

Royal Service

W.M.U. WATCHWORD: Laborers together with God

—1 Cor. 3:9

WATCHWORD for YEAR: He shall reign.

—Luke 1:33

25 Years Ago in This Magazine

HEA, Christ hath said that as from Thee He came
To seek and bless, so hath He, in His name,
Sent us to these; and Father, we would go,
Glad in Thy love that Thou hast willed it so
That we should be partakers in the joy
Which even on earth knows naught of earth's alloy—
The joy which grows as others' griefs grow less
And could not live but for its power to bless.

—R. WRIGHT HAY

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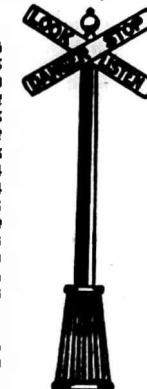
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EDITORIAL



REFERENDUM



REFERENDUM usually—perhaps always—suggests heavy responsibility, in the assuming of which the vote of the people is needed. Such is certainly the case in the referendum which is submitted by this article. It pertains to the use of certain gifts made in 1930 and 1931 to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions and is submitted on behalf of the W.M.U. Executive Committee.

It will be recalled that in the 1930 offering there was included \$28000 for the sending out of twenty new missionaries. Now it so happened that the Foreign Mission Board did not feel that it could send out the twenty new missionaries, the explanation being that without exception it would mean expense additional to that of outgoing passage and salary for one year, which were the only two expenses covered by the \$28000. Accordingly the W. M. U. Executive Committee requested the Foreign Mission Board to keep the \$28000 at interest, which was done. However, during 1931 satisfactory arrangements were made for the sending forth of Miss Eva Sanders to Africa, where Miss Olive Edens devoted her life, and of Rev. and Mrs. A. S. Gillespie to Kaifeng, where Dr. Eugene Sallee "counted life not dear".

Thus the fund now amounts to \$24,355.26. The Foreign Board feels confident that it will not be expedient in the near future to send forth new missionaries. Accordingly a W.M.U. referendum is herewith submitted, the request being that the Foreign Board be permitted to add this fund to the 1931 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, the understanding to be that any one who contributed to the \$28000 shall feel absolutely free to let it be known if he or she desires the contribution kept at interest until new missionaries can be sent forth. Such contributors will please write as quickly as possible to their state W.M.U. headquarters, the address of which will be found on page 2 of this magazine. April 20 is set as the final date for the hearing from such contributors, telling amount given to the \$28,000.

Similarly is it desired that permission be given to the Foreign Board to add to the 1931 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering what was contributed—chiefly in the 1930 offering—for the girls' dormitory at Buenos Aires, Argentina, in case it is finally decided that this building is not to be erected. The sum asked for it was \$8000, most of which was raised. Let it be distinctly understood, please, that any one who contributed toward the \$8000 is absolutely free to let the respective state W.M.U. headquarters know before April 20 that the said contribution must be kept for the contemplated dormitory, telling amount given to the \$28,000.

Imagining that few will thus write their state W.M.U. headquarters, it is rather safe to anticipate that at least \$22000 and perhaps the amount raised for the Buenos Aires school will thus be added to the 1931 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. At the time of the writing of this article the complete returns are not in for the 1931 offering but it seems almost certain that it will fall short of the \$200000 goal, since on Feb. 12 the Foreign Board had received for the offering only \$154,000. Of the amount received by the Board \$106000 was for four causes which were preferred and were not to be prorated. The \$154000 includes also several definitely designated gifts to the amount of at least \$13,500. It also happens that

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ANNUAL MEETING



The LURE of the LAND of FLOWERS

Mrs. D. M. Gardner, St. Petersburg



HEN the call of the sea, the longing for wide stretches of ocean beach, which tempt the bather daily, and summer skies over sparkling foam-crest waves urge you, when you think of the soft southern moon over silvery seas and hotels along the ocean-front like castles one sees in dreams, when the magic of the gulf calls you—come to Florida!

When the message was flashed across the wires from Birmingham that the Southern Baptist Convention had accepted the invitation to meet in our city in May, 1932, we were happy indeed. We immediately began to plan for the coming of the Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention. Our interest in the Convention was greatly increased by a delightful visit, in December, from our beloved southwide president, Mrs. W. J. Cox. A large group of Baptist women greeted her in the dining-room of the Suwanee Hotel, where she brought us a wonderfully inspiring message. A reception in her honor followed the address.

It has never yet been the happy privilege of south Florida to entertain our Southern Baptist Convention. St. Petersburg is a convention city. Many conventions met here in 1931. Tourists from every state in the union, and from many foreign countries, visit our city each year. We feel highly honored that we are to add a host of southern Baptists to the list of May visitors. In view of this, we hasten to send greetings to the Baptist women of our

southland, urging you to make your plans to attend the 1932 meeting of the W.M.U.

The First Congregational Church, corner of Third Avenue and Fourth Street, has been selected for the meeting place of the 44th annual session of Woman's Missionary Union. This church is very conveniently located, being situated in the heart of the city, only two blocks away from the Princess Martha Hotel, which has been designated as W.M.U. headquarters hotel. The church boasts of its splendid acoustics, and one of its main attractions is the marvelous four manual Skinner organ, which will add greatly to the enjoyment of the program.

A short distance away is the Coliseum. It is admirably suited for the meetings of the Southern Baptist Convention. The recreation center, just across the street, has many buildings which will be at the service of the Convention for registration and display rooms. Facing the recreation center is Mirror Lake, where graceful white swans glide upon the surface; many buildings surrounding the lake are mirrored in its clear waters.

The beautiful oleander trees, the crimson bougainvillea, flaming hibiscus, royal poinciana and many other tropical flowers will be in bloom to greet you. On the million dollar pier you will get a glimpse of the entrancing beauties of Tampa Bay, and you will find rest in lovely Williams' Park, where thousands of tourists enjoy free band concerts each season.

"Ye Old South" is truly represented in the Sunshine City, with its rows of stately palms and with the sweet odor of orange blossoms scenting the breeze. Come to St. Petersburg in May.

The following outline of the 1933 monthly W.M.U. missionary topics is given thus early for the benefit of societies whose year books do not coincide with the calendar year. This early announcement of the 1933 topics may also persuade many to begin at once to assemble clippings pertinent to the various topics.

MONTHLY W.M.U. MISSIONARY TOPICS for 1933

THEME for the YEAR: THE WORLD'S NEED of the WORD

- Jan.** —**LORD, SEND a REVIVAL**
Back to the Word of God. Self-examination and a prayer for a deeper realization in our churches of the necessity for the new birth. Prayerful study of all our southern Baptist work and mission causes. Confession of our sins and reconsecration of our lives to the work of the Kingdom. Prayer for guidance in planning for the future. A re-evaluation of the task of Christian missions. A sincere prayer: "Lord, send a revival, and let it begin in me".
- Feb.** —**THE INFLUENCE of the WORD in the HOMELAND**
Present work of the Home Mission Board with especial emphasis on the influence of the Gospel in human hearts, transforming lives. Results of investing our money in home missions. Stories of what has happened recently on home mission fields where the Bible has gone to those who never had it before.
- March** —**BUILDING WORLD PEACE on the WORD**
The Christian faith as a factor in peace in the world. What Christians can do to bring about the ending of war. What women can do to help those forces now at work in the world for peace and world prohibition. A study of the fundamental causes of war and how to remove them. Study of centers of racial, national and anti-Christian conflicts in the world today. An acceptance of the teachings of God's Word, that will remove hatred and antagonism and give the compassion for fellowman that Jesus had.
- April** —**MIRACLES of the WORD in OTHER LANDS**
Stories of notable Christians from foreign mission fields. How the Gospel is spreading through the work of native Christians. Results of our missionary work in lives "saved by grace" in all races and lands. The evidences of the manifold power of the Word of God to transform in every condition and phase of human life.
- May** —**HOME MISSIONS TRANSLATING the WORD**
A study of the Spanish-speaking people of Cuba and the south, and the Indian peoples. Migrant labor and its needs. The spread of the Gospel within home mission fields through our Cuban, Mexican and Indian Baptists. How home missionaries are doing their work. Stories of the needs.
- June** —**YOUTH: TOMORROW'S MESSENGER of the WORD**
Response of youth to the Word; ability of youth to interpret the Word in his life. Obligation to implant the Word early. Missionary education of our young people, the specialty of W.M.U.; our obligation

to establish and maintain the Full Graded W.M.U. in every church. Importance of missionary literature for young people in the home. Importance of utilizing capabilities. Eagerness of world forces to use young life. Dangers surrounding the young people of today. "Total abstinence" essential. Disastrous results to the cause of Christ if youth is not enlisted.

July —**AFRICA: WAITING for the WORD**

The study of present problems and opportunities in Africa with special attention to areas where southern Baptists have work. Problems of false interpretations of God in Africa; such as Mohammedanism. Latest developments in our own work. Results that have come from our own investments. Need for missionaries and equipment. The possibilities on our own field.

Aug. —**THE RETURN of the WORD to EUROPE and PALESTINE**

Brief survey of the history of the missionary enterprise with attention especially as to how Europe has sent the Gospel to the world. Present condition of Christian faith in Europe; state churches, conflict between ritualism and vital evangelical religion. Baptist growth and loyalty. The re-occupation of Palestine and present conditions. The Baptist witness in Nazareth and Jerusalem. World Alliance plans.

Sept. —**THE WORK of GOD in the FRENCH COUNTRY**

A presentation of an unique mission field of native-born Americans to whom the Gospel is just beginning to be presented. A study of causes of their isolation from evangelical Christianity. How the Gospel spreads among the French people. The workers and how they are doing the work. A call to study similar conditions in your state of untouched peoples and areas of life.

Oct. —**THE HARVEST of the WORD in SOUTH AMERICA**

The achievements of half a century of Baptist witness in South America. Outlook for the second half century that has begun. Rejoicing in the evidences of growth of Baptist life and work. The story of the Bagbys and their co-workers. A celebration of thanksgiving for the end of a period of missionary conquest, relating the story of Baptist beginnings and present development in Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay and Chile.

Nov. —**STEWARDS of the WORD**

A study of the teachings of stewardship in the Bible. What money will do in the Kingdom of God. What returns have come from investment of lives and money on mission fields at home and abroad. The responsibility of every Christian for world missions. Stories of faithful stewards in our own and other lands.

Dec. —**TROPHIES of the WORD in the EAST**

Stories of the faithfulness and heroism of the Christians of China and Japan. Problems and opportunities in the orient today. The appeal of the missionaries for reinforcement and advance. What has been happening to our missionary forces in China and Japan in the past five years. What your gifts would mean interpreted in terms of missionary life and work.



CHURCH SCHOOL of MISSIONS



The ANNUAL SCHOOL of MISSIONS



MISSIONARY Baptist church should deserve the name: an annual school of missions proves that the church is striving to do this. Since "missions

is the mission of the church", it should regularly and systematically study how to fulfill its mission and, because of its importance, the mission school should be given the best place on the annual program.

Christ's plan for the evangelization of the world is for every Christian to be a missionary, every follower of Christ's to follow Him into all the world. The aim of the school of missions is to enlist every one, young and old, in intensive study that, knowing, he may be led to go.

Such a splendid array of mission books now being published makes one crave for the whole church the privilege of studying them—thus learning of

God's plan for the salvation of the world, becoming familiar with conditions on the mission fields, being encouraged by the accounts of the growth of the Kingdom, receiving inspiration from the biographies of the missionaries and realizing the privilege of having a part in the greatest of all enterprises. Nothing creates greater interest than knowing the missionaries personally and hearing them tell the stories of successes on the field. Usually there are some missionaries available as teachers.

The school provides a fine opportunity for the use and development of God-given talents: teaching classes, telling missionary stories, dramatization, plays, pageants, poster making, map drawing etc. Through continued study of mission books the members learn how great and how worthwhile is the task and are led to give more generously and more cheerfully to the support of world-wide missions.

There is also a valuable reflex influence in mission study. The spirit of missions is the spirit of Christ and, if

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Sympathy for Mrs. T. M. Pittman

ONE of the editors of this magazine has sustained an immeasurable loss. She is Mrs. T. M. Pittman of Henderson, N. C. After many years of suffering from asthma, her husband was taken Home in February by the Great Physician. Dr. Pittman was a distinguished jurist and was an historian of recognized authority. His unusually fine library, as well as his deep interest in missions, was ever an asset to Mrs. Pittman in her work for this magazine. As Miss Elizabeth Briggs she was a "charter contributor" to its initial issue more than twenty-five years ago and has served it almost continuously. For nearly four years she has edited the department known as "Program Plans". The fact that as usual she furnished her material for this issue is proof of the sustaining power of God and the constraint of devoted interest in His work though one is in the deepest personal sorrow. Certainly Mrs. Pittman's host of W.M.U. friends will pray that daily she may feel the sustaining power and the comforting love of the Heavenly Father.



FROM OUR MISSIONARIES



"FAR BETTER"



RS. WANG was an ardent idol worshipper, regularly burning incense in the home and the temples. She abstained from eating meat and did other "good works" suggested by the priest. Yet her heart found no peace. She longed for forgiveness and the assurance of salvation. One day a neighbor said to her: "Sister Wang, they are having a big meeting at the Jesus Hall in Chang Shih. Go with me today and hear the doctrine they preach. It is far better than anything we have been taught by the priests". Thus it happened that Mrs. Wang heard for the first time the glorious message of life eternal. She drank in every word. "This is the truth. I believe", she said with radiant countenance denoting inward joy. Eagerly she began to study the Word. Her husband could not read but she asked friends and neighbors to tell her the characters. Ere long she had finished her first year's course and had begun on the second. Meanwhile she has won a number of those in her village. Her husband was at first much opposed to Christianity and made it very hard for her by his persecution. But after a while he came and said to me: "My wife wants to enter the Kaifeng School. She studies the Bible all the time and needs a better opportunity".—Addie E. Cox, Kaifeng, China

SOMETHING NEW at MOGY

AFTER ten hours on the train from Rio I arrived in Mogy das Cruzes. D. Lucia Espanhol and Senhorita Yolanda Ribeiro met me at the train. I stayed with D. Lucia. She takes care

of the church and has a small house of two rooms in the backyard of the church. She is sixty years of age, has been a Christian for only nine years. The B.Y.P.U. room was converted into a bed-room for me. The furniture consisted chiefly of a big box covered with cretonne, which served as dresser, and a narrow bed without springs and with a very thin mattress. Perhaps you are wondering if I slept and I want to assure you that I did and was thankful for a room as clean as that was.

I spent the mornings reading and writing; in the afternoons Dona Lucia and I did house-to-house visiting. We got plenty of exercise visiting eighteen families that lived in and near Mogy das Cruzes. We climbed hills and descended valleys to get to the homes of some of them. There are no street-cars in Mogy and none of the Baptists there—in fact, few Baptist families in Brazil—own cars.

Many of the Christians, as well as the majority of the other people, are living in abject poverty, due in part to the financial depression which was brought about by the slump in the coffee market, the 1930 revolution and unsettled political conditions. Only one member of the eighty in that church has a regular position. He receives only forty dollars a month and has a family of six to support. Many of the people live in small, dark houses with dirt floors and with little, if any, comfort. There were sick people at almost every home and so many were underfed and underclothed. It gets real cold in that part of the state and was cold while I was there. I was glad that I had my heavy winter coat with me. Ice and frost are common there, especially during June, July and August, which are our winter months.

The purpose of my visit to Mogy was to teach the Manual of W.M.U. Methods to the women and girls in the Bap-

tist church there. The Baptist is the only evangelical church in Mogy, and the Methodists and Presbyterians who live there attend services in the Baptist church, some of them working in our society. My class was composed of Baptist, Presbyterian and Methodist women, several unbelievers and two or three women who are breaking away from spiritualism. One of them had been a medium. We had our class at night; many times before the 7:30 hour some of the women came an hour before time. It was the first time in the history of the W.M.S., almost seventeen years, that they had had a study course, so you can easily see why it was something new for them. On the last night eleven took the examination. They were as happy as a sixteen-year-old graduate when I told them they passed and would receive the Union's diploma. Several told me they would do all they could to organize their W.M.S. as outlined in the manual.—Minnie Landrum, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

"FAITHFUL IN THAT WHICH IS LEAST"

A FRENCH preacher came into my office one morning to pay me two pennies that he owed me. I had forgotten all about it and could not possibly recall what it was for until he told me. As we discussed the question about such a small item, he said: "I think I am as responsible for those two pennies as I would be for a thousand dollars". It is a matter of principle with him, and this is not the first time he has done a thing like this. He works some land on halves with Acadia Academy: I believe he would separate a peanut in order to give all that was due!

This same young man, now in the tenth grade in school, is one of our best students. He has a good mind, a pure heart and a strong body. I believe he will some day do great work among his people. He is busy now every weekend. Often he walks as far as twenty miles to teach a Sunday school lesson

in French or preach to a French church or mission. He has a wife and three small children and lives on an income of \$10 per month. One-tenth of this he always puts into the treasury of his home church. That leaves them nine dollars, or \$1.80 a-piece, per month. It seems to me that this is as clear an example of faith, devotion, loyalty and sacrifice as I have ever seen. As I talked with him that morning I felt like weeping, and then I thought that every Christian ought to know about one who would be as faithful as this French preacher, even in that which is least.—Rev. A. S. Newman, Church Point, La.

CO-LABORERS in CUBA

WHEN Dr. Castellanos, a good Baptist doctor, was a little boy in short trousers, I saw him baptized in a river in eastern Cuba. Later he attended our school and became one of my boys until his graduation. But that was years ago: he is a doctor now. Last Christmas he visited relatives who live near our church in La Vibora, where I went one night to help our young people rehearse their Christmas program. We were late getting through, and Dr. Castellanos walked with me to the car line. As we stood waiting in the lovely tropical night, he told me about his work, as a son would talk to his mother. This is one instance he mentioned:

One night, happening to be in a small country town, he was called to see a very sick child. Another doctor was there, and the two did all they could with the means at hand. There was not even a drug store in that town. It was a losing fight. The child grew rapidly worse and they had to tell the parents that there was no hope. The other doctor was not a Christian. Dr. Castellanos described him as "one of those fellows who believe nothing"—and he went away. Not so the Christian doctor: his skill could not save the little body, but he knew a balm for troubled hearts, and he remained to comfort them. The young mother kept

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Calendar of Prayer April, 1932

Prepared by Mrs. Maud R. McLure

THE Son of God goes forth to war,
A kingly crown to gain;
His blood red banner streams afar!
Who follows in His train?

HO best can drink his cup of woe,
Triumphant over pain,
Who patient bears his cross below,
He follows in His train.

Topic: Heroines of the Cross

1—FRIDAY

Pray for Miss Margie Shumate, evangelistic work, Shiu King, China. No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly.—Psa. 84:11

2—SATURDAY

For Dr. I. J. VanNess, corresponding secretary, Sunday School Board, and Mrs. VanNess, Nashville, Tenn. Thy lovingkindness is great unto the heavens.—Psa. 57:10

3—SUNDAY

For our heroines of the cross in China and Japan. Pray also for the May meeting in St. Petersburg, Fla. I will deliver thee and thou shalt glorify Me.—Psa. 50:15

4—MONDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Quarles (on furlough), literary and evangelistic work, Buenos Aires, Argentina, and for John and William Quarles, Margaret Fund students. For this God is our God forever and ever.—Job 48:14

5—TUESDAY

For annual sessions of Mississippi W.M.U. at Columbus and of Missouri W.M.U. at St. Louis: April 5-7. The blessing of Jehovah be upon you.—Psa. 129:1

6—WEDNESDAY

For Misses Pearl Caldwell and Bonnie Ray, evangelistic work, Pingtu, China. God is greater than men.—Job 33:12

7—THURSDAY

For Mrs. Dan Hurley (on furlough), educational work, Bucharest, Roumania. Blessed are they that mourn for they shall be comforted.—Matt. 5:4

8—FRIDAY

For Miss Fannie Taylor, missionary among Italians, Tampa, Fla. We have our hope set on the living God.—1 Tim. 4:10

9—SATURDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Chambers, publication and literary work, Shanghai, China. Let all that ye do be done in love.—1 Cor. 16:14

10—SUNDAY

For our heroines of the cross, working under our Home Mission Board. Pray also for the May meeting in St. Petersburg and for revivals in S.B.C. churches. But go, tell.—Mark 16:7

11—MONDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. J. Franklin Ray, evangelistic work, Hiroshima, Japan, and for Hermon S., Emma P. and Mary Elizabeth Ray, Margaret Fund students. Pray also that southern Baptists will be much in prayer for the redeeming of pledges to the Cooperative Program. Jehovah, our God, will we serve.—Josh. 24:24

12—TUESDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Pruitt, educational and evangelistic work, Chefoo, China. Come unto Me all ye that labor and are heavy laden.—Matt. 11:28

13—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Turnbull, evangelistic work, Jaguaguara, Brazil. Pray also for annual meeting of South Carolina W.M.U. at Columbia, April 13-15. Let my tongue sing of Thy word.—Psa. 119:172

14—THURSDAY

For Mrs. G. W. Greene, educational work, Canton, China. In His quiver hath He kept me close.—Isa. 49:1

15—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. John Meis, educational work, Pernambuco, Brazil. Bless Jehovah, O my soul.—Psa. 103:1

¹Attended W.M.U. Training School
²Attended Southwestern Training School

Calendar of Prayer

April, 1932

A NOBLE army, men and boys,
The matron and the maid,
Around the Savior's throne rejoice,
In robes of light arrayed:

THEY climbed the steep ascent of
Heaven
Through peril, toil and pain:
O God, to us may grace be given
To follow in their train.

—BISHOP REGINALD HELEN

Topic: Heroines of the Cross

16—SATURDAY

For Misses Lora Clement, E. E. Res (on furlough) and Sarah Funderburke (on furlough), evangelistic work, Kong Moon, China.
Save with Thy right hand and answer us. —Psa. 106:6

17—SUNDAY

Pray for our heroines of the cross in Africa, Palestine and Europe. Pray also for the May meeting in St. Petersburg. Pray also that southern Baptists will faithfully redeem their pledges to the Cooperative Program.
Jehovah fulfill all thy petitions. —Psa. 20:37

18—MONDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Lowe, evangelistic work, Taingao, China, and for Mary Dee and Florence Lowe, Margaret Fund students.
Thou hast also given me the shield of Thy salvation. —Psa. 18:35

19—TUESDAY

For Miss Mattie Baker, Girls' School, Sao Paulo, Brazil.
My heart shall not fail. —Psa. 27:3

20—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. D. G. Whittinghill, evangelistic and educational work, Rome, Italy.
We have thought on Thy loving kindness, O God. —Psa. 44:9

21—THURSDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. O. P. Maddox, evangelistic work, Bello Horizonte, Brazil, and for Oth and Paul Maddox, Margaret Fund students.
God is my high tower. —Psa. 59:17

22—FRIDAY

For Miss Reba Stewart, educational work, Kweilin, China.
We shall praise Thee. —Psa. 63:3

23—SATURDAY

For Miss Minnie Landrum, W.M.U. worker, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
In the shadow of Thy wings will I rejoice. —Psa. 63:7

24—SUNDAY

For our heroines of the cross in South America and Mexico. Pray also for the May meeting in St. Petersburg.
Trust in Him at all times, ye people. —Psa. 62:8

25—MONDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. I. N. Patterson, evangelistic work, Abeokuta, Nigeria.
That which my lips know they shall speak sincerely. —Job 33:3

26—TUESDAY

For Miss Marjorie Spence (on furlough), Girls' School, Temuco, Chile.
Ye were bought with a price. —I Cor. 6:20

27—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Benson, Mexican Baptist Publication House, El Paso, Texas, and for Elbert and Horace Benson, Margaret Fund students.
Wait for Jehovah and keep His way. —Psa. 57:34

28—THURSDAY

For Miss Rose Marlowe, educational work, Shanghai, China.
Rest in Jehovah and wait patiently for Him. —Psa. 37:7

29—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. George W. Sadler (on furlough), educational work, Ogbomoso, Nigeria.
Love therefore is the fulfillment of the law. —Rom. 13:10

30—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. T. Nell Johnson (on furlough), Shanghai University, Shanghai, China.
His Name shall endure forever. —Psa. 73:17

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FAMILY ALTAR



Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

Topic: A NEW CREATURE—Galatians 6:1-10, 14, 15



O if anyone is in union with Christ, he is a new being; the old state of things has passed away; there is a new state of things. All this comes from God, who through Christ has reconciled me to Himself and has commissioned me to proclaim this reconciliation. —II Corinthians 5:17, 18 (Goodspeed's Translation)

Old Testament Heroines

1st Day—Gen. 2:16-24
2nd Day—Ruth 3:11; 4:13-17
3rd Day—I Sam. 1:9-17
4th Day—I Sam. 1:24-28; 2:1-8, 9
5th Day—Esther 5:1-5; 7:1-4; 8:16
6th Day—Prov. 31:10-20
7th Day—Prov. 31:21-31

Heroines of Faith

15th Day—Matt. 9:20-22
16th Day—Matt. 15:22-28
17th Day—Acts 9:36-42
18th Day—John 19:25-27
19th Day—John 20:1, 2, 11-18
20th Day—Acts 16:12-15, 40
21st Day—I Tim. 2:8-15

New Testament Heroines

8th Day—Luke 1:5, 6, 39-45
9th Day—Luke 1:46-56
10th Day—John 11:1-5, 31-34; 12:3
11th Day—John 11:19-30
12th Day—Acts 18:1-9, 18a, 24-26
13th Day—Rom. 16:1-6, 25-27
14th Day—II Tim. 1:1-9

A New Creature

22nd Day—Ezek. 11:19; 18:31, 32; 36:26-29
23rd Day—Deut. 30:5-14
24th Day—Psa. 51:2, 7, 10; 65:2, 8
25th Day—Matt. 12:38-37
26th Day—Rom. 8:2-11
27th Day—Rom. 8:12-21, 28, 29
28th Day—II Cor. 5:10-21
29th Day—Gal. 6:1-10, 14, 15
30th Day—Heb. 10:19-29

"Pray Ye"

Give thanks for our Lord Jesus Christ, for His birth, ministry, death, resurrection, ascension, intercession, His second coming, His eternal reign.

Give thanks for the missionary plan of God as set forth in the Old and New Testaments, as followed by God's children through the ages.

Pray for physical protection of missionaries and for favorable opportunities to carry forward their work. Intercede for volunteers for definite Christian service, that they may not lose their zeal but may faithfully serve in their own communities while waiting to be sent to definite mission fields.

Pray that southern Baptists will be much in prayer April 10-17 for the redeeming of pledges to the Cooperative Program.

Seek guidance through prayer for: (1) increasing number of titheers among women and young people in W.M.U. organizations; (2) personal service activities; (3) mission study classes; (4) missionary education of young people.

Intercede for May meeting in St. Petersburg, remembering: (1) local committees of men and women; (2) those serving on southwide committees; (3) presidents of Southern Baptist Convention and Woman's Missionary Union; (4) all who are to take part on the programs; (5) churches and other groups as they plan to send their pastors, W.M.U. leaders and men and women missionaries.



BIBLE STUDY



Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

Societies, circles, families and individuals wishing a more detailed outline Bible study are referred to the "Family Altar" page with its many carefully grouped Scripture references.

Topic: A NEW CREATURE—Gal. 6:1-10, 14, 15



REGENERATION comes from God. When the sinner is created anew in Christ Jesus, he seeks to be like God: 1 John 3:3, 6; Gal. 6:15. His service is for the glory of the Father. Some men are deeply sensible of the miracle of grace. A dear old Christian knew that his days were numbered; he exacted from his pastor the following promise which was kept to the letter: "The song to be sung at my funeral shall be:

'Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind but now I see'.

"Tell my friends", he said, "that any good that may come from my life is due to the fact that I am a sinner saved by grace". To Nicodemus Jesus said: "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit": John 3:3, 6.

When Ruth, the Moabite, chose Naomi's God, she little dreamed she would be the ancestress of her Lord. In four short chapters this significant love story is told. Gentile and Jew are united. The royal house of David blesses the world. There is a foreshadowing of the very truth that Paul is stating: "For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth anything nor uncircumcision, but a new creature": Gal. 6:15.

Mary, the mother of our Lord, received the message from Gabriel in humility and obedience. Many times she pondered these things in her heart as she went about home duties in Nazareth. Her sweet purity, faith and patience were revealed in the years of waiting for a sign of her son's Messiahship. She must have been very faithful in teaching the Hebrew catechism and the power of prayer. Often sorrow filled her heart. Without thought of reward, she followed the world's Savior to Calvary. The final blessing was greater than the cost. Mary was a heroine of the cross.

By request the following suggestions are given for use of the "Family Altar" references in Bible study for circles:

1st Week—Assign in advance the names of Old Testament heroines. Have the stories given in one's own words, reading striking passages and adding a simple observation on the character of the heroine.

2nd Week—Study such topics as: (1) The Marys who loved Jesus; (2) Women to whom Jesus revealed truth; (3) Mary, the mother of Jesus.

3rd Week—Questions and Answers:

For what trait does Paul commend Phoebe? Rom. 16:1, 2
What influence did Lydia have on her circle of business women? Acts 16:12-15, 40
—Read all the references on Priscilla. What interested her?



BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLES



Miss Isabelle Coleman, North Carolina

POSTER SUGGESTIONS: In center draw (or paste on) the Christian flag in colors. (The Christian flag consists of white with a red cross on blue in the upper left-hand corner.) At top print: They Who Follow the Flag. Below flag print: Meet Nine Heroines of the Cross . . . at B.W.C.

Time _____ Place _____

HEROINES of the CROSS

NOTE: These stories yield easily to pantomimes. While story-teller relates the stories, silent pantomimes will add effectiveness. But make sure that a careful study of each heroine is made so that the pantomime may give a true conception in harmony with the real facts in every portrayal.

Hymn—"Comrades, Known in Marches Many"

Scripture—Galatians 6:1-10, 14, 15 (Page 14)

Hymn (or Solo)—"Let There Be Light"

Missionary and Denominational News (See page 34.)

Hymn—"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

Introduction—True Heroism (See pages 17-18.)

The Heroine—

1. Of the Frail Barque (See pages 18-19.)
2. Of Many Difficulties (See pages 19-20.)
3. Of Many Revolutions (See page 20.)
4. Of the Quiet Ways (See page 21.)
5. Of Sunny Italy (See pages 21-22.)
6. Among Foreigners (See pages 22-23.)

Hymn—"How Firm a Foundation"

7. Of the Red Race (See page 23.)

8. Of Smoky Mountain (See page 24.)

9. Of the Big Canal (See pages 24-25.)

Conclusion—Other Heroines (See pages 25-26.)

Hymn (as prayer, singing 3rd verse softly)—"O Master Workman"

HEROINES at HOME—Dr. George Truett tells the story of a young woman who came to his study one day to tell him that she was volunteering to go as a missionary to a foreign field. Looking at her fragile body, he doubted if her strength would suffice the hardships that would be exacted of her. But she was insistent and persistent. Immediately she applied to the Foreign Mission Board, filled out her blanks, took the examination—but alas! she could not pass the physical test. Disappointed, stunned, hurt, she was silent, and her pastor's heart ached for her. But ere many days, this brave young woman came again to her pastor's study and declared that she was going to the foreign field in spite of her frail health. Dr. Truett did not understand, so she explained that she would work and pay the full salary of a missionary who would go in her place. For nearly a score of years this heroine of the cross has kept her vow as a volunteer and has never yet failed to keep her missionary on the field. Words can't even express the world's great need today of many business women who will be heroines at home like Dr. Truett's friend is. Student volunteers are restlessly waiting to go—to be sent. Will you adopt one, send her and keep the vow?



PROGRAM PLANS



Mrs. T. M. Pittman, North Carolina

With the PROGRAM COMMITTEE



THE material given for this month's program is entirely about several of our women missionaries who are still living, most of them being now on the field. In past years, when missionaries were few, we felt that we knew—at least by name—all of our women on the field. But now that there are more of them we need to study their lives and work that we may feel closer to them. (See material on pages 17-26.)

If this program is to be put on by a large society, it may be well to have the women who are to take part sit in the audience. The leader may state that she wants women present who know anything about our women missionaries to tell of them. Then the women who have been assigned parts may rise in turn and tell as informally as possible the parts assigned them. It should seem like an open meeting when people are voluntarily speaking. If any women, who have not been assigned parts, volunteer information about any other women missionaries they should be gladly heard but not to the extent of unduly prolonging the program. The leader can avoid this by tactfully naming now and then a missionary whose story is included in the program.

This same plan may also be followed in a small society. At the close of its program, let slips and pencils be passed for a test. The slips may carry the names of the women missionaries told about, with spaces to be filled in of the countries to which they have given their lives. Or slips may be passed, each bearing the name of a missionary whose story has been told. As each person receives a slip, she will be expected to name the country associated with that missionary. If she "fails", the slip must be passed on until the right country is named. At the close of the meeting these names may be distributed to the members who will agree to write to these missionaries, expressly stating that no reply is expected.

Another plan may also show that the program deals with "living" heroines. Such a plan would be a radio program, the message being "received" from some if not all of the missionaries whose stories are told on pages 18-25. This can be rather easily done by having the various speakers behind a screen, in front of which is a radio, or in an adjoining room on the window or in the doorway of which the radio is placed.

Still another "modern method" might be used, namely that of a "Peace Conference". Around a table could be seated those who are to present the program, it being so arranged that what each tells of her "heroine" should be planned to show that such a life has promoted national and international peace because the missionary is an ambassador of the Kingdom of God in the name of the Prince of Peace.

Perhaps none or maybe only a part of one of the foregoing suggestions will exactly suit your society but unquestionably there is a plan which will. Search for it through believing prayer and through faithful work. True is the proverb that no plan works of itself, and certainly every missionary plan must be empowered through prayer.



PROGRAM for APRIL



The list of reference material given at close of this program is the chief source used in the preparation of this program, and credit is hereby given for facts and suggestions derived therefrom as well as for matter quoted in whole or in part. Further interesting material and help may be found in this listed material and in leaflets suggested in this number which may be obtained for a few cents from W.M.U. Literature Department, 1111 Comer Bldg., Birmingham, Ala. See list of leaflets on page 3.

Prepared by Mrs. C. D. Crossman, Tennessee

Topic: HEROINES of the CROSS

Hymn—In the Cross of Christ I Glory
Bible Study—A New Creature: Galatians 6:1-10, 14, 15 (See page 14.)
Prayer of thanksgiving for the cross with its life-giving power
Hymn—Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone?
True Heroism
The Heroine of the Frail Barque
The Heroine of Many Difficulties
The Heroine of Many Revolutions
The Heroine of the Quiet Ways
The Heroine of Sunny Italy
Prayer for all foreign mission heroines
Hymn—Awake, My Soul
A Heroine among Foreigners
A Heroine of the Red Race
The Heroine of Smoky Mountain
The Heroine of the Big Canal
Prayer for all home mission heroines
Other Heroines
Personal Stories—The Greatest Heroine I Have Ever Known
Hymn—Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken
Prayer that we may be heroines of the cross

TRUE HEROISM



THE world has had many heroes and heroines — heroes and heroines of war, of exploration, of adventure, of industry, but the greatest of all are the heroes and heroines of the cross. The cross is the highest expression of heroism. He who hung on the cross, dying to save a lost world, is the greatest hero the world has ever known. True heroism is living the deeper meaning of the cross. It is being Christ-like in character, in conduct and in conquest.

It is love—love of country, of family, of cause, of God—love expressing itself in service and sacrifice. True heroism forgets self in living for others. It suffers any dangers and endures any hardships that a righteous cause may prevail. It attempts the impossible, conquers the unconquerable and attains the unattainable.

The pages of history glow with the names of heroes and heroines whose courageous deeds reflect the glory of the cross and make a shining path of achievement down the years. However, we need to realize that not all heroism is in the past. Not all the heroes and heroines are among the dead. There are those today living as nobly and working as mightily as did any hero or

heroine of the past. Dangers are being faced with a brave spirit today, difficulties are being conquered with a determined spirit today, sacrifices are being made with the heroic spirit today. The cross in the lives of men and women today is producing heroes and heroines just as it always has and always will. As we study the topic of this program, "Heroines of the Cross", we shall not think of Ann Judson, Lottie Moon and others who have wrought nobly in the past, but we shall give our attention to some living today who, because of their courageous spirit, sacrificial service and marvelous achievements, deserve to be called heroines of the cross.

THE HEROINE of the FRAIL BARQUE

SHE was in the midst of the ocean on a small sailing vessel, not Ann Judson, but another Anne just as lovely in her personality, just as brave in her spirit, just as determined in her purpose—another Anne, sailing through dangerous waters in a frail barque, bound for a strange land where she and her husband were to be its first Baptist missionaries. It was Anne Luther Bagby who, with her young husband, was going to tell the story of Jesus in Brazil. Like the other Anne she had left fond and anxious parents behind. Her father was president of Baylor College in Texas and her mother a member of the faculty. These, with the students and other loved ones, had bade her farewell with the sorrow of those who part never to meet again, for they considered hers a wild and reckless venture from which there was little hope of returning. Like the other Anne, while tossed by the great waves in the tiny vessel, her thoughts turned with fond longing back to the dear ones at home. She wrote in her diary: "Dreamed last night, as usual, of my dear home folks. Each face comes to me by turn. What kind fortune to be permitted to spend a portion of each night at home!" Again she wrote: "Oh my beautiful mother! Your little girl will never forget you". Like that of

the other Anne, the journey of Anne Bagby was long, tiresome and dangerous. Both she and Dr. Bagby were very ill for most of the trip, and more than once they thought that the vessel was going down. But again, like the other Anne, Anne Bagby was sustained by the consciousness of the presence of Jesus. She wrote: "I feel that Christ is in this vessel. Oh that I could always feel thus sensibly near Him!"

"For forty days, like Noah of old, those young enthusiasts rode upon the bosom of the waters and for forty nights the girl's father paced the campus of Baylor College, praying for the safety of the ship with its invaluable cargo, while in the cloister of her heart the mother could measure the depth of her grief only by the index of her faith". But a great day came, the day when a cablegram brought the news of the safe arrival of the Bagbys in Rio de Janeiro. "My! how the bells rang! The big bell in the wobbly belfry on the apex of the college roof clanged and shrieked, and the dinner bell, whose rack was screwed to the west porch railing, rang so fast that it choked and stuttered in its ecstasy!" But the bells that rang the sweetest were the chimes of gratitude in the hearts of the parents because their beloved daughter had reached in safety the land of her dreams. However, down in Brazil no bells rang. Unheralded and unnoticed the two lone missionaries entered the land which was to be the scene of many years of heroic service.

You must remember that this is not the story of one whose memory lives on though she has passed away, but it is the story of a real, live heroine. Anne Luther Bagby lives today, though it has been over fifty years since that frail barque landed its heroine on Brazil's fair but sin-cursed shores. Her life in Brazil might be compared to the journey of that barque which carried her through dangerous waters to the southern land. She entered upon that life with the same spirit of daring adventure with which she went aboard the frail boat, and the years have brought

dangers far more perilous than any that beset the little vessel of long ago. Imagine being the only Baptist missionaries in a land as large as the United States, where the priests, the people and the government itself were opposed to the very work which they had come to do. Oh the loneliness of it, the difficulty of it! They were called children of the devil, demons and deceivers. The Bibles they distributed were torn and burned by the priests. Mrs. Bagby saw her husband struck in the face, spat upon, reviled and stoned. She herself lived under conditions that were almost impossible and endured hardships that were almost unbearable. But this heroine of the frail barque kept steadily in her course, endured with patience every hardship, sailed in the calmness of her faith through every difficulty and today she stands with her husband on a shore of achievement more glorious than they dreamed of fifty-one years ago. There are now in Brazil about thirty-five thousand Baptists and a network of Baptist churches and schools that reach to nearly every section of the country. What satisfaction it must be to Mrs. Bagby to see the things which have come to pass in the years of her service in Brazil! How glad she must be because half a century ago she dared to leave the safe shores of home-love to sail the seas of missionary adventure for Jesus' sake.

THE HEROINE of MANY DIFFICULTIES

DURING the forty-four years of her service as a missionary in China Mrs. Janie Lowrey Graves has been the heroine of many difficulties. However, long before she went to China and became Mrs. Graves she began facing and overcoming difficulties. First she was bereft of the husband of her girlhood. Then, when she heard the call of God for missionary service in China a difficulty arose in the opposition of her father. This difficulty was especially serious because that father was General M. P. Lowrey, president of Blue Mountain College, a consecrated

pastor and a loyal supporter of the missionary cause. He would have been willing and glad for a daughter of his to go to a foreign land with a husband or brother but with the southern gentleman's idea that a woman must be protected, he could not believe that Janie should go alone. It is little wonder that the girl almost doubted the call, for it seemed that the father, who lived so close to God and served Him so faithfully, would understand His will better than she. But God kept calling and, as the impression became stronger and stronger, she made up her mind that she must go to China. Her father gave his unwilling consent and went with her to Richmond to consult with the Foreign Board. There she met with another difficulty, for on account of lack of funds the Board could not send her. She would not give up and, when opportunity came to work among the Chinese in California, she gladly accepted it. Her father, still unconvinced and still opposing, went with her to Middleton, Tennessee, from which place she was to make the through journey to California. After purchasing her ticket and checking her baggage he left the depot to speak to some friends and when he returned found his daughter in tears. "What is the trouble, my child?" he asked. Then she tried to tell him how it was crushing her heart to feel that she was doing a thing against his judgment but that she had to obey God even against the judgment of the father whom she loved and admired more than any person in the world. At that moment a message from Heaven seemed to come to the heart of the father. He himself broke down weeping as he said: "Janie, I am the one who has been wrong. Go on to your work with your father's blessing. I know now that you are called of God to this work".

With another difficulty overcome, this lovely daughter of a great father began her work for the Chinese. For six years she served in Chinatown in San Francisco, and then in 1888 she sailed for China as a missionary of the Southern Baptist Convention. In her second year

in China she married Dr. R. H. Graves, veteran missionary. Thirty-five of her forty-four years in China have been spent in the Pooi To (*Poh-ih Toe*) girls' school, much of the time as principal. In this work she has met difficulties that seemed insurmountable. Lack of funds and equipment, inadequate staff, indifference, opposition, interference, storms, floods, fires, revolution, wars and rumors of wars are some of the difficulties which she has overcome with a spirit of heroism unsurpassed in the annals of missionary history. When funds were insufficient did she stop? No! Instead she paid the deficit from her own meager income. When the buildings became too small did she give up? No. She built more buildings. Thrice in times of crisis she erected temporary buildings at her own expense there in Canton.

A great test came to this heroine in the death of her husband in 1912. A less heroic soul might have returned to America, feeling that her work was done. But not Mrs. Graves! She stayed in China, refusing even to take a furlough until her health demanded it. A fellow missionary calls her "The heroine who stays by the stuff", for she seems afraid to lose even a few months from her work. She has not had a regular furlough for sixteen years.

The passing of the years has brought another test—a crucial test. Mrs. Graves has developed a serious eye-trouble and her sight has become dim. Even this sorrow has been accepted without a word of complaint. In a recent letter she said, "While I am well and able to see everything I need to see I have much to thank the Lord for." "With a spirit that cannot be crushed by trials and hardships and with joy that comes from above, this heroine of many difficulties lives the motto she has followed through all the years, 'This one thing I do'."

THE HEROINE OF MANY REVOLUTIONS

YOU would expect to find the heroine of many revolutions in Mexico and that is exactly where she

is. The going of Mrs. Hallie Garrett Neal (*M.D.*) to Mexico was itself both a revolutionary and an heroic experience, for she gave up a lucrative practice in her home town because doctorless multitudes below the southern border were calling, "Come over into Mexico and help us!" Having once answered this call by going to the physical and spiritual aid of the Mexican people, Mrs. Neal refused to allow anything to take her from her post of duty. Revolutions come and revolutions go, but Mrs. Neal stays ever faithful to her beloved work.

At the time of the revolution in 1910 all other S.B.C. missionaries left the country, seeking a place of safety. But Mrs. Neal and her husband refused to abandon their work. The Mexicans paraded the streets crying, "Death to the Americans!" but the Neals remained on duty. The United States government ordered all Americans to leave the country, but a very sick patient needed Mrs. Neal's attention, so she refused to go. Thrilling and perilous were the experiences of this heroine during those exciting times. Once she and her husband crossed two lines of soldiers to carry help to the Mexican pastors who for months at a time did not receive their salaries. She faced every danger with a spirit of calm fearlessness and rendered heroic service to those who especially needed her attention during those hectic days.

Other experiences besides revolutions daily test Mrs. Neal's bravery. She goes to the very poorest people if they need her professional or spiritual aid. She never refuses to attend the most contagious and filthy diseases. In Toluca (*Toe-loo-har*, with accent on second syllable), when there was an epidemic of typhoid fever, she converted her home into a hospital, taking in many sick children, doctoring and nursing them with tenderest care. Thus Mrs. Neal proves her heroism not only by the thrilling deeds of revolutionary times but by the quiet deeds of daily, consecrated living.

THE HEROINE OF THE QUIET WAYS

A FELLOW missionary, in writing of Mrs. Dozier, says: "Her life has been less spectacular than any of our workers. She is the dearest, sweetest, most unselfish, most untiring person that ever lived. But there are personalities that work very quietly, and she is such". So we have chosen to call her "The Heroine of the Quiet Ways".

Mrs. Dozier is a child of the W.M.U. for, as little Maude Burke, in a Sunbeam Band in Statesville, N. C., of which her own mother was a leader, she received her first missionary impressions. As a student in Meredith College her one desire was to be a foreign missionary. She went to the W.M.U. Training School and there in Louisville met Mr. Dozier, who was studying at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. They were married and with two other couples went out to Japan in 1906. One who saw Mrs. Dozier as a bride, just before she sailed for Japan, remembers her looking very lovely in a black lace dress and a black lace picture-hat, adorned with a big red rose. All the loveliness of her personality, all of the strength of her Christian character Mrs. Dozier has given unstintingly to the Japanese, standing nobly by her husband in every project of his missionary service. Much of her work has been in the boys' school at Fukuoka (*Foo-koo-oh-kar*, with accent on third syllable). It is said that there is not a shrub or a plant on that campus that Mrs. Dozier didn't see in her dreams before it was real.

This child of the W.M.U. of the south might be called the mother of the W. M. U. of Japan, for it is more her work than that of any other person. She has toiled untiringly for its success, traveling many weary miles, visiting struggling missionary societies, attending conventions where she had to sleep on the floors of the comfortless hotels, writing uncounted pages of literature, promoting plans born of her fertile thinking and intense interest and doing

everything possible that the beloved work might go on.

Perhaps Mrs. Dozier's light of heroism shines brightest in her own home. There she has been the ideal housekeeper, the ideal mother, wife and daughter. Hers has been the task of building strong bodies for her two children and keeping an aged mother well when climatic conditions and the poorly heated Japanese house in which they lived made it almost impossible. About two years ago she made that supreme sacrifice of the missionary mother—she left her children in America while she went back to the work in Japan. Any mother who for Christ's sake places the width of the ocean and the stretch of the years between herself and her children, committing to other hands what she longs to do for them herself, is a real heroine and deserves to have her name carved high among the world's great. Mrs. Dozier is in Japan today, still working with the W. M. U., still ministering to her husband as he serves in a field of seven large cities, still making her home Christlike in its beauty, still "The Heroine of the Quiet Ways" in her daily ministrations of love for the Master.

THE HEROINE OF SUNNY ITALY

MANY are the hero tales of ancient Rome, but this is a heroine tale of modern Rome. The old Roman heroes achieved by their physical prowess, but she excels in spiritual graces. It would seem that God intended Mrs. Lucy Taylor Whittinghill for special service, for more than once in times of serious illness He has almost miraculously saved her life. Her brother, Dr. George Braxton Taylor, thinks that she might be called "The Heroine of the Strong Will", for her tremendous will power has given her the victory in many a trying hour. He tells this humorous story of her girlhood. When she was living at Appomattox a gentleman well known in Virginia and Washington paid her marked attention, coming often to take her driving behind two high-stopping

horses. He insisted on "addressing" her, but she told him she would drive no more with him unless these overtures ceased. On the next drive, violating his agreement, he wooed again. Presently they came to a gate and he got out to open it. She drove through the gate and on home, leaving the would-be lover to trudge the mile or more alone. Surely this was a demonstration of a strong will!

However, we choose to call Mrs. Whittinghill "The Heroine of Sunny Italy", for she is both the daughter and wife of men who have wrought mightily in the land of the Caesars, and most of her life has been spent under Italian skies. She lives in Rome today, and her apartment in a building on an important corner has become "the house by the side of the road" to many, both tourists and Italian friends who have enjoyed its hospitality and felt the benediction of its gentle hostess. The Italian pastors make this their home, when in Rome, and often pile in—bag, baggage and children—to claim Mrs. Whittinghill's hospitality. It is said that Mrs. Whittinghill knows the birthdays of all the children of the Italian pastors and sends to each some remembrance every year. This is no small task, for there are sixty-nine churches in Italy, each church with a pastor and most of the pastors with several children.

Mrs. Whittinghill's days are filled with heroic service as she visits the people of the churches and the sick in homes and hospitals. Often she goes with Dr. Whittinghill to visit the churches and mission stations in various parts of Italy. These trips are not easy, for some of the churches are in remote villages where there is little comfort for the foreign visitors. Yes, greater than all the heroes of old Rome is this heroine of sunny Italy, who reflects in her own life the sunshine of God's love.

A HEROINE among FOREIGNERS

"I CAN'T do it! I just can't!" This was the way that Miss Mary Kelly felt when, soon after her mother's death in 1902, she heard the

call of God for missionary service. It did seem that she had good reasons for feeling that she could not be a missionary for she was already fifty years old, had had no special training other than the experience of local church work and, besides, had a strong aversion to speaking and praying in public. But she loved the cause of missions and for a long time had been praying that God would call some one in her church for special service. Now that He was laying His hand on her how could she refuse? The heroic soul of Mary Kelly said: "I will do it! I will conquer every difficulty and be a missionary!"

It took great courage for her to enter the Baptist Training School in Chicago at the age of fifty. It took real heroism for her to take her place in the classes with students many years younger than she. But the hardest thing she had to do was to take part in public speaking and prayer. She says: "When I tried to speak or pray, somehow the tears would flow, my throat would choke up and I would feel that I was the most helpless worker in the Training School. Yet I felt a happiness in my soul that I never knew before, for I knew that the Lord understood all about my backwardness and frailties and that He was pleased with my doing my best, weak and humble though it was".

In spite of all these difficulties Miss Kelly stayed in the Training School until she graduated in 1904. After that she served in various fields, finally returning to Illinois to work among the foreigners. Since 1916 she has been in her present work at Christopher. She is really a foreign missionary at home, for she ministers to people speaking twenty-six different languages. She does her work through a Good Will Center and through visiting in the homes. Speaking of the Good Will Center she says: "I have industrial schools, dress-making, cooking, rug-making, crochet, tatting, embroidery, manual training and other classes and have Bible stories for them all".

The story of Miss Kelly's visitation

sounds like a tale of the evangelistic missionaries in foreign lands. She goes not only into the homes of the people in Christopher but takes excursions into the nearby towns, visiting the foreigners and leaving with them Gospels and tracts in their own languages. Recently she spent a day in a town seven miles away and made seventy-two visits. This is remarkable, especially when we realize that she is now eighty years old. Most of her visiting is done on foot, too. She is a marvelous walker and, while friends carry her in their cars to the far-away places, she sometimes walks many miles in a day visiting her beloved foreigners. She not only gives generously of her strength but also of her money. English Bibles are furnished free through the Bible Fund of the Sunday School Board, but all foreign testaments and literature must be bought, and the price of most of these is paid out of Miss Kelly's meager salary.

"A heroine among foreigners!" Such is Miss Kelly! She gives herself wholly to them, seldom if ever thinking of her own comfort or pleasure or well-being. She loves her foreigners and they love her. One recently said: "I wish Miss Kelly could live a hundred years longer". We wish so too. We know that she will live a hundred years and forever in the lives of those whom she has led to Jesus.

A HEROINE of the RED RACE

THE red race has produced many heroines of the cross but none greater than Jane Cooper, the wife of our missionary to the Kickapoos. Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence describes her as one of the most attractive women of her race or of any race. "She is of moderate build, slender, with creamy complexion and beautiful jet black hair. She has a sweet, gentle manner, low clear voice, sunny smile and a firm but charming way of speaking in public".

Perhaps Mrs. Cooper's greatest work was winning her own husband to Christ. When they were married she was al-

ready a Christian, doubtless due humanly speaking to her training in the Murrow Orphans' Home; but Mr. Cooper was a very wicked man. The faithful wife prayed for him with a persistent faith that would not give up. He says most gratefully that she is the one he could never "get around" when he tried to put off the pleadings of the Holy Spirit. Her prayers and the gentle influence of her life finally won him, and he and she together have done a marvelous work for God among their own red people.

Though both of them belong to the Chickasaw Tribe they have been missionaries to the Kickapoos ever since their student days at Oklahoma Baptist University. While in the university they would drive the 15 miles from Shawnee to the Kickapoo reservation in their own car, paying all expenses themselves. The Kickapoos are a backward people, living in wigwams and pounding out their grain by hand just as their fathers did when Columbus came to America. Until the Coopers began working with them the Gospel had never been preached to them before. Of course the work was difficult, and only those of unusual Christian heroism could have done it. But the Coopers have been faithful to this hard task, and there is now as the fruit of their labors a little Kickapoo church of thirty members with a Sunday school, W.M.S. and Sunbeam Band.

The work of the Coopers has not been confined to the Kickapoo tribe. For many years Mrs. Cooper was superintendent of the W.M.U. of the Oklahoma Baptist Indian Association. Under her consecrated leadership this work has grown until there is now in nearly every little Indian church a thriving W.M.S. and in many of them young people's organizations as well.

On account of ill health Mrs. Cooper has recently had to give up much of her work, but she still renders all the service her limited strength will permit. For her charm of personality, for her spirit of heroism, for her remarkable achievements in the face of diffi-

culties, for her wonderful life of service in the Master's name we honor her and delight to call her "A Heroine of the Red Race".

THE HEROINE OF SMOKY MOUNTAIN

GET aboard a train in Knoxville and ride to the little Tennessee town of Sevierville. Wait there for several hours for the back which is being sent to meet you. Then ride for four or five hours over an almost impassable road, sometimes rolling over huge rocks, sometimes pulling through deep mud, crossing one creek twenty-one times, jostling and bumping and twisting and turning, creeping on up and up until after a whole day of unpleasant experiences you come to Smoky Mountain Academy. Oh, no! You wouldn't have to go that way today, but that is the journey Miss Mamie Grimes took sixteen years ago when she began her work at Smoky Mountain Academy. Every time she went to town this tiresome trip had to be made, only sometimes she walked eight miles to Pigeon Ford to get the back to Sevierville. But walking was nothing to "Miss Mamie", for she often tramped six or eight miles over the mountain trails to some community to make a talk in the interest of the School of Missions.

Life in Smoky Mountain Academy in those early days was not easy. The buildings were rude, poorly heated and poorly equipped. The water problem was always a serious one. At first it was carried from a spring at the foot of a hill over a quarter of a mile from the teachers' cottage where they kept house at the time. Later a well was dug nearer the house. Even when a generous friend had water piped into the new dormitory not all the trouble was over, for the pump often got out of fix and the old method of carrying water had to be resumed. Even as a teacher Miss Grimes endured more than her share of these hardships, but when ten years ago she became principal of the school she took on her shoulders responsibilities which would have

staggered a less heroic soul. Besides being principal, business manager, matron, nurse and sometimes housekeeper she taught from eleven to fifteen periods a day. In the summer she busied herself filling the pantry shelves with canned vegetables, fruits, jellies and preserves in order to lessen the living expenses of the students through the winter.

The largest salary this heroine ever received was one hundred dollars a month, and during the years the school was supported by the Home Board she never received the full amount, for always out of the appropriation from the Board she paid the teachers first, taking what was left for herself. One whole year she received absolutely nothing for her services. Almost all the money she has received has been put back into the school. No mountain girl or boy, seeking an education, has been turned away from Smoky Mountain Academy, for always she has found some way to meet the expenses of all who came and often it has been paid out of her own meager funds. Not only that, but more than once she has helped to a generous degree graduates of her school who have gone on to college.

As we learn the story of this woman who has lived so nobly and wrought so wonderfully we wonder how she could have done it all. But we must remember that it is doing the impossible through the power of God that makes the heroine. This woman of the mountains recently married a "Hill" but, nevertheless, Mrs. Mamie Grimes Hill will always be the "Heroine of Smoky Mountain" to hundreds of boys and girls who attended her school and to many others who know the story of her consecrated service at Smoky Mountain Academy.

THE HEROINE OF THE BIG CANAL

MRS. STEPHEN WITT might be called "The Heroine of the Islands", for much of her most heroic service for the Master was given

on islands of the West Indies. While in this work she and her husband endured almost unendurable hardships. Two children were born without a doctor or nurse, and later two beautiful children were taken from them and they were compelled to leave the others, though still small, in England on account of the dangers of the climate in which they lived. Sometimes they went for weeks without mail—no letters from loved ones, no papers or magazines or news! Sometimes they went hungry because food was scarce. They lived mostly on fish and native vegetables. Once the natives brought to them from a wrecked vessel a great luxury—two potatoes! After much discussion they decided to eat one and plant the other. The one eaten gave them much pleasure, but the one planted was a disappointment, for it produced no potatoes.

However, we are more interested in Mrs. Witt's experiences in Panama for, as "The Heroine of the Big Canal", she is ours—our own home missionary sent to represent us at that strategic spot where all the nations of the world meet. The Witts went to Panama when the canal was being constructed, so were there when life was exciting, interesting and perilous. Their work was with the Indians in Colon. About three months after their arrival a terrible fire destroyed almost all of Colon. The Baptist Church building, only one year old, and an old framed building by its side which was used as a pastor's home, were destroyed. The Witts lost practically everything they had. Of course things were hard, for they had no church and no home, and the people were discouraged; but they went to work with the spirit of heroism and soon a new building, larger and better than the other, was erected.

Dr. and Mrs. Witt gave twenty-one years of service in Panama. It meant living away from their children much of the time and other sacrifices too numerous to mention. To the question, "Was it worth while?" Mrs. Witt answered about as follows: "I know of no other life more worthwhile. Of course

there were disappointments and discouragements, difficulties, problems and dark days. Many of these were caused by the fact that the Christians in the homeland were not supporting the work as they should. Want of sufficient help and equipment sometimes made us feel like giving up, but at such times it seemed that God sent some bit of extra encouragement and up went our spirits and we went on rejoicing in the fact that He was using us and blessing us and, at least in some measure, making us a blessing to others". So spoke the "Heroine of the Big Canal" like the real heroine she is.

OTHER HEROINES

BEAUTIFUL are these stories of missionary heroism, and our hearts have thrilled and rejoiced as we have heard them. But we come to the end dissatisfied because we realize that there are many others who should be included among these heroines of the cross. Indeed every one of our women missionaries on home and foreign fields are heroines of the cross, courageous and noble, worthy of our praise, honor and emulation. They have endured separation from loved ones, have seen their children sicken and die without the care of a physician, have buried dear ones with no human friend to comfort, have unarmed and unafraid faced bands of ruffians, have been "in perils of rivers, in perils of robbers, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea". Even now they are enduring great hardships as they send their children away from them for an education, as they stay at their posts of duty in spite of wars, revolutions, floods and lost health, as they give of their meager salaries to support orphan children, to supply necessary equipment for their stations or to pay debts largely made by the indifference and selfishness of southern Baptists, and as they do a thousand other heroic things about which we know nothing.

Then there are still other heroines: the W.M.U. secretary who travels over

all sorts of roads and in all sorts of conveyances and endures all sorts of hardships that the women of her state may be enlisted in the missionary cause; the associational superintendent who gives her time and energy untiringly to the Master's work; the W.M.S. president or other officer who carries her work on her heart continually and who seldom if ever spares herself if that work needs her. Then there is a great company of unknown heroines: women who endure with patient grace and a courageous spirit the trials which have fallen to them; mothers who give up their children for service in lands far-away; wives who carry the burden of the home that husbands may do the

work to which God has called them; women who toil in the office or in the factory or in the home to serve their loved ones and the Heavenly Father; women who do without pleasures and even comforts that they may give to the Lord's work; women who teach Sunday school classes and lead young people's organizations and visit the sick and fill their days with loving service done in the Master's name. These are heroines of the cross, unknown perhaps except to the Master who alone has the measure of true heroism. Surely this study of heroines has inspired us to emulate the courageous spirit of these and so to live that we too shall be heroines of the cross.

"These climb' the steep ascent 'to' Heav'n,
Through peril, toil and pain;
Oh God, to us may grace be giv'n
To follow in their train!"

(In preparation of this program the editor is deeply grateful to each of the following for sending to her at her request information about these heroines of the cross: Miss Helen Bagby, Mrs. M. L. Berry, Miss Mary Anderson, Rev. A. R. Gellimore, Mrs. Wesley N. Jones, Miss Lolita Hannah, Dr. George Braxton Taylor, Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence, Miss Blanche White, Miss Katie Sipple, Mrs. R. L. Harris, Miss Margaret Buchanan and Mrs. Susan J. Arevalo. The editor wishes to give a special word of appreciation to Mrs. M. L. Berry of Blue Mountain, Miss., who graciously furnished facts about her sister, Mrs. Graves: Mrs. Berry is herself one of the southland's greatest heroines of the cross.)

QUESTIONS for REVIEW and DISCUSSION

1. What is true heroism?
2. Mention some foreign missionary heroines of the past.
3. Mention some foreign missionary heroines of the present.
4. What in your opinion is the greatest hardship which the foreign missionary has to undergo?
5. How do the hardships of the foreign missionary today compare with those of the pioneer?
6. Mention some home mission heroines of the past.
7. Mention some home mission heroines of today.
8. What in each of the stories given in the program is to you the greatest mark of heroism?
9. Mention some heroines of the cross whom you have known.
10. How may each of us be a heroine of the cross?

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YOUNG WOMAN'S AUXILIARY



Miss Juliette Mather, W.M.U. Young People's Secretary

LOOKING to RIDGECREST Y.W.A. CAMP



HAUCER of old England with a beguiling twinkle in his eye sang merrily of the days when April with her showers sweet caused folk to long to go on pilgrimage. Nor have times and instincts changed: April still brings a whimsical desire for change, so announcements for camps are eagerly awaited. The southwide camp season of Young Woman's Auxiliary comes June 14 to 24 in 1932. Plans have been in the making ever since last summer's goodbyes were regretfully spoken, and anticipation of coming again or going for the first time has been growing more keen in the interim months. Now the closeness of the date urges definite completion of arrangements for going to Ridgcrest. Let your W.M.S. and your church be certain of sharing in the enthusiasm which results from attendance at Ridgcrest Y.W.A. Camp by making it possible for one or several of your young women to be present there. Some societies set apart a sum of money to be divided among several young women who can each bear part of the expense themselves, others send a young woman outright to camp knowing she will bring back an abounding zest for Kingdom work. The Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgcrest is unique in bringing together young women from practically all of the states of the south with missionaries from many lands, many daughters of our missionaries, who are beneficiaries of our Margaret Fund and are summering busily at Ridgcrest, and several of the officers of

Woman's Missionary Union. Nowhere else will young women have opportunity of contact through the days with both Mrs. Cox and Miss Mallory and other W.M.U. and S.B.C. leaders.

This anniversary year with its Y.W.A. emphasis should see even more than 350 young women at Ridgcrest this summer. Our goals for the year call for high endeavor and noble effort. Sharing in Y.W.A. camp experiences will be exceedingly valuable in helping Y.W.A.'s reach these goals. Our organization aim is a total of 5025 auxiliaries. This is no small increase but is one that is possible with united effort. The new organizations will naturally bring growth in membership but the Y.W.A. spirit of fellowship calls for enlistment of many new members in existing organizations also. By the new members there will be an according enlargement of gifts, but a deeper sense of stewardship will also help in gathering into the treasuries of our churches for Kingdom use the \$125,000 set as our 1932 goal in gifts. Y.W.A. needs the encouragement and prayerful help of every W.M.S. member to achieve these anniversary goals and their substantial assistance in going to Ridgcrest Y.W.A. Camp will be profitable to this end.

Copies of the Y.W.A. Anniversary Souvenir Booklet containing the full text of Mrs. Cox's radio message on February 11 and the complete messages of greetings from distinguished friends and foreign organizations are available. Order from W.M.U. Literature Department, 1111 Comer Bldg., Birmingham, Ala., for 15c a copy. You will want one for your own treasure and one for every Y.W.A. memory book.—Juliette Mather



OUR YOUNG PEOPLE



Miss Juliette Mather, W.M.U. Young People's Secretary

APRIL SHOWERS BRING



PRIL showers bring May flowers" according to nature but in W.M.U. realms of missionary education they bring a variety of results. The first April showers should bring a host of organization reports pouring in to state headquarters at the close of the first quarter of 1932 on the last day of March. Reports are valuable from every aspect. They are valuable from the standpoint of the organization in that the necessary checking up of activities brings to attention the many matters yet to be accomplished. Sometimes when we feel we have been busily engaged in all phases of missionary education the quarterly report blank indicates that our mission study class is still to be held or that magazine subscriptions are to be urged or that personal service is to be made more worthwhile by increased care in planning. Perhaps our attendance has seemed gratifying, whereas the accurate counting and averaging shows a weakness that the membership committee can readily overcome by enlisting more new members and

by guarding against unnecessary absences. Showers of new members will be exceedingly appropriate in buoyant April as well as showers of magazine subscriptions which will make the editorial headquarters of "World Comrades" and "The Window of Y.W.A." rejoice greatly.

A splendid magazine outlook for 1932 was inaugurated by marked increase in renewals and new subscriptions of January over those of January, 1931. This indicates the growing popularity of "World Comrades" and "The Window of Y.W.A." Those who subscribe and use them fully profit by their informational and inspirational contents. Many young women delight to read "The Window of Y.W.A." from cover to cover and our young people watch eagerly for the arrival of "World Comrades" with its wealth of stories and its letters of interest, as well as the interesting program plans contained in each. Yet our Union is concerned for those organizations, which attempt to do missionary education without these tools for their work, and for the young people who are deprived of the joy of the monthly visits of "World Comrades" and "The Window of Y.W.A." In these April days let every W.M.U. young people's

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Whoever things are of good report: if there be any virtue and if there be any praise, think on these things.—Phil. 4:8

ANNUAL SESSION PLANS



N a few weeks from now we shall meet in annual session. One of the most helpful and delightful experiences of our W. M. U. annual meeting is the privilege of our Margaret Fund Committee meeting for its "get together". There we "think on these things" that have a good report, much virtue and some praise.

This Margaret Fund meeting will be held this year on Tuesday, May 10, commencing at 9 o'clock that morning in the First Congregational Church in St. Petersburg, Fla. We do trust that every state chairman will be present. If impossible to attend, please see that the woman who will represent your state knows about the Margaret Fund work and will take back to your state such information that, should there be any virtue or praise, your state may truly think on these things.

The annual luncheon of the Margaret Fund Committee will as usual constitute a delightful feature of the day's session, it being a time in which informal exchanges of plans and purposes can be most helpful. It also affords a fine chance for each of us to know each other better and to develop that oneness of accord and purpose which is laden with rich promises.

By April the twenty-fifth we are sure that the state chairmen will already have reported to the southwide chairman concerning their year's work. Certainly the good reports of the students

mothered will be marked, and should any students have attained special praise during the year such information will be included in the report.

Carefully will the states watch that every beneficiary, who is eligible to renewal, will have the application sent in to the chairman so that due consideration may be given each application. Should there be any not deserving such, because of lack of good report, this also will we be mindful to think on. We do rejoice in a long list of splendid students, the majority of whom deserve much praise.

The state chairmen will become more familiar with the required standard for awarding scholarships, so that there shall be no irregularities in applications, for certainly the object of our fund is to assist the missionaries with the education of their sons and daughters and we rejoice that the missionaries praise God for this help. The students who are eligible for assistance from this fund are the sons and daughters of regular S.B.C. missionaries in active service or of a former missionary who had to retire on account of ill health incurred in active service or of one who at death was serving under the Foreign Mission Board or under the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in countries outside of the United States.

We are happy to include the sons and daughters of our missionaries who were retired on account of ill health incurred in active service and whose health continues to be seriously impaired. 'Tis well also for us to remember that each application is granted annually and that

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TRAINING SCHOOL

Miss Carrie U. Littlejohn, Principal

STUDENTS and the MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE



ORE than 2000 students assembled in Buffalo, N. Y., December 30, 1931-January 3, 1932, for the eleventh quadrennial convention of the Student Volunteer Movement. These conventions have had great influence on Training School students throughout the years. It has usually been possible for us to send our full quota of delegates. Students denied themselves of other things in order to have this great religious experience of a student generation. But this year conditions were different. We were glad to have four going out of a possible quota of twelve, two making the trip at their own expense and two having part expenses paid by the combined efforts of the student body, resident faculty and staff, one missionary society and one Sunday school class. We feel that it was a worthwhile expenditure. Brief messages from these delegates will indicate to you their reactions and impressions.—*Carrie U. Littlejohn*

The picture of the world today in chaos and distress; the realization of untold problems in mission work: the glow in the heart because the living Christ in the world today is felt to be the only solution; the stupendous definition of our task—"to make Jesus Christ known, trusted, loved, obeyed, exemplified in individual life and in all human relationships"; the assurance that the way of love works but that "the way of love is the way of the cross": such memories are indeed priceless to those who feel and will feel the

challenge and inspiration of Buffalo.—*Elisabeth Hale, Virginia*

Buffalo brings to my mind a great throng of young people from all nations united for one common purpose—that of making Christ known to the whole world—realizing that this and nothing else will solve all of our problems. It made me realize more fully the responsibility we Christians have in giving the message to others and in keeping our feet planted firmly at the foot of the cross. I came away with the conviction that when we again hear from this great throng each one will be found in his place of duty, moving in the direction God is moving. "Lead on, Oh King Eternal!"—*Lola Ledwell, Tennessee*

Fellowship! A beautiful spirit of fellowship, regardless of race, color or church affiliation! All were in one accord, with one mind, one interest, one love and one challenge. Information! Great speakers gave us a world vision, showing that by effective world-wide missions, peace can be realized and other international problems solved. The round table discussion groups brought Christian attitudes to bear on problems that baffle youth. Inspiration! Beautiful inspirational music! A choir, students of Westminster Choir School, lifted us closer to the Master. Devotion and quiet times of meditation brought us face to face with our God. Challenge! To me Buffalo meant, above all else, a greater challenge to help our young people, as they earnestly seek, amid many difficulties, to serve Christ.—*Mildred Jett, Virginia*

Buffalo called us to another way of life. It called us to be world citizens; away from national and denominational

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BOOK REVIEWS

Mrs. Julian P. Thomas, Virginia

A. C. DIXON, A ROMANCE of PREACHING



N reviewing the biography of A. C. Dixon, this page departs from its usual custom for a number of reasons. First, because Dr. Dixon was a staunch champion of Woman's Missionary Union in those early days when there was much opposition to woman's organized work; and second, because Miss Mary Faison Dixon, Dr. Dixon's daughter, was W.M.U. young people's secretary for the years 1916 and 1917. In addition, the former editor of ROYAL SERVICE, Mrs. W. R. Nimmo, accompanied Mrs. Dixon to England and assisted her in procuring material for the biography.

The title—"A. C. Dixon, A Romance of Preaching"—is descriptive, for the book gives the story of a life consumed by a burning passion for the bringing of souls into the Kingdom. Born in 1854 in the little town of Shelby, N. C., of deeply religious parents, A. C. Dixon lived through the troublous times of the Civil War and reconstruction: thus he early learned to disregard difficulties. He was converted under his father's preaching and, while attending Wake Forest College, had an experience which turned him from the law to the ministry. Going one day to report that his father was too unwell to preach, he was asked to conduct the services. This he did and, at the request of the church, continued to hold services for two weeks with such results that he felt this was his call.

He attended the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, then located in Greenville, S. C., but did not finish his

course, being called to a church at Chapel Hill, the seat of the University of North Carolina. Later he accepted a call to the Asheville Church where he took his young wife, Miss Susan Mary Faison, whom he had just married. His passing from one pastorate to another was always conditioned on the opportunity for greater service. Only when he could reach out from his church to the lost world beyond was he satisfied. He went from Asheville to Baltimore, to Brooklyn, to Boston, then to D. C., Moody's church in Chicago and later to Spurgeon's Tabernacle in London, where he was pastor during the World War. Returning to the United States after the war, Dr. Dixon was engaged in holding conferences until he entered upon his last pastorate at the University Church of Baltimore.

Much of his time and strength was spent in combating modernism, which he felt was sapping the heart of religion. It was on a trip to China about this time that the faithful wife, who had been indeed his helpmeet, laid down her life and was buried in that foreign land. Grieved in spirit but full of courage, he returned to take up his work in America.

He was blessed later to find another companion in the widow of his dear friend, Charles M. Alexander. It is to her we owe this record of a beautiful life which closed its earthly record in Baltimore in 1924. The book is written in most attractive style and holds the interest of the reader from beginning to end. Order from State Baptist Bookstore, price \$5.

GUINNESS of HONAN
A MOST delightful biography, charmingly written, is "Guinness of Honan". It is the life of Dr. Whitfield Guinness of the China Inland Mission, written by his sister, Mrs. Howard Taylor, whose other books depicting life

in the China Inland Mission are well-known.

Not the least delightful part of the book is the story of the beautiful family life, in which Whitfield grew up, and the founding by his father, H. Grattan Guinness, of Harley House in London for the education of missionaries. This and the establishment of Cliff House, also a school for missionaries—both without funds and begun and carried on through faith—read like a miracle of Bible times. From these two centers have gone out fifteen hundred missionaries to all parts of the world.

Whitfield Guinness seems to have been an ideal character. A fine physician, a gifted musician, a winning personality, he was loved and admired wherever he went. All his gifts, however, were subordinated to a burning desire to bring others to Christ. He chose Kaifeng as the most needy place for his ministrations, and there built up a hospital that was destined to bring

healing of both body and soul to the natives.

The story of the Boxer troubles—when for days Dr. Guinness with four others, including a baby, lay huddled in what was said to be a haunted loft and finally escaped by what seemed to be a miracle—is thrilling. The care given both friends and enemies by the doctors and nurses in this hospital shows of what heroic stuff missionaries are made. Through these strenuous days runs the beautiful love story of the doctor and the lovely Swedish missionary whom he married.

When the doctor and his wife returned from a furlough in 1912, they found the Chinese in the throes of civil war. Again the hospital did heroic work. The death of Dr. Guinness in 1927 from typhus, contracted from a patient, closed a life glowing with missionary fervor and achievement.

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when the plans were being made for the 1931 offering it was not known that the incompleting goal of the 1930 offering was not just \$10000 but that it was really \$13070. Accordingly this referendum seeks the permission of donors to the 1931 offering to add this \$3070 to the preferred item of \$10000, thus changing the total for the four preferred items from \$106000 to \$109070.

In the definitely designated gifts mentioned above were the full amounts desired for Mr. Nelson's motor boat, for Sao Paulo school and for Pingtu hospital. Accordingly the causes awaiting help are as follows:

Allowances for children, rent and travel of the 100 missionaries whose salaries are included in the \$109070

Church Building Loan Fund of South Brazil, to be first loaned to First Baptist Church of Santos

Church Building Loan Fund of Argentina, to be first loaned to Once and Constitucion Churches in Buenos Aires

Translation and publication work in foreign fields

Church and parsonage for Sugamo Baptist Church in Tokyo, Japan

Pooi To Academy for Girls, Canton, China

When one contemplates that the aim set for these several causes was \$82500 and that the Foreign Board may not receive appreciably more than the \$154000, then it is all the more apparent that it will be of immediate benefit if this referendum is ratified by the donors to the 1930 and 1931 Lottie Moon Christmas Offerings. Please pray that in this and every other W.M.U. undertaking the will of God may be known and followed.—Kathleen Mallory

CHURCH SCHOOL

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the school is conducted by Spirit-filled teachers, there will be a revival in the hearts of the students and they will become witnesses in their own community of the love and saving power of Christ. Surely once a year is not too often for the whole church to give undivided attention for one week to the purpose for which it was organized.—Mrs. Ida M. Stallworth, Alabama

From OUR MISSIONARIES

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wailing: "Oh, he was all we had, our only child! How could God be so unkind as to take our only son?" Then that Christian doctor told her how God so loved that He gave His only Son. Surely such love could never be unkind!

I did not hear the rest of the story, for my car came. But I am sure there was—or will be—a sequel. For God's Word does not return void. As I rode back to the city, I thanked God for Jorge Castellanos and all the other Cuban Christians—doctors, business men, servants, day laborers, school teachers—who, like Dr. Castellanos, are bearing witness to the power of the Gospel. I gratefully acknowledge their invaluable help to your missionaries in our task of winning Cuba for Christ.—Mrs. H. R. Moseley, Havana, Cuba

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

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director, every counselor, every W.M.S. member enlarge the number of magazine subscriptions from the young people with whom each has contact.

Young people's W.M.U. directors and counselors will also find that a study of the correspondence course planned for their organization will mean larger development of proficiency in missionary education. We will rejoice in a shower of enrollments for the various correspondence courses as outlined on page 53 of the W.M.U. Year Book.

But reports have a value in encouraging all hearts by the realization of the results of our united effort. The feel-

ing of togetherness, which comes from knowledge of missionary education organizations here and there and everywhere throughout our southland, even into other lands, is heartening. One has said that "together" is the biggest word in our language; certainly the esprit de corps which comes from knowing the combined activities of all of us together is encouraging in every way. And when we of W.M.U. remember our permanent W.M.U. watchword, "Laborers together with God", the word is vast in assurance and inspiration, compelling us to renewed activities in April, in every month. Our reports, our earnest efforts in all phases of missionary education will certainly bring us to serve unitedly with each other and with Him.—Juliette Mather

MARGARET FUND

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every such scholarship is a gift of love from Woman's Missionary Union. We praise God for the loving response in the hearts of the women for this Margaret Fund cause and we do earnestly pray that the coming year shall find ample funds to meet the need of every regular request.

"Think on these things" and may the coming together of this—your—Margaret Fund Committee be the beginning of "attempting great things for God and expecting great things from God". Pray ye for this meeting.—Mrs. Frank Burney

TRAINING SCHOOL

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mindfulness to world mindedness, world patriotism and world vision. It called us from race prejudice to a brotherhood with all peoples, to cooperation with every Christian enterprise, organization, church and race, for one common purpose. Buffalo called us to less of self, for complete dedication of all that we are and can be, to a more conscious dependence upon Christ, a deeper communion with Him and a larger acquaintance with His way of winning the world.—Gwynn McLendon, Kentucky



CURRENT MISSIONARY EVENTS



Discussed by Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

This seems to be a year for the observance of many notable anniversaries in W. M. U. circles. We are celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the establishment of this magazine and the beginning of the work of our young women in Y. W. A.'s and of our W. M. U. Training School in Louisville, Ky. Six years hence the W. M. U. will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary and all of us in the ranks, right now, should begin a sustained effort to the end that the reports in 1938 of work accomplished will be worthy the labors of our hands, of the devotion of our leaders and of the Lord whom we serve.

The story by Rev. and Mrs. U. S. Mitchell of China's Untouchables (*the lepers*) on Tai-Kam Island calls to mind one who "followed in His train". Speaking of their visit to Tai-Kam they tell us that in a cove near the main building of the leper colony are two dormitories for women and a memorial chapel, "a symbol of the courage and influence of Carrie Bostick Lake, who so generously gave of her strength and finally her life to this noble work". Here they hope to house the women with a Bible woman as adviser and helper.

A convention of over 2000 enthusiastic students, representing 500 educational institutions of the United States and Canada, having met for the purpose of seeking to discover and put into practice the way to make Christ known to others and to make His principles dominant in every realm of life, is a sight to thrill the heart. Such was the Student Volunteer Convention which met in Buffalo the first of the year. Its motto, "The Living Christ in the World Today", was fulfilled in every feature of the four-day program.

In the summer of 1929 the China Inland Mission made an appeal for 200 new missionaries. Thirty-two new workers were sent out that autumn, forty-six in 1930. Then came the time of testing when in all homelands there was a strong resistance to the appeal for new workers. A day of prayer was set therefore and observed by the Mission throughout the world. Near the close of 1931, 185 new workers were actually in China or on their way there with 15 others accepted and preparing to sail, thus completing the full number of 200.

In Bessarabia, that territory transferred from Russia to Rumania following the World War, Baptists at the close of the war numbered about 200. They now number 9200 and reported nearly 1500 baptisms for their last fiscal year.

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It is only two blocks from the First Congregational Church, in which on Tuesday, May 10, the eight southwide W.M.U. committees will meet and in which on Wednesday and Thursday, May 11-12, the annual sessions of Woman's Missionary Union will be held. The Princess Martha Hotel is only 4 1/2 blocks from the Coliseum, in which the Southern Baptist Convention will hold its sessions commencing on Friday, May 13. Those desiring reservations in the W.M.U. headquarters hotel will please write directly to the

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S.B.C. REPORT on W.M.U. WORK

At the St. Petersburg meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention the report on the work of Woman's Missionary Union is scheduled to be called for at 7:10 on Friday, May 13, in the Coliseum. Thirty-five minutes have thus been graciously granted for the report of the Convention's Committee on W.M.U. Work, the committee being as follows: Dr. C. W. Darden, N. C., chairman; Rev. Robt. E. Humphreys, Ky.; Mrs. W. J. Neel, Ga.; Mrs. John F. Vinea, Mo.; Mrs. P. B. Lowrance, Tenn.; Mrs. J. B. Boatwright, S. C. Please pray that this committee's report will greatly advance the missionary zeal and activity of southern Baptists.