

Royal Service

"Cocks Crow for Dawn"

Mark 13:35

A LITTLE wind, before the hour of dawn.
Is rustling all the tree tops on its way.
Now all is quiet and the whisper gone:
Night yet holds sway.

There comes a call from off the distant hill—
A cock is crowing in some hidden bound.
A nearer voice replies. No longer still—
Night rings with sound.

How commonplace the note! Yet we recall
That One we love has said in words that burn:
"It may be that at cock crow will befall
My sure return".

No poetry of bird song did He name
As His reminder to the loving heart—
But humble cock crow, day by day the same—
To play that part.

At even, midnight, morning He may come.
But by the cock crow of the early morn
Our Lord reminds some time He'll take us home—
Cocks crow for dawn!

—Edith Crane Lanham

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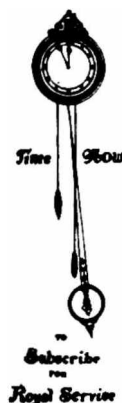
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EDITORIAL

A MOMENTOUS MEETING

Mrs. F. W. Armstrong, President W.M.U.



The Forty-sixth Annual Meeting of W.M.U. is undoubtedly a most momentous one. On other pages will be found its tentative program. It will be understood that many of its contemplated features are not yet ready for positive announcement but this preview of the program reveals its far-reaching importance.

Unusual interest will center around the vote upon the recommendation of the W.M.U. Executive Committee and state corresponding secretaries that hereafter our Union shall hold **biennial meetings**. This action, recounted in the ROYAL SERVICE editorial for April, was reached after careful, prayerful deliberation. It should receive like consideration by the Union in this annual meeting. You are reminded that the following opinions guided the Executive

Committee in its recommendation: (1) Meetings held every two years could be made times of high inspiration—meeting for longer periods without the hurry that restricts our programs under the present plan; (2) More help could be brought to the state meetings in the intervening years, thus developing W.M.U. life; (3) That large savings of money could be effected and the cause of denominational missions would be advanced thereby. These were thoughts of major emphasis leading to the recommendation. Because of its great importance it is expected that it will be thought over and prayed about by those who shall come as delegates, upon whom will rest the power of decision. Full information is given that it may receive wide and thoughtful consideration.

Mention was made last month of the high and hopeful note characterizing the mid-year meeting because of the reported large increase in the Lottie Moon Offering. This note has become a psalm of praise. Because W.M.U. members gave as they prayed there is assured for this annual meeting the most heart-lifting experience southern Baptists have known in years. Anticipating favorable action by the Union upon a recommendation of its Executive Committee the Foreign Mission Board has agreed upon the appointment of **eight new missionaries** to sadly depleted fields. Our program provides the soul-stirring experience of setting apart these missionaries to their God-called service. What a privilege to share it!

It is now too early to anticipate the results of the Thank Offering for Home Missions. We covet for our Union a similar experience in meeting great and appealing Home Mission opportunities. The opening of some new fields was proposed by the Home Board secretary through our Week of Prayer literature. How the holy memories of the approaching meeting will be deepened if our offering makes possible this advance in home fields. Let us glean that it may be a reality!

Even the routine matters covered in the program promise many highly interesting and appealing features. We believe it provides much which will furnish practical help and splendid inspiration for the every-day tasks in W.M.U. work.

Believing that the 46th Annual Meeting is a truly momentous one we trust
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ANNUAL MEETING

Tentative Program

Forty-sixth Annual Meeting of Woman's Missionary Union
Fort Worth, Texas, May 14-16, 1934

Committee Meetings—May 14

Monday, 9 A. M.—Margaret Fund

Monday, 11 A. M.—General Board of W.M.U. Training School

Monday, 2 P. M.—Joint Session of W.M.U. Executive Committee and State W.M.U. Corresponding Secretaries

The Southwide Committees on Mission Study, Personal Service, Stewardship, Missionary Education of Young People will also convene at 9 A. M. on May 14.

REGULAR SESSIONS of ANNUAL MEETING

Broadway Baptist Church

Theme: "CROWN HIM LORD of ALL"

Monday Evening, May 14

7:30 Hymn—"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (Tune: Miles Lane)

Devotional—Candidate for Foreign Service

Greeting

Presentation Chairmen Hostess Committee—Mrs. B. A. Copass, General

Chairman of W.M.U. Committee on Arrangements

Response to Welcome

Organization

Miscellaneous Business

Young People in W.M.U.—Program under direction of Miss Juliette

Mather, Young People's Secretary

Tuesday Morning, May 15

8:15-8:45 Prayer Service (Missionaries Leading)

9:00 Opening of Morning Session

Hymn—"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (Tune: Coronation)

Devotional—Candidate for Foreign Service

Minutes by Recording Secretary—Mrs. H. M. Wharton

Appointment of Committees

Election of Nominating Committee

Reports

Treasurer and Auditor

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Mallory

Young People's Secretary—Miss Mather

Polishing Precious Stones for His Crown

The Training School

The Margaret Fund

Hymn

President's Message

Prayer

Tuesday Afternoon, May 15

2:00 Hymn

Devotional—Candidate for Foreign Service

Prayer—A Home Missionary

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 Southwestern Training School
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 Recommendation of Executive Committee as to Biennial Meeting of W.M.U.
 Coronation Gems
 Personal Service—Mrs. P. B. Lowrance
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 Stewardship—Mrs. Carter Wright
 Missionary Address

Tuesday Evening, May 15

- 7:30 Hymn—"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (*Tune: Miles Lane*)
 Devotional—Candidate for Foreign Service
 Presenting Missions and Missionaries, Home and Foreign

Wednesday Morning, May 16

- 8:15-8:45 Prayer Service (Missionaries Leading)
 9:00 Opening of Morning Session
 Hymn—"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (*Tune: Coronation*)
 Prayer—A Home Missionary
 Minutes by Recording Secretary—Mrs. Wharton
 Reports of Boards of Managers
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 On Resolutions
 Appreciation
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 Election of Officers
 Miscellaneous Business
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 Devotional—Candidate for Foreign Service
 "He Shall Reign"
 Dedication of Missionaries
 Charge to Organizations
 Charge to Candidates for Foreign Service
 Dedicatory Prayer
 Adjournment

EDITORIAL (*Concluded from Page 4*)

that it will be deemed of genuine importance to have the delegation fully representative of our great constituency. Meeting in the far west it will perhaps require greater care that our states shall all be adequately represented. Because of the far-reaching import of the actions of this meeting we appeal to you to surround it with your prayers. Pray that our human wills may be utterly submerged in God's divine will—that in our personal lives, in all our W.M.U. activities, and in every venture for the Kingdom we may ever "Crown Him Lord of All".

PRESIDENT W.M.U. to BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE

SCHELDOM if ever has this magazine felt as exhilarated—really, as important!—as it now feels in its proposed plan to defray most of the traveling expenses of the Union's president to the Baptist World Alliance this summer. A small part of the expenses will be paid out of the interest accruing from the small but thrifty savings of the Union but to this magazine is given the privilege of supplying the major part. A subsequent issue will doubtless give Mrs. Armstrong's sailing date and address, telling much also as to her itinerary and plans in general. It is believed that as she journeys she will be conscious of the prayerful interest of W.M.U. organizations and members, particularly of those whose loyal support of this magazine are largely responsible for her traveling expenses. "In return" ROYAL SERVICE readers make only three requests of Mrs. Armstrong: *first*, that she thoroughly enjoy the trip from start to finish; *second*, that she bear greetings to Baptist women and young people in the many foreign fields she will be privileged to see; *third*, that she "tell all about the trip" in her eagerly anticipated editorials for ROYAL SERVICE.—*Kathleen Mallory*

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS in W.M.U. CONSTITUTION and BY-LAWS
 IN THE April issue of this magazine explanation was made of the proposed plan for biennial sessions of Woman's Missionary Union. Accordingly due notice is being served as to the following suggested changes in the W.M.U. constitution and by-laws:

Omit from constitution the word *annual* in:

1st sentence: articles III, VII

Title: articles IV, V

Twice in article IV, also words *each year*.

Omit from by-laws the word *annual* in:

1st sentence: articles 1, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11

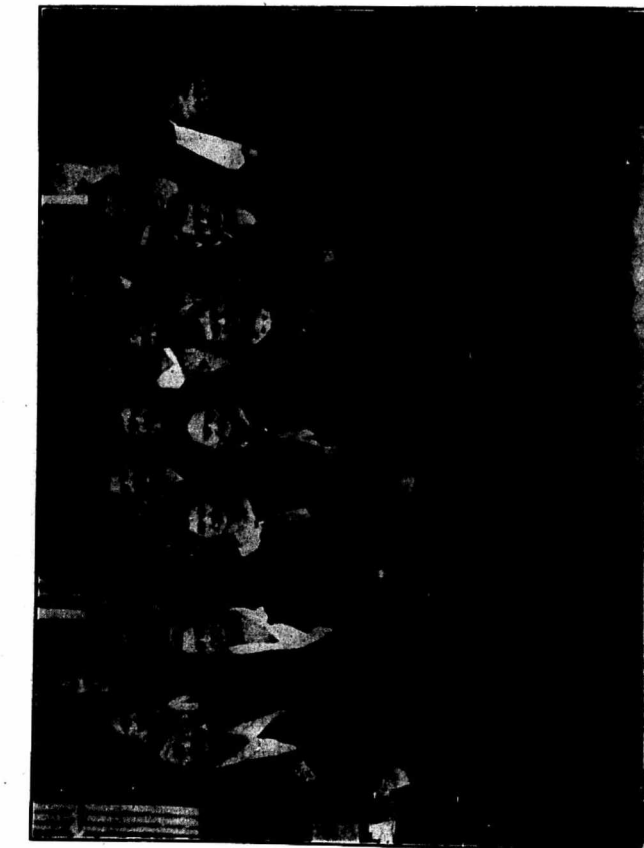
2nd sentence: article 8

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ANNUAL MEETING

GETTING READY for YOU in TEXAS

"The eyes of Texas are upon you" is the official song of the University of Texas.

To paraphrase, the eyes of southern Baptists are turned toward Texas now because of the annual meeting in May of S.B.C.

This body does not venture west of the River, often—eight years since it met in Texas last.

Texas Baptists will expect the Baptists of Fort Worth and vicinity to measure up to Texas tradition: "Do things in a big way". Show true western hospitality, here "where the west begins", although Fort Worth is many miles east of the geographical center of the state.

W.M.U. committees are being formed to anticipate every need for pleasant and profitable sessions. These committees, necessarily local, will have in mind the seventeen districts of the state, comprising more than a hundred associations, with a total of 4,500 W.M.U. organizations. This interest will challenge the committees to highest endeavor.

Texas' history is unique and glorious, but you will not be coming to visit her historical shrines—distances are too great.

Fort Worth has played an important part in the development of one of Texas' most picturesque industries—cattle. As this is being written the headlines in today's newspaper say: "Attendance of 27,800 is on the grounds opening day". The Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show is being held where meetings of S.B.C. will be. All meetings of W.M.U. are to be in Broadway Baptist Church.

As we plan and pray for your coming, may you pray that the message of the Risen Lord to His disciples be realized by all: "Lo, He goeth before you".

To be in Texas in blue-bonnet time,
 When each breeze reveals a sweet story
 Of the bursting of bud and of prodigal bloom
 As the earth is renewing her glory—
 Is to drink deep of joy in dear common things;
 To give to tired spirits wings
 To outsoar cares that fret and annoy.

So, I travel the highway—or byway, it may be—
 Where hillside and prairie wear the dress of the sky;
 Where bird lovers call softly from bush and from tree,
 And the 'bonnets nod gaily to each passerby.

Red, is the heart's blood of her heroes of old;
 Blue, is the faith of her pioneer bold;
 White—the stainless honor of her womanhood,
 Not purchased with gold—

So, I travel the highway—or byway, it may be—
 Where hillside and prairie wear the dress of the sky;
 Where bird lovers call softly from bush and from tree,
 And the 'bonnets nod gaily to each passerby.

—Mrs. B. A. Copas, Texas

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FROM OUR MISSIONARIES



BRAZILIAN W.M.U. CONVENTION



"O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber fields of grain" kept going through my mind as the train wound its way through Sao Paulo enroute to the National Baptist Convention in Santos. For miles there lay out before the happy group of messengers the vast fields of rice, banana plantations, orange orchards, grape vineyards, coffee fields, corn and vegetable gardens. In this cosmopolitan state many tongues are heard and many races mingle together in friendliness. Sao Paulo is Brazil's most progressive center with a brisk air and fraternal friendliness found in few places. It has felt through many years the impact of European and American influence. There are Baptist churches not only in the native Portuguese but in Lettish, Russian, Hungarian, Syrian and other languages. Whole colonies are Baptists.

A most interesting train carried us over the mountains, under the tunnels and through the valleys to Santos, the world's greatest coffee port. One panorama of beauty after another was passed, hundreds of green peaks reaching up into the blue above, waterfalls and flowers, mosses and ferns in abundance. Santos came in view lying lazy and more tropic-like on the arm of the Atlantic, the port that has so often opened her arms to other races.

The W.M.U. meeting was presided over by Dona Sara Costa, the wife of the Foreign Mission Board secretary, who expressed often great appreciation of the cooperation of her sisters of Woman's Missionary Union. After all, women of the southland, it is only a step between our two Americas and that step is very short when one's loved ones live on both sides. Dona Sara's hair is turning gray, but she was only a girl when she took part in the organization of the Brazilian W.M.U. twenty-five years ago. Through these years she has spread the mission spirit among the womanhood of her country and has been a staunch, loyal friend of the missionaries—a faithful co-laborer with Miss Minnie Landrum, our beloved secretary.

Soon after the opening of the meeting, greetings were read from Miss Mallory and enthusiastically received. A beautiful spirit pervaded the whole meeting with no discordant notes to mar its spirituality and fraternity. Women of many races, citizens of the same Kingdom, planned the work of the Master together in perfect harmony.

Miss Landrum was elected to represent the Brazilian W.M.U. at the Baptist World Alliance. Her plans for the new year were heartily received. Her work and that of Miss Simpson, the field representative were spoken of in terms of great appreciation.

Plans were laid to continue the usual cooperation with Foreign and Home Mission Boards, promoting evangelism in Portugal, among the Indians and foreigners. A new phase of service was added, that of helping ministerial and training school students receive their education. Due to the fact that missionaries become fewer every year, greater effort must be put forth in the education of native pastors and girls. We have few needs so urgent as that of educating the worthy young Brazilians who so long to go to school. The women will make a special effort on Education Day to help meet this need.

Y.W.A.'s will continue to support one of their own young women, who works

in the interior as school teacher, missionary and almost preacher. The Sunbeams will continue to have their annual Children's Day program with its offering to missions and the mothers will stress Vacation Bible School work for them. It was voted to observe again the World Prayer season and to make greater strides in evangelization.

We could not close the report of this splendid meeting without expressing our gratitude to Brazilian women for their hospitality to us who work among them, for their vision and consecrated spirit of cooperation. It should be added also that many men attended the sessions and some of them were bold enough to say that they enjoyed these sessions more than any part of the whole Convention. They were extremely generous in their expression of appreciation for the W.M.U. Only harmony and understanding have existed between woman's work and all other denominational causes. This is in a large measure due to the sweet spirit and broad mind of our W.M.U. secretary along with others who cooperate with her, such as D. Sara Costa, Anna Watson, Ruth Randall and Edith Allen—*Rosalie Mills Appleby, Brazil*



Partial Group of Brazilian W.M.U. in Annual Session in January in Santos—This First Baptist Church of Santos, Brazil, was helped a few years ago by the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.—*Seated from Left to Right* Miss Blanche Simpson, Field Worker of the Brazilian W.M.U.; Dona Sarah Costa, President; Miss Minnie Landrum, Secretary-Treasurer; Dona Mathilde Ferreira, Organist of First Baptist Church of Santos.

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BIBLE STUDY



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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: "COME YE BLESSED"—Matt. 25:34-40

THE King of kings invites His subjects to take possession of the Kingdom. This is not an ordinary kingdom; but it is the Kingdom of Glory. More wonderful still, it is prepared for you: "Come, ye blessed". Happy is the person who accepts Jesus as God's Son and trusts Him for salvation. Happy is the one for whom the Kingdom is prepared. He is happy in doing righteous acts. He is highly favored. He is blessed forever.

Wherever the word "blessed" is used with reference to God it means praise: "Blessed be Jehovah" (1 Sam. 25:32). Where man is blessed, the meaning is happy or highly favored (Psa. 1:1; Luke 1:42; Matt. 5:3). The beatitudes enumerate causes for happiness. Precious are the promise to the poor in spirit, the meek, the pure in heart, the peacemaker. Good or evil toward one of the least means good or evil toward the Son, the Saviour of the world.

Do you know the topic of your missionary program today? It is "Baptist Avenues of World Service". Are those avenues crowded? Are we enjoying the history of Baptists since the beginning of the Triennial Convention and overlooking opportunities to serve today? There is a deep sense of loyalty among southern Baptists. As a denomination we are "laborers together with God". Our relation to our Lord is most important. Kingdom citizenship is the greatest privilege offered to any man. It will do you good to know what others have done to serve the King. Then what will you do?

It is from Matthew's own story that we learn his trade before he became a Christian (Matt. 9:9, 10). His obedi-

ence to his Lord brought him the opportunity of an evangelist. Later his was the privilege of writing a Gospel which keeps on blessing the world after nearly twenty centuries have passed. Suppose he had not followed the Lord of the Kingdom who said to him, "Follow Me!" Do you think we have ever appreciated what it meant to Matthew to leave the means of getting rich to become the disciple of the lowly Nazarene? When this act following Matthew's prompt decision had been put upon canvas, the great art critic Ruskin saw in it a perfect example for us. He said: "If we had to choose one out of all the books of the Bible for a prison or desert friend the Gospel according to Matthew would be the one we should keep".

So Matthew left his golden gains. At the great Master's call; His soul the love of Christ constrains Freely to give up all

"The tide of life was at its flow,
Rose higher day by day;
But he a higher life would know
Than that which round him lay.

"To one sweet Voice his soul doth list
And, at its 'Follow Me',
Apostle and evangelist
Henceforth for Christ is he.

"O Saviour! when prosperity
Makes this world hard to leave,
And all its pomps and vanity
Their meshes round us weave:

"Oh, grant us grace that to Thy call
We may obedient be;
And, cheerfully forsaking all,
May follow only Thee".

Calendar of Prayer May, 1934

Prepared by Mrs. Maud R. McLure, Georgia

I CANNOT see the long night's walk
As my lantern I flash ahead
If I look I see but the ghosts that stalk
In faces of haunting dread
But I can walk in the circle of light
That blazes my way through the heart of the night.

Topic: Baptist Avenues of World Service

1—TUESDAY

Pray for President John R. Sampey and all departments of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.
We are bound to give thanks to God all ways for you.—1 Thess. 1:3

2—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Williams, literary work, Shanghai, China, and James Williams, Margaret Fund student.
Seek ye Jehovah and His strength.—Psa. 105:4

3—THURSDAY

For Miss Mattie Baker, Girls' School, Sao Paulo, Brazil.
The Lord is faithful who shall establish you.—1 Thess. 3:3

4—FRIDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Yocum, medical and evangelistic work, Pingtu, China.
Yet shall the righteous hold on his way.—Job 17:9

5—SATURDAY

For the editors of *The Window of Y.W.A.*
Jehovah is my light.—Psa. 27:1

6—SUNDAY

Pray that God's Spirit may lead in southern Baptist organizations for world service.
Not by might nor by power but by My Spirit, saith Jehovah.—Zech. 4:6

7—MONDAY

Pray for Rev. R. E. Pettigrew, evangelistic work, Porto Alegre, Brazil, and Robert W. and Woodrow W. Pettigrew, Margaret Fund students.
There is no want to them that fear Him.—Psa. 34:9

8—TUESDAY

For annual sessions of W.M.U. of District of Columbia, Washington, May 8.
Only be strong and very courageous.—Josh. 1:7

9—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. I. N. Patterson, evangelistic work, and Mrs. May Perry, educational work, Abeokuta, Nigeria.
Cast thy burden upon Jehovah.—Psa. 55:22

10—THURSDAY

For Dr. T. J. Watts, secretary Relief and Annuity Board, Dallas, Texas.
God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love.—Heb. 6:10

11—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Earl Parker, evangelistic work, Pingtu, China.
God keepeth covenant and lovingkindness with them that love Him.—Deut. 7:9

12—SATURDAY

For Mrs. Fannie Taylor, missionary among Italians, Tampa, Fla.
Be glad in Jehovah, ye righteous.—Psa. 97:12

13—SUNDAY

For divine guidance for sessions of Southern Baptist Convention and W.M.U. Auxiliary to S.B.C., Fort Worth, Texas.
Be strong and of good courage.—Josh. 1:9

14—MONDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Hipps, Shanghai University, Shanghai, China.
It is Christ Jesus—who also maketh intercession for us.—Rom. 8:34

15—TUESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. D. G. Whittinghill, evangelistic and educational work, Rome, Italy, and Robert Whittinghill, Margaret Fund student.
Behold, we call them blessed that endure.—Jas. 5:11

16—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Newton (on furlough), evangelistic work, Tsingtao, China, and Gene Newton, Margaret Fund student.
To the man that pleaseth Him God giveth wisdom.—Ecd. 2:26

Attended W.M.U. Training School

Calendar of Prayer

May, 1934

I CANNOT see the end of the way
That winds and climbs and falls.
Not even the portion set for today,
Nor what the next hour befalls.
But with face to the breeze and with steady tread
I can walk in the road as it opens ahead

Sheldon Shepard

Topic: Baptist Avenues of World Service

17—THURSDAY

Pray for Miss Marjorie Spencer,
Colegio Bautista, Temuco, Chile
A good name is rather to be chosen than
great riches—Prov. 22:1

18—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Branch,
educational work, Saltillo, Mexico
Trust in Jehovah and do good—Psa. 37:3

19—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. D. F. Stamps,
evangelistic work, Yangchow, China
I will give you a mouth and wisdom—
Luke 21:15

20—SUNDAY

Pray that southern Baptist Sunday
schools and B.Y.P. Unions may
train our people in the study of
God's Word and in duties of church
membership.
Give diligence to present thyself approved
unto God—II Tim. 2:15

21—MONDAY

Pray for Rev. and Mrs. C. W.
Stumpb, missionaries among In-
dians, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Jehovah God is a sun and a shield—
Psa. 84:11

22—TUESDAY

For Miss Olive Riddell, evangel-
istic work, Kweichow, China, and for
Miss Clifford Barratt, evangelis-
tic work, Pochow, China
The upright shall behold His face—
Psa. 11:7

23—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Muir-
head, educational work, Rio de
Janeiro, Brazil, and Ernest and Su-
die Pearl Muirhead, Margaret Fund
students

If God is for us who is against us?
—Rom. 8:31

24—THURSDAY

For Miss Florence Jones, nurse,
Pingtu, China
Ye were enriched in Him—I Cor. 1:5

25—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Deter,
evangelistic work, Curitiba, Brazil
Jehovah will keep thy foot from being
taken—Prov. 10:25

26—SATURDAY

For Miss Grace Wells, educa-
tional work, Chinkiang, China
Unto Thee do I pray—Psa. 5:7

27—SUNDAY

Pray that through her graded sys-
tem of societies for women, young
people and children Woman's Mis-
sionary Union may give the mis-
sionary message to all the world
Go ye therefore—Matt. 28:19

28—MONDAY

Pray for all departments of our
home mission work
We must work the works of Him that
sent Me—John 9:4

29—TUESDAY

For Miss Lolita Hannah, educa-
tional work, Kokura, Japan
No good thing will He withhold from
them that walk uprightly—Psa. 84:11

30—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Erhardt Swen-
son, evangelistic work, Bahia
Blanca, Argentina
Jehovah is merciful and gracious—
Psa. 103:8

31—THURSDAY

For all Baptist organizations the
world around
If we walk in the light—we have fellow-
ship one with another—I John 1:7

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

FAMILY ALTAR

Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

Topic: "COME YE BLESSED"—Matt. 25:34-40

THEY precepts and Thy heavenly grace
I set before my eyes;
Thence I derive my daily strength,
And there my comfort lies.

NOW I am Thine, forever Thine;
O save Thy servant, Lord:
Thou art my shield, my hiding place;
My hope is in Thy Word.

"Come Ye Blessed"

1st Day—Matt. 25:34-40
2nd Day—Matt. 5:1-13
3rd Day—Psa. 1:1-6
4th Day—Psa. 84:1-12
5th Day—Luke 14:16-24
6th Day—Matt. 11:28-30
7th Day—Mark 1:16-20

"Of My Father"

8th Day—I Chron. 29:10
9th Day—Psa. 68:5; 89:26
10th Day—Isa. 64:8
11th Day—Matt. 3:17; 6:45; 6:4, 8, 9
12th Day—Matt. 7:11; 10:20; 29, 32, 33
13th Day—Matt. 11:25-27; 12:50
14th Day—Matt. 13:43; 15:13; 16:17, 27

"Inherit the Kingdom"

15th Day—Matt. 8:11; 18:3, 4
16th Day—Luke 1:33; 2:10; 17:21
17th Day—John 18:36, 37
18th Day—Psa. 2:8; 47:8; 66:4
19th Day—Psa. 72:5, 8, 11, 17, 19
20th Day—I Cor. 15:24-28
21st Day—Mark 13:10

"Prepared for You"

22nd Day—Psa. 111:9; 130:7
23rd Day—Matt. 20:28
24th Day—I Cor. 1:80; 6:20
25th Day—Gal. 1:4; 2:20; 4:4
26th Day—Titus 2:14
27th Day—I Pet. 1:18, 19
28th Day—Rom. 14:17
29th Day—John 14:1-15
30th Day—John 14:16-31
31st Day—Rev. 6:9, 10; 7:14

"Pray Ye"



Thank God for salvation through faith in Jesus Christ.

Praise God for His plan for world redemption and for the privilege of being His collaborator in bringing in the Kingdom.

Intercede for world-wide missions, calling the countries one by one.

Ask God's guidance for missionaries in their perplexities.

Pray for: (1) Committees in Ft. Worth in charge of countless details connected with annual meeting of Southern Baptist Convention and Woman's Missionary Union; (2) Dr. M. E. Dodd and Mrs. F. W. Armstrong as presiding officers; (3) deliberations and decisions of both annual meetings; (4) Baptist World Alliance; (5) all phases of W.M.U. work, especially its emphasis on stewardship of tithes and offerings, mission study, personal service, enlistment, missionary education of young people including their many camps.

Intercede for persecuted Baptists and other Christians in Russia and in many lands such as Poland and Romania.



Miss Isabelle Coleman, Virginia

POSTER SUGGESTION

Copy B.W.C. cut Underneath: Announcement of or invitation to meeting

INVITATION

On sheets of paper paste pictures of a home from which is drawn an avenue leading to the church (kodak picture of the church), and from the church outline many avenues of service, naming these for Baptist organizations

TOPIC: BAPTIST AVENUES OF WORLD SERVICE

Call to Worship: "How Firm a Foundation" (All hymns in this program were written by Baptists.)

Call to Prayer: Violin Solo— "My Jesus I Love Thee"—Silent prayer

Call from Jesus: Matthew 25:34-40

Prayer in Song: "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

News from the Fields: (See pages 10, 11.)

Message in Music: "The Morning Light Is Breaking"

Introduction: Organization for Evangelization (See page 18.)

Early Baptist History: The Triennial Convention (See pages 19, 20.)

Dialogue: Yesterday and Today (See pages 19-21.)

True Soldiers of the Cross: The Hundred Thousand Club (See page 23.)

Baptist Brothers around the World: The Baptist World Alliance (See pages 23, 24.)

Dramatization: How Columbia Joined the Baptist World Alliance (See pages 24, 25.)

Poster Talk: "How Loyal Am I?" (See pages 25, 26.)

Prayer in Song: "My Jesus I Love Thee"

AVENUE MARKERS for MAY

1. The annual session of the Southern Baptist Convention will begin in Fort Worth, Texas, on May 16. Any business woman will find profit in taking a week of her vacation for attending this 79th session of the Convention in its 89th year of growth and service.

2. The 46th annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, will convene on May 14-16. If a B.W.C. cannot send a delegate to both the W.M.U. meeting and the Southern Baptist Convention, it will do well to choose to send a representative to the W.M.U. meeting. Let's talk to the local W.M.S. president about immediate plans for this spiritual adventure for the most world-minded member of the circle.

3. August 4, Berlin, Germany, is a date and place that should be on every Baptist European traveler's itinerary for this summer. The Baptist World Alliance is the reason why every business woman who can, will want to be registered present at this roll call of the nations.

PROGRAM PLANS

Mrs. T. M. Pittman, North Carolina

With the PROGRAM COMMITTEE



Woman's Missionary Union studies for this year have gone back to the very beginnings of missions: From the day of Pentecost on through the spread of Christianity, then through years of persecution, through times of popularity to easier days when the zeal of Christians abated. We studied of the awakening of the church and of the beginnings of modern missions.

For this month's topic we have the appropriate one of "Baptist Avenues of World Service". Our great Southern Baptist Convention holds its session in May in Fort Worth, Texas, and each society should have special prayer for God's blessing and guidance on the deliberations and decisions of that body. The Woman's Missionary Union will also be in session at the same time and place. Questions of unusual import and far-reaching effect will be brought before the women. It is therefore of the greatest importance that prayers be offered for the delegates who must vote upon these matters. No Baptist church is bound by the decisions of the Convention, yet the Boards of the Convention work under the instructions of the Convention. It is the same with the Woman's Missionary Union. It has no power to force societies to do one way or another. Yet loyal societies who trust the careful and prayerful decisions of delegates and W.M.U. leaders are ready and eager to adopt plans and methods as offered by the Woman's Missionary Union annual session.

With this clearly in mind the Program Committee will find it easy to arrange an interesting meeting for May. A brief statement may be made of the organization of the Triennial Convention

and of its later division into the Northern and Southern Baptist Conventions. But most of the information should come through the dialogue "Yesterday and Today". Two women who will enter heartily into the spirit of the dialogue should be chosen. If it is not convenient to have "Mrs. Yesterday" and her quaint costume she may be represented by some one in modern dress who reads the items from a letter dated 1845. As she reads these bits of news, "Mrs. Today" gives her contrasting figures. A few changes will be needed but only simple ones easily made.

"Mrs. Today" may finish her part of the dialogue by telling of the "Baptist World Alliance" and of the "Baptist Hundred Thousand Club".

The poster talk "How Loyal Am I?" should close the program. It is carefully described on pages 25 and 26.

Societies that cannot carry out the dialogue between "Mrs. Yesterday and Mrs. Today" may develop "My Great-Grandmother's Flower Border". The leader should have a bowl of tulips or of other flowers on the table before her. She may explain that way back in 1814 our Baptist great-great-grandparents planted a garden for us. It held but one bulb—The Triennial Convention. She tells of this early organization, then explains that in 1845 the bulb was dug up and divided, forming two flower borders, the Northern Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention. Taking out one flower at the time, the leader may tell of the growth in the flower border; the Foreign Mission Board, Home Board, Sunday School Board etc., including the W.M.U. and its organizations. With careful study of the program material this flower border idea can be carried out as simply or as elaborately as the leader chooses.

PROGRAM for MAY

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. Creastman, Tennessee

THEME for YEAR: Prayer in the Progress of Christianity

TOPIC for MONTH: Baptist Avenues of World Service

Hymn—How Firm a Foundation (All hymns on this program were written by Baptists.)

Bible Study—Come Ye Blessed—Matt. 25:34-40 (Page 12)

Prayer thanking God for His many blessings to Baptists

Hymn—Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Organization for Evangelization (Introductory Talk by Leader)

The Triennial Convention

Hymn—The Morning Light Is Breaking

The Southern Baptist Convention

Yesterday and Today

Baptist Hundred Thousand Club

Prayer for God's blessing on all southern Baptist plans of work

Hymn—He Leadeth Me

Baptist World Alliance

Story—How Colombia Joined the Baptist World Alliance

How Loyal Am I?

Hymn—My Jesus I Love Thee

Closing prayer that we may prove our love for Jesus by being loyal to all the work of our denomination

ORGANIZATION for EVANGELIZATION



"And He commanded them that all should sit down by companies upon the green grass. And they sat down in ranks, by hundreds and by fifties." This is a description of the organization methods used by Jesus on the occasion of the feeding of the five thousand. Without this simple organization some might have received more than their share, others might have been left out and all might have been in confusion. "God is not a God of confusion." Everything that He has made is perfectly and wonderfully organized. We believe that He wants us to organize that we may evangelize. Not that organization can in any sense take the place of God's working in the hearts of men, but it fur-

nishes the means through which the Holy Spirit can operate. Indeed the organization itself must be the work of the Holy Spirit if it succeeds. Organizing the five thousand into companies did not feed them, but He who had the power to multiply the loaves and fishes used the common-sense method of organization to deliver the results of His miracle to the people. And the power of His Spirit was in both the method and the miracle.

Our program topic today is **BAPTIST AVENUES of SERVICE**. Our organizations are our avenues of service, for these are the ways and means by which we serve. These are the highways over which move the vehicles of our denomination, carrying the message of salvation to all the world. Let us follow the line of these avenues of service as we study the organization of American Baptists for evangelization from the beginning to the present day.

The TRIENNIAL CONVENTION

IN 1800 there were in America about 100,000 Baptists in about 1100 Baptist churches in 38 district associations. Besides these there was no organization of American Baptists. There were no conventions, no mission boards, no publishing houses, no institutions of any kind to unite Baptists for co-operative work. Indeed, why should there have been—for as yet there was no compelling interest to call them together. But in 1812 something happened! Word came to American Baptists that they had three missionaries in a foreign land. They had not sent these missionaries out; they were not prepared to support them; but there they were—"ready made" and delivered to a foreign field. We remember that this came about because Adoniram and Ann Judson and Luther Rice, sent out by the Congregationalists, became Baptists on their way to India. Of course they could no longer look to the Congregational Mission Board for their support, so there they were, Baptist missionaries in a foreign land with no Baptist organization to support them. Across the waters to American Baptists came this story, with its challenging call for organization. Mr. Judson wrote to Mr. Baldwin, a leading Baptist of the day: "Should there be formed a Baptist society for the support of a Baptist mission in these parts, I shall be ready to consider myself their missionary".

"No trumpet call ever sounded a more imperious note. It was a summons to battle, and the hosts responded with an enthusiasm which did them lasting honor". Foreign missionary societies sprang up all over the country. Luther Rice returned to America and went up and down the land, marshalling the forces, organizing societies and collecting funds. It is inspiring to note that among these early missionary organizations some were established and promoted by women. Miss Heck, in "In Royal Service", tells a thrilling story of the beginnings of organized women's work: of the Boston Female Society for Missionary Purposes, started by a cripple, Miss Webb; of the Wadmalaw and Edisto Society in South Carolina, which was the first society for women in the south; and of other organizations for women which were the forerunners of our own great W.M.U.

Soon the need was felt of a central organization that would unite these scattered missionary forces. After mutual counsel of the leaders of several societies, a meeting was called for the formation of a national organization. In May of 1814 thirty-three delegates from eleven different states and the District of Columbia came together in Philadelphia and organized the first Baptist convention in America. The name given to the organization was "The General Convention of the Baptist Denomination in the United States for Foreign Missions". Because it met once in three years it was popularly known as the "Triennial Convention", though that was never its official title.

After six days of deliberation a constitution was adopted. This declared the object of the convention to be: "To elicit, combine and direct the efforts of the whole denomination in one sacred effort for sending the glad tidings of salvation to the heathen and to nations destitute of pure Gospel light". A Foreign Mission Board, composed of twenty-one members, was at once formed and Mr. and Mrs. Judson were adopted as the new convention's first missionaries. When the convention met next, three years later, its work was enlarged by appropriating a part of its funds for domestic missionary purposes and by determining to establish a

seminary to train young men for the ministry. However, we must not forget that *this first organization of American Baptists was first a foreign mission agency.* It is significant that these Baptist fathers of ours first caught the far away vision, and that led them to the close up view of their missionary opportunities.

It inspires us to know that southern Baptists had a prominent part in the Triennial Convention. Its first president was Richard Furman, of South Carolina, who was designated as the "foremost Baptist in America". Mr William Bullien Johnson, a southern Baptist who "bore the long fatigues of the journey from Georgia to be the sole representative of that state at the organization of the Triennial Convention in Philadelphia", was author of the famous phrase, "To elicit, combine and direct", which was incorporated into the constitution of the convention. He too was one of the presidents of the convention. Of the five states which led in contributions during the period of the Triennial Convention, three were southern, namely: Georgia, Virginia and South Carolina.

For thirty-one years the Triennial Convention was the avenue of service for American Baptists. During that time more than five thousand were gathered into their churches on foreign fields. In the last year of its history its receipts were something over \$100,000. In 1845 this organization ceased to exist, but its purposes and many of its methods were carried over into the two conventions, which took its place, and so have come down even to our day.

The SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

FROM 1814 to 1844 all American Baptists—northern and southern—worked earnestly together for the spread of the Gospel. Then, due to the same controversies that brought on the Civil War, a division of northern and southern Baptists became necessary. In May, 1845, in response to a call issued by the Virginia Foreign Missionary Society, 328 delegates from eight southern states and the District of Columbia met in Augusta, Ga., and organized the Southern Baptist Convention. The constitution adopted was in all essential points precisely that of the original convention. Two boards were established at once—one for foreign missions, with headquarters at Richmond, Va., and one for domestic missions, with headquarters at Marion, Ala. This afterwards became the Home Mission Board, with headquarters in Atlanta, Ga. During the Civil War a need was felt for an agency for conducting Sunday school work, and so a Sunday School Board was established in Greenville, S. C. In 1872 this was consolidated with the Home Mission Board, and it was not until 1891 that it again functioned as a separate board with headquarters in Nashville, Tenn. In 1918 the Relief and Annuity Board was established and located at Dallas, Texas.

It must be remembered that the differences which separated northern and southern Baptists were political and not doctrinal. They are not today two separate denominations. "The churches, both north and south, hold substantially one system of doctrine, agree in all important points of practice, receive and dismiss members from each other without question and are in full, unrestricted, uninterrupted intercommunion". Last year the two conventions held in Washington a joint session. This was the first time that American Baptists had met together since the disruption in 1845. It was a glorious reunion, imbued with a spirit of denominational fellowship and mutual sympathy and helpfulness. It is a significant fact that the Northern Baptist Convention had last year a southern man as its president, Dr. Oscar Johnson, now of St. Louis, Mo., but a native Tennessean.

YESTERDAY and TODAY A Study in Contrasts

(The following dialogue needs no special stage setting, but there should be near at hand a small suitcase, packed as if ready for a trip. Mrs. Today enters with a photograph in her hand.)

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Mrs. Today — I am so happy because I am going to the Southern Baptist Convention at Fort Worth, Texas. I remember that it has been 89 years since this convention was organized. I looked up a picture of my great-grandmother just to see how women looked 89 years ago. (Looks at photograph.) Now isn't she quaint and lovely? How I wish she could speak and tell me about southern Baptists in that far distant day!
(Enter Mrs. Yesterday, dressed in the costume of 1845)

Mrs. Yesterday — Your wish is granted. Out of the past I speak to you. What do you wish to know of me?

Mrs. Today — Well, this is a pleasant surprise! I wish to know a great many things. I am getting ready to go to the Southern Baptist Convention, and I was just wishing that you could tell me about its first meeting in 1845. Were you there?

Mrs. Yesterday — No. Women didn't go to meetings much in those days. Travel was hard and money was scarce. My husband went, but I stayed at home with the children and attended to my knitting and spinning as good housewives were wont to do.

Mrs. Today — Dear me! Did you really have to knit and spin clothes for your family? No wonder you couldn't find time to go to the convention! Now I have bought all my clothes for the trip ready made, and it wasn't a bit of trouble. You see, I have them all packed in this suitcase.

Mrs. Yesterday — You have all your clothes for the trip in that little thing? Why it wouldn't hold one of my dresses!

Mrs. Today — Well, it holds all I will need very nicely. I even have two hats in here. But tell me, how did my great-grandfather travel to the convention?

Mrs. Yesterday — He went part of the way by boat and finished the trip on the railroad. It took him three days and nights to go from Richmond to Augusta.

Mrs. Today — I expect to go in my own car from Virginia to Texas in less time than that, and if I could have afforded it I would have gone by aeroplane. In that way I could have made the trip in a few hours.

Mrs. Yesterday — We didn't travel so fast in 1845, but that first session of the Southern Baptist Convention was a wonderful meeting. Your great-grandfather came home telling me about the great crowd of Baptists that came together. There were 328 delegates!

Mrs. Today — Do you call that a big crowd? Why we will have thousands at Fort Worth.

Mrs. Yesterday — Our delegates came from eight states: Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana and Kentucky and the District of Columbia.

Mrs. Today — And ours will come from 18 states and the District of Columbia. I notice that our hostess state is not on your list.

Mrs. Yesterday — No, but we were hearing much of Texas in those days for she was annexed to the United States in the same year that the Southern Baptist Convention was organized.

Mrs. Today — And she is one of the greatest Baptist states in the south today!

Mrs. Yesterday — Our delegates represented about 350,000 southern Baptists, but about 100,000 were Negro slaves, so our white constituency was about 250,000.

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Mrs. Today — And the delegates at Fort Worth will represent four million white Baptists.

Mrs. Yesterday — Four million! Why that is eight times as many as we had in 1845!

Mrs. Today — Tell me something about the proceedings of that first convention.

Mrs. Yesterday — They established a Foreign Mission Board located at Richmond, Va.

Mrs. Today — And we have the very same board located in the very same city.

Mrs. Yesterday — How wonderful it is that what we began has continued even to this day!

Mrs. Today — Did you have any missionaries in 1845?

Mrs. Yesterday — Not at first, for it was a new organization, but soon after we took over the support of Mr. Shuck and Mr. Roberts, who were already missionaries in China. We gave during our first year over \$5,000 for foreign missions.

Mrs. Today — And we gave for foreign missions in 1932 almost \$800,000, and we now have about 400 missionaries in 14 foreign fields.

Mrs. Yesterday — The first convention also established a board for domestic missions, located at Marion, Alabama.

Mrs. Today — We still have that same board, but with a different name and different headquarters. Ours is the Home Mission Board with headquarters in Atlanta, Ga. But tell me of home mission work in your day.

Mrs. Yesterday — Well, most of our home mission work was among the Indians.

Mrs. Today — And now the work has widened to include Negroes, foreigners, Jews, deaf mutes, destitute communities in city and country, and missions in Cuba and Panama.

Mrs. Yesterday — We gave for home missions in 1845 over \$11,000.

Mrs. Today — And we gave for home missions in 1932 \$273,512. Did you have any other boards?

Mrs. Yesterday — No, just the two.

Mrs. Today — And we have two others: the Aged Ministers' Relief and Annuity Board and the Sunday School Board. This latter board is the center of southern Baptist publication work and promotes the work of our 31,000 Sunday schools with their membership of over 3,000,000. Did you have any publications?

Mrs. Yesterday — Only a few Baptist papers published in the different states.

Mrs. Today — Today we have Baptist papers in all our states, quarterlies and helps of different kinds for every department of our work and four great southwide missionary magazines. Now tell me about your schools.

Mrs. Yesterday — We had some splendid schools even in our day. Richmond College, Hollins, Wake Forest, Mercer, Judson, Howard and others were all established before 1845. But we had no seminary until 1859 when the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary was established at Greenville, S. C.

Mrs. Today — And now we have not only that great seminary, moved in 1877 to Louisville, Ky., but two other seminaries and two training schools for women, and sixty-seven other Baptist colleges and academies. Did you have any organized young people's work in 1845?

Mrs. Yesterday — None.

Mrs. Today — And today we have over 29,000 B.Y.P.U.'s. with a membership of over 500,000. And did you have any woman's work?

Mrs. Yesterday — Only a few societies scattered here and there.

Mrs. Today — And now we have our great Woman's Missionary Union with its 11,002 organizations for women and 22,676 organizations for young people, totaling a membership of about 581,452.

Mrs. Yesterday — Little did we dream in 1845 that the work we started would grow to such proportions. We planted the seed and God has given the increase.

Mrs. Today — We thank God for you who planted the seed. You made possible the great harvest of achievement we enjoy today. As I sit in the great convention hall at Fort Worth I shall think about that little group which met in Augusta 89 years ago and I shall pray that we of 1934 may be as wise, as zealous and as faithful as were our fathers and mothers of 1845.

BAPTIST HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB

A FINANCIAL plan of southern Baptists which is especially appealing today is the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club. This is an effort to pay our debts. We have a total debt of about \$5,000,000 on all our southwide benevolent and missionary causes. The plan is that one hundred thousand southern Baptists shall join this club, thereby agreeing to pay on southern Baptist debts \$1 each month over and above all regular gifts. If a total of 100,000 will do this, the southwide Baptist causes will be out of debt in five years. It seems too good to be true, but it can be true if enough southern Baptists will join the club. One hundred thousand out of four millions! One in every forty! Surely, surely that many southern Baptists can be found who love the Lord enough to make this small monthly "over and above" offering that His work may go on unhindered by debt.

Oh, southern Baptists, strong and true,	The Hundred Thousand Club's the plan
This call is ringing out to you:	Which should appeal to every man;
Come to the thing you ought to do	It is a way by which you can
And pay your debts!	Pay your debts!

You owe five million dollars, my!	If each one gives a dollar more
Why did you let it climb so high?	Each month than he has giv'n before,
But you can pay it if you try.	Then soon you'll have enough in store
Pay your debts!	To pay your debts!

Let every Baptist do his best
And stop this paying interest;
Then all your causes will be blessed.
Pay your debts!

BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE

GRADUALLY through the years the Baptists of the world increased in numbers, strength and influence. The time came when the leaders of the denomination thought that a world organization would be advantageous. For several years the possibility of such an organization was under discussion, but it was left to Dr. J. N. Prestridge of Louisville, Ky., to give the necessary driving force to the suggestion. In an editorial in the *Baptist Argus* in 1903 he pled for a meeting of leading officers of the various Baptist unions with a view to a world congress. After some

correspondence among the leaders such a meeting was arranged. So it happened that in London on July 11, 1905, Baptists met in their first world congress.

What a wonderful gathering it was! 3,000 delegates were present, coming from all parts of the world, representing practically every Baptist organization on earth. How appropriate that they sang as their opening hymn:

"From distant climes, from every land,
Behold us, Lord, before Thee stand".

The largest delegation was from America, while Canada, Germany and Sweden contributed a great number of delegates. The Russian delegates were the heroes of the congress, for there was not a one of them who had not suffered imprisonment or other persecutions for their faith. The picturesque element was furnished by the fifty Negro brethren. They were cheered everywhere and were so popular that one American was heard to ask: "Would you rather be governor of your state or a Negro delegate in London?"

In the welcome address the meeting was compared to Pentecost in these words: "Our numbers are nearly the same as the converts on the day of Pentecost, and through the wide diffusion of our noble English language men from many lands do in their own language hear the wonderful works of God". Dr. Shakespeare, who made the opening address, spoke of the meeting as of a dream come true. He estimated the Baptist constituency of the world at 20,000,000 and said: "We are probably, on such a basis of reckoning, the greatest evangelical communion on earth, as we certainly are in the influence we have on Christian thought and activity".

Two notes sounded out clearly through the sessions of this congress. The first was *evangelism*. Never were the delegates allowed to forget for an instant that the chief work of Baptists was to win souls. There was "unqualified declaration of loyalty to the Gospel of the Bible—with no wavering note of any of the great realities of faith". The other note was *optimism*. "Even from lands where Baptists were poor, few and persecuted came certainty that at the end of the day the Baptist propaganda would triumph".

This was the beginning of the organization known as the Baptist World Alliance. It has continued until this day, meeting every four years and has been a wonderful agency in uniting the Baptists of the world in Christian fellowship for co-operation and mutual help in their task of world evangelism. The next meeting will be held this summer in Berlin.

HOW COLOMBIA JOINED THE BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE

IN 1931 there was admitted into the Baptist World Alliance a new union: the Baptist Convention of Colombia, South America. Sounds big, doesn't it? A National Convention? But the facts were that in that national convention were only three churches and in each of those churches was a very small group of Baptists. Back of all this is a most interesting story.

Some years ago there lived in Colombia a young man by the name of Miguel del Real. He was of a good family, well educated and with gifts as a leader which brought him into considerable prominence in his town. So in a time of political agitation he was compelled to leave the country and sought refuge in Cuba. While there he became a teacher in our Baptist school at Cardenas. The faithful pastor of the church there lost no time in teaching this new teacher the "Way of Life". Del Real became a Christian and joined the Baptist church at Cardenas. He spent much time with the pastor in the study of Baptist doctrine and church life.

After a year the political condition in Colombia was better, so it was safe for Del Real to return. Back home he went, eager to lead his family and sweet-

heart to Christ. His reception, however, was a great disappointment to him. His loved ones refused to listen to his declaration of his new faith and, when they found that he would not give it up, severed all relationship with him. His father closed the door of home against him, his sweetheart broke the engagement and friends shunned him. But this did not discourage him. He turned to others with the story of his new faith. He found those who were glad to listen to him. Even before there was a Baptist church in all Colombia this zealous young man established a school and a little paper, "The Baptist Voice", through which he tried to reach people with the Gospel. As a result of such earnest work a few believed his message and accepted Christ.

Finally Del Real's work became so noticeable that he was arrested by the authorities who demanded his authority for preaching and conducting services. Colombia has only limited religious freedom, and the rule is that only authorized agents of religious bodies can conduct religious services. Of course Del Real had no such authority, so it seemed that his work would end. In his predicament he wrote to the church in Cardenas, Cuba, of which he was still a member. As a result that church licensed him to preach and gave him a formal authorization to conduct mission work in Colombia. The American consul belonged to the church in Cardenas and added the seal of his office to the document, so it was a very pretentious looking paper that found its way from Cuba to Colombia. The political authorities were duly impressed, doubtless more by the American consular seal than by the resolution of the church. At any rate they interfered no more with Del Real's work and the Baptist cause in Colombia was saved.

Del Real baptized his converts and a church was established. After a while there were three of these churches, all missions of the church at Cardenas, Cuba. In 1924 they organized the Colombia Baptist Convention and appealed to the Cuban Baptist Convention for help. Dr. McCall was sent to Colombia to see about the work there. He found the three churches with a total membership of 38. As a result of his visit the Cuban Baptists sent two missionaries to Colombia, and since then the work has gone on in a great way.

It is this little convention of Colombia, with its three churches, that in 1931 was received into the Baptist World Alliance. Think for a minute of what that connection means to those Baptists in Colombia. There they are, so few in numbers, so weak, seemingly so insignificant! Yet they are members of a great body numbering millions and reaching round the world. In a country where church authority means much, this connection gives them prestige and importance among their fellow countrymen. It also strengthens their own hearts and encourages them to go on to make the Colombian Baptist Convention as big as it sounds.

HOW LOYAL AM I?

A Poster Talk

(Use for this talk a poster made of six circles one within another, the outer one with the words "Baptist World Alliance" printed on it, and the others bearing the words "Southern Baptist Convention", "State Convention", "Association" and "Church" respectively. It will be more effective if the name of your own state, association and church are used. In the center circle place the letter "I". In the four corners of the poster place four hearts, printing in them the four questions used as captions in this talk. Print across the top of poster the question, "Am I Loyal?" The one speaking should point to the different features of the poster as she mentions them.)

I am seeing visions today. I see the Baptist World Alliance, like a great circle, taking in all the Baptists of the world. I see the Southern Baptist Convention as the largest organization in the Baptist World Alliance. I see my state convention as one of the many state organizations in the Southern Baptist Conven-

tion. I see my district association as a part of my state convention. I see my church as a part of the association, and in my church I see myself. That places me, the individual, in the center of the whole organization. If I fail to do my duty then my failure is felt in the church, in the association, in the state convention, in the Southern Baptist Convention and in the Baptist World Alliance—on out to the circumference of this great circle of Baptist opportunity. Disloyalty on my part affects the whole organization. The question I must ask and answer in my heart is, "How loyal am I?"

Do I know? Heart of mine, answer this question. Do I know about the work of my denomination? Do I subscribe for and read Baptist papers and magazines? Do I study God's Word and missionary books? Do I attend all meetings I possibly can in order that I may keep informed about the work? When so much is provided for my denominational education, to be ignorant is to be disloyal. As I *know*, my heart will *glow* with love for a lost world, and I will surely *go* to do my part in world winning and so my denomination and the Kingdom will *grow* because I *know*.

Do I give? Do I support all the causes of my denomination with my gifts? Do I pay tithes and give offerings? Do I give regularly to the Co-operative Program? Do I add my love gifts to every special offering? Am I a member of the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club? The work of my denomination lags today because so many of its constituency are disloyal in the matter of gifts. Baptist dollars are withheld while Baptist activities slacken, Baptist institutions suffer, Baptist debts accumulate and millions whom Baptists might win die without Christ. I would not be among these disloyal ones. I would prove my loyalty with my gifts.

Do I work? Do I work for my denomination with all the energy of my body, mind and soul? Do I work for her whole program from my church to the ends of the earth? Do I serve her causes with my talents, my time, my influence and my personality? May I never be among those who shirk, but may I do my part of the Lord's work with a devoted heart, a ready mind and a willing hand!

Do I pray? Do I carry all of the causes of my denomination to the throne of God in daily prayer? Do I pray for my church, my pastor, the missionaries and the leaders in our work? Loyalty to my denomination demands that I be faithful in my prayer life. As I study the history of the organization of Baptists I see that prayer preceded every step. The story of American Baptist organization starts with a prayer meeting under a haystack, and that golden thread of prayer runs through the whole tale. Through prayer, conventions have come into existence, boards have been formed, missionaries have been sent to mission fields, money has poured from Baptist pockets for the support of Baptist causes. Prayer has been the chief force in our denominational life and will always be. If I fail to pray I fail my denomination where it needs me most. If I pray every day I will be helping my denomination in the best way, for God holds sway only in the hearts of those who pray.

Being loyal to my denomination means being loyal to God and His Kingdom. Because I believe that the program of my denomination is the best means I have of serving God I will be loyal to it, studying, giving, working and praying that her work may go on and that the Gospel of Jesus Christ may be preached to all people. I will be loyal because I love my Savior and desire that my denomination shall not fail in its sacred mission of giving His salvation to the whole creation.

QUESTIONS for REVIEW and DISCUSSION

1. Discuss the importance of organization for evangelization.
2. What circumstance led to the organization of the Triennial Convention?

3. Tell of the organization and work of the Triennial Convention.
4. What part did southern Baptists have in the Triennial Convention?
5. Are northern and southern Baptists two denominations?
6. Discuss the present organization of the Southern Baptist Convention.
7. Give location of boards of the Southern Baptist Convention.
8. How many Baptists were there in America at the time of the organization of the Triennial Convention?
9. What was the southern Baptist constituency in 1845?
10. How many southern Baptists are there now?
11. What is the Baptist World Alliance?
12. Tell of the organization of the Baptist World Alliance.
13. Discuss the position of the individual in Baptist organization.
14. How may each of us prove our loyalty to our denomination?

REFERENCE MATERIAL

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JOY through W.M.U. OFFERINGS

ON page 35 is shown the record of the 1933 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering as reported to the W.M.U. treasurer. On March 20th the Foreign Mission Board had received from this offering \$172,884.75. Not yet are the records available as to the 1934 Annie W. Armstrong Offering for Home Missions as recently ingathered during the March Week of Prayer, but it is believed that the July issue of this magazine can carry a tabulation of the Home Board's receipts from the states for that March offering. In the meanwhile, please, glean and glean again for it, so that every available offering may thus be given for home missions. Unmeasured joy came to the Foreign Mission Board, its workers and work as well as to Woman's Missionary Union because the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering obtained the favor of God and thus went far beyond its goal. May He graciously grant a similar blessing for home missions. "The joy of the Lord is 'our' strength!"



YOUNG WOMAN'S AUXILIARY



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

WHAT WILL IT COST to DO WITHOUT?

Pearle Bourne, Associate Secretary



By now each Woman's Missionary Society knows what it will cost to have a girl at the Southwide Y. W. A. Camp (June 26-July 6) at Ridgecrest, N. C.—\$20 hotel accommodations or \$15 in a hut, plus \$2 registration fee. What will it cost your society not to have a girl there? Will this be a consideration when the question of economy is being discussed?

It will cost a girl of your church and through her your Y.W.A. doing without a touch with Christian young women from over the southland. It will cost her a lack of close contact with the heads of our denominational life in the south and in the states. It will cost her the new insight into Christian affairs of the world which Ridgecrest Y.W.A. Camp gives. These will be sacrificed—no other place during the entire year offers exactly this broad touch. No society wants the economy that confines its young people to a narrow circle of interest and information. Can any group afford to let the horizon of its young women dwindle?

It will cost something of lost spirituality. Is it an accident that the campers from year to year are among the most spiritual and best working members of the churches? There is little in the daily round of affairs for the average young woman to turn her thoughts Godward. Can a girl afford the loss?

It may cost the handicapped future of your Y.W.A. and the distant future of your W.M.S. whose members these Y.W.A.'s. will soon be. Young women are going to have vacations. They

want to meet people, see places, experience things. This year let them experience the days at Y.W.A. Camp which leave "a girl no more the same".

Few of us realize the cost of saving dollars by not sending a girl to the Ridgecrest Y.W.A. Camp. The dividends of a Ridgecrest investment do not come in a pay envelope or a lump-sum check—rather they come in monthly, weekly, perhaps daily payments. This is because the time is not spent all on one's self at the Y.W.A. Camp. There are far reaches into the program and plan of Jesus in its connection with one's own inner life and the life of a world disturbed and distressed.

Counselors, W.M.U. young people's directors, associational and city-wide counselors as well as Y.W.A. members will be helped by this Camp. These leaders enter into all the privileges of Camp just as do the girls.

Send \$1 to Mr. R. F. Staples, Ridgecrest, N. C., for your reservation and write to your state W.M.U. young people's secretary for travel plans. The enrolment fee of \$2 is paid on arrival.

The announcement that Mr. Charles A. Wells of New York City, a well known lecturer and missionary cartoonist, will be with us, is an announcement of a superlative degree. Having Mr. Wells on the list, even as announced to you in the last month's issue of this magazine, reassures you that the cost of missing Ridgecrest is too great. The list also includes Miss Jeanette Rankin of Washington, D. C., who is a speaker of rare charm and ability. Not until this year have we been privileged to present to our south-

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OUR YOUNG PEOPLE



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

INVEST IN CAMPS



The I in vacation says "Invest in Camps". One of the distinctive contributions America has made in the realm of education is the development of the summer camp. Woman's Missionary Union promotes missionary education camps which are even more important than customary social camps. Let us be careful as members of W. M. U. to see that, in every camp under W.M.U. auspices, missions is the center for thought and activity. State workers cannot attend all district, associational or local camps, so counselors and W.M.U. young people's directors need to assist those enthusiastic camp leaders who valiantly put on these many camps. Applause to their labors in finding attractive places, providing meals for hungry boys or equally hungry girls or young women! While some are thus needfully employed, others must prayerfully and thoughtfully plan the program of activities.

In the Guide for R.A. Counselors (price 25c from W.M.U. Literature Dept., 1111 Comer Bldg., Birmingham, Ala.) you will find an outline for daily activities which will be valuable help. G.A.'s and Y.W.A.'s may follow a similar schedule. When the hours for rising and retiring are decided on, hold to those hours and see that the campers really sleep. The purpose of the pleasure is to bring the young people together for study and to hear addresses; if they are sleepy, the classes and messages will not be of much avail. With this same reasoning, also observe a study period—the young people needing it for quiet as well as actual study of the mission books being used. The handcraft of such camps may well be in keeping with the requirements for G.A. Forward Steps and for R.A. ranking. The mission study periods will no doubt develop some handwork also.

Associational camps afford good time for the Associational Stewardship Declaration Contest if your state schedule in the contest calls for the associational competition during the summer months. Certainly it is a splendid time to give publicity to the contest and to multiply interest in it.

It will be quite easy to have two study periods and an address hour in the morning, still leaving time for a relaxing swim between classes or a short hike or recreational period. Then after the study period and play of the afternoon, a brief devotional service and another address will close the day.

Camps do contribute much to character building. There are lessons in living together; there is a new appreciation of home after being away; there are widened horizons which woo to finer living in future days. The crowning W.M.U. camp is our Southwide Y. W. A. Camp at Ridgecrest, N. C. Send your Y. W. A.'s. to Ridgecrest for Y. W. A. Camp, June 26 to July 6 this summer.

Invest in camps for sure missionary dividends now and in the coming years.

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ern young women these two outstanding personalities.

A special handcraft period is designed to be of interest to young women and of special benefit to counselors and other leaders. This work will be conducted by Miss Alberta Stewart of Kan-

sas City, Mo.

For further information concerning the Camp or its activities write to

Miss Pearle Bourne
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MARGARET FUND



Chairman: Mrs. Frank Burney, Waynesboro, Ga.

"Because their mothers are not here—
With their own hands today
To guide and lead these precious souls
Along life's dangerous way.

They commit the task to you and me
They beg us hear their cry.
They say if we turn from these
We also pass them by."



There is great need of cheer in the hearts of our faithful missionaries when they are face to face with the problem of educating their sons and daughters. Many testify that this is the greatest problem and that their greatest sorrow is the separation of their children for their education.

The Margaret Fund has indeed made lighter some of this burden and the great, tender and intrinsic movements to strive to "mother" them, love them, guide and pray for them, while absent from parents, have helped to soothe and comfort the sorrowing hearts of these absent parents and students. Joy rings in the heart of ministering Margaret Fund workers.

Many requests have come for some definite duties outlined for Margaret Fund associational chairmen, so that the work may be more uniform. This is the reason for the following suggested plan. Any chairman should bear in mind the purpose of the Margaret Fund. Its aim and purposes are to express love for our missionaries and to show our appreciation of their services for our Master by striving to assist them with the higher education of their children.

1. An associational chairman should study the history of the Margaret Fund and should be able at any time to tell of its services and blessings.
2. An associational chairman receives from state chairman an assignment of a student or students that her association is asked to "mother."
3. She is mindful of her great task as a substitute "mother" and with a sympathetic, understanding heart views with love and patience her charge, so far away from parents, remembering they are real boys and girls.
4. The associational chairman gets in touch with assigned students either by letter or visit, learns of the student's life, who are his or her parents, the birthday and how best she can assist the student.
5. She asks each local society to appoint a Margaret Fund Chairman and she sends to this chairman all information, asks that a certain month their society would especially pray for and bless this student.
6. She asks that each local chairman have a special program on the Margaret Fund once a year. At this program an offering might be taken for the cause.
7. All gifts and boxes to be sent directly to the student. This is to be reported to her.
8. All scholarship money is to be sent to the state Margaret Fund Chairman or treasurer of state, according to state policy.
9. She asks that all reports of any work be sent to associational chairman and she in turn sends to her divisional chairman.
10. She keeps file of Margaret Fund ROYAL SERVICE pages, so she may learn of the work from all angles.
11. She stresses the importance of the work at her associational meeting.
12. She and her local chairman band themselves to pray earnestly for these students and their parents, asking for protection from harm and evil, that the students may be strong in hour of temptation and that they may be led of God into definite, joyous service for Him.



TRAINING SCHOOL



Miss Carrie U. Littlejohn, Principal, 284 E. Broadway, Louisville, Ky.

MISSION STUDY PRACTICE TEACHING in the W.M.U. TRAINING SCHOOL



Ours is an exceedingly practical age. While we do not discount cultural values, we moderns are somewhat suspicious of education for its own sake. This is particularly true in vocational education, where the effort is made to prepare students for practical mastery of their life work. The course offered in senior Missionary Education gives emphasis to the practical side of W.M.U. work and is intended to put the student in possession of the best methods of successful missionary organization work. During the third quarter after a thorough study of the underlying principles for effective mission study teaching, each student prepared detailed plans for presenting a mission study book to one of the organizations of the Graded W.M.U. in a local School of Missions. During the month of March the students of the class taught in four such schools, and we feel that it was a worthwhile project.

Brief messages from some of these student teachers will indicate to you their reactions and impressions.—*Elsie J. Ragsdale*

FRESH from the studies of facts and theories, part of the senior Missionary Education class at the Training School launched out to apply them in the School of Missions at the Beechmont Baptist Church.

We introduced ourselves the preceding Sunday to the children in Sunday school, presenting the challenge of the book by word and poster, and giving to each child an attractive announcement to carry home with him.

A generous supply of books was provided by the W.M.U. circulating li-

brary; maps, scissors, pencils and crayons, construction paper, poster board and notebooks were the other elements mixed into our experiment. Then we were ready to see how theories worked and how they would turn out in a real laboratory experiment.

With each day's work carefully planned, we watched the children respond as children always do to a real challenge. Besides seals and certificates awarded, there was a spirit of real missionary zeal present at all the sessions. These girls learned to solve their difficulties with kindness and thoughtfulness for one another. They brought their school chums in to hear the story of Christianity and earnestly expressed their wholehearted interest in missions in their prayers and desires to give of their little money.—*Dorothy Thume, D. C.*

MISSION study class! How these words were vitalized for me during my week at the West Broadway Baptist Church. No longer do they suggest more long dry talks, or additional attempts to arouse the interest of indifferent listeners. Instead, behind them now I seem to see a group of wide-awake intermediate boys and girls eager to hear the stories of early missionaries and especially eager to discuss them in their own way. Indeed, I can say that never has one week been more fruitful to me, for during that time I forgot myself, lived anew the life of the early missionaries, looked upon them and all mission work through the hopeful, enthusiastic, and earnest eyes of youth, and caught a new vision of God's plan and of our privilege to follow Him into all of the world. Each night their renewed interest led the way and I fol-

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MISSION STUDY DEPARTMENT



Southwide Mission Study Chairman, Mrs. Una R. Lawrence, Mo.

MATERIALS and METHODS for MISSION STUDY



Leaders and teachers of missions are continually asking, "How can I get the members of my class or group interested?" The leader or teacher must do this by giving materials and methods that have been successfully used by others.

To me the best method is story telling. It has a wide appeal, includes all ages and all people. Christ, the greatest teacher of all times, used this method. A story will appeal to one's intellect, emotions and will, but in order to bring about this appeal the story used must have a definite purpose. Choose well your story. The Bible is the best of story books.

In the structure of your story be sure that it is divided into four parts: the beginning, the body, the climax and the end. A short but strong moral outcome should end the story. But when ended do not moralize.

When using missionary stories be sure they are true to life. You should be accurate in giving manners and customs of the people, and they should be told in a way that will awaken a desire among the listeners to work for or among such people. Do not use stories that ridicule other peoples or races. To

me the best missionary stories are the ones that give achievements of our great Christian pioneers, peoples of other lands and how God's great Kingdom continues to advance through the efforts of those who are doing His will.

Preparation is an essential factor in story telling. But the successful story teller will not memorize the story to be used. A story is more natural and effective if told in one's own words. A good story teller must love the story, listen to others tell stories, catch their good points and practice them.

When telling your story do it naturally and simply; avoid gestures, be as poised as possible, look into the eyes of your class, so they will know you are talking to them. Do not moralize but let them draw their own conclusions.

I suggest using graded stories for your different groups. Primary ages love stories that appeal to the imagination, all of which should be simple. Intermediate boys and girls need true stories of people who do things; they admire people who really do great deeds—the Bible is full of material for stories that appeal to this age-group. But again be sure to practice story telling. If you fail, see where you have failed and try again.—Mrs. W. L. Caldwell, N. M.

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CURRENT MISSIONARY EVENTS



Discussed by Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

Under the caption "One Hundred Years Ago", the New York Evening Post reprints in each issue an item from its files of a century previous. Recently the following item appeared: "In the *American Quarterly Register* for November 1834, we find a long and elaborate summary of foreign mission operations all over the world. From this review we gather that the total number of missionaries is not far from 560. Of these considerably more than half are supported by different English societies, exclusive of about a dozen supported by the Scotch".

Commenting on the above item the editor of *The Congregationalist* says: "Even in the face of diminishing personnel, many Boards now have more than that number at work. In 1925, which was probably the peak year of giving for missions, the total number of protestant missionaries exceeded 29,000".

From reports we learn that at the close of 1933 there were 11,022,353 Baptists in the world exclusive of Russia, from which country no statistics were received. We find these Baptists in Europe, Asia, Africa, North, South and Central America, the West Indies, Australia and New Zealand. North America leads with 9,704,421 Baptist church members.

From Roger Babson, the eminent statistician, we quote the following: "If the titling process were in operation it would give the churches of this country an income amounting to \$4,000,000,000 a year. The facts are that the church people of the country are giving less than one per cent of their income to the church and missionary work. God asks for ten per cent and we give but one

per cent. Is it any wonder that the spiritual life of the churches is so low?" Since many church members give more than one per cent and some more than ten per cent the conclusion is inevitable that many are giving nothing.

President William Green of the American Federation of Labor, recently said: "I believe that a spiritual recovery is more essential than industrial recovery". Secretary Daniel C. Roper says: "I have come to the conclusion that no permanent recovery is possible until we have had a spiritual renewing in the United States as an abiding foundation".—*Watchman-Examiner*

We read that in Scotland it has been another bad year industrially but that the tide is turning at last. We also learn from the same article that the church of Scotland (*Presbyterian*) has again risen magnificently to answer the threat of curtailment of its foreign mission work. Finding that the receipts for eleven months of 1933 were inadequate a call was issued appealing for a million "three penny bits" as a Christmas offering to stave off defeat. The actual year's workings were thus paid for in full.

The latest issue of the *Chinese Recorder*, interdenominational missionary monthly, to reach this country contains an account of the opening of a Christian radio station in Shanghai. * * * At the present time the station programs can be heard in Shanghai, Hangchow, Ningpo and Soochow. An increase in power to make these broadcasts available throughout eastern China is expected, and an American radio expert will provide efficient receiving sets at cost to such Chinese as (Concluded on Page 34)



BOOK REVIEWS



Mrs. Julian P. Thomas, Virginia

Any books reviewed in this magazine may be ordered from Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va., or from State Baptist Bookstore. The price of each is quoted with its review.

JAPANESE WOMEN SPEAK



The Central Committee on the United Study of Foreign Missions had the happy thought of asking a Japanese woman to write on woman's work in Japan for the Christian women of America. They chose for this purpose an internationally known woman of Japan, Miss Michi Kawai, who holds the position of General Secretary of the Japanese National Y.W.C.A. She associated with herself Mrs. Ochimi Kubushiro, a member of the National Christian Council. Together they have given—"Japanese Women Speak"—a most inspiring story of woman's work in the various denominations, emphasizing the continued need of missionaries. The last chapter reveals what women are doing for world peace, and contains letters to both Chinese and American women pleading for understanding of their attitude.—*Price: paper 50c; cloth \$1.00*

WORLD TIDES in the FAR EAST

IN "World Tides in the Far East", Basil Mathews pictures conditions in the Orient and the circumstances out of which these conditions grew.

Beginning with the story of China and Japan before they opened their doors to the outside world, the author tells the effect of the impact of western civilization on these ancient civilizations. He paints a vivid picture of the surging armies of Nationalists, Communists and war lords and the helplessness of the Chinese peasantry.

The last chapter, "The Tides of God", holds immense encouragement for Christians throughout the world. The Christians of both countries are working energetically for Christ and peace. The Kingdom of God Movement in Japan, fostered by Kagawa and the movement to evangelize the peasants of China, encouraged and helped by Stanley Jones, Sherwood Eddy and Kagawa, who came to China for the purpose, are full of hope for the future of these countries.—*Price: paper 60c; cloth \$1.00*

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desire them. "Think of manufacturing radios", says this expert, "for the glory of God". The programs for this station are being carefully prepared with a view to making them more attractive

than Shanghai's commercial broadcasts. In addition to talks of high Christian character, sermons, and much music, family prayers are broadcast every morning.

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lowed. Teaching? Yes, just being with the intermediates and guiding them as I would like to have been guided some years ago.—*Willie Kate Baldwin, S. C.*

THROUGH the teaching of "Open Windows" recently to juniors in a school of missions, I was gratified to observe a growing appreciation and love

for boys and girls in other countries. Love is the greatest force in the world and if we can bring our people of the south to love the world, we can bring them to do the task entrusted to them. Intensive mission study will help to produce a generation that will find it easier to love all races and peoples.—*Kate L. Chencault, Va.*

THE LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

Offering for Christmas, December, 1933

Reported by State Treasurers as having been remitted by them to the Foreign Mission Board

STATES	W.M.S.	V.W.A.	G.A.	R.A.	Sunbeam Bands	Totals
Alabama	\$ 5,660.82	\$ 307.59	\$ 206.11	\$ 93.78	\$ 169.82	\$ 6,447.12
Arizona	89.96	8.20	6.80	1.45	3.67	110.08
Arkansas	5,351.30	299.44	186.64	49.02	105.53	5,991.93
District of Columbia	608.10					608.30
Florida	1,869.05	63.55	22.68	6.90	20.57	1,982.75
Georgia	8,804.39					8,804.39
Illinois	1,400.26					1,400.26
Kentucky	10,141.92	633.86	239.37	73.45	131.59	11,220.19
Louisiana	4,058.78	191.61	131.42	49.73	130.08	4,561.62
Maryland	1,567.65	143.83	44.89	22.66	35.01	1,814.04
Mississippi	9,002.74					9,002.74
Missouri	9,482.28	814.81	351.62	162.70	220.13	11,051.54
New Mexico	592.40	135.00	60.00	37.80	40.00	865.20
North Carolina	16,826.55	1,682.81	852.04	425.62	822.96	20,610.03
Oklahoma	4,685.91					4,685.91
South Carolina	7,904.43	546.36	288.49	222.76	479.51	9,531.57
Tennessee	8,802.43	858.88	164.69	215.13	222.99	10,464.12
Texas	14,689.70	1,079.68	522.68	133.36	273.26	16,698.68
Virginia	22,665.96	1,629.33	765.99	566.16	736.30	26,363.74
Special Gifts	298.65					298.65
Total Gifts	\$154,602.48	\$8,414.97	\$4,043.42	\$2,060.57	\$3,391.42	\$172,512.86

Complete Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions from 1888 through 1933 inclusive amounts to \$2,626,777.95

Concerning BILYCHNIS in ROME, ITALY

THE attention of the W.M.U. corresponding secretary was called to a criticism of Bilychnis as made in another religious publication. Immediately correspondence was had with that publication but its editor did not seem to be able to produce proof justifying the criticism.

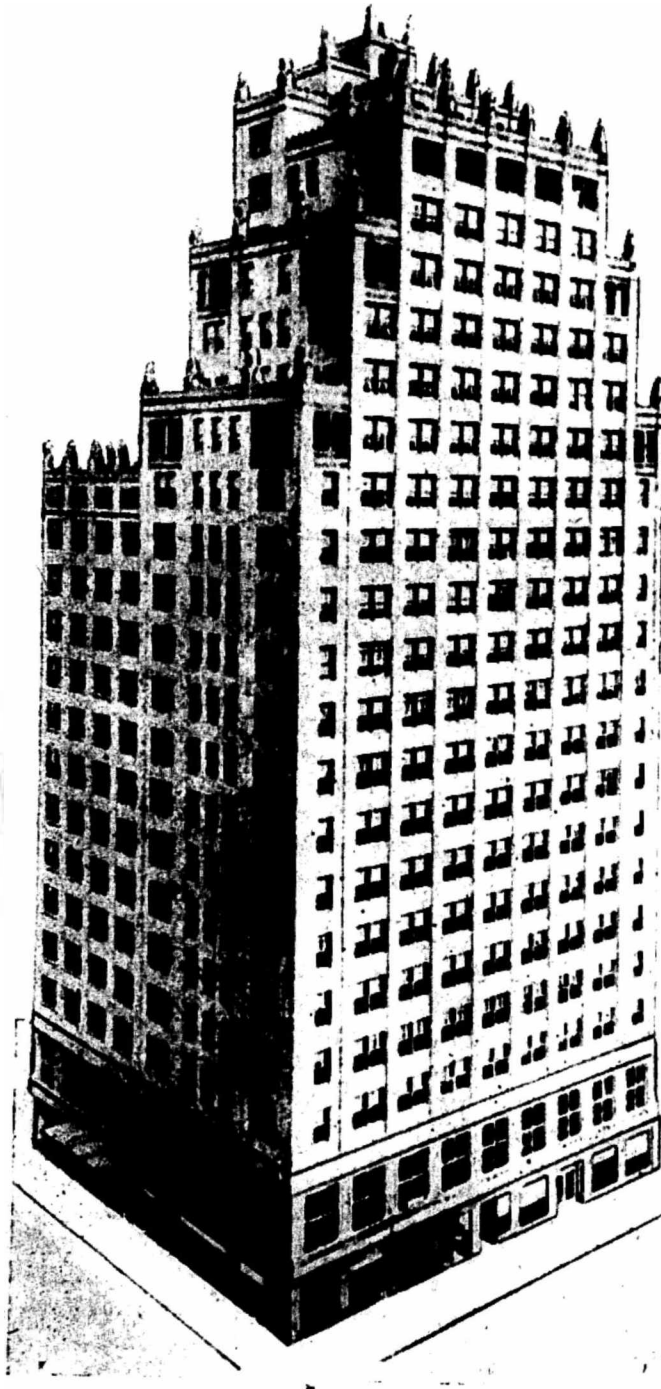
However, because the Italian Baptist Mission felt that its other publications—II Testimonio and II Seminatore—were more vital to its work than was Bilychnis, the Mission discontinued the publication of Bilychnis. Sincerely does the W.M.U. corresponding secretary regret not knowing this before the plans etc. were made for the 1933 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, which included help for Bilychnis. However, if any one who thus contributed wishes what he or she thus gave to Bilychnis to be otherwise used, the wish will be duly respected if notice is received before May 1st at the Birmingham W.M.U. headquarters. Except for such wishes, the suggestion is herewith made that by common consent Woman's Missionary Union on May first notify the Foreign Mission Board and Dr. D. G. Whittinghill of Italy that the amount provided for Bilychnis by the 1933 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is forthwith placed at the disposal of Dr. Whittinghill and his Italian Executive Committee for any native work which seems to them to be the most urgent.

THE BLACKSTONE HOTEL

Main Street at Fifth, Fort Worth, Texas

W.M.U. HEADQUARTERS HOTEL for ANNUAL MEETING

Reservations at any of the hotels should be made directly through the hotel as selected by the individual. Those desiring reservations in private homes or boarding houses should write directly to Rev. Kermit Melugin, 1517 Boulevard, Ft. Worth, Texas.



The first-class hotels of Fort Worth will accommodate fully 2000 people. The rooming houses and private homes have agreed to rent rooms to thousands of others. It is highly important that all reservations be made promptly.

A list of hotels, their location and rates was published in April issue of this magazine, pages 36 and 38. Reference to that list will show that all types of accommodations are available at rates to suit every purse.

Special railroad rates for the meeting in Fort Worth will be on sale May 10 through May 19 with a final return limit of 30 days after date of sale. Consult your ticket agent for full information.