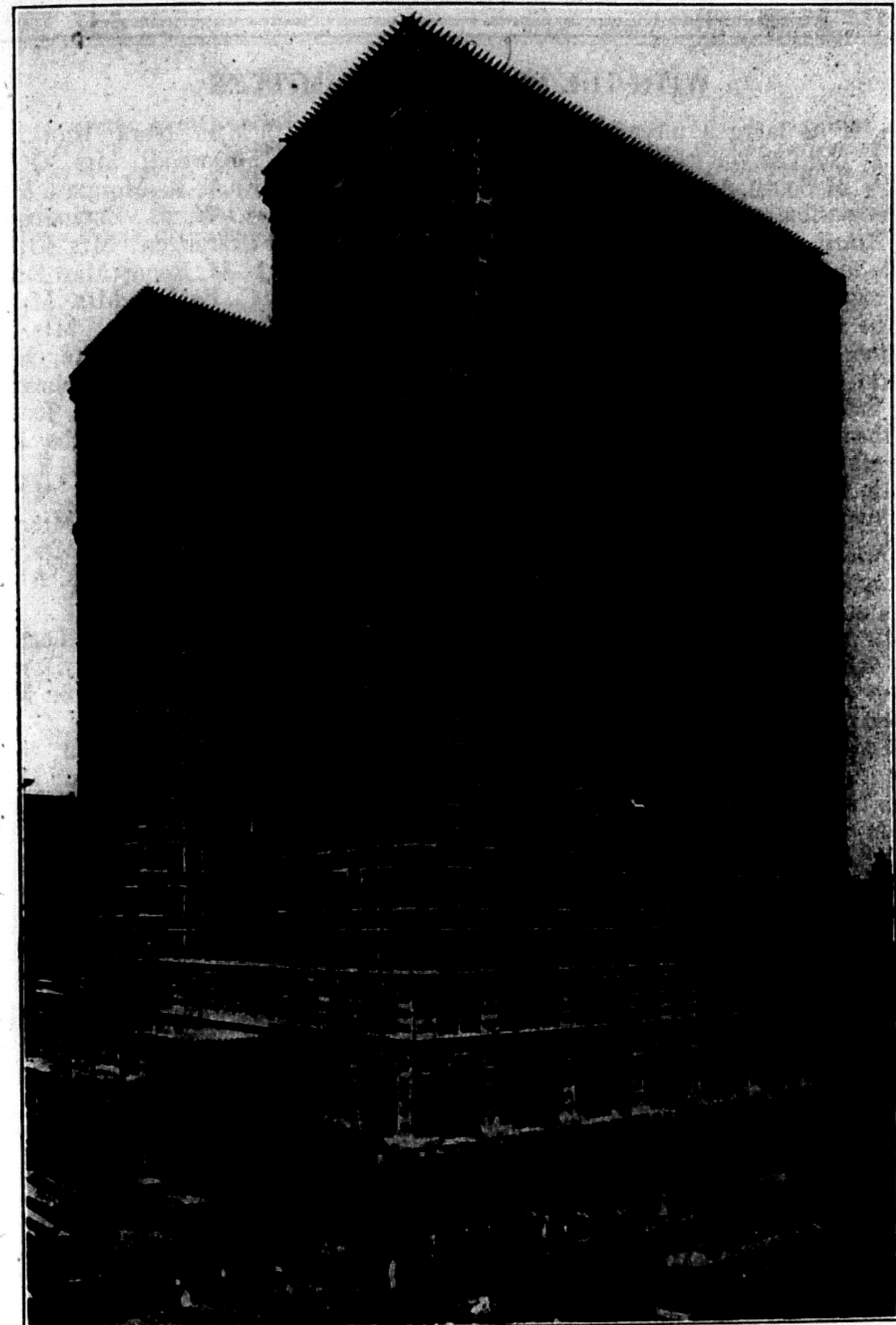
#### 29—THURSDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. J. L. Moye and \*Miss Grace McCoy, soul-winning service in Santiago, Chile  
In due season we shall reap, if we faint not.—Galatians 6:9

#### 30—FRIDAY

That blessing attend service of Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Dunstan and Miss Pearl Dunstan, Pelotas, Brazil  
My grace is sufficient for thee.—II Corinthians 12:9

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## PROGRAM PLANS



### WITH THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE

ON as large a piece of paper or cloth as you can use draw a map of South America. This should be in outline only. Then make maps of Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay and Chile to fit their respective parts of the big map. As each country is discussed in the meeting, have it pinned on the outline map. These smaller maps should be in different colors and with the S. B. C. mission stations marked on them. The names and locations of the stations are given on the map of South America on the front cover page of this magazine.

Variety might be given to the meeting by arranging the chairs in the room in four groups to represent the four South American countries being studied. One lady should be in charge of each group and call for the selections assigned that group. She might name the ladies of the group for missionaries of that field, introduce them and have them report items relating to the country in which they work. The largest group should take Brazil. The following lists give the names of southern Baptist women missionaries in South America:

**Brazil**—Mrs. S. L. Watson; Mrs. T. B. Stover; Miss Ruth Randall; Miss Bernice Neel; Mrs. J. W. Shepard; Mrs. C. A. Baker; Miss Ray Buster; Mrs. A. B. Langston; Mrs. S. L. Ginsburg; Mrs. L. M. Bratcher; Mrs. A. B. Crabtree; Mrs. J. J. Cowser; Mrs. W. E. Allen; Miss Minnie Landrum; Mrs. E. A. Jackson; Mrs. W. W. Enete; Mrs. A. B. Christie; Mrs. R. E. Pettigrew; Mrs. Harley Smith; Mrs. A. L. Dunstan; Miss Pearl Dunston; Mrs. A. C. Duggar; Mrs. F. M. Edwards; Mrs. E. A. Ingram; Mrs. P. C. Porter; Mrs. R. B. Stanton; Mrs. W. B. Bagby; Mrs. J. J. Taylor; Miss Mattie Baker; Mrs. W. W. Jones; Mrs. A. B. Deter; Mrs.

W. H. Berry; Miss Nora Hawkins; Mrs. W. B. Sherwood; Mrs. O. P. Maddox; Mrs. F. A. R. Morgan; Mrs. J. R. Allen; Mrs. W. E. Entzminger; Miss Jennie Swearingen; Mrs. D. P. Appleby; Mrs. L. M. Reno; Miss Edith West; Mrs. T. C. Bagby; Mrs. M. G. White; Mrs. J. A. Tumblin; Mrs. F. W. Taylor; Miss Pauline White; Mrs. H. H. Muirhead; Mrs. L. L. Johnson; Mrs. W. C. Taylor; Mrs. R. E. Jones; Miss Essie Fuller; Miss Bertha Lee Hunt; Mrs. E. G. Wilcox; Mrs. E. H. Crouch; Mrs. J. L. Bice; Mrs. H. A. Zimmerman; Mrs. R. Mason; Mrs. E. A. Nelson; Mrs. A. J. Terry; Mrs. C. F. Stapp; Mrs. John Mein; Mrs. A. E. Hayes

**Argentina**—Mrs. Robert Logan; Mrs. R. F. Elder; Miss Alberta Davis; Mrs. J. C. Quarles; Miss Minnie McIlroy; Mrs. S. M. Sowell; Mrs. G. A. Bowdler; Mrs. Ehrhardt Swenson; Mrs. F. J. Fowler; Miss Azile Wofford; Mrs. M. S. Blair; Miss Emily Beck; Mrs. Z. P. Freeman; Mrs. T. B. Hawkins

**Uruguay**—Mrs. L. C. Quarles; Mrs. B. W. Orrick; Miss Marie Leonard

**Chile**—Mrs. W. E. Davidson; Miss Grace McCoy; Mrs. J. L. Moye; Miss Agnes Graham; Mrs. J. L. Hart; Miss Cornelia Brower; Miss Anne Lasseter; Mrs. W. Q. Maer; Miss Marjorie Spencer; Mrs. R. C. Moore; Mrs. Jas. McGavock.

In a small society, souvenirs may be cut in the shape of a cup and saucer as South America is largely the coffee country. An item or reading may be folded or stuck in a slit in the cup to represent the spoon.

Close the program with a talk or reading on Brazilian cordiality and courtesy. Ask the society to "practice" a demonstration of it at the close of the meeting by every one speaking to every one else.



## PROGRAM FOR APRIL



### OUR SOUTH AMERICAN FIELDS

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 Bldg., Birmingham, Ala.

Hymn—Ye Servants of God Your Master Proclaim  
Prayer that We as Servants of God Be Faithful  
Bible Study (See page 7.)

Hymn—Hasten, Lord, the Glorious Time  
Personal Service Period

Sentence Prayers for Our Missionaries in South America  
An Indisposed World and Its Cure  
The People of Brazil

The Lure of Brazilian Missions

Women Folk of Argentina

Coming into Her Own in Chile

Our South American Benjamin

Reading—"O North, with All Thy Vales of Green" (See below.)  
Do You Know?

Why Evangelize Latin America?

United Prayer—Psalm 100 (Write on blackboard.)

Ⓞ NORTH, with all thy vales of green,  
O South, with all thy palms,  
From peopled town and fields between  
Uplift the voice of psalms;  
Raise, ancient East, the anthem high  
And let the youthful West reply.

Ⓞ FATHER, haste the promised hour  
When at Thy feet shall lie  
All rule, authority and power  
Beneath the ample sky,  
When Thou shalt reign from pole to pole  
The Lord of every ransomed soul.

William Cullen Bryant

### AN INDISPOSED WORLD AND ITS CURE

THE pulse of the world beats everywhere. Its fever beat of present restlessness is felt up and down the earth and all around it: no part of it seems to be normal. Even so beautiful a country as South America is disfigured in her body politic by this world disorder. Her open door to immigration; her wonderful material resources; and her advance in international trade invite both infection and exploitation. Bolshevism, socialism and atheism are seriously affecting her political and religious life. Romanism is a disease she was born with, one which has undermined her strength and long kept her

from using her full powers. Passing from kingdoms to republics did not cure her malady; the League of Nations was deemed ineffective; the recently proposed League of Latin Nations promises nothing: on the other hand it is feared that it will strengthen the hold of Rome and more and more enfeeble Latin countries, both in Europe and America.

A recent struggle for Catholic supremacy in the Brazilian parliament illustrates this danger, of which the Watchman-Examiner writes: "Just in these last few days our whole evangelical constituency of Brazil has passed through a great affliction and impending danger of losing religious liberty. In connection with the revision of our con-



stitution the Roman Catholic church managed to present a bill with two religious amendments which, if accepted by the congress, would have practically joined the church with the state and thus thrown us away back into the Middle Ages. Ardent prayers of all real believers in religious liberty stormed the throne of God, at the same time telegrams swamped the parliament. The amendments were defeated and the Jesuit machinery received heavy blows straight from the shoulder of some of the more liberal congressmen. This was one of the greatest victories the protestants have ever won in this country. While the hosts of evangelical believers are singing praises to God the Catholic church appears in mourning garb".

Other Latin American republics are experiencing the same struggle. In Argentina the Roman Catholic church is attempting to unite Catholic forces for action in the domain of things moral, spiritual and social with the purpose of uniting the state with the church movement. Partially failing in this a Roman priest lamented as follows: "The Catholic forces of Argentina may look upon the church's tenure of power as a matter of time. I do not believe that of the two millions of people in and around Buenos Aires there are two hundred men at church on any Sunday". Where are the 1,999,800? Our task is with them. Is it any wonder that our missionaries are pleading for more men and women to preach the true Gospel to this multitude at this auspicious time?

In Chile, in 1924, as we well remember, her president was deposed, congress dismissed and power assumed by a Military Directorate. The power at work was Rome. Are we praying enough for the problems of Chilean government?

Uruguay, the smallest republic of South America, has the most stable government with less ecclesiastic interference than any of the others: consequently a more contented people and a more wholesome atmosphere exists in that country. The legislation of Uru-

guay is of the most advanced type, labor is protected and capital respected. Other South American nations are looking to this little republic as an example of good statesmanship, especially in regard to labor, social and economic problems. Leadership is dangerous unless it leads to Christ. To pray and work for this is the privilege of the evangelical churches of South America. The problems of these countries greatly concern southern Baptist missionary work in them. Are we on our knees asking that God strengthen our missionaries and all S. A. Christians as they take up their important obligations?

There is no cure for the ills of the world or of South America but the healing touch of Christ. We praise God that He now reigns in thousands of Latin American hearts. Our missionaries tell us that these new believers almost invariably become apostolic in their zeal for the salvation of others. The call to us is that we send the quickening knowledge of the living Christ to save such souls as these. Here the terms modernist and fundamentalist are unknown. All whom our missionaries win are Baptists, all are one in theology and all firmly believe in the whole Bible as the infallible Word of God. These splendid Christians join with our missionaries in calling upon us to "deliver their land from error's chains" and thus save it from spiritual death, even as did Professor Braga, a valiant South American Christian, when at the Panama Conference he called out: "Here is my beautiful South America, so great and beautiful in body, but her soul is dead. O God, breathe Thy quickening Spirit into my South America!"

#### THE PEOPLE OF BRAZIL

IT IS a privilege to bear witness of the many lovable traits in the Brazilian people. They are remarkable for their courtesy. With them politeness is not a mere form but an expression of their kindness of heart. Several times the writer was given a seat on a crowded train by some younger man who perhaps noted that he was a stranger and an elderly man. Wherever a visitor

goes he is welcomed by a representative of the church or school he is about to visit. They will probably present him with a beautiful bouquet of flowers before he speaks and when he goes to take the train a group of friends will come down to bid him farewell, and they never leave until the train pulls out. Courtesy is a part of the nature of the Brazilian.

Love of little children is another characteristic of Brazilians. Conductors on trains are never too busy to speak a pleasant word to a little child. A child in arms is in danger of being pulled to pieces by the girls in the schools in their eagerness to care for the baby.

Speaking of schools it can but be noted that illiteracy is all too common. Public education is deplorably backward. Our Baptist schools are doing their part in removing this incubus of illiteracy in Brazil. Baptists in different communities have been compelled to found schools to educate their children; for when the children have refused to kiss the hand of the priest or to bow before the images of the saints the Catholic sisters would pay no more attention to them, allowing them to occupy seats in the school room but assigning them no work. Our Baptist schools have been excellent evangelizing agencies, carrying the Gospel into many homes that would otherwise have been closed to us.

Who that ever heard the Brazilian school boys sing the Brazilian anthem can forget the enthusiasm with which they sing it? In these bright boys lies the hope of Brazil. No one who speaks to large groups of these alert, vivacious boys can ever forget how they responded to the appeal to make war on all the giants that threaten Brazil's progress. May God raise up from among them men of the highest moral courage to go forth and deliver this great "Republic of the South" from the evils that would enslave her people.—Dr. John R. Sampey

#### THE LURE OF BRAZILIAN MISSIONS

IF YOU took Brazil off the map you would leave South America looking

very much like an interrogation point. The world would be asking "Where is Brazil?" If we return Brazil to the map we find her with eleven beautiful republics clinging to her northern and western boundaries, while the Atlantic Ocean roughly caresses her thirty-seven hundred miles of picturesque coastline. In this lovely setting we find Brazil, a rich and blooming country rapidly coming into greatness, as the world counts greatness. To those who are praying and working for the spiritual regeneration of Brazil her greatness lies in her redemption from a four hundred year bondage to the Romish worship of a dead Christ "into the glorious liberty of the children of God".

With a population of half that of the whole of South America and great areas of land into which the protestant missionary has never entered, Brazil is one of the most needy and inviting mission fields in the world. The difficulty of the task, since the Romanist is harder to win to the truth than the pagan, is very great, but this very difficulty has proven a lure to our one hundred and fourteen missionaries. With them are working one hundred and five native ordained ministers and one hundred and twenty-four unordained helpers. In the membership of our two hundred and seventy-nine churches we count about 25,000. Ninety-three of these churches are self-supporting. It is said that the whole Baptist constituency in Brazil easily comes up to the 100,000 mark. The Baptist Publishing House in Rio de Janeiro is producing good and sound denominational literature, while the many schools of all sizes and grades are caring for the Christian education of all who attend them. Among the latter the Rio Baptist College and Seminary is the largest and most centrally located. Eight good buildings in a beautiful campus accommodate seven hundred and fifty students and seventy-five teachers for all departments.

Recently Dr. John R. Sampey of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville visited this college, preaching three times a day for a week. His



messages produced a real revival of religion among the students. The last morning one hundred and fifty-eight students accepted Christ as their Saviour and promised to read the Scriptures daily. (See also pages 27-29.)

#### WOMEN FOLK OF ARGENTINA

**T**HE status of a country may generally be determined by the place given to its women. In the early days of settlement in Argentina very few women were brought from Spain. The consequent intermarriage with native Indians produced a race neither Spanish nor Indian. Since both of these peoples considered their women as inferior beings this new generation gave her the same position. Probably no girl babies in the world ever opened their eyes in a land more hostile to purity and well-being than those born in the interior of South American countries.

Argentina is called a man's country. The feminist movement, however, is changing the status of women in this country and this title will have to be modified. By the feminist movement we mean the united efforts of various organizations of Argentine women to secure the rights of their country-women in order that they may take their proper place in the home and in the civic and social life of their country. Even now, though the Argentine woman be the wealthy mistress of a luxuriant home, her rights are few. In this respect, also, conditions are changing. In 1904, when women were denied entrance into medical and other professional classes of colleges, Argentine women took up the fight and prevailed to such a degree that at the present time not only are all such classes open to them but a large part of the official control of public institutions which affect women and children is in their hands. There are also strong organizations to promote civic and social welfare for women such as "The Argentine Women's University Center", "The Woman's International Congress", "Woman's National Council" and other progressive movements of smaller note. The evangelical Christian women of Argentina, realizing that these organiza-

tions are good but not enough, have formed among women and girls a league for Christian social service which can be done only by women.

Added to all that is being done is the higher service of the missionary whose quest is soul-winning. For this service southern Baptists have placed in this wonderful Argentina thirty-one missionaries and as many ordained natives with twelve other helpers. Day after day they are preaching and teaching among their membership of something over 2600. Last year 300 precious souls were gathered into this number, more than seven to each of the forty-one churches. When we consider that this was done against bitter opposition and often with meager equipment, we wonder whether our own North American churches are making this record! Let it be hoped that the missionaries are praying for us. (See also page 30.)

#### COMING INTO HER OWN IN CHILE

**C**HILE lives intimately with the ocean. Her nearly three thousand miles of coast-line hold constant intercourse with the Pacific Ocean. An equal stretch of the Andes Mountains looks silently on. The widest place between ocean and mountain is but one hundred and thirty miles. This rich and beautiful country has responded to the call of trade and education. Rev. Joseph L. Hart, who has served our Foreign Mission Board in Argentina and Chile for twenty-one years, has come to know both countries very well. He tells us that "the women of Chile are very unlike the women of Argentina. In the first place they have a national vision and a pride in the progress of the denomination to which they belong. Then, too, they have more self-assurance and greater leadership qualities, consequently they have gone into a national organization which has not been effected in Argentina". With these advantages is it any wonder that the Chilean woman is rapidly coming into her own? A number have been graduated as doctors and lawyers from the University of Chile; others are entering business all over the country. In Santiago we see them as conductors of

street cars and keepers of small shops. Social distinctions are too deeply rooted for a general service for women but this has been accomplished through three grades of organizations: one for the upper class women, another for teachers and a third composed of working women. The Catholic church is seeking to control and direct these movements but the sincerity of its attitude is doubted, since it has ever been opposed to freedom of thought and action, which invariably means freedom from ecclesiastic control. With sufficient men, women and money this situation would be a great opportunity for southern Baptists to win Chile for Christ. As far as numbers and equipment have permitted, our missionaries have kept pace with this progressive country. We have thirty-three churches with a membership of about 1400. Into these churches have been gathered 290 of those who have accepted salvation in Christ during the past year, averaging about nine to each church.

#### OUR SOUTH AMERICAN BENJAMIN

**A**LTHOUGH the smallest of the South American republics Uruguay is one of the wealthiest and most progressive. It is a vast pasture unmarred by deserts or barren lands, upon which graze millions of cattle and sheep. Its capital, Montevideo, has about the same population as has the capital of the United States and is one of the most beautiful cities in South America. It was in this city, in 1925, that the Congress of Christian Work in South America met. All reports showed a remarkable advance in numbers and influence of evangelical churches throughout the country since 1916 when the same gathering met in Panama. While those of us who hold dear our denominational affiliations could not agree with some of the suggestions for merging evangelical forces in South America, we can rejoice in the rich interchange of fellowship and prayer. Capable South American women attended this wonderful meeting and again impressed their northern sisters with their charming personality and earnest desire to serve the Master.

Southern Baptist missions in Uru-

guay are under the care of the Argentine Mission Board and are personally superintended by five missionaries. Two churches in Montevideo, a mission school and much visiting are the means through which Christ is being preached in Uruguay.

#### DO YOU KNOW?

**D**O YOU know that an ancient Spanish version of the Bible, published in the fourteenth century and secretly preserved in the Escorial Library in Spain, will be published in Argentina and that Don Pablo Besson, one of our native pastors, will be a collaborator in this work?

*Do you know* that our southern Baptist mission in Argentina surpasses all other similar organizations combined in its contribution to Spanish evangelistic literature, such as New Testament commentaries, books from the pen of distinguished native pastors, hymn books, tracts and a by-weekly paper, the official organ?

*Do you know* that four new churches have been added to our work in Argentina during the past year and that out of the whole number, forty-one, two are entirely self-supporting?

*Do you know* that there is an energetic and growing body of Baptist women in Argentina who hold an annual rally, monthly missionary meetings and organize societies in out-stations and that in nearly all of our South American Baptist churches there are young people's organizations?

*Do you know* that the Baptist W.M.U. of North Brazil has recently published a manual and has also issued about twenty diplomas for mission study and that this organization publishes a fine quarterly magazine?

*Do you know* that the Baptist State Board of South Brazil distributed \$8,000 during the past year for different denominational purposes? Also that the Building and Loan Society loaned more than \$18,000 for church building and repair?

*Do you know* that the Rio Baptist College and Seminary is one of the largest and most central institutions in Brazil and that evangelization of its



students is an important part of its curriculum?

*Do you know* that the Chilean Baptists have organized a Home Mission Board which is sending native missionaries into the frontier and is supporting two schools for Indians far up in the Andes?

*Do you know* that the W.M.U. of Chile is composed of twenty-two missionary societies and that it has contributed \$450 to its Home Mission Board and school work and that mission study classes have just finished "The Life of Mary Slessor of Calibar"?

*Do you know* that our mission schools are held in high regard in educational circles of Chile and that pupils from high class families are seeking entrance but that preference is given to children of Baptist families?

*Do you know* that it was reported at the Congress of Christian Work in South America held in Montevideo, Uruguay, that what Christian missions have done for Latin America is a miracle of the loaves and fishes, because from so little so much has come?

*Do you know* that the Annuity Fund for Aged Ministers of Brazil, although organized but a year ago, has funds for a basis of operation?

*Do you know* that knowing all this will make you more responsible for the progress of Christian missions in Latin America?

#### WHY EVANGELIZE LATIN AMERICA?

**W**HY evangelize Latin America? Because true Christian faith must come from the work of God's grace in the heart and this grace alone can save, content and benefit. We are commissioned with a knowledge of the grace of God that is unknown to Catholicism; with the knowledge of a Saviour who forgives sin without human intervention; to whom the penitent can come

as a child to a father. This knowledge is too precious to withhold from the people of Latin America. We are entrusted with a Gospel message that will put God's "law in their inward parts and write it in their hearts". We must tell of a pardoning God who says, "I will forgive their iniquity and will remember their sins no more".

Another reason for evangelizing Latin America is because the spiritual condition of its people shows the need of the Christianity of Christ. Of this condition Amos R. Wells in his book, "Into All the World", has this to say: "Here, as nowhere else in the world, Catholicism shows what it can do when given three centuries of undisputed control. The priests are abominably licentious. Among the people the social evil is rampant. Gambling flourishes with lottery sometimes even patronized by the church. Intemperance is universal. Ignorance is everywhere. The governments are fearlessly bigoted. Superstitions of the lowest sort hold the people in serfdom under the mask of religion. Secret infidelity abounds under the pretense of political freedom. There is often political tyranny. The constitutions of some of the republics are modeled after our own, but they have the form without the substance".

For about twenty years the religious condition and needs of Latin America have been presented from time to time in this magazine, therefore we cannot plead ignorance of them. To know the need and withhold the helpful deed is taking a heavy responsibility on oneself.

"Let none hear us idly saying,  
'There is nothing we can do',  
While the souls of men are dying,  
And the Master calls for you:  
Take the task He gives you gladly,  
Let His work your pleasure be;  
Answer quickly when He calleth,  
'Here am I, send me'."

**NOTE:** On page 29 will be found the questions bearing upon the fore-going program. Vary the use of such questions by having twelve members prepared to answer them but agreeing to do so without being called upon by name.



## COLLEGE Y. W. A.



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A new auditorium, a new dining room, a new lake will mean new attractiveness in equipment and additional comfort, with room for an increase in number present. Last year there were 188 young women from seventeen southern Baptist states; this year we look for more than 188, we look for *YOU* too. Come on up to Ridgecrest Y. W. A. Camp, June 15-25.

*Mrs. R. L. Harris*, president of Tennessee W.M.U., will be Camp Counselor—"the beautiful Mrs. Harris". Just ask any of the 1924 or 1925 girls: they'll tell you she can say "no" so gracefully one enjoys it—mostly she says "yes".

*Mrs. W. J. Cox*, president W.M.U., will be there all ten days. Everybody everywhere adores Mrs. Cox and is thankful for one day with her: think of ten days and a message from her every day!

*Dr. T. B. Ray* of the Foreign Mission Board will speak each day just before noon. It will be splendid to hear him.

*Miss Kathleen Mallory*, our own beloved corresponding secretary, will be with us at least three days. Joyous!

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June 15-25, 1926**





## Y. W. A. PROGRAMS



Material found in the general program on pages 13-18 as well as other items in this issue will be quite helpful to supplement the following program. It is hoped it will be freely used in this supplemental way. The leaflets suggested on page 3 will also prove attractive additions.

### FIRST MEETING

Topic—Yesterday and Today

A Land—a People

Hymn—Come Thou Almighty King

Devotional—Psalm 62

Prayer that God may become a refuge to our South American friends

Yesterday—  
 { A Land  
 { A People

Today—  
 { A Land  
 { A People

Hymn—To the Work

Hymn—Lord Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

Poster Announcement

Print on a cardboard:

Have you ever tried telling fortunes?

Past—Present—Future

at Y.W.A. Meeting.... (Time) (Place)

Come

Yesterday—  
 { A Land  
 { A People

**W**E live a great deal in reminiscences and in dreams of the future. We do so naturally and with pleasure. One has only to say "1492" and immediately our minds go back to "reading and writing and arithmetic days". With that we recall days in the schoolroom with a map of the world, a teacher with a pointer in her hand and a book before us called "history". It was full of such names as Columbus, Pizarro, Cortez. One remembers almost word for word those stories as they were recounted in stumbling English by members of the class—the stories of the Nina, Pinta and Santa Maria, of the rough sea voyage of Columbus and his men, of their discour-

agements and anxious watching and of the landing on the shore of the New World.

Then came the stories of the Mayflower and the landing of the Pilgrims on our North American continent. One remembers that with these explorers and their followers came their religions. With Columbus and the immigrants from southern Europe there came, of course, Catholicism. The Pilgrim Fathers brought their religion which was protestant. God must have handled the winds that drove Columbus to southern shores and the Pilgrims to northern shores. He chose our own land to be the soil for the planting of the Christian religion. This accounts for the great differences of North and South America. With humility do we accept the responsibilities that are ours to give evangelical Christianity to our neighbors on the south.

The Spanish explorers came to a land unexplored except for small portions east of the Andes. It was a land rich in hidden resources. The people were uncivilized, savages and Indians. It will be interesting to see the land and people of the present and future of South America as we go farther into this program.

Today

Waiting for the Sunrise

**M**ORE than four centuries have passed since the first glimpse of the new world, of which we are a part. God has bound us in a physical and spiritual way to the continent south of us yet we know not so much more about our next door neighbors now than we learned in the classroom in grammar school. We drink Brazilian coffee, sweetened with Peruvian sugar, we walk on Colombian rubber heels and maybe wear diamonds from the mines of Brazil without realizing that we are be-

ing served by our neighbors of South America. Someone suggests that airplanes, radios and other modern inventions have put the whole world under the same lodging roof and that it is time we were finding out who lives in the next apartment for "Someday, who knows, there might come a fire or a thief—it's good to keep at least in friendly acquaintance".

**A Land**—Adventurers today tell of a land, a people much more wonderful than those which the explorers of the 15th century found—a land of great mineral wealth: gold, silver, copper, mercury and iron; a land of rich yields in cotton, rice, sugar, coffee and rubber; a land of modern cities; cities of paved streets, beautiful avenues, magnificent buildings, traffic jams of prosperous hustling business. Buenos Aires, one of the busiest cities of the world, exports three times as much goods per capita as is sent from our United States. Rio de Janeiro at night is a fairyland we are told, "fragrant and sprinkled with stars from the colored lights of the ships in the bay, to the mountains that tower in the dark". One fancies how wonderful it might be with the radiance of the Bethlehem star added. Santiago, beautiful with its Spanish gardens and architecture, is noted for its social progress. These are typical of the leading centers of South America today.

**A People**—A people typical of progress without Christianity and education. There are about 18 million whites, 17 million Indians, 30 million "mestizos" or mixed and 14 million inter-mixed. In many parts drink has wiped out the Indians.

Black and white have equal rights, sit side by side in schools, churches and theaters, except in the upper class. The mulatto is classed usually with the whites and little concern is manifested regarding inter-marriage. No race prejudice is shown. Legal marriages are very expensive and hence almost rare among some classes. From 60 per cent to 75 per cent of the births are illegitimate. Moral standards are alarm-

ingly low among the Catholic priests and of course among the masses.

Strong drink is sold almost everywhere in grocery stores, at founts and drinking shops. Gambling is general and there is no law against it. There are 60,000 lepers on the continent.

The women are gowned in styles no farther from Paris originals than are our North American styles and are beginning to find places of influence and a few educated ones are finding places of leadership. It is the custom, with few exceptions, for girls to remain behind doors almost barred until they marry. Even though a girl is betrothed she would not dare appear on the street alone with her fiancé. We would feel that our social democracy was being dreadfully battered if every time a girl were about to be introduced to an attractive young man she would be expected to dash away to produce family credentials and have them properly signed by both families—then after such a procedure and with proper chaperonage return and be permitted to meet the young gentleman. This is not greatly exaggerating conditions for the South American girl of the better class. Dr. Sampey, who visited and preached in Brazil last summer, told of how a lovely young woman had been entertained for dinner in the home of Mrs. W. E. Allen where he was stopping—this being the very first time she had ever been out without chaperonage. Womanhood is gradually finding its rightful place; however often subject to criticism and ridicule.

Schools are few and crowded; 75 per cent of the people are illiterate. The educational system has been in the hands of the Catholics and a person who refuses to bow to a priest must be denied an education. A recent census in one section of Brazil showed that out of 3000 only 13 people could sign their names.

Generally those who are Catholics are unenlightened. Even the priests know little of the Bible and will not allow the people to read it. To realize the awfulness of their religion let us enter one of their great cathedrals.



"worshippers entering before us dip their fingers in holy water, cross themselves devoutly and slip off to kneel before a holy picture. Candles flicker, threads of incense scent the air. On the walls are pictures of the Virgin Mary and many saints. Before these images men, women and children kneel in worship. But Christ—where is He? A mass

is said. Priests, richly gowned stand before the altar. Chants are sung, bells ring, prayers made, the worshippers rise and depart. They have worshiped, but have they worshiped Christ?" Read the sixty-second Psalm again from your Bible. Now change this to read as the blinded eyes and hearts of South America must read it:

My soul *would* wait only upon God  
For surely I have no other expectation.  
Oh! that He *might* be my rock and my salvation—  
My defense—so that I could not be moved.  
For in God I *might* find salvation, strength and refuge—  
I *could* trust Him at all times.  
I believe I and all my people *would* pour out our hearts before Him:  
Oh! *that* we had a refuge.

## SECOND MEETING

Topic—Tomorrow

A Land—a People

### Sunrise in South America

"Children of yesterday,  
Heirs of to-morrow,  
What are you weaving—  
Labor and sorrow?  
Look to your looms again:  
Faster and faster  
Fly the great shuttles,  
Prepared by the Master.  
Life's in the loom:  
Room for it—room!"

Hymn—The Morning Light Is Breaking

Devotional—Matt. 28:1-10

Prayer that Christ may live in hearts of South America

A Land

A People { Youth  
Eudisia  
Women

Lead On, O King Eternal

Prayer that we may help them find a King to lead them

Announcement Poster

Have paint brushes and water colors drawn or pasted on cardboard. Print

Come help us paint pictures

at our Y.W.A. meeting

Time.....Place.....

A Land—Dr. Sampey and many others who have visited South America tell us that the continent is only in the

beginning of the development of the material resources. What will the future of an already wealthy country be? A picture that some could paint of South America's tomorrow would be in colors so dazzling as to stagger Columbus and some of our early missionaries. Stanley High says of South America: "The real romance of South America has not, as yet, been discovered by the people of North America. The wonders of her lands have not been sung but, when they are, they will make a real epic and she needs some genius to popularize her wonders as Kipling has popularized the wonders of India".

A People—Today paints a beautiful forecast of tomorrow's people in South America, of bright faces, shining eyes lifted toward higher ideals. The youth of any land paints a picture of a land's future. Observant eyes look into the student life of South America and say, "Yes, there is hope". Of course the student life is a small per cent of South America's youth because schools are few, but they are demanding better and higher education. Their attitude is constructive. Where in the past there were strikes and parades accompanied with shouts of "Down with the priests" and "Death to the foreigner", there is now an outburst of "Luz! Mas Luz!" which is "Light! More Light!" Thousands of university students have united in a fraternity which is demanding a system of higher education. It calls for the

cultivation of the soul as well as the intellect.

These students have organized night classes among laboring people and are teaching thousands who have never before had opportunities. They are trying to create a better understanding; to have the youth back of such a movement means a new day. Let us pray that some of the material wealth of South America may be transmuted into many institutions of education and service.

"Weary are we of empty creeds,  
Of deafening calls to fruitless deeds;  
Weary of priests who cannot pray,  
Of guides who show no man the way."

The Catholic church has opposed political and social progress. Students who think are indifferent to such a religion and are looking for something that can be transformed in terms of education and social service and spiritual experience. How wonderful that Christianity has what they are looking for, and certainly it has, for Christ came that they "might have life and have it more abundantly". Our missionaries have taught lessons in hygiene, domestic science—education of the mind and soul. The youth sees in our missionaries the transformation of the whole life, and they are seeking that same new life. At this opportune crisis let us not fail them—let us pray and give more.

"Eudisia was a girl who came to one of our Christian schools from a home of plenty where Indians and slaves had answered her every whim. She had to make the adjustment from such a life, to a life in school where duties of bed-making and sweeping were a part of the daily curriculum. At first there were storms of passion and stamping of feet and often an announcement that

she would not do it. But today she finds a glory in her task as she sings, 'Oh Jesus, I have promised' and 'Master let me walk with Thee'. Above the intensity of her scouring the message of her new life bursts forth—"There is sunshine in my soul today".

Thus a new womanhood is springing up in South America, coming because there are yet courageous adventurers bearing not the same cross that hung in the cabin of Columbus but the Cross of Christ who said, "Ye are My witnesses; go ye". Day is breaking, a tomorrow is coming.

Women in South America are discontented and apprehensive of something better for them and for their children. Educated women are wielding influence in temperance movements, civic and social reform and their hearts are good soil for receiving our gospel. Dr. Sampey tells us of how fine young women came to accept the Christ whom he introduced to them and of how they sought for the salvation of their families and friends.

One of our North American delegates to the Congress on Christian Work in South America said: "It was a revelation to me to feel the touch of the women of Chile. They were thinking and feeling with the best women of all lands. But there were so few such women and such a great gulf between them and the masses". Another delegate said: "It was a joy to see the eagerness of the South American girls for friendship and to note their responsiveness to every effort to help them".

North and South America face the future as neighbors—shall it not be as sisters? As was our early history woven together, so will our fates always be entwined. Today "is the day of salvation" for South America. Will we withhold it from them?

## EDITORIAL

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the Southern Baptist Convention a great host of those whom He has "called out of darkness into His marvelous light" will vote according to the will of their Heavenly Father and that of their action Christ may say as of Mary's alabaster service: "Whosoever this Gospel shall be preached in the whole world that also which . . . hath 'been' done shall be spoken of for a memorial".





## OUR YOUNG PEOPLE



### SHOWERS NOW: FLOWERS THEN

**"A**PRIL showers bring May flowers" we have said again and again, and gardening activities are proof we believe it. Do we prove it by our leadership of our young people? For them today's planting will result in future growth, too.

As April gardeners encourage R. A's., G. A's. and Sunbeams to participate in the "Society of Seed Scatterers". Anyone who sows a package of perennial seed along a public highway has become a member of the "Seed Scatterers". Many a countryside will be beautiful in this way: even a church yard might receive a bit of attention too.

Springtime releases more hours in which young people may have meetings. Study classes should blossom as vigorously as jonquils and tulips; they will be as bright and cheer scattering as flowers themselves, too, by the radiant shining they will produce some day. Mission classes, mission books do result in missionaries and missionary support given the proper cultivation and chance for development.

Sow down your R. A. Chapter with R. A. arm bands too. A Mississippi pastor announces and confers ranking privileges for boys of his excellent Royal Ambassador Chapter at the regular Sunday evening service. The boys like the new R. A. felt arm bands. The W. M. S. at Cleveland, Okla., ordered 12 for its 12 Pages and two emblems to be added for Squires; now all the boys are eager to advance in rank and are busily learning required memory verses and mission facts. Good spring planting indeed! (See page 25.)

**S**HOWERS of subscriptions are in order for WORLD COMRADES. The

slogan created out of best experience is "A minimum of five subscriptions for each R.A. Chapter, each Girl's Auxiliary and each Sunbeam Band". How can you manage well with less? The W. M. S. has a good opportunity to foster by insuring these necessary copies of WORLD COMRADES. Remind them if they have neglected this feature (See page 25.)

The spring party is the thing to start up mission activity in adequate fashion and overcome the lethargy of spring fever. It may be a G. A. supper, an R. A. bacon bat, a Sunbeam Easter egg-rolling: whatever it is, it will show the young people that the W. M. S. really cares to sow missionary interest to the extent of missionary enthusiasm in their hearts.

"In hearts too young for enmity

There lies the way to make men free  
When children's sympathies are world-wide

New ages will be glorified.

Let child love child and wars will cease.

Disarm the hearts—that way lies peace."



In all the seed catalogues with their valuable bulbs and rare blossoms there'll be no promise more valuable than that of Sunbeam

Bands and other young people's missionary organizations. Happy one who has the responsibility of this priceless seed-sowing and careful gardening development! Will the counselors take advantage of W. M. U. annual meeting and be in Houston to store up their own hearts with information regarding all the work and with inspiration for doing more zealously the entrusted task? Young people's evening will be of special interest to counselors of course. If the counselors are not attending the Houston meeting the president of the society will be most eager to carry back news to the counselor



This April is not winding up the Standard of Excellence record as in other years. With books closed on December thirty-first we are at the beginning of the second quarter's work in 1926. Watch out for reports and for Standard of Excellence requirements. The W. M. U. banners to be presented for A-1 Graded W. M. U's. are really attractive. If

your church doesn't receive one in Houston you will want it all the more the next May and it requires a full year of A-1 work in Graded W. M. U. education activities: no time to lose in the spring months at all. Keep everything up in good fashion—average attendance, apportionment, personal service, mission study, subscriptions to magazines, new members.

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## TRAINING SCHOOL



### THE SPIRIT OF HOUSE BEAUTIFUL

"DON'T know", said Jane to her college chum, as they sat in Jane's room a few weeks before commencement, talking of their plans for the future. "I don't know what I'll do. Since I heard that state young people's leader, who is here this week, I want to do definite Christian work. Yet—I love pretty clothes, good times, happy jelly folk."

"You'll have to be fair to her Jane", said her chum, "and say *she* is all that".

"Yes, that's true", replied Jane thoughtfully. "And she said last night she went to the W. M. U. Training School. Let's go ask her about that school."

"May I come in, girls?" It was Miss Langston, the state worker herself, who was speaking. "I heard someone say 'Training School' as I was passing your door, so I just had to stop."

"Yes, do come in. We are talking of the Training School and were just ready to go ask you about it", said Jane.

"There are very few things I had rather talk about than our own House Beautiful", replied Miss Langston, "and I believe I'll tell you why we call it House Beautiful".

"First of all it is a beautiful structure, a lovely home, with its tastefully furnished parlors, dining hall and rooms, its library of carefully selected books and its chapel, where morning and evening worship is held and where one may slip away to be alone with God. It is all a worthy memorial of the love of the Baptist women of the southland, for their Master whom they serve and for their daughters who study that they may serve. But, best of all, it is a beautiful life, that of the Master's. And so in House Beautiful, since the real desire of each girl's heart is to learn more of that life, their motto is, 'We Would See Jesus'."

"Naturally then there would pervade the whole place the spirit of joy and beauty, the spirit of love, the spirit of service, the spirit of kindness, meekness and humility. Whether it is at her daily house work, when each one helps to keep House Beautiful *beautiful*, whether it is at her studies, her classes, her social hours or mission work, there is always manifested that happy, cheerful spirit of joy in service. Each girl is happy in the knowledge that God has a work and a place for *all*, and that however unworthy she may feel she can through His help do something for Him by loving service to others.

"Yet I would not have you idealize the girls at House Beautiful. They are very real, differing from some others only in their purpose in life, which of course, changes one's outlook on things—delighting in the pure joys, striving toward an ideal—yes, *the* ideal, yet ever conscious of their own frailty and human weaknesses.

"They have chosen the 'upper road' and are happy in that choice. Don't you want to join them too?"—*Mary Christian, Ga.*

EVERY Baptist girl about to be graduated from college or normal school has not yet decided upon her life course. A letter or a visit from you might persuade one or more of the choicest, most consecrated ones to enter for two years of missionary training at

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## FROM OUR MISSIONARIES



### HOW MARVELOUS ARE THY WAYS

*Rosalee Mills Appleby, Brazil*

FLORINTINO FERREIRA'S mother is a Christian. It was a long step to take from the superstition of Catholicism to the acceptance of Christ—and far from easy. At first, she burned the Bible that Florintino sent her. Had she not been told that it was a despised protestant book, dangerous and different to the Bible the pope had—that it would bring evil upon her home and not good? Had it not weaned her son from their faith to the hated Baptist?

Yet she loved her boy. Though he had been wild and always in trouble while at home, still he had ever manifested the greatest respect and love for his mother. So when Florintino came home, he convinced her that she had burned the Living Message of her God. The naturally religious heart melted in shame and she accepted her boy's Christ.

Florintino was a boy working on the New Western Railroad into Bello Horizonte, the capital of Minas, several years ago, when an old deacon of the Baptist church told him the story of Jesus that transformed his life. With the Master as Pilot, the journeys across the mountains of Brazil took on a nobler, finer aspect. Life and work had a higher purpose than wages. As missionary Crosland came and went on this

train, preaching the Gospel in the interior, he made the acquaintance of this boy, who as yet could neither read nor write.

Convinced that God had called this young man to Christ, Mr. Crosland asked that he quit the railroad and come into his home for study. Four months he remained in this home, learning to read and write. Later, he left for Collegio Baptista in Rio and for four years swept the floors and cleaned the windows to pay his way.

The last three years, Florintino Ferreira has been pastor of the church at Natividade do Carrangola in Minas, Brazil. In that length of time he has developed a church of 360 members, built an \$18,000 house with a poor, working membership. Nearly all the members are tithers. God has taken a wild, railroad boy and made of him one of our most successful native evangelists and one of the most constructive builders. The boy that had never seen a Bible has become a hard, deep student of its message.

Now a Christian mother is proud of her preacher boy. Christ is first in her home and his; a whole community has the privilege of hearing God's word; hundreds have accepted the Savior, and Florintino Ferreira has just begun his life's work:—all because an humble, Christian man took time to talk to a wayward boy, and a missionary had vision and faith in God.

"Thou hast met the Master's hidden test  
And I have found the man who loves Him best;  
'Not thine' nor mine to question or reply,  
When He commands us, asking 'how' or 'why':  
He knows the cause; His ways are wise and just;  
Who serves the King must serve with perfect trust."

### IN JERUSALEM—CHRISTMAS

LAST year Christmas night was a time of joy and goodwill at our "Mission Room" here in Jerusalem. All those who attended either our Arabic or Jewish meetings were invited to come

in for a social evening together. This year we faced a new situation. All our efforts to win the Arabic peoples have been centered in the north during the past year, while we are turning all our efforts here to the Jews; and it isn't such an easy thing to draw Jews into



such a gathering. Then, too, no matter how simple an entertainment it might be, the question of financing it was a difficult one. Last year the workers divided expenses among them, but this past year has been one of such decided increase in the cost of living and there have been so many needy ones to help, that it has been impossible for some months to strike a balance between expenses and salary.

Just a week before Christmas there came to me a letter enclosing \$4, the gift of three women, to be used as I chose. The letter mentioned the social evening of last year and expressed a willingness for this gift to be used in such a way, if needed. And so our party was financed! A small group, consisting of our few church members and others who are interested and sympathetic, came. When Mrs. Volkovitch, the wife of our worker, arrived, she introduced two friends, a mother and her young married daughter. They had called on Mrs. Volkovitch and so had been invited to come with her. They had hesitated but, when they had learned it was a social and not a religious gathering, had consented to come in order to satisfy their curiosity.

During the early part of the evening we played games in a most informal way and then, when we were sure that all had come, we read the Christmas story from Luke's Gospel, had a short prayer of thanksgiving for Jesus and sang together the few Christmas songs which we have in Hebrew—"Joy to the World", "Hail to the Brightness of Zion's Glad Morning" and "Wonderful Star". You can imagine how simply it was done, but these two Jewish women of good family, whose only knowledge of Christianity consisted of a belief in the horrible Jewish legends concerning Jesus and an abhorrence of the rituals and practices of the Catholic church, were thoroughly astonished. Their questions began to pour out, and for a long time they talked, raised questions and argued with Mr. and Mrs. Volkovitch, while the rest of us ate our fruit and nuts and raisins and talked and

laughed. Silently we prayed for their guidance.

When goodbyes were being said, they were most friendly with me, a thing which is not always true, for a missionary is not altogether desirable as a friend among Jews. The Volkovitchs walked home with them and until midnight they discussed the truths of Christianity. The next morning they called again on Mrs. Volkovitch and continued talking; and scarcely a day passed during the next two weeks without a visit from them. Last week the mother returned to her home in Tel-Aviv, after spending a month here with her daughter. She never admitted that she had been assured of the Truth, but she carried with her a New Testament and her parting words to Mrs. Volkovitch were, "O, I will constantly be praying that you may drive this unbelief out of my daughter's head!" Needless to say there are several of us who are joining her in that prayer!

Thus that humble gift of \$4, spent for fruit and nuts, gave us an opportunity to present the Truth to some whom we might otherwise never have touched. I pray I may yet write, to the givers of the salvation of these two—Mrs. J. W. Watts, Palestine

#### A CHRISTMAS CONVENTION

OUR little state convention came at Christmas time and we had a house full of guests and a very busy time. The Second Baptist Church of Parahyba was host to the convention but we of the First Church were able to help some with entertaining. The women served dinner and supper to the messengers on Christmas day. Our plans for the evangelization of the field are prospering, the Lord blessing the preaching of His word even by untrained men. The blind colporteur, Augusto Bello, was with us and is to work in our field for a time now. We find it hard to tell the workers of the limited means that are at our command due to the Board's deficit and consequent "cuts" on appropriations. Both they and we had hoped that we would return from furlough this year with the means, granted by the Board, for opening a school. How badly

it is needed! The public schools of Brazil are very inferior and Christian children often suffer persecution on the part of teacher and pupils, if they are not actually required to study the Roman catechism.

We have in our own home a room large enough for the beginning of a modest school but these people are so diseased that I can not consent to having school at my home which I do try to keep safe for my own little boys. I nearly weakened the other day, though, when I had a visit from a bright faced black woman from the Second Church, the one who bore the burden of the "big dinner" they served. She was telling me of their difficulty in maintaining a woman's society in the Second Church, none of them even knowing, she said, what a woman's society *ought* to be like. I told her of the new Manual of Women's Work and suggested that she and any others from her society, who cared to

do so, could study it with us of the First Church. I wish you might have seen how eager she was, but then I learned the difficulty with my plan. She said, "Dona Helena, I read very little." I have been going to night school and am now beginning the second reader. I came to ask you if you were going to have a school. I heard someone say you were and if it is true and if you will have classes at night I want to study".

My own society at the First Church has eight or maybe ten members who can read, so you can see our difficulty as to study. I am glad to say that illiteracy is not so prevalent among the younger generation—one rarely finds a child who can not at least read and write. Our people, too, are so poor. Many are unable to furnish clothing and books necessary to take advantage of such opportunities as are offered by the public schools.—Mrs. A. E. Hayes, Brazil

### PROGRAM FOR APRIL

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

1. Do you attach any particular significance to the world unrest of the present day?
2. In what way is the destiny of the two Americas a common one?
3. Have you ever met any South Americans? If so, what was your impression of them?
4. Why is South America an attractive mission field?
5. In what way are the culture and charm of Argentine women an asset for Christian service?
6. Have you read anything recent and interesting about Chilean women? If so, repeat it.
7. What great conference was held in Montevideo, Uruguay, in 1925? Tell something about it.
8. Have you any desire to visit South America? If so, what feature would interest you most?
9. In what way does meditation on God's royal bounty affect your life and service?
10. If you knew your call to meet God were to come tomorrow how would you spend today?
11. Has the evangelization of Latin America caused you any deep concern? If so, what form has it taken for its progress?
12. Would you be in favor of withdrawing missionaries from South America? To what length of giving would you go to prevent this disaster?





## HOME DEPARTMENT



### THE GEORGE WASHINGTON OF SOUTH AMERICA

**I**N WASHINGTON CITY, not so very long ago, there was the unveiling of a splendid statue of a man who was to South America what our George Washington was to the United States. His name was San Martin (*Sán Martín*), and we were told that never before had there been unveiled in the capital city the statue of a man who was not mentioned in the history of our country.

San Martin was brave and modest and had a way of winning people to his plans and making them do right things. At the time he lived Spain owned a great part of South America and the Spanish rulers were thinking not so much of the people they were ruling as they were of the people who ruled, which is never good for any country. The people of South America are partly Spanish and partly Indian. The first South Americans were Indians.

San Martin loved his people and wished them to be free of the cruel rule of the Spaniards. In those days, as in the days of Washington, nothing but war could get that freedom, so San Martin got a great army of men together from Argentina and Chile and trained them for three years. He said to his men: "Remember that you are come not to conquer but to free a people. We are all brothers". He stood

very straight as he said this and looked at them with his flashing black eyes. He did not like the fighting part of it.

At the end of the three years of training he led his army, with its great wagons of supplies, across the high Andes Mountains, from Argentina to Chile, though this was thought to be an impossible thing to do. The Spaniards were not expecting San Martin's army from that direction, so they were taken by surprise and defeated. This great general did not wish to rule, he only wanted to free his people, but he did teach them how to govern wisely and fairly and helped them with the hard things that came to them. He was a good winner, but he was a good loser, too, and never fretted when things did not go just to suit him. He loved his country and now is, as is our Washington, "the first in the hearts of his countrymen". He is honored not only for his military genius but also for gifts of statesmanship and administration.

Throughout Argentina, in every city and in many towns, may be seen equestrian statues of San Martin. Among the best is the one in the center of the Plaza San Martin, Buenos Aires, with bronze battle groups and bas-reliefs, in an excellent setting of palms and formal flower beds.

San Martin is not only Argentina's greatest national hero but is also an honored representative of the entire Latin race.—*Adapted from World Call*

### THE PRAYER OF THE FEEBLE

**H**EAR GOD, Thou hast spared me so often  
When others more worthy by far  
Have been called from the paths of Thy service  
To the Realm where the blessed ones are.  
So I ask not the why nor the wherefore—  
But, heeding the call that seems mine,  
I shoulder the yoke that is easy, Lord,  
When borne in the strength that is Thine.



## SOCIETY METHODS



### ENLISTMENT THROUGH MONTHLY MISSIONARY PROGRAMS

**T**HE monthly missionary program can be made an important factor in enlisting an individual or driving one away from the meetings. If it is so planned as to make missions a living, vital reality and if the needs are so depicted that the less interested woman will be obliged to get a vision of a lost world in the saving of which she can have a part, then she will likely cast her lot with those who are furthering the cause of Christ. On the other hand, if no thought, time or attention be given to the planning of the program, if the parts are not assigned beforehand but if on the day of the meeting the magazine is passed around and much reading and no feeling are indulged in, of course the unenlisted woman is not going to line up with the organization. She will go to the meeting and pronounce it tiresome and proceed to stay away thereafter.

It is important, then, that a strong Missionary and Educational Committee be appointed in every society. Women who have the vision should be put on the committee. This should consist of a member from each circle, where there are circles, and a general chairman. Where there are no circles, such a committee should be appointed anyway.

Entertainment is not the primary aim of our missionary programs, but they should be so planned as to be entertaining and inspiring. To this end they should be varied from time to time. While it is well to develop the women by letting them take part on the program, it is also a good idea to invite an outside speaker occasionally to present various missionary objects. When the members are used, pains should be taken to give them their assignments far enough in advance of the meeting to enable them to give much thought and preparation to it so that they may present the cause in the most attractive way. One can never tell what impressions one is making on some woman in the audience whose heart has not yet been stirred by the missionary appeal. Therefore, the material should be so mastered as to become a part of the speaker before she attempts to give out her message to others.

It has often been said that the way to enlist people is to give them something to do. Who knows how many women have been enlisted by using them on the program in the society? All do not have the talent for speaking, but some have been given a voice to sing the message into the hearts of others. Then they should be given an opportunity to sing. Others may have the gift of reciting. Then ask them to give some selection that may be appropriate for the occasion. Others may have a talent for making posters to advertise the meeting. Then have one made to hang in a conspicuous place far in advance of the time for the society to meet. It always gives us a thrill to feel that we have been useful and, when we feel that we have helped in some small way, we are encouraged to try again and later accomplish larger things.

Because of the possibilities for enlistment through our programs, much more thought and attention should be given them.—*Vonnie E. Lance, South Carolina*

### W.M.U. SECRETARIES' AND FIELD WORKERS' COUNCIL

will meet in all-day annual session in  
SOUTH MAIN BAPTIST CHURCH, Houston, Texas, on  
Saturday, May 15.





## STEWARDSHIP SUGGESTIONS



### DISTRESS OF NON-TITHERS IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

**I**T IS said "that life is given us for noble deeds". There was never a time in all the past when it was more in the power of individuals to make themselves felt in the world, than at present.

Solemn obligations rest upon Baptists of today, and we pray that they may both realize and meet them, by resolving to become a united band of tithers. The tithe is said to be "mightier than the drive", and if all Christians would consent to set aside one-tenth of their income for the Lord's coffers, our Boards would no longer be in debt, our denominational needs would be supplied and our people would rejoice in witnessing the fulfillment of the Lord's commands, "Go ye into all the world" and also work zealously in the home fields.

Tithing was embraced in the Mosaic laws: first, for the maintenance of the Levites; second, for the use of the high priests; third, for festival purposes. A study of Jewish history furnishes us opportunities to see the calamities, sorrows, conquests and, finally, bondage that were their heritage because of disobedience.

When Nehemiah came back to rebuild the temple, he found the law violated and priests and Levites driven to the fields for sustenance. He prayed to his God for his people's sins: they were awakened to their guilt and turned from the error of their ways, and all Judah brought tithes of the corn, new wine and oil unto the treasuries. Malachi tells of Israel's ingratitude and of the sorrows that befell the nation, because they disobeyed God in tithing. Then he gives them this promise if they will repent and obey: "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it".

Today tithing is much discussed, and individuals must settle the matter for themselves. From our Lord we have received both health and brains, that have enabled us to grasp opportunities and attain success: then to whom do we owe the credit? National suffering was what befell the Israelites through disobedience, and today the failure to support and continue our various causes is what is befalling us.

Our Saviour gave Himself for us: what have we done for Him? Let us all, by sacrificial giving, show our love and debt to Him, who sacrificed Himself for the world's salvation.—*Mrs. L. G. Dawson, Ala.*

### MONTHLY MISSIONARY TOPICS FOR 1927

*Jan.*—Intercession for Revival

*Feb.*—What Is a Missionary?

*March*—The Effect of New Industrial Conditions on Home Missions

*April*—New Movements in the Orient

*May*—Our Convention: Its Organization and Purpose

*June*—Children and Missions: Their Organizations and Literature

*July*—Our Summer Schools

*Aug.*—Missions in Latin Countries

*Sept.*—Some Phases of Medical Missions

*Oct.*—The Heathen Invasion of America

*Nov.*—The Questioning Jew

*Dec.*—A Character Study: Christ and Confucius



## UNION NOTES



### ROUND TABLE

**A** 700 MILE "round-trip valentine" was given to the W.M.U. corresponding secretary in a three days' visit to Houston, Texas. Twice each day a class of over 125 women was taught, the book used being "Gospel Triumphs in Argentina and Chile". If your society, whether of women or young people, has not studied this book by Rev. J. L. Hart of Chile, you will do well to introduce the book, which can be secured in paper binding for 50c, in cloth for 75c from Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va. A review will be found on page 32 of the November issue of this magazine. Decided interest was shown in Houston in the study of the book as well as in all the classes of the "School of Missions" of the W.M.U. of Union Association as led by Mrs. Hans Busch in the South Main Baptist Church. Very graciously did the pastor of the church, Rev. M. M. Wolf, grant an evening meeting for a talk on "S. B. C. Missions in the Orient", even as did the Galveston churches. Gratifying as were these experiences, the real purpose of the Houston trip was to meet with the committees in charge of the local plans for the W.M.U. annual meeting, which will be held in that city May 10-12 inclusive. The very attractive 18-story Rice Hotel (page 11) has been chosen as headquarters but any one who fails to secure accommodations there will doubtless be equally comfortable in any one of the many other first class hotels, such as the Bender or the Sam Houston. Very commodious and centrally located is the City Auditorium (page 35) where the Southern Baptist Convention will be held. On page 36 is the list of chairmen who are serving on the various W.M.U. committees.—In February the Union's corresponding secretary also spent three days at the W. M. U. Training School

in Louisville, Ky. The students, about one hundred in number, were found in decidedly good health—thanks to Miss Ada Coombs' watchcare—happy in their intercourse with each other, diligent in their studies, concerned about their personal service among the underprivileged of Louisville and withal quite spiritually minded. Few occasions reveal their study and spirit quite so well as do their early morning chapel services. At least once each year for about fourteen years it has been the privilege of the corresponding secretary to attend such services, the ones of this year being felt to be as deeply spiritual as those of other years. Often also has the secretary's visit been co-incident, as it was this year, with the school's reception to the married couples studying at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. In goodly numbers they accepted the invitation, an evening of very manifest happiness being enjoyed by them and their hostesses, the "piece de resistance" being sandwiches which Miss Mary Louise Warren, house director, had cut as patriotic George Washington Day hatchets! The fore-going as well as many other proofs show that the school is measuring up to its usual high standards under the leadership of its new principal, Mrs. Janie Cree Bose. One of the big problems, which required solving by her and Mrs. George B. Eager, chairman of the school's Local Board of Managers, was adjustment to changes incident to the moving of the Seminary to its suburban location. With the very sympathetic co-operation of President E. Y. Mullins and his faculty, arrangements have been made whereby much of the school's teaching will still be done by Seminary professors, who will however come into the school for such classes, thus enabling the school to have all of its instruction take place within its own building, even as for many years some classes have been



conducted, notably the W. M. U. course under Miss Wilma Bucy. Many are the arguments to prove that such a policy is wisest for the immediate present and future of the school but particularly because it is necessary that its students live as near as now to its Good Will Center. Exceptionally successful has the center's present year proved under the direction of Miss Carrie U. Littlejohn and Miss Alice Johnson. As is known to many, the Good Will Center is now housed in its modern new building, most of the center's activities having been suspended during building time in the summer. The following incident shows how the community people love the center. A visitor, while being shown over the building, met an elderly man as he came from his class, for the center seeks to win to Christ not only young people and women but men who come to its prayer-meeting and Sunday school. When the visitor praised the building the aged man's face became aglow as he exclaimed: "Sure, I am glad it is finished. I was lost all summer without it!"

**S**PEAKING of the Houston meeting, did your society secure and use a leaflet entitled "On Being a Delegate"? It was advertised on page 3 of the March issue of this magazine and is well worth re-using in April. It may be secured for 3c from W.M.U. Literature Dept., 1111 Age-Herald Bldg., Birmingham, Ala. There is truly a "fine art" in being a delegate—in preparation, in attendance, upon return home. Please study this leaflet before going to Houston.

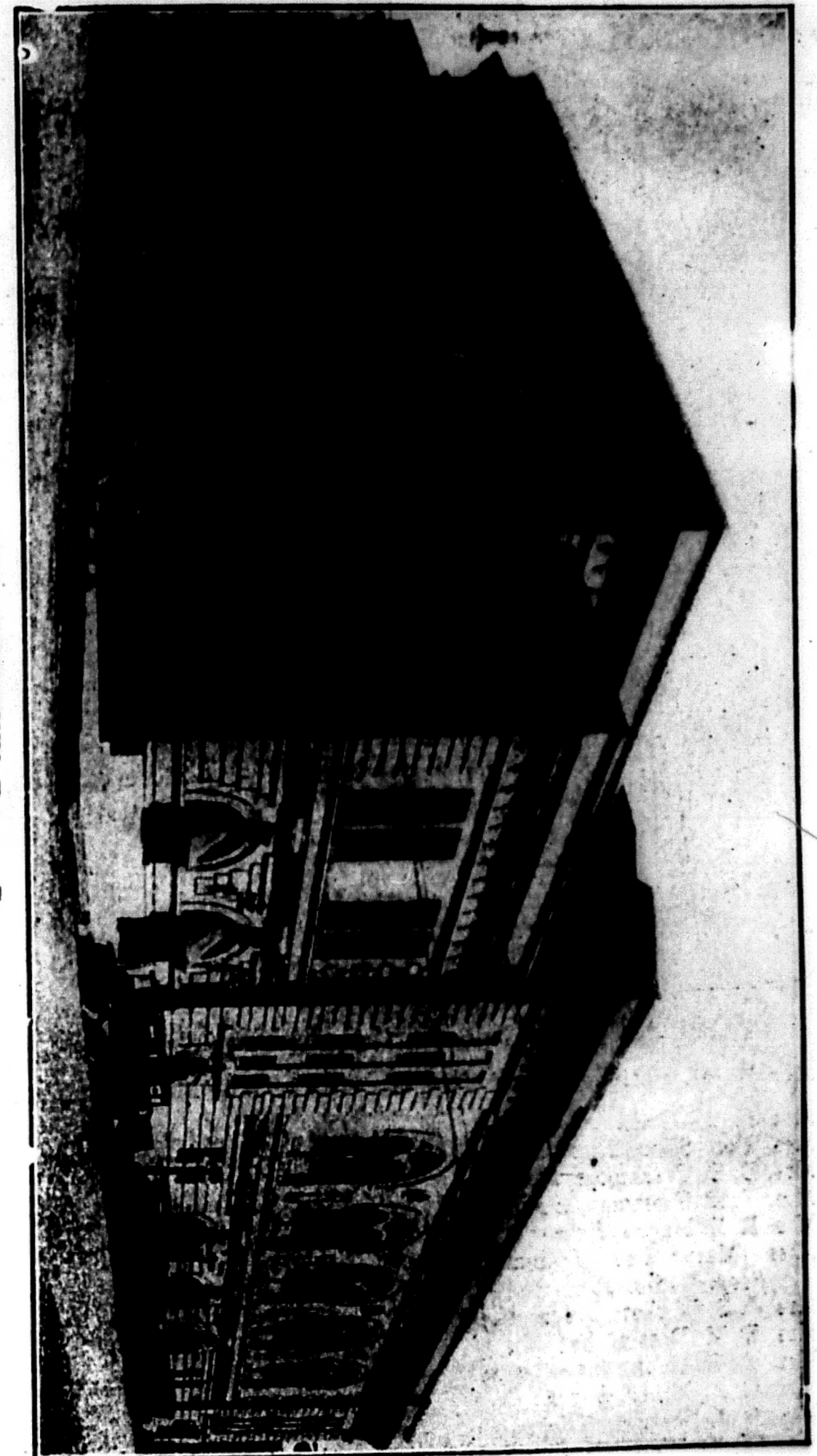
**T**HE "Daily Bible Readings" page (page 8) is prepared primarily as a help to individual study of the Bible. It is hoped that many women use it in their private devotions each day, faithfully searching the Scriptures for the various passages. In its preparation the family altar is also kept in mind, the longing being that many families will thus "keep the home-fires burning" and that some if not all of the suggested references will be used as "fuel". Likewise does this department strive to

supplement the Bible Study page (page 7), the belief being that the additional references may be needed especially when the entire hour is used for such a Bible study. Do you use this Daily Bible Readings page? If not, will you give it a trial? Do you think that its space in the magazine could be used to better advantage, as for instance for additional Y. W. A. material? Please answer these questions before May, sending the card to 1111 Age-Herald Bldg., Birmingham, Ala.

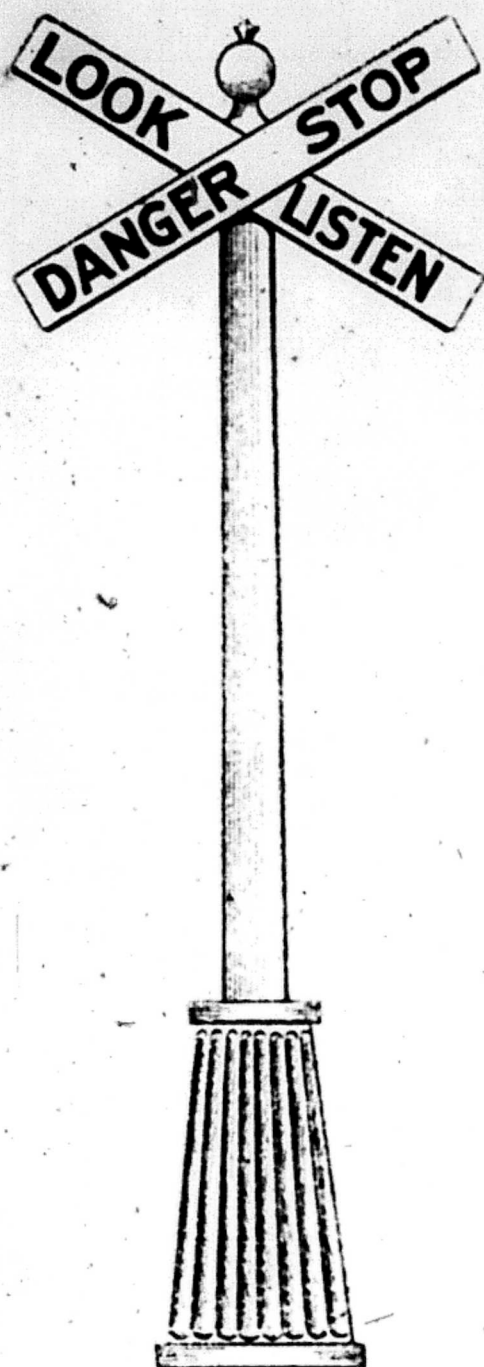
**D**EPARTURE for Missouri followed immediately upon the close of the semi-annual W.M.U. Executive Committee meeting. Miss Reitha Hight carefully planned a delightful itinerary which gave Y. W. A. and G. A. banquet meetings in Maryville, Liberty, Carthage, Springfield and Kansas City. Maryville in addition to the banquet provided opportunity to speak to the Teacher's College Y. W. C. A. Liberty included a visit to William Jewell College for chapel and contact with the girls in the dormitory. The Carthage engagement resulted in the organization of an Associational Y. W. A. and G. A. Council with Mrs. Lowe as counselor and Miss Velma Rutledge of Joplin Y. W. A. as president. Springfield proved that they had an active Council, then the unique Associational Y. W. A. orchestra added musical attraction. Kansas City reported several new young women's organizations which were gleefully welcomed into the city council. On each occasion the members of W. M. S. showed their fostering interest by the delicious food well prepared and beautifully served, and everywhere clever place cards and unusual decorations proved the possibility of offering wholesome good times along with a deepening missionary purpose. Mrs. L. R. Egleston, capable leader of young women's missionary organizations in St. Louis, rallied her forces so that a splendid mission study week resulted, touching many organizations, even the splendid Grace McBride Y. W. A. at the Missouri Baptist Sanatorium.—*Juliette Mather*

*Here the Southern Baptist Convention will open its seventy-first session on Wednesday, May 12. In one of its corridors will be displayed the state and general exhibits of W.M.U. literature and methods charts.*

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