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UNION WATCHWORD

Laborers together with God—*I Corinthians 3:9*

WATCHWORD FOR YEAR

"The Master is come and calleth for thee."
—*John 11:28*

Mission Study

"**L**IFT up your eyes" the Master said;
"Look on the fields and see
White harvests wait on every hand:
Will you reap there for Me?"

"Lift up your eyes" away from self;
The fields of the world are white,
And dying millions cry in vain,
Lost in sin's awful night.

"Look on the fields": see now the need
For the reapers are so few;
Then pray ye: "Lord, send laborers;
Show me what I may do".

—*Mrs. J. S. King, Oklahoma*

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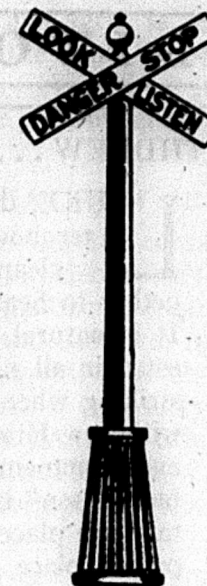
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EDITORIAL



"WITHDREW . . . and PRAYED"



LUKE, the physician, describes in his fifth chapter how Jesus touched the leper and he was clean and of how "great multitudes came together to hear and to be healed of their infirmities". It is natural that Luke would be particularly interested in all such experiences and so it is all the more striking when the following verse occurs: "But He withdrew Himself in the deserts and prayed". However commentators may explain it, the "on the surface lesson" is that even teaching and healing do not take the place of prayer and that sometimes to find a proper place for prayer one may have to withdraw from what seems to be a real opportunity for service. This interpretation seems confirmed by the verses immediately following (17-26) which tell of the healing of the man who was let down from the housetop, which would seem to indicate that Jesus took up the

task of life just where He laid it down when He "withdrew and prayed". Invariably as one reads such passages of Scripture the test-question is reiterated: "If Jesus needed thus to make a time and to seek a place to pray, must not the Christian do likewise?" There can be but one answer and that a humbly grateful affirmative.

With the fall of the year there returns the season of prayer for state missions, in the observance of which each W. M. U. organization whether for women or young people is urged to have a part. To accomplish this the organizations must in turn encourage their members to plan their schedules so that even pressing engagements will not detain them but so that they like Jesus may withdraw and pray. The state papers will doubtless announce the preferred dates and the proposed program. The chief essential just now is to anticipate the coming of the "sweet hour of prayer".

Another movement for which importunate prayer is urged is the Ruby Anniversary celebration. Launched only last May in Louisville it has scarcely become familiar to the W. M. U. rank and file. Those who have realized the possibilities in the celebration are eager that it may speedily come to be understood as an effort to win—ere the close of the calendar year of 1928—40,000 new members and to gain 40% increase in organizations and to have W. M. U. gifts in 1928 amount to \$4,000,000. Even casual thinking realizes that these aims are very high with the possible exception of the first one. Work, individually and collectively, will accomplish much and yet it is doubtful if such a "willingness to work" will be manifest aside from much "withdrawing and praying".

If prayer is talking to God then surely Moses was a praying man and yet at Rephidim "Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands" (*Exodus 17:12*) and the Amalekites were discomfited. Among those who can strengthen the praying power of the Ruby Anniversary are many southern Baptist women and some young people who are termed shut-ins. For one reason or another they have withdrawn from active life. The request is now made of them that they will devote at least twenty minutes of each twenty-four hours to earnest prayer in behalf of the Ruby

Anniversary. Any shut-in who with thus agree is asked to sign the following simple pledge, detach it and mail it to the state W. M. U. headquarters, the address of which will be found on page 2. From these headquarters it will be sent to the state leader for the movement, the plan being for the leader to keep in touch with those who sign the pledge.

1888

INTERCESSORY LEAGUE of SHUT-INS

1928

We need the power of united prayer for the consummation of plans fostered by the Baptist W. M. U. of the south in celebrating its Ruby Anniversary. We want to make 1928 great in reports of enlistment, organization and gifts.

Victory depends on prayer, work and sacrifice, the most potent of which is prayer. The workers bespeak your prayers, dear shut-in sisters, as their most cherished asset. The appealing tenderness of your intercessions shall be as streams of gold, mingling with the flood of daily petitions, brightening every shadow that may arise. Our prayer for you is found in III John, 2nd verse.

Please sign this card, enclose in envelope and send to:

State Leader of "Intercessory League of Shut-ins"

PLEDGE

I gladly covenant to pray daily for the consummation of these great plans and for the host of workers.

Signed.....

Thus it will be seen that the meaningful name for the movement is the "Intercessory League of Shut-ins". Luke anticipated their helpful participation when he recorded the fact that Jesus "withdrew and prayed".



CLEARLY does the drawing given above set forth the lesson taught by the W. M. U. tither's pin and sticker, the exact size of which is shown below. In the harvest time of the year it is especially opportune to teach tithing by precept and practice. The first style for the tither's pin was in dull gilt. There are a few of these left, the price of them being only 25 cents each. The newer style is made of dark blue enamel and gilt, its price being 35 cents. The gummed stickers for stationery and other "persuasive" purposes are also fashioned in dark blue, edged with gilt, the price per 100 being only 40 cents from

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BIBLE STUDY



TOPIC—The PUBLICATION of the GOSPEL

Psalm 97

Hymn: "Lead Kindly Light"

This psalm appears to foreshadow the mighty working of the Holy Ghost in subduing colossal systems of evil.

I. *The Sovereignty of God*: Ps. 97:1; Rev. 11:15:19:6. This is the watchword of the psalm: "Jehovah reigns". This is the essence of the Gospel proclamation and the foundation of the Gospel Kingdom. Jesus has come and all power is given unto Him in Heaven and in earth; therefore, men are bidden to yield Him their obedient faith. Let it be told "that the Lord reigns", the Lord Christ reigns, that King whom God determined to set upon His holy hill of Zion, Ps. 2:6. Messiah is on His throne—Ps. 2:6 is fulfilled—His first act of sovereignty is judgment, Ps. 97:2; II Thess. 1:7-10; Jude 14, 15; Isa. 66:15. Not only let Israel rejoice in Him as King, and the daughter of Zion as her King, but "let all the earth rejoice" for the kingdoms of this world shall become His kingdoms, Rev. 11:15. Kingdoms may rage but "the Lord reigneth", the creator of all worlds, Ps. 45:6, 7.

II. *The Fire of the Spirit*: Ps. 97:3-5. We are reminded of the coming of Jesus and the descent of the Spirit in the tongues of fire, Acts 2:3, 4. Christ came to send the fire of the Holy Spirit as at Pentecost to burn freely throughout the world for the destruction of unbelievers and the purifying of those who gladly received the Word, Ezek. 39:6, 7. This divine flame goes still before the face of the Lord in His coming to every faithful soul, a flame which will burn up all the mildew of sin and make ready a place for the Lord, Ps. 39:3; Heb. 12:29. Ps. 97:4 refers to the increase of the Kingdom of Christ, for the sound of the Gospel spread through all the world like lightning, Zech. 9:14. His foes are the world's foes, and God could smite into nothingness that which lifted itself against His dominion, Ps. 97:3-7.

III. *Light Arising in Darkness*, Ps. 97:11; 77:18. The world lies wrapped in thunder-gloom and is suddenly illumined by the fierce blaze of lightning. This sets forth the sudden and swift darting of God's delivering power which awes a gazing world. The Heavens are the scene of the divine appearance though earth is the theater of its working, and they "declare His righteousness" (verse 6). The judgments brought upon the enemies of Christ's Kingdom were such as all the world took notice of, Deut. 29:24-28. The Kingdom of Messiah, like the pillar of cloud and fire, has a dark side toward the Egyptians or heathen, a bright side toward the Israel of God. "The earth saw and trembled but Zion heard and was glad" (97:8) of the conversion of some and the confusion of all that stood out against Christ, Zech. 9:9. Zion's joy is because God is glorified; the exaltation of Christ and the advancement of God's glory thereby call forth the rejoicing of all saints, 97:10.

IV. *The Display of the Divine Glory*: II Peter 3:16; Job 23:8-10. Righteousness, judgment and equity shall be dispensed and infinite power, strength, holiness, goodness and authority shall shine forth to the glory of God. "Light is sown" (1) in the purpose of God, that a Savior would be born into the world, Luke 1:32-33; (2) in the purchase of Christ, I Cor. 6:20; (3) in the office of the Spirit, John 16:8; (4) in the promises of the Word, John 1:12; (5) in the work of grace wrought in the heart, II Cor. 8:9; Gal. 2:20; (6) in the preparations

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FAMILY ALTAR



TOPIC—The Publication of the Gospel

"FIFTY years ago seventy per cent. of the homes in America had family altars. Today twenty-seven million American boys and girls are without religious training. This is considered one of the reasons why the younger generation presents such a problem today. The Federal Council of Churches has decided, after studying hundreds of reports from chaplains, Y. M. C. A. secretaries and other religious leaders, that the form of religious education that outlives all others is Christian training in the home."

"Thou shalt teach these things diligently unto thy children and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thy house."—Deuteronomy 6:7

The Sovereignty of God

Thursday, 1st
Psalm 97:1, 2; 99:1-9; 100:1-5

Friday, 2d
I Chronicles 29:11-13; Job 26:7-14; 33:4

Saturday, 3d
Jeremiah 27:5; 32:17-19; Luke 1:37

Sunday, 4th
Psalm 66:1-9; Ecclesiastes 8:1-12; Psalm 19:9-14

Monday, 5th
Luke 4:14, 15; Acts 10:36-38; Matthew 28:18; Ephesians 3:10-21

Tuesday, 6th
Luke 10:19-24; 22:28-30; II Peter 1:3-11

Wednesday, 7th
I Corinthians 15:24, 25; Matthew 6:13; I Timothy 1:17

The Fire of the Spirit

Thursday, 8th
Psalm 97:3-5; Joel 2:28, 29; Matthew 3:13-17

Friday, 9th
Acts 2:1-8, 16-18; 8:14-17; 10:44-48

Saturday, 10th
I Corinthians 12:4-13; I John 2:20, 27, 28

Sunday, 11th
Acts 4:23-31; 9:1-6, 10-19, 30, 31

Monday, 12th
Acts 13:4, 9, 52; Ephesians 5:18; 6:12-17; I Timothy 1:14

Tuesday, 13th
John 15:26; 16:13-15; I Corinthians 2:9-16

Wednesday, 14th
John 3:5, 6; 4:24; II Corinthians 3:17, 18; Revelation 22:17

Light Rising in Darkness

Thursday, 15th
Proverbs 4:19; Psalm 107:10-15; Job 18:5-11, 18

Friday, 16th
Isaiah 7:14; 9:2; Matthew 4:16, 17; Luke 1:78, 79

Saturday, 17th
Isaiah 42:1-7; Luke 2:25-32; Acts 13:44-49

Sunday, 18th
Malachi 4:2; John 12:32-36; 7:33-36; 8:12

Monday, 19th
John 1:3-14; 8:12; 5:31-38; Matthew 5:13-16

Tuesday, 20th
Psalm 34:3-10; I John 1:1-7; I Thessalonians 5:4-6

Wednesday, 21st
II Timothy 1:7-10; Isaiah 60:19-22; Zechariah 2:5

The Display of the Divine Glory

Thursday, 22d
Psalm 110:1-7; Hebrews 7:12-22, 28; Matthew 21:5-11

Friday, 23d
Matthew 27:11, 37; Mark 15:1, 2, 24-26; John 19:14-22

Saturday, 24th
Psalm 132:7-12; Luke 1:30-35; Daniel 7:13, 14, 27

Sunday, 25th
Acts 17:1-3; I Corinthians 15:20-25, 45-50; Romans 8:28-30

Monday, 26th
I Chronicles 16:31-36; Psalm 96:13; Acts 1:9-11; I Corinthians 15:51, 52

Tuesday, 27th
Matthew 6:10; Zechariah 14:9, 20; Psalm 72:7-11; Isaiah 2:2-5

Wednesday, 28th
Micah 4:1-5; Isaiah 35:1-10; Psalm 99:1-5

Thursday, 29th
Isaiah 43:10-17; Exodus 15:11; Psalm 104:1-6, 31

Friday, 30th
Revelation 11:15-17; 15:2-4; 20:4; 5:11, 12



"PRAY YE"



ETERNITY in the HEART

THE caption for this article is stamped with the wisdom of Solomon, being found in his book "The Preacher" or "Ecclesiastes", third chapter, eleventh verse:

"He hath made everything beautiful in its time: also He hath set eternity in their heart".

One who was "greater than Solomon" said (*Matt. 12:34*): "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh". Equally familiar sayings are: "A glad heart maketh a cheerful countenance": *Prov 15:13* and "As one thinketh within himself so is he", *Prov. 23:7*. Best of all, however, is the eternal promise of Jesus (*Matt. 5:8*): "Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God". Remembering this, the beloved disciple John said (*I John 3:3*): "Every one that hath this hope set on Him purifieth Himself, even as He is pure". Verily it is true that God hath set eternity in the human heart and even more precious is the assurance that those whose "hearts are right toward God" shall spend eternity in His blessed company.

A modern scientist was "feeling after it if haply" he had not found the divine truths mentioned above when he announced the following scientific facts: "Many minute muscles which mould the expression of the face are directly controlled by the brain. Thus noble thoughts will produce a beauty of countenance entirely independent of features". The fact that during a recent year Americans spent \$75,000,000 on cosmetics is prima facie evidence that people are trying to make themselves more beautiful. Makers of powders and paints may deplore the fact but it is as true as the eternity within each life, namely: "As one thinketh within himself, so is he". Therefore, Paul said (*Phil. 4:8*): "Think on whatsoever things are honorable, just, pure, lovely, gracious".

There are at least two definite ways in which such ennobling thoughts may be made to transform the outward appearance. One is Bible study which is encouraged by the references on pages 6 and 7. The other is prayer, which is definitely commended by this department and also by the comments on pages 4 and 7. In this September month of the year one naturally thinks in terms of harvests, the Christian remembering that Christ's command "Pray ye" is eternally set in the harvest home of the heart (*Matt. 9:38*).

Remembering that the missionaries and native Christians are very truly thrust forth into His harvest, every Woman's Missionary Society and every circle thereof as "laborers together with God" are urged, individually and collectively, to invest as much time as possible in prayer, confidently expecting that such prayer will change the very "face" of the earth even as it will beautify their own countenances and conduct. The circles and societies will find it possible to arrange for extra prayer times either before or during their regular meetings, praying in the Spirit's leading along such lines as:

Gratitude for the harvest time of the year

Thanksgiving for all laborers in mission fields at home and abroad

Guidance for colleges, students and their homefolk

Wise planning by College Y. W. A's.

Plans for and observance of season of prayer for state missions

Leaders and followers in associational meetings—Loyalty to law enforcement

Redeeming of pledges to 1927 Co-operative Program—Emphasis on tithing

Enlistment through the Ruby Anniversary Program

Calendar of Prayer

September, 1927

"THE day is ended: ere I sink to sleep,
My weary spirit seeks repose in Thine;
Father, forgive my trespasses and keep
This little life of mine.

"CALL those I love to seek repose in
prayer;
Little children, whose angel doth behold
Thy face alway, take to Thy tender care—
And bless them as of old."

Topic: Some Phases of Medical Missions

1—THURSDAY

For all who are suffering pain in all the world
He calleth them all by name . . . His understanding is infinite.
—Psalm 147:4, 5

2—FRIDAY

Thanksgiving for medical evangelism of Dr. and Mrs. George Green (*on furlough*), Baptist Hospital, Ogbomoso, Africa
For God was with him.—Acts 10:38

3—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Nelson (*on furlough*), evangelistic work in Amazon fields, Manaus, Brazil
Fellow laborers whose names are in the book of life—Philippians 4:3

4—SUNDAY

For our hospital forces on home and foreign fields
Thou hast wrought for them that trust in Thee.—Psalm 31:19

5—SUNDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. W. E. Allen (*on furlough*), educational work, and for †Miss Minnie L. Landrum, W. M. U. work, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
The Lord is thy keeper.—Psalm 121:5

6—TUESDAY

For Dr. Ethel M. Pierce (*on furlough*) and †Miss Winifred P. Moxon (*nurse, on furlough*), Yangchow Hospital, China
He that hath mercy on them shall lead them.—Isaiah 49:10

7—WEDNESDAY

That Misses *Zemma Hare, evangelistic work, and *Josephine Ward (*on furlough*), Kaifeng College, be kept in safety, Kaifeng, China
The Lord is my helper. . . . I will not fear.—Hebrews 13:6

8—THURSDAY

Pray for rich blessing on evangelistic work of Rev. and *Mrs. J. J. Cowser (*on furlough*), Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
The Lord is their strength.
—Psalm 28:3

9—FRIDAY

For educational evangelism at Campos, Brazil
With such sacrifices God is well pleased.
Hebrews 13:16

10—SATURDAY

For medical work of Dr. N. A. Bryan (*on furlough*), Warren Memorial Hospital, and for Mrs. Bryan, Hwanghsien, China
All power is given unto Me.
—Matthew 28:18

11—SUNDAY

That the needs of our hospital work at Ogbomoso, Africa, be met by southern Baptists
Bear ye one another's burdens.
—Galatians 6:2

12—MONDAY

For Misses †Sarah Funderburke and Leonora Scarlett (*on furlough*), work for women and girls, Kong Moon, China
His banner over me was love.
Song of Solomon 2:4

13—TUESDAY

That our Baptist Hospital at New Orleans, La., be sustained by southern Baptists
Jesus of Nazareth . . . went about doing good and healing.—Acts 10:38

14—WEDNESDAY

For blessed ministry of Misses Lucy Wright (*on furlough*) and †Blanche Bradley, nurses in Warren Memorial Hospital, Hwangshien, China
Ourselves . . . servants for Jesus' sake—II Corinthians 4:5

15—THURSDAY

For evangelistic and educational work of Mrs. F. M. Edwards (*on furlough*) and Miss Emily Beck, Sao Paulo, Brazil
God . . . hath given to us the ministry of consolation.—II Corinthians 5:18

†Attended W. M. U. Training School

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Calendar of Prayer

September, 1927

"WITH loving kindness curtain Thou
my bed
And cool in rest my burning pilgrim feet;
Thy pardon be the pillow for my head:
So shall my sleep be sweet."

"A T peace with all the world, dear Lord,
and Thee,
No fears my soul's unwavering faith can
shake:
All's well whatever side the grave for me
The morning light may break."

Topic: Some Phases of Medical Missions

16—FRIDAY

Thanksgiving for intensive medical work in Harbin under care of Dr. and Mrs. C. E. James, China
Jesus Himself drew near and went with them.—Luke 24:15

17—SATURDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. N. F. Williamson, evangelistic service, Kumamoto, Japan
Of the Lord ye shall receive the reward.—Colossians 3:24

18—SUNDAY

That medical evangelism in Mexico continue to enlarge the church of God
Thy blessing is upon Thy people.—Psalm 3:8

19—MONDAY

For safety and blessing in the work of Miss Florence Jones, nurse, Oxner-Alexander Hospital, Pingtu, China
Blessed are the merciful.—Matthew 5:7

20—TUESDAY

Pray for school work of Misses †Cornelia Brower and *Anne Laseter, Temuco, Chile.
By love serve one another.—Galatians 5:13

21—WEDNESDAY

Pray that the Great Physician walk with †Dr. Jeanette E. Beall and †Miss Alda Grayson (nurse, on furlough) as they minister in Kathleen Mallory Hospital, Laichowfu, China.
He laid down His life for us.—I John 3:16

22—THURSDAY

Thanksgiving for work of mercy in Southern Baptist Sanatorium for Tubercular Diseases, El Paso, Texas, and for superintendent, Dr. H. F. Vermillion
I was sick and ye visited Me.—Matthew 25:36

23—FRIDAY

Praise God for reopening of Stout Memorial Hospital, Wuchow, China, and for Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Bailey.
When He giveth quietness, who then can make trouble?—Job 34:29

24—SATURDAY

For medical ministry to soldiers and seamen in various hospitals conducted by Home Mission Board
Jesus Christ maketh thee whole.—Acts 9:34

25—SUNDAY

Thanksgiving for Red Cross work, praying that it win many to Christ
The weapons of our warfare are not carnal.—II Corinthians 10:4

26—MONDAY

For Misses *Bertha Lee Hunt and *Essie Mae Fuller (on furlough), education work, Pernambuco, Brazil
Lead me in Thy truth, teach me.—Psalm 25:5

27—TUESDAY

For †Miss Olive Riddell, teaching Christ in and around Pochow, China
God . . . hath called you into His kingdom.—I Thessalonians 2:12

28—WEDNESDAY

For the spiritual life of mission fields crippled by enforced furlough of many missionaries
None of them that trust in Him shall be desolate.—Psalm 34:22

29—THURSDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. Edwin Dargan Smith (on furlough), Stout Memorial Hospital, Wuchow, China
In due season we shall reap.—Galatians 6:9

30—FRIDAY

That larger White Cross work be engaged in by our southern Baptist women
Being not a forgetful hearer but a doer.—James 1:25

†Attended W. M. U. Training School
*Attended Southwestern Training School



PROGRAM PLANS



With the PROGRAM COMMITTEE

A GAIN the committee faces the always interesting subject of our medical work. The program material offers much help but the form in which it is given must be adapted to the society. See pages 12-18, 19-22.

On large pieces of cardboard print the following list of hospitals: (1) Stout Memorial, Women's Department, Wuchow; (2) Ramseur, Yingtak; (3) Kweilin; (4) Yangchow; (5) Chengchow; (6) Warren Memorial, Main Building, Women's Building, Hwanghsein; (7) Mayfield-Tyzzar, Kathleen Mallory Women's Building, Laichow; (8) Oxner-Alexander Memorial, Pingtu; (9) Harbin; (10) Pochow; (11) Ogbomoso; (12) Iwo; (13) Toluca; (14) Baptist Sanitarium, El Paso; (15) Baptist Hospital, New Orleans.

Fix these cardboard pieces so they can be hung one below the other or one to the other. From the side of each tie a long red string. As information is given concerning each hospital, have the card bearing that name hung. On similar pieces of cardboard print the names of the donors of the hospital. At the conclusion of the description of each hospital, tie its string to this second card and hang the card on a line with the name of the hospital. Where there is no special donor, tie the red string into a large heart-shaped card bearing the initials S. B. C. All of the strings should pass through this card to show that the gifts were made through the Southern Baptist Convention. Where the work has been discontinued, let the string hang loose. The names of the donors will be found on pages 14, 15.

Where two blackboards are available, the list of hospitals may be written on one and the list of donors on another. It will be more impressive in either case to have some distance between the names of the hospitals and the names of those who gave them. A special report might be made on "The Baptist Hospital in Our State". Additional talks may be given on one of these subjects: Difficulties of a Missionary Doctor; Sidelines of a Missionary Doctor; Rewards of a Missionary Doctor; Equipment of a Missionary Doctor.

A very attractive and entertaining little demonstration may be given based on the following. Have one member equipped like an oculist with a table full of glasses etc. In comes the first "patient" wearing smoked glasses. She talks of how dull and lifeless everything looks. The "oculist" tries to make her read the list of hospitals but she says she really does not care to try. Her trouble the "oculist" finds is wearing violet glasses, which neutralize all other colors and bring on indifference. A pair of indigo glasses are tried and the "patient" says things look so dark and gloomy she does not see any possible chance of helping them. The only things she can read are discouraging facts, so why try? A pair of blue glasses come next and the "patient" exclaims over the far view they give. She sees the list of foreign hospitals, the blue of romance in their work and the blue of the sky above them, for these glasses give the far vision and the up vision—"looking unto Him who is able". The next are the green glasses giving the near view of hospital work in our own country, state and town. Yellow glasses give the cheerful, hopeful views of medical work. She reads these items clearly now. The orange colored glasses bring a desire to have a part in the work by giving of self and means. The red glasses give the rose colored vision which speaks of a love that is courageous, burning with the fire of steadfast enthusiasm. This little demonstration may be easily elaborated, using seven "patients" and weaving much medical missions information into the dialogues.*

*Societies working up such a demonstration are requested to send a copy to ROYAL SERVICE, 1111 Comer Bldg., Birmingham, Ala.



PROGRAM FOR SEPTEMBER



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 Comer Building, Birmingham, Ala. See also list of books at bottom of same page 3.

SOME PHASES of MEDICAL MISSIONS

Hymn—At Even, Ere the Sun Was Set
Bible Study (See page 6.)
Prayer for Our Missionary Doctors and Nurses
Personal Service Period (See page 28.)
Hymn—O Love Divine That Stooped to Share
The Medical Missionary
Hospital Evangelism in China
Our Hospital in Africa
Love, Her Largest Fee
Hymn—Come Ye Disconsolate
Prayer for Home Mission Hospitals
Hospital Evangelism at Home
Reading—"Timid Clara's Great Success" (See page 33.)
Red Cross Work
Diagnosing Our Own Case
Hymn—The Great Physician Now Is Near
Closing Prayer



Mrs. Carmen E. James and One Graduate Nurse (Man to Extreme Right) and Six Nurses in Training at Harbin, Manchuria

The MEDICAL MISSIONARY

IN missions as elsewhere we have reached the age of the specialist. The all-around missionary who could turn his hand to anything is rapidly becoming one of blessed memory, hon-

ored in our hearts for the many things he did—and which probably brought him to an early grave. Certainly missionary specializing, when not diverted from its real purpose of soul-winning, means economy and efficiency on the

mission field. But, if in the deep interest of his profession and the joy of relieving pain and seeing happy physical results, the missionary doctor fails to make his skill a medium for the Christ message he ceases to be a real missionary while remaining a very good doctor. He may be a wizard with the scalpel or lancet but what a waste if he neglects his unrivalled opportunity to speak of the Great Physician through whom he works!

Our Foreign Mission Board has been greatly blessed in the medical missionaries it has placed on the field, nine men and three women, every one of whom has dedicated his or her skill to the cause of Christ, using it as a medium for preaching His Gospel. Our nine nurses are filled with the same spiritual intent. These twenty-one missionary specialists sent out for a definite work should have the very best material equipment. Anything that will save strength and time increases the working power and the number of opportunities for ministering to ailments of soul and body for, be it known, these doctors and nurses are, first of all, evangelists and their dispensaries, waiting rooms and wards are also chapels.

It is quite easy to say what a missionary doctor should be but we at home can hardly realize their difficulties. We are surrounded with every Christian influence and do not look to our physicians for the regenerating power of the Gospel. Our doctor does not have to be a preacher and teacher as well as a doctor. He has access to the best means for treatment and surgery. It is

far otherwise with the missionary doctor: he must be master of at least two professions besides his own; he must often work with limited equipment. Nor can he confine his practice to one branch of his profession: he must be a general practitioner, a surgeon, a nerve and skin specialist and must know all about preventive medicine and measures. All these facts are well-known to the men and women who choose this form of missionary service and yet, from the days of Carey who founded the first leper hospital in India, of Scudder who was the first American medical missionary to the same country, and of Parker who "opened China with the lancet", these men and women have longed for nothing so much as to give their lives to this difficult work. Constrained by the love of Christ they count their lives as not dear unto themselves that they may "testify the Gospel of the grace of God".

That these men and women have the buildings and equipment for their blessed ministry is all for which we are asked. By the suffering from which we have been spared in our own splendid hospitals and by the skilled attention of our own physicians, let us be moved to say "Our sisters in China, Africa and Mexico shall have the same chance for life and freedom from pain that we have". We need not "say it with flowers" that perish but with prayer and money. Shall we not uphold the hands of our nurses and doctors as they lift high the cross of Christ that its healing shadow may fall on a sin-sick world?

"Behind the dim unknown

Standeth God within the shadow, keeping watch above His own."

HOSPITAL EVANGELISM in CHINA

IN the whole of China there are about twelve hundred modern doctors, fully one-third of whom are missionary doctors. Added to these are twelve thousand native practitioners and nurses. These native doctors and nurses have had more or less training in western medicine, but even were their

training of the highest grade they would fall far short of the great need in a population of over four hundred millions. There are areas as large and populous as the whole of the southern states where there is neither a hospital, dispensary nor educated physician. It is said that in these sections forty per cent of the children die under two years

of age. Moved by this great need our Foreign Mission Board sent forth the medical missionary, who in the early years of his ministry generally opened a dispensary in his own house; around this service centered the need for the missionary hospital; these were built as rapidly as funds would allow. In some instances large gifts made possible a good building. These hospitals, ten in number, are located in eight centers and are as follows:

The Stout Memorial Hospital, our largest in China, operates in Wuchow and was built in 1902 through a gift of \$10,000 from Mr. Frank R. Chambers of New York. This building has been removed and the whole plant greatly enlarged. A good picture and a fine account of this hospital may be found in the May, 1926, issue of Home and Foreign Fields. The women's department of the Wuchow Hospital was provided by the First Baptist Church of Clarksville, Tenn. The work of this hospital was much affected by the national disturbances in China but is now doing its usual work of healing and teaching the Bible to an enlarged number of patients.

In South China there is also the Ramseur Hospital at Yingtak. It is not a large plant but is doing its full proportion of good through its trained staff of Chinese doctors and nurses.

At Kweilin, also in South China, we have a very good one-hundred-bed hospital. These beds are seldom unoccupied and a hundred more could be used by those needing medical treatment.

At Yangchow, Central China, we have a splendid medical plant, erected by our Foreign Mission Board through the aid of the China Medical Board. One of the original buildings was the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Bagby of Baltimore, as a memorial to a little son who left them for Heaven in 1909. The multiplication of God ever awaits our consecrated gifts.

Would that the same spirit would move other hearts to make possible the

reopening of our Baptist Hospital at Chengchow, Honan Province, whose doors are closed for lack of doctor and nurse. Our Board has been compelled to suspend operations owing to the failure of many Baptists to contribute anything to foreign missions.

In Pochow we have a dispensary from which Mrs. Mary L. King, M.D., our only doctor in this mission, ministers to hundreds of patients each year. There is rather a tragic situation here as the medical equipment and professional help are too inadequate to meet the needs.

All three of our hospitals in North China are memorials. The oldest one, the Warren Memorial Hospital, is located at Hwanghsien. The main building was erected by the First Baptist Church of Macon, Georgia, as a memorial to its pastor, Dr. E. W. Warren. The women's building was added by the women of Georgia. This hospital reports a good year in service and self-support. A plentiful supply of White Cross gifts enabled the staff of this house of mercy to share with the Harbin, Pingtu and Laichowfu hospitals.

The Mayfield-Tyzzler Hospital at Laichowfu was made possible by Drs. Mayfield and Tyzzler of St. Louis, Mo. This building was used entirely for men patients. Later the women of Alabama gave funds for the erection of a women's building to which they gave the name of Kathleen Mallory, corresponding secretary of W. M. U.

At Pingtu we have the Oxner Memorial Hospital built in memory of the heroic spirit of Dr. Oxner who labored in Pingtu for three and a half years in a small rented room with a dirt floor, working against bitter deprivation of appliances, operating upon and giving treatment to hundreds of the Chinese poor. To this fitting memorial has been added new buildings through the generosity of Mr. H. B. Alexander of Nashville, Tenn., in memory of his wife.

In 1914 a medical clinic was opened in Harbin, a city of three hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants. So greatly

did the Lord prosper this work that, through the interest of the native military authorities, the sum of \$2300 was raised among the Chinese to furnish the necessary equipment for a twenty-five-bed hospital building. Harbin is now considered the medical center of the province of Manchuria. The need for a real hospital building, another foreign doctor and nurse is very pressing as some four thousand patients visit the clinic annually. Part of the church building is now being used for a hospital.

In China we have also ten dispensaries; these are not always confined to hospital centers, although they are always a part of their daily service. Sometimes a room is rented in a town where the missionary doctor comes on stated days accompanied by a native evangelist or Bible woman. Often the open air is the waiting room for patients. But wherever it may be there will be heard the Gospel of the Son of God. There are hundreds of Chinese Christians who first heard this message in the waiting room or dispensary.

Though it be not wrong for us to remain at home within easy access to well equipped hospitals should illness come, it is a very real sin to keep our money at home when it should be going about "doing good and healing". He who sits over against the treasury beholds that which we keep back as well as the amount we cast into it.

"O H, Thou, whose love didst stoop to feel

Our weakness, our pain, our care,
O Thou, who didst the leper heal,
To us Thy selfless love reveal
That we the gift may share."

OUR HOSPITAL in AFRICA

THERE is nothing more humbling to the spirit of man than pain, which is no respecter of persons, race or color. This has been proven in the dispensary of our Baptist Hospital in Ogbomoso, Africa, where among the more than twelve thousand out-patients treated

last year there came a growing number of proud and bigoted Mohammedans. Pain and illness had so humbled them that they were willing to mingle with what to them were the lowest outcasts in order to seek help from the hated Christian doctor. They despised his doctrine but had come to believe in his medical skill. But as Dr. Green's waiting room is also a preaching station they hear Christ's soul-healing message at every visit. May the gates of pain lead them to Him for salvation and eternal life!

From the waiting-room we may pass through the two dispensaries into the wards containing twenty-six beds. In these wards over three hundred in-patients were cared for throughout last year. Let us follow Drs. Green and Lockett and Nurse Ruth Kersey as they go their rounds: tired in body but ardent in spirit they minister to their patients, speaking the soothing word and applying the healing measures. To their labors for the year have been added the strain and care of sixty-four major operations. The difficulty of procuring suitable native assistance has increased the duties of this much overworked hospital staff. They are pleading for one more doctor and two more nurses: this help will permit time for training native nurses and assistants. They also need more money to keep up the stock of medicines and in order that better nourishment for the patients may be furnished.

If we had to spend a month in our Ogbomoso Hospital and see with our own eyes the daily tasks of our medical missionaries we might come home with the right sort of appeal, one that would touch the hearts of our Baptist peoples. If a bandit were to demand of us "Your life or your money" we would give all we had to save our life. But when Jesus lovingly calls upon us to save the lives of others, for time and eternity, we make no haste to obey with either our life or our money. Why is it so hard for our Heavenly Father to gain a hearing with His own children? We

sing "Jesus calls us" but are we giving "our hearts to His obedience"? Do we "love and serve Him best of all"?

The great host of the sick of Africa is calling for help. God is calling us to their aid.

"CAN we whose souls are lighted
By wisdom from on high,
Can we to men benighted
The lamp of life deny?"

It seems that we can and do deny our African hospital much that we could very easily give. How shall we explain this to the Great Physician?

The same great needs are being felt in our rapidly growing medical work at Iwo, where they have no proper building for dispensary work or for in-patients. Iwo has a population of more than fifty thousand where at least two doctors and a staff of nurses could barely administer to the increasing number of daily patients. Many hearts and homes are now welcoming the missionary doctor and his message. Kindness is a wonderful door-opener into the heart and the door of the home swings with it. "Behold I have set before thee an open door and no man can shut it!"

LOVE, HER LARGEST FEE

IN the August issue of ROYAL SERVICE we gave something of the religious controversy in Mexico as gleaned from the more or less reliable daily papers. In the contradictory reports and in the ebb and flow of revolutions it is refreshing to know that the one safe and sure enterprise going forward in this disquieted land is the missionary business. An outstanding example is the medical work of our only missionary doctor in Mexico, Mrs. Hallie Garrett Neal. In spite of ill health she goes right on making other people well. In less than a year Dr. Neal has treated more than five thousand patients, either from her dispensary or through visits. Eighteen per cent of those treated are what Dr. Neal calls "love patients"—love, not money, being the meed for

service given with as much skill and care as though a big fee awaited her attention. Such fees do not make a fat purse but are treasures laid up where the interest will be large and sure.

Other love deeds of Dr. Neal are the sending of a pastor's wife to the hospital for a very necessary operation, thereby saving her life with its Christian influence to the home and the church. Still other kindnesses were helping to build three chapels among the native Indians; sending a poor boy to school at Morelia; helping sufferers made homeless by the floods of last year; aiding persecuted protestants at Irapuato who were burned out and bereft of property of all kinds; giving money to aid in church building and distributing an immense amount of religious literature. As a climax to this sacrificial service this medical missionary sent \$673.56 to be applied to the debt of our Foreign Mission Board.

This sort of medical missionary work has so many phases that it resembles the facets of a diamond, all sending out their own particular ray but all a part of the center light. Dr. Neal's dispensary is located at Toluca where she has been doing medical and evangelistic work for twenty years.

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

HOSPITAL EVANGELISM at HOME

TO our Southern Baptist Sanatorium for Tubercular Diseases at El Paso, Texas, are coming in greater numbers each year patients from every state in the Union and from all over the world as well. The property of the sanatorium includes one hundred and forty-three acres, five stone buildings, wooden garages and sleeping quarters for the laborers at the hospital. The equipment is of the best type and it is said that the nursing service and food cannot be excelled. This splendid plant is the property of the Southern Baptist

Convention and is the only Baptist denominationally-owned one of its kind in the world. The sanatorium has been in operation for more than eight years and each year has marked an advance in efficiency and the consequent results.

During the past year two hundred and seventy-one patients were treated, among whom there have been fewer deaths and more recoveries than in any previous year. The number of "love patients" treated were one hundred and seventy-seven. Dr. H. F. Vermillion, superintendent, and Dr. J. D. Riley, medical director, as they read the daily appeals of people too poor to pay for proper care, long to increase this number and are hoping for an endowment that will enable them to enlarge their charity work. They also need a children's building for the proper care of these little ones. A nurses' home is another need as those now employed must use rooms needed for patients.

If the work of the Southern Baptist Sanatorium were merely the medium for restored health it would be a worthy cause for our prayers and gifts, but it is more than that, it is a soul-saving station where services of worship and prayer are held and where the atmosphere is a spiritual one. For all who suffer and all who serve within its walls let us pray!

Another hospital under the care of the Southern Baptist Convention is the large, new Baptist Hospital at New Orleans. The two blocks of real estate were donated by the citizens of New Orleans for the hospital site. The Board of Trustees is composed of one representative from each state and seven local members. More than forty eminent physicians and surgeons of the city are on the staff. There are two hundred and eighteen private rooms and five wards of six beds each and a nursery with thirty-six baby beds. During the first year 4,414 patients were treated. "We doubt", says one report, "if any hospital owned by our Baptist people anywhere in America has had such a gratifying record in its first

year". All the appliances for operating and treatment are absolutely of the latest and best. The chapel services are conducted by members of the staff, the nurses assisting.

"New Orleans and Louisiana are battling with floods of waters and floods of foreign people with foreign faiths." It is said that the flood in New Orleans has caused a loss of approximately \$5,000 to our Baptist Hospital and that the officers and employees are meeting this loss by a voluntary reduction of ten per cent. in their salaries until the amount is made up. Such a spirit of loyalty to the institution indicates the Christian character of those who are connected with it. We pray that this great hospital may be a lighthouse for all who seek its healing power and that through this healing power they may find their way to God as a refuge for their souls.

STATE HOSPITALS

IN at least ten of our southern states will be found Baptist hospitals under the care and support of the Baptist people of their respective states. Many of them are memorials to loved ones and all are conducted by Christian doctors with evangelism as their major motive. They are in business for the King whose dear Son walks the daily rounds with doctors and nurses among the weak and suffering in our state hospitals. (For information concerning your state Baptist hospital, write to state W. M. U. headquarters, address on page 2.)

RED CROSS WORK

WHILE in a professional sense Red Cross work may not be considered as a phase of medical missions, in a very real sense it is, since the American Red Cross was primarily organized as a volunteer aid to the sick and wounded in time of war. It has now extended its ministry of mercy beyond battlefields to scenes of famine, floods, earthquakes and industrial disasters. This organization has special departments such as First Aid, Town and Country Nursing Service and co-

operates with large companies where occupations are dangerous. Those who have followed the service of the Red Cross in the Mississippi flood disaster will not hesitate to place it beside the most heroic deeds of our medical missionaries.

In this "greatest peace time calamity" ever suffered by the United States Mr. Herbert Hoover gives unstinted praise to the heroism and personal sacrifice of the Red Cross workers and the relief they have afforded homeless thousands, many of whom were sick and injured. Of the seven hundred thousand driven from their homes by the rising torrent of waters six hundred thousand have been wholly dependent on Red Cross assistance. The flood is past but the suffering will continue for a long time. Red Cross aid will go on as long as we do not forget to contribute to its work. The south will bend itself to this new task looking to its people to "see it through". In the long months to come there will be need for us to remember the Master's promise—"Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy". Whether it be the handing out of a pair of shoes or a loaf of bread, applying the healing lotion and soothing bandage, if done in the name of Christ it will of Him receive the reward.

DIAGNOSING OUR OWN CASE

In these days everybody seems to know something about diseases and

their remedies. Germs, antitoxin, auto-intoxication and many other medical terms are now common household words. We look wise when we take our own temperature and say we need an anti-febrile. Let us apply some of our wisdom to our anti-vital attitude toward some very vital things. Let us diagnose our own case. Is our heart sluggish? Use a strong diffusion of prayer, keeping the system well under its influence. Is our mind anaemic? Take hourly pellets of information of the needs of the world. Are we suffering from chill toward our fellow-beings? Try a warm application of love and sympathy, equal parts and unadulterated. Have we lost the will-power to do good? Use the stimulant of daily exercise in service for others; this should bring about an infusion of joy throughout the system. If none of these remedies bring relief an operation may be necessary; this will be performed by the Great Physician who loves us enough to heal us through trial and pain. Let us put ourselves into His hand that our souls may be in health and our lives be made "Meet for the Master's use". He never fails!

“**G**ive us now Thy gracious skill
And science free from craft and greed,

Submissive yearning for Thy will,
Wisdom divine our minds to fill
And eyes to see the need.”

QUESTIONS on PROGRAM TOPIC for STUDY and DISCUSSION

1. Why would you object to living in a country where there were no doctors or nurses?
2. Why does not your family physician preach to you or teach the Bible?
3. How does the medical missionary spend his leisure time?
4. Why should missionary hospitals have the best equipment possible?
5. What do you think of China's need for missionary hospitals?
6. How can we go about healing without a medical diploma?
7. What effect would an African witch-doctor have on your health?
8. Do Catholic countries or cities need the protestant hospital? Give reasons.
9. Is there a Baptist hospital in your state? If so, what is your society doing for it?
10. Name the ailment of your friend who is not interested in missions.
11. Which of the remedies named in last paragraph of program does she need?
12. What is the greatest argument in favor of medical missions?

Y. W. A. PROGRAMS

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

FIRST MEETING

Topic—The World's Aching Heart
Hymn—What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Scripture Stories of the Sick—I Kings 17:17-24; Isaiah 38:1-8; John 4:46-53; Matthew 4:23-24; Acts 5:12-16; Isaiah 1:2-6; Matthew 9:10-13

Hymn—Rescue the Perishing

Prayer that we may try to help those who are sick physically and spiritually

Recitation—The World's Aching Heart
Eyes Closed to Duty

Hands Folded at Ease

Compassions Shut Up

Prayer Unsaid

Hymn—I Must Tell Jesus

Lord's Prayer

Announcement Poster

From magazines cut pictures of people who are lame or blind or deaf, of hospitals showing people in wards or clinics, of street scenes showing poverty and disease-breeding places, of foreign fields with loathsome diseases and consequent suffering. Paste these pictures on cardboard, printing underneath:

The World's Aching Heart

“**T**HE great world's heart is aching, aching fiercely in the night,
And God alone can heal it, and God alone give light;
And the 'ones' to bear that message and to speak the living word
Are you and I, my 'sisters', and the millions that have heard.
Can we close our eyes to duty? Can we fold our hands at ease
While the gates of night stand open to the pathway of the seas?
Can we shut up our compassions? Can we leave our prayer unsaid
Till the lands which sin has blasted have been quickened from the dead?
We grovel among trifles, and our spirits fret and toss,
While above us burns the vision of the Christ upon the cross;
And the blood of God is streaming from His broken hands and side,
And the lips of God are saying, 'Tell My brothers I have died'.
O voice of God, we hear Thee above the shocks of time;
Thine echoes roll around us, and the message is sublime;
No power of man shall thwart us, no stronghold shall dismay,
When God commands obedience, and love has led the way.”

Come to Y. W. A. Meeting

Time **Place**
and
Study to Serve the Sick

Eyes Closed to Duty

In the poem just recited the question is asked:

“Can we close our eyes to duty?”

In trying to answer this question we are reminded of how the great Confederate general, Robert E. Lee, said: “Duty is the sublimest word in the English language”. Certainly this is true when like Lee one thinks of duty in the language of Jesus: “He, that doth not take his cross and follow after Me, is not worthy of Me”. George Meredith thus explains it: “Life is but a little holding, lent to do a mighty labor”. This consciousness of responsibility was heralded as follows by the Associated Press: “Six watchwomen on duty at grade crossings of the Pennsylvania Railroad's St. Louis Division, main line, have perfect records for more than seven years of service. Two of them—sisters—stood eight-hour tracks at one of the busiest crossings”.

At a health convention in San Francisco Dr. John H. Graves, chairman of the Hospital Betterment Committee of the League for Conservation of Public Health, made the startling announcement that 8,000,000 persons in the United States are seriously ill every day. Another physician commenting on this said: "This means that one-fifteenth of our population is sick all the time—that the 'average' man is incapacitated for work almost a month out of every year. The estimated loss to American

industry, through absences from work caused by preventable diseases, amounts to \$1,800,000,000 annually. This state of affairs is a matter of vital concern not alone to the individuals whose health and personal happiness are at stake but to us all".

If such sickness exists in the United States with its many skillful doctors and trained nurses, what must be the conditions in pagan and heathen lands, with their disregard of sanitation, motherhood, childhood? Verily

"The great world's heart is aching, aching fiercely in the night".

Again we ask the question:

"Can we close our eyes to duty?"

Most assuredly, no! Some two years ago the following suggestive definitions came from Mr. John D. Rockefeller: "A pessimist is one who sees disaster in every opportunity. An optimist is one who sees opportunity in every disaster".

You are doubtless familiar with the precaution taken by telegraph companies in putting a red star on the envelope which contains a telegram concerning serious illness or death. But have you also noticed that telegrams record the exact time required for the transmission of the message, rejoicing in their speed? It was Jesus, the Great Physician, who said: "If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them".

Hands Folded at Ease

ANOTHER question raised in the recited poem is:

"Can we fold our hands at ease?"

The very fact that the question is asked

is proof that many hands are thus folded. Many excuses—not reasons—may be given, such as indifference, race prejudice, ignorance, the source of all being selfishness which prefers personal pleasure. Often the deterring thing is not in itself wrong, as for instance being social. However, when a girl devotes all of her time simply to having a good time she is apt to become very selfish and to forget that she commenced by being social—that is, by being interested in others. She is apt to become like those who work constantly in conservatories where Easter lilies and other very pungent flowers are raised, for it is said that their olfactory nerves lose the power to detect the fragrance, regaining it only when they go out into the open away from the luxuriant flowers. Certainly it is true that Christians can become so comfortable in their own conveniences and luxuries that they forget that

"The great world's heart is aching, aching fiercely in the night".

They and each of us need to hear Angela Morgan exclaiming:

"TO be alive in such an age!
To live in it!
To give in it!

Look to the work the times reveal!
Give thanks with all thy flaming heart,
Crave but in it to have a part.
Give thanks and clasp thy heritage—
To be alive in such an age!"

Compassions Shut Up

QUOTING again from the recited poem, attention is called to the question:

"Can we shut up our compassions?"

Though most of us were small children during the World War we either saw or heard others tell how they saw the wounded soldiers being brought back to the government hospitals. Our hearts were grieved because our soldiers were suffering and we did not complain when our mothers spent all day at the Red Cross room making bandages. In fact,

*"Laugh and the world laughs with you;
Weep and you weep alone"*

and must become like Jesus of whom it is written: "He was moved with compassion".

A great woman scientist, Dr. Florence Rena Sabin, of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, says that her co-researchers and she "have observed the existence of a ratio between the two types of white corpuscles, one of which fights on the side of the germ and the other on the side of the victim

young though we were, we too were taught how to make such supplies and as we worked there was a tender compassion for the sick and wounded soldiers.

Should we not have the same sympathy for sick people today? Granted that we should, then should our interest be confined merely to our own family or community? Should it not show compassion for suffering the world around? If we really mean it when we sing "More like the Master I would ever be" then we must help to live down the old proverb which says:

of tuberculosis". Certainly it is true that much of the sickness and suffering in the world is the result of sin and in order to have it continue the forces of unrighteousness, such as the liquor traffic, white slavery and employment of small children, are fighting as furiously as any tuberculosis germs ever tried to kill. Knowing this, "can we shut up our compassions?" Will we not "join in the battle for truth", remembering that

"The great world's heart is aching, aching fiercely in the night"?

Prayer Unsaid

ONCE more we would refer to the recited poem where it asks the question:

"Can we leave our prayer unsaid?"

Certainly we cannot and to prove our answer we turn to Matthew 9:35-38. From the reading of these four verses you readily see the importance which Jesus placed upon prayer. Matthew had in that same chapter told how Jesus had made the paralytic to walk, had raised Jairus' daughter from the dead, had given sight to two blind men and had made a dumb man to speak. In summing it all up Matthew said that He "healed all manner of disease and all manner of sickness". In the midst of this description come the words of the Great Physician but they are not concerning human methods for healing

the sick. What He said was: "Pray ye". Each of us can certainly pray for Christian doctors and nurses the world around, for all hospitals and dispensaries, for all who are sick and have not proper attention. We can pray for Grace McBride Y. W. A's. that each member of them may be doubly efficient because she is not only a nurse but a Christian, we can pray that from such auxiliaries there may go many nurses to foreign lands. We can pray that through our own Y. W. A. there may be a constant "ministry of mercy" here in our own community and that out of such loving, personal service there may perchance be called one or more of us for "over-seas service". Doughty has truly said that "men must commune with Christ if they are to communicate Christ". Certainly if we pray we will never forget that

"The great world's heart is aching, aching fiercely in the night".

SECOND MEETING

Topic—"Preaching the Gospel and Healing"

Hymn—The Great Physician Now Is Near

Scripture Stories of Healing—Luke 7: 2-10; 8:43-48; 17:11-18

Prayer that Y. W. A. members will want all the world to feel the healing power of the Great Physician

Hymn—Nothing but the Blood

Recitation—The Fighting Squad (*Poem as Listed on Page 3*)

Reading (*Preferably from Memory*)—A Camouflaged Prescription (*Leaflet as Listed on Page 3*)

Hymn—God Will Take Care of You
Hanging a Sign (*Playlet as Listed on Page 3*)

Prayer that southern Baptists may rejoice in medical missions as a merciful Christian ministry

Announcement Poster

Cut from magazines and from denominational periodicals pictures of doctors, nurses, surgical instruments, acousticons, crutches, eyeglasses, hospital scenes etc. Group these effectively on cardboard, printing underneath:

S. B. C. Healing While Preaching

Hear about it at

Y. W. A. Meeting

Time Place

To Program Committee:

FOUR suggestions are herewith made for this second Y. W. A. meeting of the month. The first is that one or the other of the two "Program Plans" as suggested on page 11 be enthusiastically carried out, preference being given to the one about the many colored eye-glasses. The second

suggestion is that the outline program as given above be developed through the use of the readings and playlet as listed there. The poem, leaflet and playlet are to be ordered from W. M. U. Literature Department, 1111 Comer Bldg., Birmingham, Ala., the prices being as follows: The Fighting Squad (*Poem*), 3 cents; A Camouflaged Prescription (*Leaflet*), 4 cents; Hanging a Sign (*Playlet*), 10 cents. Seven persons are needed for the playlet, which might well be given at night, others than Y. W. A. members being invited. The third suggestion is that the program committee select from pages 12-18 such items as will especially appeal to Y. W. A. members, grouping and assigning those items in an effective way. The fourth suggestion is that well in advance of the meeting the questions on page 18 be assigned to different members, all needed help being given them so that the answers may be clearly and fully made. If this plan is pursued the leader will do well to be ready to supplement answers which are too concise to be convincing. In following any of these program suggestions, it is hoped that the Scripture readings, the prayers and hymns as listed above will be used. Attention of the one leading the devotion might well be called to the fact that the Scripture references are all from the Gospel of Luke, these being doubly interesting because Luke was a physician. It is worthy of note that, though he was a doctor, Luke puts the chief emphasis on the faith of those who were healed. It is suggested that the closing prayer be offered by a doctor or nurse or by some member of a doctor's family.

W. M. U. ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

CERTAIN back numbers of the minutes of annual meetings of Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention are earnestly desired for a certain file. These numbers are for the years 1889, 1897, 1902, 1908. Any person or organization which can willingly spare any or all of these minutes is asked to mail them to Woman's Missionary Union, 1111 Comer Bldg., Birmingham, Ala.

COLLEGE Y. W. A.

YOUR COLLEGE DAUGHTER



IT may be her freshman year when you start her away, hesitant for the loneliness in your own heart or fearful for the changes that new atmospheres and environments will make in hers before the months have passed. Or perhaps it is but the repetition of good-byes of other years. In either case surely you will remind her to enter definitely into Y. W. A. activity at college—not just the general admonition of "Be good" but a quiet talking over by mother and college daughter of values that endure, of a following out of the principles you have tried to give her to live by during grammar and high school days. You and your daughter are both conscious that life at college will be "different". But can't you agree on some things whereby to steady that difference? There are through Y. W. A. things which you two may do together even across the miles.

The College Y. W. A. Bulletin carries a Daily Thought and Prayer Calendar page which will bring to your daughter the same object of prayer as on the regular Calendar of Prayer that you two may join in remembering. Then each month the College Y. W. A. will be having a program on the same subject your W. M. S. studies and in the common interest your thoughts will join. College Y. W. A.'s have also other series of program topics besides this W. M. U. one. You will want to advise your college daughter to enter most heartily into College Y. W. A.

The organization will have a most cordial welcome for her, will help her in making friends with all the other young women, will aid her in adjusting herself to the new life but your daughter will want to be sure to plan her days so as to include some Y. W. A. time. College life looks so hurried and busy that a bit of instruction about real wisdom and understanding to be gained through Y. W. A. contrasted with ordinary "learning" may help your daughter not to make a mistake in the investment of her time.

Through College Y. W. A. her generous and honest habits of handling money

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OUR YOUNG PEOPLE



SUGGESTIONS for the YOUNG PEOPLE'S DIRECTOR

NOW that summer vacation days are ended and our young people are settling down to the more regular routine of school activities, there are many "loose ends" to be gathered up and caught tight for fall activities in W. M. U. young people's organizations. No doubt first there will come a revision of the roll of members with a survey of the possibilities for new members. Some will have moved away; some newcomers await welcome. Our Ruby Anniversary plans are reminding us of "40,000 increase in membership". Systematically win the possible members into active membership.

This season offers a splendid opportunity for the young people's director to do fine work with the counselors of the auxiliaries in girding them with new zeal for their tasks and new knowledge for carrying them to success. Be sure that each counselor has her needed supplies. Tools are required to carry on the Lord's work. Do the organizations have sufficient copies of WORLD COMRADES for successful programs? Has the Sunbeam Band leader hand-work supplies, story books on missions with which to supplement the program suggestions in WORLD COMRADES? Does the G. A. counselor have her manual with the initiation service, the "Star Ideals", the aim, all the suggestions and recreational songs that will satisfy the social club instinct which pleases the teen age girl? Some counselors have been known to try to lead auxiliaries without their organization manual. Don't make such a mistake. The R. A's. need their manual especially for the ranking system with the incentive of its requirements for degrees. The young people's director should see that all such equipment is ready and that the Woman's Missionary Society is eagerly backing the aux-

iliaries in every way. Article XV of the W. M. U. Plan of Work carries many suggestions compactly condensed but worthy of following. It is a wise plan to notice item 4 and its remark about a circle fostering each organization. The young people's director can aid in bringing circle and organization closely together in helpful relationships.

Checking up on the Standard of Excellence should be part of the early fall plans. One more quarter remains in 1927 after this September month and it would be too bad if, because of carelessness, an A-1 record should be spoiled the last fourth of the year. "Eternal vigilance is the price of success"—the young people's director must be ever watchful for the progress of the auxiliaries already organized and for the further organization which will result in a full Graded W. M. U. and will help toward our Ruby Anniversary goal of new organizations.

Perhaps in the going and coming of vacations some are behind on their Co-operative Program gifts. The counselors and directors should help the church catch up such irregularities quickly.

It will presently be the occasion for the special prayer programs and offerings for state missions also. The director may ascertain that each counselor has her program material, her offering envelopes and is giving all the publicity and planning necessary for the season. Be sure to keep separately the record of the gifts made so that the correct amount may be reported as given by the junior organizations.

To correlate effort, to bring the zest of working together, to arrange for all that will better mission activities—these tasks await as September comes with its settling down bells of school days.



BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLES



MISSION STUDY in B. W. C.

OUR Business Woman's Circle is young, not yet a year old. We have an average attendance of about twelve, with an enrollment of fifteen. We meet at the church on the second Monday night of each month, the same night as our young people's missionary organizations and have supper with this group. If we have White Cross work, we do it in the social hour following supper, before our meeting time, which is 7:45. We open our meeting with song and prayer, followed by the devotional, using the ROYAL SERVICE subject. We have one devotional leader, who gives this subject each month. Following this we have a brief and concise discussion of the study topic from ROYAL SERVICE. Then our teacher leads us in the study of a chapter from the study book, "Today's Supreme Challenge". We regard this as a treat and do not become weary before we come to it. Prayer and a brief business session close our meeting. We are usually dismissed about 9:30. We have not yet finished our book but we are going to set aside one evening for a thorough review and a strong effort will be made to get every member of our circle to take the examination. It has not been found burdensome to include mission study in our regular program. To devote a separate evening to it would be a burden to most of us, and we could not get as good attendance at a separate class.—*Euclid Baptist Church, St. Louis, Mo.*

THE mission study class is very successfully conducted in our Business Woman's Circle by meeting once every month at the church or at the home of some member where we first have dinner together. Then we enter into the study of the selected book. We had previously been assigned one or two chapters (*according to length of chapters*) and each girl had read and studied this lesson and prepared ten questions touching the most important things included in those chapters. While we sat in our circle, each one in turn asked the class the questions. This created a great deal of interest and in this way each chapter was pretty thoroughly discussed.—*First Church, St. Joseph, Mo.*

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TRAINING SCHOOL

THE SABBATH DAY IN HOUSE BEAUTIFUL

"The morning light is breaking,
The darkness disappears"

AND lo! 'tis the Sabbath day o'er all the world, but is it anywhere so beautiful as in our W. M. U. Training School? We awaken to the dawn of the Sabbath with thanksgiving in our hearts for the day the Lord hath given us: "For the Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath".

In the quietness and beauty of the early morn, we seem to hear the still small Voice saying: "Be still and know that I am God". With just a room-mate and God present we pour out our hearts in thanksgiving and praise and with the faith of little children ask for the Father's blessing.

There are many sacred memories of House Beautiful, but probably not one dearer to us than the devotional period in the dining room on Sunday morning when our principal, Mrs. Bose, whom we think of as our "Little Mother", leads us in worship, always bringing to us a message of quietness, comfort and strength. Then in the humble spirit of prayer our little family approaches the throne of grace, while the "Little Mother" voices the prayers of our hearts, invoking God's blessings upon our homes and loved ones, remembering especially those who are sick, those who are unsaved, those who have problems.

In this hour, too, we clasp hands with our Training school sisters around the world, for surely we can all meet at the Father's throne. Somehow Jesus seems to be the center of that circle—and we are closing it in, that we may draw very near to Him. Yes, faith increases, and we do not have to reach far to feel the gentle Jesus touch that sends new life, new hope and a deeper love surging through our very beings. Somehow many problems are solved in that hour, because Jesus is so near and so dear.

Louisville is an active mission field of service, as we tarry in House Beautiful, and so Sunday finds many of us going out to teach in the various Sunday schools or to lead W. M. U. or B. Y. P. U. organizations. Our Good Will Center has a departmental Sunday school, all its own, taught entirely by Training School students. Feeling our weakness, we go out prayerfully—depending upon the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we carry the living water, and the bread of life to those who are hungering and thirsting after righteousness. What a privilege, too, in this city of many churches and great preachers, to hear wonderful soul stirring messages from the pulpit and the blessed Gospel story sung by gifted soloists and trained choirs.

The afternoon is one of rest and quiet for many of the students, when

"A hush falls on our home,
A spell that we can feel
As if our God Himself
Had bidden us to kneel".

From four to five P. M. is quiet hour, when we may feel that there in the privacy of our rooms we may shut out the world and be alone with God.

"Alone with God
And, while we pray
Our cares take wings and fly away;
As on His breast
We sweetly rest;
Our sorrow's night is turned to day,
Alone with God.

"Alone with God,
Whom we adore,
Drawn are the shades
And closed the door.
In this retreat,
In service sweet
We learn to love Him more and more,
Alone with God."

From five-thirty to six o'clock our state prayer meeting groups gather in various rooms, where we survey the work of the state: not discussing it so much but rather taking it to God that He may help us solve the problems. We keep in touch with our leaders and the phases of mission work, never forgetting to remember our beloved sisters and the work in which they are engaged. Here, too, as an inner circle, we share with each other our personal problems.

The prayer anthem in the dining-room

"Abide with me
Fast fall the eventide,
The darkness deepens
Lord with me abide"

is a fitting benediction for this the Lord's day.—*Lola Tubbs, Va.*

HOW the TRAINING SCHOOL PREPARED ME to BE a FIELD WORKER

VARIETY has been called the spice of life and if this is true then the field worker has about the "spiciest" life of all. Her duties are so varied and numerous and different that her task cannot be defined nor her work thoroughly outlined. Experience alone will give an understanding of just what is required and expected. However, definite training is absolutely essential before undertaking a work of this kind, and the W. M. U. Training School is the ideal place to secure this preparation. The ways in which the Training School helped me in preparation for my work are numerous indeed, but only a few can be mentioned here.

The first requirement of a W. M. U. field worker is that she know W. M. U. work—all grades and phases of it. This knowledge is obtained at the Training School through study and by taking part in the W. M. U. work there. The course offered is very thorough, including a study of methods, history and the regular mission study books. There is much note-book work which includes poster-making, planning of missionary programs, the writing of missionary playlets etc. Besides this every girl in the school is a member of a Y. W. A. Circle and gets practical experience by working in an A-1 Y. W. A. which meets twice a month. Then, too, some of us had the privilege of having as a part of our practical field work the joy and experience of leading an auxiliary somewhere in the city.

One great lesson taught us at the Training School—one necessary to be learned by every field worker—is to be ready for every occasion and always to be willing to say "yes" to every opportunity that presents itself. At the Training School no matter how full the day there was always time to extend the helping hand and to perform the unexpected task. There were always the little extras in field work, class work and social life. So, in field work, one must always be ready to fill in on the program where vacancies occur, to accept a last minute call wherever needed, to teach a Sunday school class in the church where visiting, to talk to the young people in the B. Y. P. U. and sometimes even to speak at the preaching hour without having been forewarned.

We also learned that time must be given to the reading of God's Word and to communion with Him no matter how full the day or how numerous the tasks. With almost every minute already planned for before the day dawned, sometimes

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PERSONAL SERVICE



HEALING HUMANITY'S HURT

MANY will recognize the above title as that of a book recently published by Dr. L. J. Bristow of the Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans. It is a title which reaches one's heart, for who has not been "hurt" physically and otherwise?

Jesus' supreme mission was to "heal humanity's hurt" though it cost His life, and "God so loved" humanity "that He gave" Jesus as the only remedy for the soul's hurt. It is a wonderful lesson to learn how much of this soul-healing was done primarily through physical healing. What a pity that Christians have been so slow to "follow His steps"!

Jesus "went about doing good" to people's bodies, reaching their souls by that method. In His instructions to the twelve disciples and to the seventy, whom He sent out, He included "heal the sick".

That commission has never been withdrawn and, wherever obeyed, it brings marvelous opportunities for reaching men's souls. As witness, see Peter, after healing the lame man, preaching "Jesus and His resurrection" to the crowds gathered in wonder in the temple. Also witness Paul winning to Christ men attracted through healing of the body.

Dr. George Leavell of Wuchow, China, and others are repeating in modern times New Testament history by similar methods. Over and over again has God proven this to be His own plan for reaching the souls of men. Jesus promised that "greater works than these (of His) shall ye do" and the book of Acts verifies the promise.

Dr. Bristow makes this point so clear and forceful in one chapter of his book that we quote a few sentences: "Through medical science and surgical skill more persons are being healed than were healed by Jesus—more lame are made to walk, more blind made to see, more lives prolonged than were restored by Him. Christ's life was one that gladdened other lives and bore about with it a living message of peace and good will. To His disciples He has given the privilege of emulating Him in this ministry of mercy".

One of the tenderest sayings about Jesus' work on earth is: "He laid His hands on every one of them and healed them". This was said of Him at the close of a very busy day when crowds of sick folk were brought to Him.

How appreciative and responsive are sick and "hurt" folk and how sad it is that we neglect so many opportunities to follow Jesus in ministering to them. The climax of Jesus' teaching on this subject is in those marvelously clear verses at the end of the 25th chapter of Matthew: "In-as-much as ye did it unto one of these, My brethren, ye did it unto Me".

How may we translate this teaching of Jesus into the Personal Service Department of our W. M. U. work? Wherever there are hospitals, there is need of genuine personal service. Especially is there an opportunity if the hospitals are Christian institutions; even more especially is this true in our own Baptist hospitals. Many forms will suggest themselves to the chairman of the society's Personal Service Committee, who should direct the work.

Visiting the patients, speaking words of cheer, voicing a prayer, reading or quoting God's Word will encourage and help many a suffering and anxious one. Singing and giving games and scrapbooks and toys for the children will also do good. Organizing and sustaining a children's clinic for preventing diseases may

be a wonderful help to a community. Letters written for afflicted ones, flowers to brighten the rooms, articles of equipment made according to directions greatly help in a material way. Other kinds of service will be forthcoming when we remember: "In-as-much . . . ye did it unto Me".—Mrs. W. F. Weishaupt, Louisiana

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will be confirmed. College Y. W. A.'s. give to the Co-operative Program and bring their love-offerings at the time of the three seasons of prayer but they have also a particular fund of their own—Our Sisterhood Special. For the past several years it supported Miss Ludovica Cristea and Misses Amalia and Kathe Gerwich while they were in our country from Rumania and Hungary, getting preparation to be denominational leaders at home. The three young women returned to their native countries this summer but Our Sisterhood Special will be continued to help support them as they establish young people's work in their home nations. Your daughter will want a part in this certainly. Urge upon her before she leaves home the importance of belonging enthusiastically to this important organization on the college campus—the College Y. W. A.

TRIP NOTES

AFTER the high experiences of Ridgecrest there came the Illinois G. A. and Y. W. A. House Party held in Ewing College buildings under the able direction of Miss Annabel Wall, corresponding secretary of Illinois W. M. U. Some 204 girls and their counselors were present for the three days of serious program and fine fun. Miss Mary Phillips of Chinkiang, China, was speaker and class teacher with me: we really took "turn about" all during the day's program of morning watch, classes, morning address hour, classes, vespers and evening address. Illinois is fortunate to have this annual house party give its helpful impetus to the girls.—Georgia has a similar blessing for her G. A.'s. in the ten-day house party held at Bessie Tift College, July 1 to 10. It was my joy to speak to the ninety-three girls and their counselors each evening. Dr. Chamblee, president of the college, led morning watch; classes were taught by Miss Doris Knight of China and Mrs. W. J. Neel, president of Georgia W. M. U., with Mrs. Singleton of Fitzgerald as Bible teacher and Miss Julia Allen, young

people's secretary for the state W. M. U., leading the conference period on methods. Happy days of rare blessings and unusually good times were these for Georgia girls.—With a stop in Oklahoma City for a District Y. W. A. Rally and an evening service, came the "step" across our S. B. C. territory to the New Mexico Baptist Assembly. Using coats and blankets there, one thought with sympathy of the heat in other southern places. In heroic New Mexico it was a joy to teach "Only a Missionary" and to lead the conference on W. M. U. methods. Miss Harriet Gatlin, corresponding secretary for the New Mexico W. M. U., planned well for the mission emphasis in our study classes for all grades. It is inspiring to see such a small group, for there are only 11,000 New Mexico Baptists, struggling to win their state for Christ and to realize that their college at Montezuma is the only Christian college in the state. The possibility of losing it because of financial embarrassment brings much yearning in prayer that the work in New Mexico may have adequate help.—Juliette Mather



BOOK REVIEWS



A YELLOW NAPOLEON

THIS page is never used to review a purely sensational story but when a book like "A Yellow Napoleon" from the pen of Arthur E. Southon, with its tale of love and adventure and well-rewarded heroic missionary effort, comes under consideration we gladly recommend it for leisure time reading. This book will be especially interesting to southern Baptists as the author has staged his romance in west Africa not far, as the African counts distances, from our mission stations. "A Yellow Napoleon" and like stories, healthful and not hurtful, should replace the doubtful fiction of the present day and would satisfy the natural desire for the recital of gallant doings of brave men and women.

The story concerns a half-caste youth, inheriting the keen intelligence of a well educated white father and the fierce savagery of an African mother; an intrepid and true missionary of the cross; an English commissioner and his sister who love the missionary but are out of sympathy with the missionary idea; a young African chief and his sweetheart; the daughter of another chief; and an old African priestess to the god Shango. All these characters come under the influence of the missionary with varying results which it would be unfair to the reader to unfold. The action of the book is rapid and consistent, each character of the story responding to severe testing in a purely individual manner. The usual troubled wooings and happy marriages provide romance for the reader.

Many of the incidents related in the book are based on events which came under the author's personal observation, while the story closes with some attested facts, such as a community mass movement toward Christianity after months and even years of believing prayer and patient labor on the part

of the missionary; and the public renouncement and destruction of idols and fetiches. These true incidents, the descriptions, the country, people and customs are the chief values of this truly stirring romance.

Price \$1 postpaid, cloth only, from Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.

CHRISTIANITY'S CHINA CREATIONS

CERTAINLY no one could be better qualified to write of China than Rev. R. T. Bryan, who has spent forty years as a missionary in that land. The alliterative title of the book, "Christianity's China Creations", is justified in the many interesting stories it contains of the creative power of the Holy Spirit in the hearts of the Chinese who have responded to the Gospel message. The first chapter, "Christianity's Recreating Process", is given to a deeply spiritual consideration of the creative power of Christianity in the lives of men and women and its effect upon those around them. The six following chapters are word-pictures of this transforming power in various Chinese families. These very interesting stories take the reader into the Chinese home and its intimate family life where the customs, costumes, food and management of domestic affairs are seen at first hand. One seems not to be reading of but really visiting these homes, associating with the members of the family and witnessing the changes Christianity has made both in the individual and the home itself.

Through the dark clouds now hovering over China these recreated families shine with the light of a new hope. For the future of China is not "on the lap of the gods" but in the hands of the Christ of God who is working through His Chinese followers to bring in China's new day.

The last chapter of the book, "Chris-

tianity's Values", confirms this hopeful outlook for, says the author: "China's hope is Christianity. Let us be patient and hopeful until the good day when China, the great China, will take her rightful place among the nations of the world".

Dr. Bryan's book is profusely and attractively illustrated, showing pictures of family and school life where bright faces tell of the new light that has come into the heart and is shining on all around them. Mission study classes and reading circles will use this book with profit and pleasure and will be moved to add gifts to their prayers that China's Christians be "God's chosen instruments with which to create a new China".

Price, paper, 50 cents, from Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia

ONLY A MISSIONARY

IN the May, 1927, issue of ROYAL SERVICE we gave a review (from the manuscript) of Dr. Ray's new book. Before publication the title was changed from "The Mission of a Missionary" and now is "Only a Missionary", but the contents and value of the book remain the same. The introduction, written by Dr. W. O. Carver of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, expresses gratitude that "so sane and so thoroughly Biblical a presentation of the principles of missions should be given at this time", since there is much discussion just now of the conduct of missions on foreign fields. This introduction also congratulates the reader on the qualifications of the author for the presentation of the history, science and object of missions.

The book contains two hundred and twenty-four pages of inspirational information, appealing to both the head and heart of the reader. The six chapters are arranged for mission study but are equally suitable for the general reader.

It is a pleasure to give a second review of this book as its second reading strongly emphasized all that had been

said in the previous one. Southern Baptists will appreciate the clear, well-printed cuts of a number of veteran missionaries and native workers, as well as the readable type and the general make up of "Only a Missionary".

Price, cloth, 75 cents, paper, 50 cents, from Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia

BORDEN of YALE '09

BIOGRAPHIES, if well presented, are the most interesting of all reading to the genuine booklover. As written by Mrs. Howard Taylor "Borden of Yale '09" is a story of rare charm. The life of William Whiting Borden as school boy, college student and seminary graduate, was that of a joyous, wholesome, fun-loving Christian boy. In him there was the happy combination of purity and strength. The purity of his nature was shown in his ardent love for Jesus Christ, the pure and holy One. He rejected a life of ease and pleasure made possible by his great wealth; in this he showed the strength of his character. Possessing everything that would lure him to self-indulgence, he yet steadfastly set his course in the opposite direction—not to asceticism but to unselfish and buoyant service for the Master.

The opening chapters will be intensely interesting to boys as well as to all normal young men. At sixteen years of age William's parents sent him on a trip around the world accompanied by a carefully chosen older friend; the letters written to his mother while on this tour make the reader a happy companion of his new experiences. While in London, his last stopping place, he attended services conducted by Dr. R. A. Torrey and Dr. A. C. Dixon. Their sermons greatly impressed him and he expressed himself as strengthened in faith and in his prayer life by hearing them. As you turn the pages telling of his life at Yale University you will find that Christ became more of a reality in every step of his career. He could have delegated his Christian work to others and paid them well for their

services, but the love of Christ constrained him: he must be about his Father's business, and with his large money gifts he gave *himself*.

His self-sacrificing spirit was shown in his choice of life work in one of the most difficult fields, the neglected province of Kansu, China. Before sailing for China it was felt that a few months at Cairo, Egypt, in the language school for the study of Arabic and the Koran would be of advantage before meeting Mohammedanism in its stronghold in western China. But God had other plans. After a few months in Cairo Williams was stricken with meningitis and went home to be with the Lord he so loved.

A little poem received from his mother (*page 12 of July issue*) was a great inspiration to him and was kept among his papers to the very end of his young life. These lines may well find a place in the heart and memory of each young student in our schools and colleges. Home, school and college libraries should have "Borden of Yale '09" on their shelves for reading and reference.

Price \$2.00; order from Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.

FAR above RUBIES

THE meagre detail given to stories of women in the Scriptures presents a rich field of fancy to the gifted writer. In her book, "Far above Rubies", Mrs. Agnes Sligh Turnbull, a rare story-writer, has entered this field with more understanding and restraint than has been usual with modern writers of Bible stories. In her charming presentation

of four women of the Bible: Bathsheba; Pharaoh's Daughter; Hannah; and Naomi the writer truly says she "has but attempted to interpret what might have been the moving forces in these lives". In this acknowledgment she leads the reader to the Bible rather than from it.

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made above in glory, John 14:2, 3. Let all the streams of comfort which flow to us in the channel of Christ's Kingdom lead us to the fountain, Isa. 12:2, 3; Phil. 4:4. "Give thanks at the remembrance of His holiness", Ps. 97:12, "for through grace we partake of His holiness and are led into that presence of God, where there is fulness of joy and where there are pleasures forevermore".—Mrs. James Pollard



HOME DEPARTMENT



A MISSIONARY of the FIRST CENTURY

EARLY in the first century a young man might have been seen walking through Samaria. He knew it was a country unfriendly to His race, for He was a Jew, but ever since He was twelve years old He had been about His Father's business—the salvation of the world—and went wherever the Father sent Him. As He walked He saw a well and being wearied with His journey—for He had walked thirty miles that day—He drew near and sat upon its curb. Presently a woman came from the nearby city to draw from the well. The thirsty missionary asked the woman for a drink. She was surprised, for her people and the Jews had no dealings one with another, so she said, "Why is it that you ask a drink of me who am a Samaritan?" The young man answered, "If you knew who it was that asked you for a drink, you would have asked of him and he would have given you living water". The woman was amazed at this reply and said, "You have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where will you get this living water?" Then thinking to save herself from many trips to the well she continued, "Sir, give me this water that I need not come hither to draw".

The missionary, full of compassion, told her where to find this living water and explained that if she drank from the well of God she should have everlasting life. She was not a good woman and while the missionary talked He revealed to her that He knew of her sinful life. Still more amazed she exclaimed, "Sir, I see you are a prophet". The missionary continued to speak with her, telling of the Father who sought such as she that they might worship Him in spirit and in truth. With growing interest the woman explained that she already knew that the "Messiah, which is called the Christ, would come; and when He was come He would tell us all things". Then

Jesus, for this missionary was indeed our Lord Himself, said to her, "I that speak unto you am He".

Just then His disciples came with food and the woman hurried away, leaving her waterpot at the well. But as she went she invited her friends to "Come and see" saying "Is not this the Christ?" And as they came crowding from the city in their white garments Jesus turned to His disciples and said, "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest. He that reapeth receiveth wages and gathereth fruit unto life eternal". When the Samaritans came they begged Jesus to stay with them for a season. For two days He remained with them and many believed because of His own word.

The woman who was a sinner became a missionary. Her message brought men and women to Christ. He is still calling upon us to behold the whitening fields. Shall we stand and look or go into them?—Adapted from a sermon preached by Rev. R. B. Jones

TIMID CLARA'S GREAT SUCCESS

ON Christmas morning in the year 1821 there was born, on one of New England's lean hill farms, a baby girl who was destined to become an adopted child of the American nation. She was the founder of the American Red Cross Society; her name was Clara Barton.

She was the youngest, by twelve years, of a family of two boys and three girls. The easier duties of the farm life were given to her: she brought home the cows, wearied her small arms on the dash of the churn, dropped potatoes, weeded the vegetable garden and picked berries for pies.

Clara's parents and older brothers and sisters thought they must each have a part in little Clara's education, so one taught her mathematics, another taught

her literature, another history and politics, another horsemanship etc. These seeds of learning fell upon fertile soil. It is said she would waken her sisters before daylight on cold wintry mornings to help her find places on the map by the flickering flame of a tallow candle. Under such good tutorship she soon became advanced for her age.

While yet a child Clara became so timid she could not even tell her personal needs to her mother. Thinking to cure her of this her parents sent her away to school. But there she was afraid of her school-mates, of her teacher and even afraid to eat. This so overcame her that she became dangerously ill and had to be sent home. She was examined and the examiner stated that she would suffer wrong for herself but that for others she would be perfectly fearless. And this statement was soon tested. Her favorite brother became dangerously ill with a fever and for two years she nursed him so closely she almost forgot there was an outdoors: she would sit for hours at a time by his bedside. But at last he was nursed to health and the little girl emerged from her seclusion but was more abashed than ever.

At the age of sixteen she began teaching. The first day found her so bashful that she fastened her eyes on her Bible and read aloud for some time before she was able to look the children

in the face, but in the end she proved a good teacher and received many calls to this profession. She forsook teaching for a head clerkship in the Patent Office at Washington City. She being the first woman employee in the department, the other clerks tried in many ungentlemanly ways to drive her out, but she held her ground, discharged some clerks and instilled in the rest a new sense of honor.

Four years later in the same city there came to her an opportunity that initiated her for her life-work. The Civil War was on and one day while at the railway station she saw a horde of muddy and mangled soldiers detrained. Among them she recognized some of her own friends and former pupils. Viewing the confused situation she quietly donned an apron and began. She went from cot to cot binding up wounds and encouraging the discouraged. A few mornings later the postman handed her a great bundle of letters with instruction from the government. From that time to the end of her life she found herself useful to her full capacity.

In times of war or in peace-calamities many people have been made to thank the ministering hands of Clara Barton. Of herself she said: "I have never had a mission, but I have had more work than I could do lying around my feet. I just get it out of the way so as to go and do the next".—*From Bits of Biography*

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it seemed impossible to observe the usual "Quiet Hour". Yet, failing to do so, only to fail largely in every other undertaking that day, we learned that it was essential. The field worker, often up before day to catch a train, with meetings from early to late, sometimes finds it easy to neglect this necessary part of her program. Still we find that this precious truth learned at the Training School holds good: "No victory, material or spiritual, can ever be won on the field of battle, that is not first of all won in a quiet place".

Other lessons for the field worker that are constantly being instilled into the hearts and minds of Training School students are unselfishness, patience, making the best of conditions as one finds them, love of people in all walks of life and a willingness to sacrifice one's own pleasures in order that His work may be done. I thank God first for leading me to the Training School and for the preparation and inspiration I received there, and I thank Him next for the privilege of serving Him as a field worker.—*Jeanette White, Maryland W. M. U. Field Worker*

For NEEDY PASTORS and THEIR FAMILIES

JAMES shows his close kinship to Jesus, the perfect philanthropist, when he says (*James 1:22*): "Be ye doers of the word and not hearers only". There are many opportunities for Christians to be very practical in their philanthropy, one of these ways being in the sending of boxes of clothing to the families of needy ministers. There are many such in southern Baptist churches. Would that each of them might, preferably through a Woman's Missionary Society, receive all necessary help before the cold winter comes! Especially is the Woman's Missionary Union in search of about fifty (*certainly no less than forty in keeping with the Ruby Anniversary*) Women's Missionary Societies or Young Women's Auxiliaries which can and will provide such practical assistance in behalf of missionary pastors in the flooded section of Louisiana and out on the sparsely settled highlands of New Mexico. In writing of the flood conditions in Louisiana, Miss Georgia Barnette said: "I went to one of the refugee camps for service. The pastor of the nearby town had rented a home and had moved some of the French missionaries down from another section to preach to the refugees. In that camp were 2,500 people. Among them were two Baptists, two Methodists and two who made no pretense to any religion: all the rest were Catholics".

No society is asked to render such help unless it can do so over and above its pledges—individually or collectively—to the S. B. C. Cooperative Program. However, there must surely be fifty (*or at least forty*) societies which can easily render this "in-as-much" help. All such are urged to write for a letter and clothing measurements to

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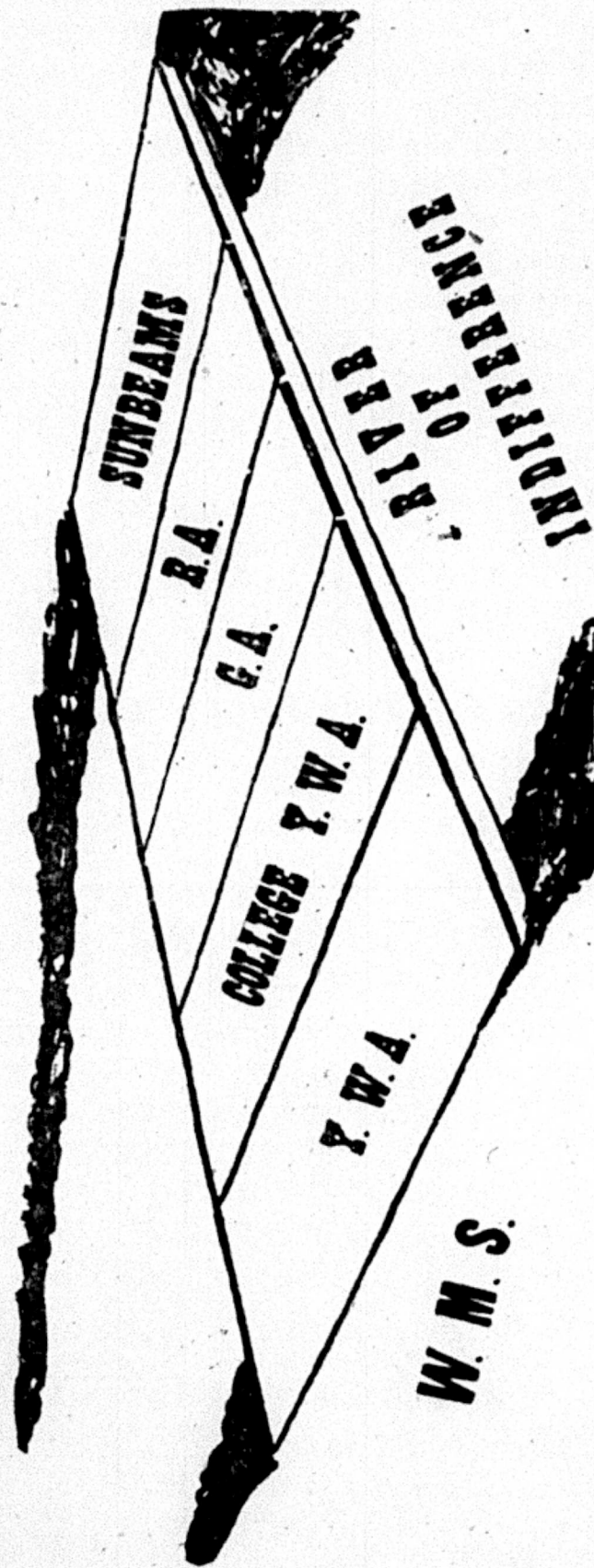
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