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Watchword for Year: In the name of our God we will set up our banners.—Psa. 20:5



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EDITORIAL



TRUSTWORTHY STEWARDS

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



"Now in this matter of stewards your first requirement, that they must be trustworthy". So reads Fioifat's translation of I Cor. 4:2. In the more familiar version it reads: "Moreover it is required in stewards that a man be found faithful". A reading of the third chapter is necessary to get the setting and thus to comprehend the significance of this brief passage. Whatever else may be said of it, it certainly does magnify personal responsibility. As an illustration of accountability this of stewardship, legal trusteeship, is timeless. The world has always found necessity for the exercise of this function in property rights. A trustee or steward must render a strict account to the court of his handling of the property of another. He must ask the approval of the court concerning any contemplated changes in investments or management of

that which has been entrusted to him. His very acceptance of the trusteeship carries with it recognition of the obligation to conduct its affairs in such a way as to bring the largest possible returns, assuring always the safety of the trust. The rules of practice that surround a trusteeship have changed little throughout the ages. They vary little the world around. The analogy of the generally recognized principles of trusteeship and the personal responsibility of the Christian in the things of the Kingdom is obvious. The forcefulness of its comparisons is evident.

As members of Woman's Missionary Union we have a peculiar stewardship. It is a trusteeship which has been shared by every woman, every young person who has ever been counted as a member. Its obligations rest upon each of us to-day: to awaken interest in missions, to constantly promote missionary education, to encourage participation in missions, to kindle missionary fervor in the hearts of other women and young people and to keep constantly glowing in our own lives the fires of missionary zeal. With all Christians we share the promotion of the interests of the Kingdom but the peculiar stewardship which is ours as members of W.M.U. we have taken upon ourselves in recognizing and accepting its responsibilities. "Stewards... must be trustworthy". They must be constantly attentive to the interests of their stewardship, faithful to discharge its every obligation. Knowing that ultimately everyone must render an account of his stewardship, it is profitable to have self-examinations, to determine whether or not we are as faithful to the responsibilities of our high stewardship as we really should be. We shall be moved thereby to renewed zeal and devotion to our stewardship obligations.

The rewards of faithful stewardship are abundant. When one contemplates the products of our Union life through all the years of its fruitful history gratitude that our members have been trustworthy is inevitable. The sum of accomplishment is a stimulus to like faithfulness. The fruits of increased missionary knowledge are truer missionary living and larger missionary giving. It is important to neglect no phase of personal or society or Union responsibility. "It is required in stewards that a man be found faithful".

(See pages 45-51 of W.M.U. Year Book.)

RECEIPTS by HOME MISSION BOARD for ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG OFFERING



Great gratification is gratefully felt because by June 18 the Home Mission Board had received \$100,002.41 from the 1935 March Week of Prayer as contributed through its Annie W. Armstrong Offering for Home Missions. The goal for that offering was \$103,500. Sincerely is it hoped that "late returns" will carry the receipts beyond the goal. The following table shows the receipts through June 18:

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Concerning "BETOND-the-GOAL-GIFTS" of 1924 LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

HE undesignated "Beyond-the-Goal-Gifts" of the 1934 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering amounted to \$40,396.41. This was supplemented by a refund from salaries of certain missionaries who were on the 1934 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering list but who in the spring of 1935 were otherwise cared for, the total refund being \$1,733.30. This added to the \$40,396.41 made a distributable total of \$42,129.71. After caring for the items listed below to the amount of \$42,050.00, there was a balance of \$79.71. The Foreign Mission Board has been asked to hold the \$79.71, pending the settlement of another refund. Once more sincerest thanks are accorded every one who contributed to the offering.

Mincerest thanks are accorded every one was continued and	
1. Girls' School, Temuco, Chile	2,500
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3. Contribution toward Miss Clor's Salary	800
4. Building for School and Sunday School, Pelotas, Drazil	2,500
5. Missioneries' Homes in Africa	
6. Girls' School, Abeokuta, Africa	1,000
7. Debt on School, Campos, Brazil	5,000
7. Debt in School, Campos, Diagram	4,000
8. Chapel in Belgrade, Jugo-Slavia	11,850
9. Return of Missionaries on Furlough	2,000
10 Women's Training School, Rudanest, Hungary	
11 Davidson for to College for Girls KOKUPS, ISDSD	4,000
12. Publishing House, Rio, Brazil	3,000
12. Publishing House, Kio, Brazil	3,000
13. Church at Bable, Brazil	1,000
14 Manital at Changebox China	500
15. Church in Ameson Valley, Brazil	-

\$42,050



YOUNG WOMAN'S AUXILIARY



Miss Juliette Mather, W.M.U. Young People's Secretary WERE YOU a SUNBEAM?



In 1936 Woman's Missionary Union will be recalling that the Sunbeam Band movement was started fifty years ago. We are easer to have, in so far as possible, a definite evaluation of the worth of this organization in sowing seeds of missionary interest in the hearts of little children. To that end will you not turn back in your memory and see what belonging to Sunbeam Band meant to you? To "atir up your mind to remembrance" some provocative questions follow. If each of our Royal Service readers, some 80,000 in number, would

answer these questions and jot down relevant information, we would gather a vast amount of Sunbeam news. Won't you consider this a personal request-made to you individually—and answer as helpfully as you can? Thank you!

Name
Address
Present Service in Churchin Community
Association jp
When did you belong to Sunbeam Band?
Do you recall name of your Sunbeam leader?
How long did she serve as leader?What were her especial qualifications as leader
How did the Sunbeam Band help you in preparation for your present service?
Did any missionaries or Christian workers come from the personnel of your Sunbeam Band
Do you know of any others from your Sunbeam Band who now occupy places of leadership is church life?
Was the training in missionary giving helpful to you in forming stewardship habits?
Was the training in missionary praying helpful in developing prayer habits?
Did you serve as an officer in the Sunbeam Band?
Did this prepare you for later service?
What additional training could have been added to that you received?
What suggestions would you offer in plans for this 50th Anniversary of Sunbeam Band organ
General Comments

Please fill out the above questionaire or write an account of your Sunbeam years and send to Miss Juliette Mather, 1111 Comer Bldg., Birmingham, Ala-Thank you very much. It will belp in our future Sunbeam Band activities to have your remarks in hand.



OUR YOUNG PEOPLE



Mine Juliette Mather, W.H.U. Young People's Secretary

FOCUS on G. A.



There is a certain joy for any girl in being the center of attraction: the members of 6,904 Girls' Auxiliary organizations deserve that pleasure the second week of August. Many Women's Missionary Socie-

ties entered heartily into the Focus Week plans for Sunbeam Bands and Y.W.A's, earlier in the year and will rejoice to give attention to G.A's, in this second week of the second month of the third quarter. If your W.M.S. didn't participate in the widespread observance of the other weeks, you can share this time. Study the G.A. manual in your circle meetings: this will benefit in many ways. Mothers will see the worthwhile plans of G.A. and wish their teen-aged daughters to belong; others will be ready to serve as counselors for Junior or Intermediate G.A., and thus needed organizations can be perfected. Manuals can be ordered for circle study at 10c each from W.M.U. Literature Department, 1111 Comer Bldg, Birmingham, Alabama; they can then be given to the G.A. counselor for distribution to the members. Arrange for some of the GA's or for the GA. counselor to demonstrate the main features of G.A. during the study, for instance: reciting Aim, Allegiance, Star Ideals

Begin the week by planning with the pastor for a recognition of this strategic organization, through reserved seats, the GA's, entering in procession, just before the opening hymn of the church service, singing their hymn, "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations". It may be that the G.A's, can quote the Scripture lesson for the pastor, if it is one of the selections required in their Forward Steps. Perhaps the pastor will preach a sermon particularly applicable to the girl growing into young womashood - a sermon about "The Ruby-plus Woman" (described in Proverbs) or a sermon based on the miracle of Jesus mising Lazarus, a miracle repeated still when girls today become awake to eternal values.

Monday the GA's, will be going in groups

to the various circles. If it is the regu monthly W.M.S. program meeting, the W.M. S. can sak the G.A's, to give their initiation service as the worship period of their pro-

Tuesday can be devoted to personal service, the doing of gracious deeds by all the GA's.-visits to the sick, good cheer for the shut-ins. Intermediate GA's, can have a story for Negro children or a please for a group of underprivileged children. The counselor and the personal service chairman of the W.M.S. will help the G.A. personal service committee to know what best can be done.

Wednesday the GA's. will all attend prayer meeting, perhaps after a pleasant supper party together as guests of the for W.M.S. The auxiliary can contribute the new pantomime presentation of their bymo at the prayer service. Here the GA's, may have time to tell about their Forward Steps, quoting Scripture, telling about demand tional plans, reviewing the lives of their selected missionaries and so on, providing a profitable service for the prayer meeting at-

Let Thursday be a day devoted to mission study. There may be relaxing games, a picnic at noon, a swim at the close of the day after the study is finished. Books are ready to juniors, Guitars and Water Jars; for intermediates, Makers of South America or Triumphs of the Gospel in Chile and Argentins. Or if you do not feel led to a South American study select from the many fascinating others which your state W.M.U. young people's leader will recommend upon request. That night the teacher or leader of the class can grade the papers and be ready to make awards promptly, giving report on Friday of those who passed during the G.A. study

Friday morning can be used for the regula G.A. meeting. After lunch together the girls can work on their Forward Steps requirements, each pursuing her own task independ-

Won't that make a splendid week? And why not have a G.A. exhibit in a store window showing what posters G.A.s. have mad. what projects they have carried out, a statis-tical report of what they community? Put write-ups to the local pa-pers about your GA, activities. Invite migh-horing GA's, to share in the plans of your (Concluded on Page 8)



THY PEOPLE ISRAE



HOW to EVANGELIZE JEWS



"How does a missionary to the Jews do it!" somebody exclaims. "I shouldn't know how!" Jesus goes abead, in this work, and points out many little opportunities. This morning

has been spent, for in-stance, marking a New Testament for a Jewish mother just bereft of her only and idolized baby. Her frantic, hopeless grief at the graveside was appulling. So the New Testament is marked at the places which show the Way to the "many mansions" and at the place which speaks "concerning the dead which die in Christ" and at the place which describes the coming of Mes-

A gentile neighbor, whose son is a great favorite with the Jewish boys of the neighborhood, comes in to ask: "Why don't you come up to our place sometime and talk to the boys about Tesus?" She invites . . .

A telephone call: "Did you go to hear that lecture by Rabbi So-and-So, at the synagogue?" "Yes". "Will you please come and tell mother and me about it?" "Yes". It is one of the Lord's children speaking, one who is a tip-toe with interest and concern that our "Lord's homefolks" hear the Gospel, and who delights to learn all possible about them. She and I are prayers together in this matter. . . .

Another, interested greatly in the lews) sends a series of pictures of the Wilderness Tabernacle, the tabernacle the Israelites carried those forty hard thee, and . . ."-Iewell Legett Daniel, years on the way to the promised land, Texas

the one that pictured so vividly the wilderness walk of us pilgrims on our way to the Promised Land. What a usable thing in work for the Jewl My neighbors here in the same apartment bouse with me, orthodox Jews, will like to see these pictures. It will be easy to point out lesus the slain Lamb, with these in hand. . . .

It occurs to me that the Jewish symbol, the Davidic star, would make with a suitable verse from Psalms an appropriate Christmas greeting for Jewish friends. Such cards are ordered. . . .

A Jewish Christian friend is in great trouble. None are so isolated from their own as converted Jews. One can do little to belp, perhaps; can only stand by in prayer and in loving, insistent friendliness, with the comfort or guidance from God's Word that maybe they haven't yet learned to find for themselves. One can be a helpful neighbor in this circumstance and in all oth-

"Hmmm. Not much missionarying!" somebody muses. "I could do those things. I could send a New Testament or a book of John or a helpful clipping or tract. I could speak a tactful word for my Savior to His own folks: I could -should-tell my gentile friends of our obligation to these dear people. I should pray and get others to pray for them. And I could send cheery greetings and letters. And I can be a good neighbor to my Jewish neighbor. . .

Well, friend, do, That's why this was written. Our Father said to Abraham: "I will bless them that bless

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G.A. The mission study might include all the G.A's. of the association. Consider carefully what can best be done to set forth your G.A., not for vain glory but that seeing its value other girls may become interested also and

that, casting up an estimate of what has been accomplished, more may be done in the future Let your W.M.S. concentrate on Girb' Auxiliary in its Focus Week, prayerfully, parposefully beloing your girls to be Girls Awake" to Kingdom opportunitles for Christ's



FROM OUR MISSIONARIES



"In the GARDEN"



It was a tropical garden, where flaming hibiscus nodded to hedges of many-hued crotons and where, over all, royal palm trees flapped their long fronds with a swishing sound, like waves lapping some far off shore. One of the palms was sending out a new frond, which shot straight up into the air, like a green spear. On the tip of the spear a little bird, perfectly balanced, was swinging in the evening breeze.

On a bench sat a young man, passing his fingers rapidly over a page of Braille print. It was Blas, a student in the Havana School for the Blind. He was waiting in the garden for his teacher to finish her class in Bible. Blas was not interested

in Bible study. He had his own religion—the religion of his fathers—and that was good enough for him. What he wanted was to learn English, for there was a world of literature for the blind in that language. His own school library contained a number of volumes which friends in the United States had sent-interesting books of history, science, fiction—so many things which Blas longed to read. But they were in English, and these Cuban students knew Spanish only. A Cuban senorita came twice a week for a class in English, and the American missionary had promised to give him extra help on her weekly visits.

She was coming now-that was her step, and the boys were saying good-hye. He stood to greet her. He had a surprise for her: a composition in English. The previous week the surprise had been a song. Knowing his love for music, his teacher had taught him to sing "His Eye Is on the Sparrow", and had told him of the Father's care for the lilies of the field and the birds of the air. He had read about it in Luke's Gospel, which the Bible students had lent him.

This afternoon when the English lesson was over, the teacher said: "Blas, I know a little song which you can learn in a few minutes. It is short, and you do not need to copy it".

"Ah! Qué bueno!" said he, in his joy over learning another song in English. He could sing it all during the week. It would be good practice and would help him to acquire a good pronunciation. Then in a low voice the teacher sang:

> "Into my heart, into my beart, Come into my beart, Lord Jesus!"

Blas was delighted. At the teacher's suggestion, they sang it first in Spanish to catch the tune. Oh, how she did wish that he might catch the spirit! Now he knew the tune, and they went back to the English words. As Blas sang in his deep, rich baritone, his eyes were turned towards the sky which he could not see, but his heart was lifted up, and there was a rapt expression on his face. His sensitive hands moved in time to the music:

"Eento my heart, eento my heart, Corn eento my heart, Lord Jesu1'

Could anything be sweeter in that setting? One of the palm trees was sending out a new frond, which shot straight up into the air like a green spear. On the tip of the spear a little bird, perfectly balanced, was swinging in the breeze.

If "His eye is on the sparrow"-and we know it is-was He not watching blind Blas, singing there in the garden? The teacher sang with her pupil, to help him get the pronunciation, but in her heart she was praying: "Come in today come in to stay, come into his heart, Lord Jesus!"

M.S. H. R. MOSELEY of Havana Cuba, who twote the above story, said in an accompanying letter: You will sorrow with us over the loss of our dear Mr. Alfonso. Rene we called him, because we loved him. On Sunday, February 17 "as it began to dawn" he slipped away and went to church in Heaven. We were glad he could go for he had suffered so long with cancer of the lung. He was so patient, so uncomplaining—"because I am a Christian", he said to me one day. Mrs. Alfonso told me that once, when he had been asleep in the day time, he seemed to think it was a new day and called her for their morning prayer. She kumored him and said: "What shall we ask God for today?" He answered: "Let's not ask for anything. Let's just thank Him!" And René was like that. We shall miss him. For years he was Dr. McCall's "right hand".

DAY of PRAYER a BLESSING

MAS. EUGENE SALLEE of Raifeng in interior China writes: "It was a good day I have to tell you about. It was fairly well planned and many took part. We had about 200 present. We came at eleven and remained until four in the afternoon. There was a fine spirit manifested in it all. The prayers were helpful and showed real appreciation for the work in all lands. We need a great deal of teaching about other lands in order that our people may begin to take in the great scope of our Baptist work. We are working on it and the day is surely coming when our people are going to be well informed. We had the brethren with us at this prayer service. Mr. Gillespie dismissed his Bible school, other men also came in with us and it was a helpful day. Our contribution for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering amounted to Mex. \$25.20 (equivalent in gold, \$8.08). I hope next year to get the entire Mission to observe the Day of Prayer and to get each station to contribute to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, putting it all together and sending it to our W.M.U. in the United States, so that we here may have a part in world missions".

Likewise Miss Alice Huey of Laichowlu in north China says: Our "Day of Prayer around the World" was a high day. We began at 8 o'clock in the morning, praying for China. We went across to Mexico, sympathized with those people in their persecutions and rejoiced with them over the large number of conversions. As we went on into South America some one expressed the wish that we might board a large passenger plane and visit all these places. Later in the day a brother said: "We are visiting these places. I never dreamed of having such fellowship as we are enjoying today". They truly prayed. One of the great blessings poured out on the Baptists of China is the spirit of prayer. After nearly two hours of fellowship with the saints of South America we went across to the "Dark Continent". Thank God there are many bright spots there now. We felt a peculiar interest in our own missionaries and their co-workers in Nigeria. Some of us remembered that somewhere in Africa are two Portugese missionaries-fruits of Brazilian foreign mission work. Some one said recently: "The Jesus religion is not a doctrine but a life. That is why it spreads and grows as it does". We were thrilled over the wonderful growth in Europe. It was noticed that the places reporting large numbers of baptisms are undergoing bitter persecution. Persecution and fruit-bearing go together. Some of our people are beginning to wonder if we in China are too much "at ease in Zion".

As I entered the church that morning a dear old auntle handed me a small offering. She served long and faithfully at "Kathleen Mallory Hospital". She

is now being retained for her "board and keep" because she still washes hospital small pieces cleaner than the laundryman does. She said: "The Lord gave me this. I want to give it". During the day little children and grown-ups went down, southern darky fashion, to place their gifts on the table. They were giving for Palestine—the land where their Saviour lived, wrought and died, the land where He was buried and arose, from which He ascended, to which He is coming again—soon, they believe.

They gave three times as much this year as they gave last year. The next day Miss Grayson came in from Chefoo and Hwanghsien. She reported a large increase in gifts from those two places. Last year we sent \$163. I asked God to give us \$200 this time. Reports from five societies have come in: these five gave more than \$233. The Lord gives us more than we ask!

The North China Woman's Missionary Union calls this their "bit of foreign mission work". May God bless their mites to the salvation of some of His chosen people!

IS the GOSPEL MAKING PROGRESS in CHINA?

AN YESTERDAY afternoon Mrs. Tseu, who lives on the Ping Kong Loo, a good half mile from our street, invited the pastor to go to her house for a service to be followed by the complete destruction by fire of all visible evidences of idolatry in her home. A group of seven responded.

The pastor conducted a very impressive service in the presence and hearing of the neighbors. The small house and larger alleyway were packed. Following the service, Mrs. Tseu brought out one large scroll; two bags of paper money, that is burned for departed spirits; and eight ancestral tablets, representing four or five generations. These were enclosed in black mahogany frames with glass fronts. They were all piled up in the alley on a heap of straw. A match was touched, and they were burned to ashes. During the burning, Mrs. Tseu added a basin of paper money ashes to the pile. The grandmother had brought these with her when she moved into the home some weeks previous.

Although Mrs. Tseu's husband and mother-in-law have not accepted the Gospel for themselves yet, they are not enemies and were willing that these expressions of idolatry be burned. The doxology was sung, and we dispersed. Some of the neighbors openely blamed Mrs. Tseu; others were heard to say: "We want to hear more about that Gospel". Mrs. Tseu herself did not falter: she felt sure she was doing the right thing. Nothing escaped the eyes and ears of her two small children.

God's love is a real thing in the heart of that woman. She stood the testing heat.—Mrs. Chas. G. McDaniel, Soochow, China

BRAZILIAN W.M.U. ANNUAL MEETING

MINE was the delightful opportunity of attending the Woman's Brazilian Baptist. Convention, held in Rio de Janeiro on January the fifteenth and eighteenth. It was my first national convention and how impressed I was by the large group assembled in one of the rooms of the First Baptist Church. The convention was well represented considering distances, poor means of transportations of financial condition of most of our believers. Nine states had representatives and there were 171 messengers. Some persevering women walked long ways, bringing their little ones and their lunches in order to spend the day.

D. Sarah Costa, our faithful president for three years, presided at Tuesday's session, the morning of which was devoted chiefly to hearing reports from our three field workers. For three years Miss Blanche Simpson has traveled inces-

santly from north to south, east to west Brazil, visiting all the small churches and congregations, teaching W.M.U. work to the women and holding Popular Bible Schools from two to three hours daily for the children. As she recounted her traveling experiences on burro, canoe, train, omnibus or truck and some hardships endured for the sake of spreading the Glad Tidings but most of all of the amazing results obtained, we realized anew what an open door Brazil is to the Gospel, Herodias Pinto and Lydia Nogueira had just finished their Training School courses in November, but both worked last vacation and this. Lydia traveled to the extreme north as far as Manãos, Amazonas; and Herodias confined her efforts to the large state of Rio. Both narrated with youthful enthusiasm some of the deep experiences that were theirs in proclaiming the way of life to lost souls.

In the last service the reports and plans for the W.M.U. organizations were presented. Mrs. Watson directed an interesting hour in which cooperation of the W.M.U. with our Seminaries and Training Schools was discussed by representatives from these institutions. But the chief attraction was a touching message from Sr. Collares, our missionary to the uncivilized Indians, relating incidents of that work. His task consists in preaching the Gospel, teaching them to read the Bible, instructing them in crude methods of farming, and curing the sick. He and his sick wife have spent six long years among this irresponsible group with the bare necessities of life, without fellowship of other believers and loved ones. The messengers were so touched they wanted to have some part in building a house on the field for this self-sacrificing couple, and so gave an offering of about \$10.

Among the chief points of interest for the new year was a suggested campaign to increase the number of our quarterlies; so many of our societies receive only one copy, but with emphasis placed on this phase of the work we hope to double the number of copies. The World-Wide Day of Prayer was emphasized again, for with reports of blessings and benefits received on December 7, 1934, we understood that our women had caught the spirit of the day. We hope to see every church observing this special day next December.

The Executive Committee with state representatives had its meeting marked for Wednesday afternoon the sixteenth. Our hearts were much in prayer for the new plans to be presented and some problems to be worked out, but how our spirits soared that morning when we found on the prayer calendar the words: "Pray for the Brazilian W.M.U." We knew then that hundreds of loyal women were remembering us as we redoubled our efforts and enlarged our plans.—Miss Mildred Cox. Pernambuco. Brazil

CLOSER to OUR MASTER

NEVER has there been a time in these nearly thirty-five years that 1 have seen anything like the eagerness with which the people in this county now attend the classes for intensive study of the Scripture. All over the North China Mission we hearlthe same reports. Right along with this are the organized bands of Christians going out after the lost. It is perfectly wonderful to know about the zeal and enthusiasm they show in the Sunday evening meetings for reports. It never seems too cold for them to attend in crowds. All are earnestly praying that many may be reached and saved. We just praise our Lord for the great changes so marked in the lives of many. All of us, I do believe, are living closer to each other and to our Master.—Miss Mary D. Willeford, Laichow, China





CURRENT MISSIONARY EVENTS



Discussed by Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

The October 1934 issue of the Missionary Review of the World was a special Japan number and the following items are gleaned from articles in that number

Population of Japan in 1933 was 67,-238,600.

Protestant Christians number 232,000 with 2205 churches.

Missionaries number 1130 (men and

Japanese force—4,807. Yearly gifts to church work from native sources have amounted to 2,810,000 yen.

"The leadership of the Christian forces is intelligent, truly pious and thoroughly Christian. Beyond the organized churches is a large circle of so-called 'non-church' Christians. Many of these are of the finest Christian type, and beyond these 'non-church' Christians is a much larger circle of people who do not call themselves Christians whose whole outlook on life is in many ways that of the average Christian. It is from this large circle Christianity wins most of its adherents".

"To Japanese youth of today religion means Christianity. When religion is mentioned Christianity is forthwith called to mind. Men like Kagawa never fail to have a hearing. Youth is not slow in drawing its conclusions. The idealistic youth of Japan face toward Christ".

"Engawa asserts that Christianity has produced seven great actial changes in Japan:
(1) Transformed home life; (2) Increased respect for labor; (3) Growth in democracy;
(4) Development of parliamentarianism; (5) Growing respect for human life and personality; (6) Consideration for the former outcast classes; (7) Widespread philanthropy".

"After seventy years of Christlanity in Japan

the members of the churches are mostly in the large cities. One of the most significant accomplishments of the Kingdom of God Movement has been the blazing of ploneer paths into large sections of the hitherto untouched rural fields where about 44 per cent of the population live".

Over 2000 rural young people have been euroiled in the one hundred "Penant Gospel Schools" in different sections where they have been given a week or ten days' intensive training for Christian leadership. "Most of these have gone back to their villages and tarted something—a Sunday school, a Bible class, a reading circle, a recreational center, a letter-farming lecture course—anything to give Christia chance in their village".

In the early days of missionary endeavor America was looked upon as the ideal nation. In recent years there has been a shock and a reaction and with this disillusionment has come a cordial disilite of America. . In the midst of all this there has been one link of unchanged friendship, that has been and is the missionary group. Through these the Christian communities of America and Japan know one another and only as these two Christian movements ching together can we hope to overcome the obstacles to peace which keep coming up between these two nations.—Quoted by Christian Century from V. C. C. Bulletin

Within the last two years there has been a great increase in suicides in Japan, many of which occur out of protest against their country's marriage customs or their government's recent activities in world affairs. Within the last few years the work of one woman, Nobu Jo, has received government and public recognition and many welfare organizations are using her method to prevent suicides. Over seven thousand would-be suicides have come to her after reading her sign boards.

Wait a Minute. God Is Love. If You Must Take Your Life Come and Talk It Over First With Nobu Jo (giving address)

Not only those who had decided to end all through suicide, but others who were unhappy and did not know where to turn, having seen the signs, came for help.—Womon's Missionery Priend



FAMILY ALTAR



Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

TOPIC: "According to the Scriptures"-1 Cor. 15:1-8

ORDS of the Book which He gave for my guide; Truths from the lips of the Savlor who died; Prayers of my Lord recorded for me; Promises rare of things soon to be!

'Cording to Scriptures He lives evermore; Come, all ye faithful. His name to adore. 'Cording to Scriptures the faithful must go Till others the tidings of Jesus shall know.

"Did Ye Never Read?"

164	Day-	-Mark	1:1-3,	9-11,	21,	2 2	
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2nd Day-Matt. 21:42; 22:29; 26:54, 56 3rd Day-Mark 13:31: 15:28

4th Day-Luke 4:21; 24:27, 82, 46 5th Day-Jno. 2:22; 5:39; 7:38; 19:36

6th Day-Acts 1:1-3; 8:30-35

7th Day-Acts 17:2-4, 11; 18:24, 26

"What Saith the Scripture?"

8th Dny-Rom. 1:1-6; 4:3

9th Day-Gal. 1:8-24; 3:8, 22; 4:30 10th Day-I Tim, 5:18

11th Day-II Tim. 3:16

12th Day-Jas. 2:22-27 18th Day-I Pet. 2:6

14th Day-II Pet. 1:20, 21; 3:16-18

"We Preach Christ"

15th Day-I Cor. 1:1-10

16th Day-I Cor. 1:17-31 17th Day-! Cor. 2:1-12 18th Day-I Cor. 3:1-15

19th Day-I Cor. 4:1-5, 14-16 20th Day-I Cor. 10:1-13 21st Day-I Cor. 10:14-24, 31-33

"According to the Scriptures"

22nd Day—I Cor. 12:1-14 23rd Day—I Cor. 12:27-31 26th Day—I Cor. 13:1-13

25th Day-I Cor. 14 26th Day-I Cor. 15:1-10 27th Day-I Cor. 15:11-22 28th Day-I Cor. 15:23-46 29th Day-I Cor. 15:46-58

30th Day-I Cor. 16:1-13 31st Day-I Cor. 16:14-24

Praise God for salvation through Jesus Christ and that every other good gift is from above also.

Ask for forgiveness for thoughts and acts and desires not becoming a Christian.

Intercole for Home and State Missiens Week, August 4-10 inclusive, and Fereign Missions Week, August 11-18 inclusive—both being held at Ridgecrest, N. C. Pray that all southern Baptists who can do so will be present and that the missionaries and others on the two weeks' programs will be mightily used of Ged. (See page 1.)

Pray for all assemblies and other camps for missionary instruction and information.

Ank God's guidance of W.M.U. plans for prayer, enlistment, personal service. study, stewardship, missionary education of young people.

Remember in sympathetic supplication paracuted Christians in many lands, & pecially in Russia, Remenie and Palestine.

Pour out your heart's adoration that "His goodness faileth never!"

Calendar of Brayer Annust, 1935

Prepared by Mrs. Maud R. McLure, Georgia

AM so weak, dear Lord, I cannot stand One moment without The But, oh, the tenderness of Thy enfolding, And, oh, the faithfulness of Thy upholding, And, oh, the strength of Thy right hand-That Strength is enough for me.

Topic: Lifting the Banner in the Land of the Rising Sun

1—THURSDAY Pray for Mexican Baptist Institute,

Bastrop, Texas.

I Myself will be the shepherd of My sheep.—Ezek. 34:15

2—FRIDAY

For Rev. and *Mrs. Chas. L. Culpepper, evangelistic work, Hwang-Hsien, China

His mercy is unto generations and generations,—Luke 1:50

3—SATURDAY

For Rev. and xxMrs. Z. Paul Freeman, evangelistic work, Concordia, Argentina

Seek ye Me and ye shall live.—Amos 5:4

4—SUNDAY

For Rev. and *Mrs. Rex Ray (on furlough), evangelistic work, Wuchow, China, and for Home and State Missions Week at Ridgecrest, N. C., Aug. 4-10 (pages 35-36) He restoreth my soul.—Psa. 23:3

5-MONDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. M. G. White (on furlough), and Miss Pauline White, evangelistic and educational work, Bahia, Brazil, and Maxey G. White Jr., Margaret Fund student
O taste and see that Jehovah is good.
—Psa. 34:8

6-TUESDAY

For Dr. and *Mrs. R. T. Bryan, educational and evangelistic work, Shanghai, China Be not anxious for your life.—Luke 12:22

7-WEDNESDAY Pray that southern Baptists may answer the challenge of evangelizing

Japan. Preach the Word.—II Tim. 4:2

8—THURSDAY Pray for Mrs. J. H. Rowe, on pension from Japan. Let them also that love Thy name be joyful in Thee.—Psa. 5:11

9-FRIDAY For Dr. and Mrs. Shelby W. Vance,

medical work, and †Miss Sallie James, nurse, Yangchow, China Trust in Jeliovah and do good.—Psa. 37:3

10-SATURDAY For Rev. and Mrs. A. R. Crabtree, educational work, Rio de Janeiro,

He that feareth Him and worketh right-eousness is acceptable to Him.

—Acts 10:35.

11-SUNDAY

For Misses *Viola Humphreys and Blanche Rose Walker, evangelistic work, and *Josephine Ward, educational work, Kaifeng, China. Pray also for Foreign Missions Week at Ridgecrest, N. C., Aug. 11-18 inclusive. clusive.
God, even our own God will bless us.
—Psa. 67:6

12-MONDAY

For editors of Royal Service I will give thee counsel.—Ex. 18:19

13—TUESDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. Jas. W. Mc-Gavock, evangelistic work, Santiago, Chile None of us liveth to himself .- Rom. 14:7

-WEDNESDAY

Pray that the great unreached rural sections of Japan may have the

Go out in the highways and hedges and constrain them to come in.—Luke 14:23
15—THURSDAY

Pray for Rev. and *Mrs. Wilson Fielder, evangelistic work, Chengchow, China, and for Wilson Fielder Jr., Margaret Fund student.
For we are His workmanship.—Eph. 2:10
-FRIDAY

For †Miss Elma Elam, Shaki, and *Miss Lucille Reagan, educational work, Lagos, Nigeria Beloved, now are we the children of God.
—I Jao. 3:2

†Attended W.M.U. Training School
*Attended Southwestern Training Sc
xxAttended Baptist Bible Institute

Calendar of Brauer August, 1935

AM so needy, Lord, and yet I know All fullness dwells in Thee; And, hour by hour, that never falling treasure Supplies and fills in overflowing measure My last and greatest need, and so Thy grace is enough for me .- George Macdonald

Capte: Lifting the Sanner in the Lund of the Listing Sin

17-SATURDAY

Pray for †Dr. Jeannette Beall, medical work, and †Miss Alda Grayson, nurse, Laichow-Fu, China. I will make the wilderness a pool of wa-ter.—Isa. 41:18

18-SUNDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. S. L. Watson, educational work, Rio de Janeiro. Brazil, and Stephen Lawton Watson, Margaret Fund student
I have made the Lord Jehovah my reluge.

—Psa. 73:28

19-MONDAY

For Rev. E. T. Spuggs, evangelistic work, Fort Bayard, and † Miss Faith Snuggs, educational work, Liu-Chan City, China
I malted patiently for Jebovah.

—Psa. 40.1 Chau City, China

20-TUESDAY

For Mrs. S. E. Stephens (on furlough), evangelistic work, Tsingteo. 29-THURSDAY China Ha . . , is my Rock —Pss. 62 2

21-WEDNESDAY

Pray that our southern Baptist work in Japan may grow and prosper.

I am not ashamed of the Gospel.

—Rom. 1-16

22-THURSDAY

Pray for Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Bausum, boys' work, Kweilin, China. They that trust in Jebovah are as Mount Zion -- Pm. 125:1

28—FRIDAY

For *Miss Essie Fuller, educational work, Sao Paulo, Brazil The government shall be upon His about-der.—Iss. 9:6

Pray for Rev. and *Mrs. Herbert Caudill, evangelistic work, Havana, Jehovah will keep thy foot from being taken .-- Prov. 3:16

25-SUNDAY

For Ray. Wade Bostick, evangelistic work, Pochow, China Receive we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments,—I loke 2:3

26-MONDAY

For Rev. G. H. Lacy, on pension from Merico, and James Lacy, Margaret Fund student I will deliver him and honor him.

—Pan. 93:15

27-TUESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Johnson, evangelistic work, Soochow, China to your patience ye shall win your main.
—Lake 21:19

28-WEDNESDAY

Pray that our international relations with Japan may be guided by the Golden Rule. Follow after peace with all seen.

—Beb. 12:14

Pray for Rev. and †Mrs. L. E. Blackman, evangelistic and educational work, Shanghal, China.

Who shall also confirm you gate the end that ye be unreprovable.—I Cor. 1:8

\$0-FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Berry, educational work, Bello Horizonte,

Be ye marciful even as your Fother is merciful.—Laho 6:36

31-SATURDAY

For Rev. and †Mrs. F. T. Woodward and Miss Leopora Scarlett, evangelistic work, Kong Moon,

For we are God's fellow-workers —1 Cor. 3:9

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BIBLE STUDY



Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

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

TOPIC: "According to the Scriptures"-1 Cor. 15:1-8



PAUL was very close to the early Christians at Corioth. He preached first in the bouse of Titus Justus, later in the Jewish synagogues. Silas and Timothy, Aquila and Priscilla worked faithfully with him. A young minister named Apollos preached in Corinth too. He knew only the baptism of John. The good couple, Aquila and Priscilla, instructed him in deeper things concerning their Savior. Apollos was eloquent. Some liked his presching better than that of the older apostle. The new church was consulcuous in a city notoriously wicked. God's power was felt. Many left the worship of heathen gods to accept the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. All the time that Paul was carrying on the protracted meeting in Corinth be supported himself by tent making,

Corinth was well situated for trade. Everything that riches could provide was there. Games were recognized as a part of the life. Beautiful parks filled with statues, expensive dwellings, theaters, magnificent temples, even the famed Temple of Venus, spoke for the wealth of Corinth. To have several godly men living among them and teaching that Jesus was the Christ made a deep impression. The story is told of an old Grecian who was asked the way to the Temple of Venus: "Ah", he said, "I cannot tell you. But, Wanderer, I know that all roads lead to Christ. Seek Him and His beautiful Kingdom"

The time came when Paul must say goodbye to his new friends. The same regret was felt that you experience today when the visiting minister must go back to his pulpit in the middle west or to his class room in the seminary. You have many fellow workers with you, however, and many of you have all time preaching. The little group who saw Paul leave them had a tremendous responsibility to be shated by a few. Paul went directly to Ephenas. It wasn't long until he heard that his loved flock back at Corinth was divided. Some were saying there was no resurrection. The gentile converts and those who came from the Hebrew faith did not agree on how men ought to be saved. Several messages were exchanged. Postibly other letters had passed before the one we know as First Corinthians. This letter was written in 57 A.D. and Timothy was no doubt the letter carrier.

What a privilege to be able to read Paul's answer to the questions that troubled first century Christians. Do you think twentieth century Christians bave outgrown the need for Paul's coursel? He speaks of eternal things. That is why his words are not out of date. He knew Jesus, He knew the Scriptures. After all, the man who knows Jesus and sees Jesus in all the Scriptures has a message at any time.

The first chapter of this remarkable letter gives a picture of the life at Corinth. Paul regrets the habit of speculating and philosophizing on the part of these Greeks. He wants them to understand the simple message of the cross. He knows that their worldly wisdom is s stumbling block. Professor Robertson of King's College, Landon, said of this epistle: "In its fullness of light and shadow it vividly reproduces the bie of a gentile Christian community, secthing with the beginnings of that age-long warfare of the highest and the lowest in man, which constitutes the history of the church of Christ from the time His fire was kindled on the earth down to the present time".

Paul believes that his letter does good. He writes again—this time from Philippi—and we know this message as Second Corinthians. He reveals a love like that of our Lord as He wept over Jerusalem. The thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians is a gem. Both letters carry conche statements about salvation and immortality. The Old Testament is recognized in both letters. In the fifteenth chapter of First Corinthians, which is our lesson today, Paul covers the subject in the intractic course. Christ died for bur sine, says the apostic. This same Jesus was buried and rose again. All of this was "according to the Scriptures". Not one citall of the prophecy falled to fit the facts of Christ's death. Paul mentions witnesses of the rises Christ. Them he declares: "And last of all He was seen of me also, as of our horn out of due time".

The evangelist, the pustor, the personal worker, the Sunday school teacher, indeed every (Conducted on Page 34)



CIRCLE'S MISSIONARY PROGRAM

THE outline program in the W.M.U. department of Home and Foreign Fields has been prepared with especial thought of its being used by circles, the effort being made to avoid duplication of thought or material as used by the society in its regular missionary program. The price of Home and Foreign Fields in \$1 from Bapliet Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

WHEN YOUR CIRCLE STUDIES "PERSONAL SERVICE GUIDE"
the following suggestions will help from the Southwide Personal Service Chairman,
Mrs. P. B. Lowrance of Chattanooga, Tenn.—

Preliminary Meeting—1: Have the Personal Service Chairman of the circle to preside over this meeting, introducing the circle's Mission Study Chairman as the one to conduct the study of the book. 2: Have each member of the circle to read the book before the next meeting. 3: Divide the circle into groups of three or four to each group. 4: Assign the following (or some similar personal service) to be done before the next meeting: (1) Group One—Visit a Negro church or W. M. S.; (2) Group Two—Visit Mothers' Meeting in the Good Will Center; (3) Group Three—Visit the Juvenile Court; (4) Group Four—Hold a Cottage Prayer Meeting; (5) Visit a needy family and carry clothing, food etc.

Chapter One—1: Have each group report on personal service assignments. 2: Check carefully results. 3: Discuss first chapter of book, if time permits. But, since this in an activity book, rather than a study book, don't be disturbed if the book is not covered, word for word. Remember, the book is a guide.

Chapter Two—1: Have the Personal Service Chairman or counselor of each of the young people's organizations meet with the circle and discuss plans for personal service in the young people's organizations.

Chapter Three-Make a survey of community needs or make a tour of the benevolent matitutions in your city. In many cities free bus transportation will be furnished for this tour.

Chapter Four-Visit one person who is not a Christian and share your knowledge of Christ with her. Emphasize the importance of winning people to Christ as a result of all personal assivice. Prescribing the Savior is the purpose of all our work.

Chapter Five—Through cooperation with the day schools, have a census taken of all school children, finding how many attend Sunday school and church, how many are Christians and the parents are active thurch members. This has been successfully done in several communication.

Supplemental Helps.—Throughout the book, lists of outside helps are given. Special attention is called to pages 45, 71, 79, 87, 89. In addition the following books are suggested: "The Tale of Two Peoples—Gentiles and Jews", W. M. Seny; "The Jew and Jesus", Jacob Gartenhaus; "The Jew and World Ferment", Basil Mathews; "Talks on Soul-Winning", E. Y. Mullins; "How to Win to Christ", Prince E. Burroughs; "With Christ after the Lost", L. R. Scarborough.



BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLES



Miss Inabelle Coleman, Virginia

Poster Suggestion: On large poster paste open sheet of music and words for Beautiful Japan. Underneath print announcement as to time and place of meeting. (Order copy of "Beautiful Japan" for 50 cents, from Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.)

Program Heading: Copy first bar of music and words of Beautiful Japan.

Suggestions for Service-More-Abundant-

1. In the month of August scores of missionaries from around the world will spend the week of August 11-18 at Ridgecrest, North Carolina, an ideal vacation spot—cool, restful, refreshing and with plenty of sports as well as inspiration. Make your reservation to R. F. Staples, Pritchelle Hall, Ridgecrest, North Carolina. (See page 1.)

2. In the month of August many business women will wish to spend their vacation with youth. Whether a week in some wooday camp or a day in their own backyard with a group of Sunbeams, R.A's., G.A's. or Y.W.A's., a couple or more business women will find rare joy in studying Japan with these young people: Y.W.A's..."At the Gate of Asia" (15 cents); RA's. and G.A's... "Japanese Boys and Girls" (10 cents), "Friends in Nippon" (50 cents); Sunbeams—"Little Children in Japan" (10 cents), "Little Kin Chan" (75 cents).

3. In the month of August extra reading may appeal to many as they relax and rest. June and October, 1934, issues of "Missionary Review of the World" (25 cents each) are devoted to the orient and Japan. Books: "Christ and Japan".—Kagawa (50 cents); "World Tides in the Far East".—Mathews (60 cents); "Typhoon Days in Japan".—Spencer (60 cents); "The Spirit of Power".—free. (Order any of these books from State Baptist Bookstore or from Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.)

4. In the month of August some Business Women's Circles may want to have an International Party honoring all the orientals in their city or community. Festivity, fellowship and Christian love abiding through the hour will combine to bear fruit for Christ!

5. In the month of August some circle may want to make a movie-visit to our Baptist Girls' School in Japan—Selnan Jo Gakuin, Kokura, Japan. Borrow 16 millimeter reel from Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia, and use on good machine. Return postage prepaid, Delase.

TOPIC for MONTH:

LIFTING the BANNER in the LAND of the RISING SUN

Victrola Music (as Circle Assembles): Japanese Cradle Song No. 20395; Japanese Trio No. 50080; The Jap Doll No. 20618; Japanese Lament No. 4045
Silent Prayer and Meditation —Scripture: Galatians 1:1-8
Prayer Newscasting (Page 13), Announcements and Business
Hymn: "From Greenland's Icy Mountains"

Beautiful Japan: "Japan and the Japanese" (Page 21)

Solo: "Beautiful Japan"

Nationalistic Japan: "Japan and the World" (Page 23)

Religious Japan: "Japan and Her Religions" (Page 24)

Quartette: "Send the Light"

Christian Japan: "Japan and the Banner of the Cross" (Page 25)

Baptist Japan: "Japan and Southern Baptists" (Page 26)

The World's Greatest Christian: "Kagawa, the Apostle of Love" (Page 28)
A Second Generation Messenger: "New Hands for the Banner" (Page 29)

Special Prayer for Helen Dozier — Hymn: Fling Out the Banner

Benediction



PROGRAM PLANS



Mrs. T. M. Pittman, North Carolina

With the PROGRAM COMMITTEE



In August many members of Women's Missionary Societies are away from home; others have houses full of company; others find this their busiest season. The Program Committee must therefore prepare a program that is worth dropping everything for, and that will make all who attend the meeting glad they did so.

The first thing to consider is the place of meeting. Where it is possible, the meeting should be held out of doors or on a large porch. A sub-committee on arrangement of place of meeting may be named. A second sub-committee should be appointed to see that every member has a way to ride to the meeting. A third sub-committee may, if desired, arrange for ice water

and crackers or lemonade and waters. Many societies find it more convenient to meet at the church where there will be enough chairs for everybody. But a delightful social touch may be given if some member will invite the society to her home after the meeting for simple lemonade and the pleasure of half an hour together. The circle in charge of the August program may furnish these inexpensive refreshments. Even if the car loads of women have to drive across town for this second part of the meeting, this can be managed and may be a good way of showing the size of the society.

The second thing the Program Committee must do is, of course, the most important thing. This is to get up a program full of interest. Certainly there is plenty of interesting material given in pages 21-30. The trouble will be in deciding what parts can be left out.

The leader of the program may speak of Japan as the "Land of Flowers" and then hand around a basket of flowers, asking each woman to take one. To the stem of each flower there should be attached a paper giving a short item about Japan and its people. These items may be selected from the material down to "Japan and Southern Baptists" (page 26). (See also page 13.)

The leader may tell of the beginnings of southern Baptist work in the Island Empire. Then five GA's, may enter dressed as nearly in Japanese fashion as possible. They should speak in turn of Churches, Schools, Publications, W.M.U. and Evangelism (pages 26-28). (If any kind of social half hour follows the meeting, these girls in costume may be asked to serve.)

Time should be given on the program for brief mention of "Kagawa the Apostle of Love" and of Helen Dozier, "New Hands for the Banner". (See pages 28-30.)

Where only two or three women are to take part in the program, the following division may be made of the material. Each woman should speak briefly. 1. Japan, the Country and its People (through "Japan and Her Religions"); 2. Japan and the Banner of the Cross" (through "Japan and Southern Baptists"); 3. "Kagawa the Apostle of Love" and "New Hands for the Banner".

With this simpler program it is as important to have the meeting place cool and attractive and to arrange to get the women to the meeting.

August is ideal for picule programs, especially if combined with the zeal to foster a society in a rural church.



PROGRAM for AUGUST



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THEME for YEAR: "The Christian Conquest" or "The Banner of the

TOPIC for MONTH; Lifting the Banner in the Land of the Rising Sun

Hymn for the Year (See inside cover of W.M.U. Year Book.) Watchword for the Year (See page 1 of W.M.U. Year Book.) Bible Study-"According to the Scriptures": 1 Cor. 15:1-8 (Page 17) Prayer that we may emulate the missionary example of the Apostle Paul Hymn-Send the Light - Japan and the Japanese -Japan and Her Religious Japan and the World - Japan and the Banner of the Cross Hymn-Over the Ocean Wave -Prayer for all of our work in Japan Japan and Southern Baptists -New Hands for the Banner Kagawa, the Apostle of Love Hymn-The Morning Light Is Breaking Frayer for God's blessings on all His missionaries in Japan

JAPAN and the JAPANESE

Japan!
The Land of the Rising Sun!
The Land of Flowers!
The Land of Color, Charm and Courtesy!
The Gate of Asia!
The Asiatic Power!
Beautiful Japan!



By these, and many other picturesque titles, have people tried to describe the wonder and importance of Japan. This country is a chain of islands lying in the Pacific Ocean just off the east coast of Asia. Altogether there are two thousand islands in the chain, but only 160 of them are habitable. However, Japan is comparatively a small country—her total area, exclusive of Korea and Formosa, being only 148,756 square miles—10,000 less than California and just about the same as the combined area of Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina.

Nature and the artistry of the people have combined to make

Japan one of the most beautiful countries in the world. Mrs. Foy Johnson Farmer, in "At the Gate of Asia", describes the heauty of Japan as follows: "Mountains clad in perennial green, in autumn splashed with brilliant red, many of them extinct or active volcances, are never far out of sight, while the long narrow insular land affords hundreds of miles of sea coast. Trees and flowers lend enchantment on every side". Everywhere and at every season are flowers—plum bleasons, cherry bleasons, iris, asaless, winteries, chrystations.

and many others make Japanese fields, gardens and homes resplendent with color, fragrance and beauty. It is said that there are 260 varieties of chrysanthemum in Japan, and the eminent traveler, Stoddard, tells of seeing 400 blossoms on a single bush. It is little wonder that the chrysanthemum has been adopted as the

national flower of Japan.

While nature has been lavish with her gifts of beauty to Japan she has been anything but kind in her treatment of this little Island Kingdom. There have been more natural catastrophes here than in any other country in the world. Typhoons frequently sweep in from the sea, carrying destruction in their path. She has fifty-one active volcanoes, periodically belching forth streams of lava and fire. Earthquakes frequently shake her islands, causing great loss of property and life. In one year there were 500 earthquakes. In 1923 there were 130,000 lives lost by an earthquake. Again in 1925 two cities were absolutely demoliabed. Even this year we have shuddered to read in our papers of the terrible earthquake which brought such destruction on the island of Formosa. Such frequent natural disasters have drilled the Japanese in the art of enduring hardships with calmness and resignation.

On these islands of Japan, so beautiful and so treacherous, live sixty-seven million people. There is not a more attractive, more interesting, more challenging people in all the world than the Japanese. They are a people of low stature, sody yet it is interesting to know that they are growing taller. Dr. Kagawa (Kar-gar-war) tells us that actual measurements show that girl students have added two inches to their height during the past lifteen years.

The Japanese are far famed for their politeness. It is literally true that

"The little children of Japan
Are so dreadfully polite
That they even thank their bread and milk
Before they take a bite"1

Mrs. Farmer tells us: "Every kindness, no matter how insignificant, calls for an expression of gratitude at the time it is received and is mentioned with renewed thanks at the next meeting—ten minutes or ten months later".

The Japanese are very energetic both in mind and body. They are quick to learn and, "taken as a whole, it may be doubted if there is a nation on earth with more restless, indomitable and resistless energy and 'pep' than the Japanese".

The Japanese are a very artistic people. Their love for the beautiful finds expression in their care for gardens and their cultivation of flowers. A course in flower arrangement is considered a necessary part of the education of all Japanese girls. Every family, no matter how poor, has a cherry tree in the yard and usually other flowers blooming at the door. They love poetry, and everybody from the emperor down tries his hand at writing verses. The beauty of their hand embroidery and paintings is world famed.

The Japanese are an assimilative people. They are "without parallel in history, in their power to see, appropriate, assimilate and make full use of the outstanding achievements of other nations". Centuries ago they borrowed their language and many of their customs from China and Korea, and in modern times they have taken the civilization of the west and made it their own in a marvelous

The Japanese are an *ambitious* people. The desire for world gain, world achievement and world glory is a national passion and leads Japan into international policies which sometimes seem unscrupulous and selfish.

The Japanese are a very loyal people. Loyalty to country, to emperor and to parents lies at the foundation of their religious and has produced the extrementationalism which is both a blessing and a curse to them.

The Japanese have power of leadership which makes them the most important people in the orient. Some years ago the challenging cry was given to western Christendom—"Japan is leading the orient, but whither?" That cry should resound in our hearts with renewed emphasis today. The safety of the east, perhaps the safety of the whole world depends on whither Japan leads. Let us see that these people—whom we both love and fear, both admire and dread—march under the Banner of the Cross, so that the leadership of Japan may be in the right direction.

JAPAN and the WORLD

JAPAN has been in touch with the world for only about 82 years. Before that for over 300 years she had been a closed nation. No Japanese were allowed to go out and no foreigners were allowed to come in. Her people lived on their islands in satisfied isolation. Then in 1853 came Commodore Perry, with a fleet of United States war vessels, knocking on the door of Japan, begging entrance for commercial purposes. The door was opened, a treaty was made and the long centuries of isolation came to an end. Japan became a part of the world. Representatives of other lands came to her shores, and Japanese went to visit other nations of the world. At once the assimilative nature of the Japanese came to the front. To know the western world meant to the Japanese to become like the western nations. Japan learned that during the years when she had lived to herself other nations had gone far beyond her in progress and civilization. It is not Japanese nature to let anybody surpass them in anything, so at once Japan began a program of "catching up". The rapidity of her progress during this short period of time has been the marvel of the world. "She has fairly leaped from the middle ages into the midst of modern life". Today she is in no way behind western nations in education, commerce or the development of her country. Nine thousand miles of railroads furnish transportation for her people. Radios, efficient postal, telegraph and telephone systems make her a part of the neighborhood of the world. Her foreign trade amounts to over a billion dollars a year. Ninetynine per cent of her children are in school.

Japan's contact with other nations has led her "to adopt the national fashion of building empires at the expense of other people's liberties". Selecting Germany as her model, she organized her armaments after German example and instruction and, led on by the ambitions and war-like nature of her people, began a program of aggressive conquest for the enlargement of her territory. By successful wars with China and Russia she won for herself a place among the great military powers of the world. She played a prominent part in the World War and won still other military laurels. However, in her military success Japan seems to have missed the finer qualities of unselfishness and consideration for others which make a nation truly great. She has gone to such extremes in nationalism

that the whole world looks on and fears her next move.

And yet those, who know and love Japan best, call attention to the fact that there are reasons for Japan's militarism. Mrs. Farmer reminds us of Japan's crowded condition. In a territory no larger than Georgia, North and South Carolina there are almost ten times as many people. For each farm family there are only 2½ acres of land. Japan needs more room for her people, she needs controlled sources for raw material, and she attempts to obtain this just as other nations have obtained territory—by military force. Yes, we must acknowledge that Japan's military policies were learned from western nations. As one of her own sons says: "Nowadays we are often blamed for being militariats, but it was the occidental nations who made us militariats." The Japanese doctrine—Japan for the Japaneses—to but an interpretation of our own Monroe Ductrine. "Japanese faciats are aroused and encouraged by the victories of Muscolini and fift-

ler". So is Japan following in the footsteps of the nations which criticize her and

berate her policies.

Another thing which has fanned Japanese hatred and aroused Japanese nationalism is the American Exclusion Clause and similar acts of other nations whereby Japanese are refused entrance into western lands. Dr. Kagawa appraises the influence of this on the Japanese as follows: "It was not so much the literal fact that the United States refused to put Japan on a quota basis, and the realization that thereby 144 of her immigrants were shut out of America, that aroused the Japanese. It was the feeling that that action was an insult to the yellow race that maddened our people and made them want to fight. To this degree is Japan jealous that justice shall prevail and her honor be maintained".

Dr. Kagawa, in "Christ and Japan", encourages us by telling us that not all the Japanese are militarists. He says that the emperor stands strongly for peace, and in proof of this he quotes his new year poem, released January 1st, 1933:

"In prayer pleading
To the God of Heaven and earth
For a world without a wave
Calm as the sea at dawn".

Dr. Kagawa contends that Japan's militarism had its rise with professional patriots, and that the Japanese as a whole are not responsible. He says: "The masses are by no means war-minded. Neither are they opposed to disarmament. My work compels me to travel constantly to and fro across the Empire. In these journeyings I meet many of the nation's informed leaders. Not more than one of two in a hundred of them believe in Fascist principles. In private conversations ninety-nine per cent are out-and-out opposed to them". Surely from these words, written by him who knows Japan best, we can take courage and hope that Japan will join with other nations in maintaining world peace.

JAPAN and HER RELIGIONS

JAPAN is said to be a nation without a religion but seeking one. This is hardly a true statement. In the first place Japan has religions, and in the second place she is not seeking a religion. "Religiously she feels quite as able to teach

others as to be taught by them".

The native religion of Japan is Shintoism. It is founded on ancestral worship and has recently been declared officially "not to be a religion at all but a cult of patriotism". Then Japan has two adopted religions: Confueianism and Buddhism. Idols are found everywhere—in the temples, by the wayside and in the homes. People go by thousands to the national shrines to worship. Both Buddhism and Shintoism have adopted many Christian methods to win and hold their people. Sunday schools and young people's organizations are conducted, and educational social and eleemosynary institutions have been launched in imitation of Christian schools, hospitals and orphanages. Many Christian hymns have been adapted to Buddhist use, as "What a Friend We Have in Buddha" or "Onward, Buddhist Soldiers".

Buddhism is much opposed to the advance of Christianity. Among the reactionary rally cries set going among the people are: "Japan has her religion and needs no new religion, especially from the west"; "Our religion is Japanese, while Christianity is cosmopolitan and western"; "The throne of our emperor, Son of

Heaven, will be shattered if Christianity holds sway".

Someone, describing the religious condition of Japan, says: "While Japan is trying to dance in the dance of the nations she is properly clothed in every other way but shod with the antiquated wooden clogs of her false religious". Thinking Japan is realizing that she must get rid of these wooden clogs if she keeps up

with other nations. One of her statesmen recently said: "Perhaps Japan is going to change her religion"; and added: "The only religion that has a chance with the students of Japan is Christianity". Of course we know that what Japan needs is Christ. Let's hasten to remove her wooden clogs and replace them with "the preparation of the Gospel of peace".

JAPAN and the BANNER of the CROSS

THE Banner of the Cross was first carried to Japan by the Jesuits in the 16th and 17th centuries. So effective was the work of these missionaries that perhaps a miltion Japanese embraced the Christian faith. Then the master of a Spanish ship made the fatal mistake of displaying a map of the world and boasting of the territory under Spanish rule, explaining that first his country sent missionaries to win the people to Christianity and then conquered the land for the Spanish king. This was too much for the Japanese. Not for a moment could they tolerate the presence of those who might take Japan away from them. Immediately all missionaries were banished and a persecution which lasted for fifty years began. Imperial edicts against Christianity were placed at cross roads all over the Empire, reading as follows: "So long as the sun shall continue to warm the earth, let no Christian be so bold as to come to Japan; and let all know that if the king of Spain himself, or the Christian's God, or the Great God of All, if he dare violate the command, shall pay for it with his head". So for three hundred years the Banner had no opportunity to wave in Japan.

But how foolish were the Japanese to think that an edict of their making could keep the Christian's God out of their country! During all those centuries Jesus was loving the Japanese and was surely making a plan by which the Banner

of the Cross should again wave in the Sunrise Kingdom.

We have already mentioned the coming of Commodore Perry. It is interesting and thrilling to know that with him came a Baptist missionary, Jonathan Goble, hoping to plant the Banner of the Cross at once in the newly opened land. However he seemed to think it unwise to attempt missionary work at that time and returned to America. After advocating missions to Japan in both the United States and England, he returned to Japan in 1860 as the first Baptist missionary to lift the Banner there. To him goes the credit of inventing the jinrikisha which became the chief means of transportation in Japan and China for many years. However, a greater honor was making the first translation of Scripture published in Japan. It must not be understood that Jonathan Goble was the first missionary to Japan. Before his return to that land, even before the treaty advocated by Perry was finally signed, other missionaries entered and began work in Japan. From then until the present day noble men and women of all denominations have

Mrs. Farmer divides the missionary work in Japan into four periods: First (1859-1879), a period of preparation and seed sowing; Second (1879-1889), a period of popularity and rapid advance; Third (1889-1900), a period of antiforeign reaction; Fourth (1900 to present), a period of natural and normal growth. Today there are 200,000 Christians in evangelical churches in Japan. This seems a very small number compared to the millions yet unreached, but the Christians are having an influence on Japanese life far greater than their numbers would indicate. As Kawaga says, "Japanese Christians weigh more than they count". In proof of the influence of the Christians Mrs. Farmer cites the following facts: "In a recent year the emperor decorated thirty-six people for twenty-five years of notable service. Of these, six were foreign missionaries and twenty-seven were Japanese Christians. Six of the thirteen present cabinet members' wives are Christians. Dr. Kagawa talls us that the number of annual baptisms has increased eighty to ninety per cent since 1920. So we who love the cause of Christ can look

toward Japan with encouragement, believing that the Son of Righteousness is rising in the Land of the Rising Sun, and that His Banner is slowly but surely winning its way in the hearts of the Japanese.

JAPAN and SOUTHERN BAPTISTS

BUT for an accident at sea southern Baptists would have been among the first to enter Japan. In 1860 Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. A. Rohrer started as southern Baptists' first representatives to Japan, but the ship on which they sailed was lost at sea. It was not until 1889, twenty-nine years later, that another atempt was made to send missionaries to Japan. This time Rev. and Mrs. J. W. McColhum and rev. and Mrs. J. A. Brunson were sent and made a safe landing in Yokohama. The Brunsons stayed in Japan only three years, but as they came home they passed in mid-ocean Rev. and Mrs. E. N. Walne, on their way to join the McCollums. These four were our pioneers, starting our work in Japan and giving to it many years of faithful service.

Through all the years the work in Japan has been exceedingly difficult. Dr. Weatherspoon, speaking to the 1935 Southern Baptist Convention after his trip to the east, compared Japan with Korea as a mission field saying: "Mission work in Korea is like picking up pebbles on the beach; in Japan it is like chiseling out of granite". Our missionaries have found the granite of Japanese superstition and opposition hard to penetrate, but they have kept on chiseling with the result that a splendid work has been done. Altogether southern Baptists have sent fifty-eight missionaries to Japan. Fifteen remain on the active list today. Let us listen to the story of the different phases of the work which these are doing in Japan. (The speaker may contine to give the following as parts of her talk, but it will be more effective if they are given by women in Japanese costume carrying the emblems indicated.)

Churches (carrying the picture of a church building)—I have come to tell you about the churches which your workers have established in Japan. These number twenty with four other preaching places. Six are self-supporting. Fifteen have buildings or chapels owned by Baptists. But we still have to tent native houses in ten different locations. All of our churches have Sunday schools with a total enrollment of over sixteen hundred. They also carry on B.Y.P.U. and W.M.U. work. The churches come together in a well organized convention, with departments for evangelism, education, publication, social service, home missions, church building and minister's relief. The sad part is that there are not enough churches. In the capital city of Tokyo with its four million people there are only two; in our strongest center, Fukuoka (Foo-koo-ok'-kar), there are only two; while the smaller towns and rural sections are practically untouched

Schools (carrying an armful of books)—I come to tell you of your schools in Japan. We have two splendid schools: one for boys in Fukuoka, and one for girls in Kokura (Ko'-koo-rah). The boys' school was established in 1916 and named for Rev. Calder Willingham, who was for ten years a missionary in Japan. The total enrollment last year was 800 with a faculty of 60 teachers. The school is located on a campus of twelve acres and has some splendid buildings. Every possible effort is made by our missionaries to give this school a Christian atmosphere. Bible classes are conducted each week and several "retreats" for the development of spiritual life were held last year. Connected with this school for years was a theological seminary, but because of lack of funds and missionary teachers this department had to close over a year ago. This was most deplorable, for the greatest need of the work is trained pastors, evangelists and Christian leaders. We are glad to know that the seminary opened on a small scale in April with Rev. Edwin Dozier in charge, and that plans are being made for establishing

a permanent seminary, using Dr. W. Maxfield Garrott, who is now in language school in Tokyo, and Rev. Hiroji Kuriya (He-ro'-gee Koo-ree'-yar), who is now studying in Louisville. Another foreign missionary and another trained Japanese preacher are needed for this work.

Your girls' school is twelve years old and has graduated four hundred and seventy students. Today it has a student body of over four hundred. "A spirit of unity and harmony pervades the atmosphere and campus alike". The motto adopted by the church and school for the year was, "Thy will be done". God's will for each life and the entire school is the interpretation of the motto, which is heard repeated over and over again in the chapel talks and prayers. This school was helped by the "Beyond-the-Goal-Gifts" of the 1934 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and is included in the goal of the 1935 offering.

Besides these two schools six churches have kindergartens connected with them. Since children are not admitted into the public schools until seven years of age the church kindergarten has a wonderful opportunity of starting their education under Christian influences.

Publication (carrying a Bible)—I come to tell you about your publication work. In a land of almost universal literacy and where thousands of books are being published every year it is most important that Baptists should provide Christian literature for their constituency. Thirty years ago the Sunday School Board sent an initial gift of \$500 to start our publishing work in Japan. Dr. Walne was placed in charge of this department in which position be continued until the past year. Wonderful has been his work for these thirty years, giving to the Japanese Bibles, tracts and books to guide their religious thinking. When because of illness he had to give the work up there was some thought of closing the publishing house, but Japanese Baptists were unwilling to give it up. Instead they proposed to enlarge the work by moving it to a central city and establishing a headquarters building where a variety of supplies for churches and schools will be kept for sale and distribution. With these plans for enlargement the work of publication in the hands of Japanese Baptists will go on to lift the Banner of the Cross high through the power of the printed page. At present a young Japanese is in charge, but is is hoped that a missionary couple will go out to assist in this work.

W. M. U. (carrying a W. M. U. pennant or placard)—In October 1934 the W. M. U. of Japan celebrated its 15th Anniversary. On this occasion the Union became auxiliary to the Japan Baptist Convention. At last the pastors and others have become convinced that the W. M. U. has a vital place in the work of the Kingdom. Fifty-one delegates attended this convention and splendid plans for the coming year were made. Among them was the establishment of a training school for girls in connection with the seminary. Already five girls were ready to enter this school. The Good Will Center at Tobata is a splendid W.M.U. project. This is conducted much like our Good Will Centers, with classes and clubs for those of all ages; especially helpful are the Bible classes for both mothers and children. A Daily Vacation Bible School is held every summer. The W.M.U. provides a camp for the Y.W.A. which makes possible the same kind of help and inspiration which so bless our own young women at Ridgecrest. For several years the W. M.U. of Japan has been included in the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Evangelism (carrying a lighted candle)—I come to tell you about the work of evangelism in Japan. All of the work of the missionaries is evangelistic in its purpose, and every department is producing evangelistic results. Last year the churches haptized 137 converts. A revival was held in the Good Will Center resulting in ten haptisms. When Dr. Dodd spoke to the boys' school last November at the morning chapel hour, 120 students arose from their seats in response to an

invitation to those who would welcome instruction in the way of salvation. A group of these afterward accepted Christ. In writing of the influence of the girls' school a missionary says: The eight graduating classes have gone out with from thirty-five to fifty-five percent of their number as church members. Many homes have become Christian because of a daughter who entered our school and gave her testimony at home after having become a follower of Jesus! So the work of evangelism goes on, as in every department the Banner of the Cross is held high and Japanese hearts respond to its message of redeeming love. A special need is for evangelistic work in the rural districts. As yet these are almost untolched. Millions there know nothing of Christ. These must be reached if Japan is won to Christianity.

Delegates and Visitors at



Fifteenth Annual Meeting of Woman's Missionary Union of Japan

KAGAWA the APOSTLE of LOVE

JAPAN has the honor of giving to the world one who is acclaimed by many as the greatest living Christian. That one is Toyohika Kawaga (To-ya-he-ko Kar-gar-war), known the world around as the Apostle of Love. This picturesque character was born out of wedlock in Kobe, July 10, 1888. His mother was a geisha dancing girl and his father a government official. He was brought up by a wealthy uncle and, early in life, studied the teachings of Confucius in a Buddhist temple. Later he went to a Bible class not because he was interested in Christianity, but because he wanted to learn English. There he came in contact with a Congregational missionary, Dr. Harry Myers, and through the influence of his life of love became a Christian. When, because of his allegiance to Christ, Kagawa was cast out of his uncle's home, Dr and Mrs. Myers took him into their home. He says of Mrs. Myers: "She could not love many but she loved me". Mrs. Mvers did a wonderful thing for Japan and the world when she loved that homeless, penniless Japanese boy.

Kagawa studied first at a Presbyterian seminary in Tokyo and then in this country at Princeton. He has visited England, Germany and Holland as well at the United States. He has always been very frail and at one time was threatened with tuberculosis and ordered by his doctors to take the rest cure. He went to a fishing village where he spent a year, but while he was "resting" he preached twice a day and worked among the pour. At that time, when he was supposed to be

giving the best care to his body, he gave away most of his food and clothing. Always his heart has gone out to the unfortunate and much of his work has been done among the slums of Japan. Some of his writings about the poor so impressed the government that ten million dollars was appropriated to improve slum conditions, and Kagawa was appointed to direct the expenditure of this money.

Kagawa has written thousands of books and tracts, and he receives in annual royalties about \$100,000.00, yet all of this he gives away while he and his family live on a meager monthly pittance in a house costing only \$75.00. All of his writings are permeated by an atmosphere of love. He says: "Love alone can subdue the world. Love introduces God to me. Love is my sanctuary—in factory, field or city street; in bedroom, office, kitchen or sick room. I have my sanctuary everywhere I go in the universe. Where love is, there God is".

Kagawa was the originator and leader in the Kingdom of God Movement, the aim of which was to win a million souls to Christ in five years. Christians of all denominations have worked together in this great effort. Its influence has been felt not only in Japan but has reached over into China. The one passion of Kagawa's life is that his beloved countrymen might be won to Christ. In "Christ in Japan" he cries: "O Japan! Eternal love keeps calling. O Christ-claimed Japan! Only Christ can bring you to your resurrection hour. The world may stand aloof and all men forsake you, but Christ will never desert you. No! No! Christ the patient, pursuing Christ, will never aliandon this land that I love". It is this consuming passion, expressing itself in a life of devoted service that has made Kagawa the Apostle of Love and the greatest Christian of his day.

NEW HANDS for the BANNER

SOME twenty-nine years ago a lovely North Carolina bride, Maud Burke Dozier, hade homeland and loved ones farewell and sailed away as a bearer of the Banner in far-away Japan. This summer another lovely girl sails away to Japan, but her farewell is not to home and loved ones, for her home and nearest loved ones await her coming in the Sunrisc Kingdom. She is Helen Dozier, daughter of the lovely bride of three decades ago, going back to the land of her hirth as a bearer of the Banner. For several years she has been a Margaret Fund student, first in Meredith College and then in the W.M.U. Training School. As she entered the Training School last fall she clapped her hands with joy, exclaiming: "Only one more year until 1 go back to Japan!" That year has passed. She has received her appointment from the Foreign Board, and her dream of returning to Japan has come true.

As we see Helen Duzier—so young, so charming, so hopeful, life with all its possibilities spread out before her—surely we are justified in asking: "Is she making a mistake in going to Japan? Does Japan need her?" Yes, we believe Japan does still need foreign missionaries. Her Christian force is not yet strong enough to carry on without foreign help. There is only one Christian to every 260 of her people. Dr. Kagawa repeatedly begs that the foreign mission force in Japan be increased. In this year's report of the Japan mission Mrs. Ray pleads for reinforcements. She tells of the need of another teacher in the seminary, of a couple for publication work. She says: "We ought to have at least ten new missionaries to help us in this task during the next five years". Yes, we believe that Japan needs just such a person as Helen Dozier—well prepared, consecrated, loving Christ and Japan and willing to give her life that Japan might know Christ.

Helen Dozier's home-going is not all joy, for during her sojourn in America her father has passed away, worn out by the strain of missionary service. But that very fact makes her all the more eager to be back, to clasp with fresh young hands that Banner which his tired ones had to drop. And in Japan a food mother awaits the comfort of a daughter's presence and the help of her young life

in the work which they both love. Also a brother, Edwin, and his wife await Helen's coming. Over a year ago they went out, so by now they are full-fledged missionaries, ready to welcome their sister and initiate her into the delights and hardships of missionary life.

So Helen Dozier is going back—back to mother and brother, back to home, back to Japan, back to the Japanese. She carries new hands for the Banner of the Cross—hands strong and brave and consecrated. The firemen of Japan have the custom of placing a banner high on a burning building and then fighting to keep the fire from reaching it. We would say to Helen Dozier and all Christian forces in Japan: "Place the Banner of the Cross high above the fires of nationalism, imperialism and heathenism of Japan, then fight to keep it there, waving supreme over every phase of Japanese life". And I think they answer back "We will do our part in Japan if you will do your part in America".

QUESTIONS for REVIEW and DISCUSSION

- 1. Mention some titles by which Japan is called.
- 2. Tell something of the beauty of Japan.
- 3. Give some characteristics of the Japanese.
- 4. Discuss the modern progress of Japan
- 5. Discuss her spirit of militarism,
- 6. Tell something of Japanese religions.
- 7. Why was Japan a closed nation for so long?
- 8. Tell how her doors were opened.
- Tell how her doors were opened.
 Tell something of her early missionary work.
- 10. How long have southern Baptists had work in Japan?
- 11. Tell something of southern Baptist work today.
- 12. Tell something of the life of Kagawa.
- 13. Who is our newest missionary to Japan?
- 14. Give names of other southern Baptist missionaries in Japan.

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MINUTES for FILES

IT IS now expedient to assemble two additional files of the minutes of annual meetings of Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to S.B.C. The Birmingham headquarters supplied many copies but the following are still needed: 1888 through 1897; 1899; 1900; 1902 through 1916; 1918; 1924; 1932. If any person has one or more of these "missing" minutes and can easily part with such, the girmingham, Ala.



FLORIDA ASSEMBLY-STETSON UNIVERSITY, DELAND

PLORIDA Baptists look forward every year with eager expectation to their State Assembly. For nine days they delight in Christian fellowship with their colaborers, attend study classes, enjoy worthwhile programs, outstanding speakers and singers. Last year more than one thousand young people and adults were in attendance. The dates for this year are August 6-15 inclusive.

The outstanding feature of the day is the Morning Watch Services. We are fortunate to have Dr. B. W. Spilman to conduct these this year. Following breakfast there are three class periods for study—Sunday School, W.M. U. and B.T.U. There are from fifteen to twenty classes in each period taught by a most competent faculty. All classes are well attended.

We look forward to having Miss Hannah Plowden for missionary teacher and Sunday night inspirational speaker. This service is in charge of the W.M.U.

At the close of the class periods each day, all will come together to enjoy an hour of song under the leadership of E. Powell Lee who directs the music for the First Baptist Church of Miami. The surprise period before the noon hour has many interesting features.

The alternoon is devoted to rest and recreation. The inspirational address at night is given by an outstanding Bible speaker. At the closing consecration service many young people dedicate their lives for Christian service—as ministers of the Gospel, missionaries or for home work—Mrs. H. C. Peelman, W.M.U. Cor.

ROYAL SERVICE LEADS

RECENTLY a certain organization of Christian women in U. S. made a survey of missionary magazines as issued by women's organizations. The tabulated report shows that in a count of eight such magazines, Royal Service leads in subscriptions, being 15000 ahead of its nearest competitor. The report mentions the policy of Royal Service to depend on each state to reach its annual quota of subscriptions and renewals. Please loyally help Royal Service to keep in the lead by renewing, subscribing at 50c a year for



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get-me-nots were born of love and are emblems of love, constancy and eternal friendship. Woman's Missionary Union through her Margaret Fund proves ber love, constancy and eternal

friendship to her beloved missionaries. To us they need not say "Forget-menot" for, through the deeds of this lave stories, cry "Forget-me-not in your service, they and their sons and doughters are kept constantly in our minds, hearts and prayers.

'Forget-me not' shall be the Margaret Fund slogan for the coming year. "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits"

God's benefits and blessings have greatly multiplied those first young plants, our forget-me-nots, our Margaret Fund. That first gift of \$10,000 has grown unto a beautiful thing, shedding its fragrance around the world. Today there are \$64,000 in Liberty Bonds credited to the Margaret Fund and its departments. Through its departments Woman's Missionary Union has scattered sweet blossoms and kind deeds with generous hand, for in these 21 years 282 sons and daughters of our missionaries have been assisted with a college education, \$251,325 expended. During 1934, 60 students were on our list; \$15,325 was given in scholarships; nearly \$5,000 was reported in "Love Gifts" to the students.

Oklahoma led all states in reported gifts; Georgia second; Florida third. Tennessee won the "Forget-Me-Not" banner by enrolling the largest number of Margarets. Georgia came second

"Forget-me-nots" are sweetest washed with the morning dew. Very early in the morning we gardeners, who feel most your society join in this?

Tradition tells us that for- keenly this great responsibility, enter the garden of prayer. Will you not join us? We petition our Heavenly Father to forget not these precious young plants, transplanted in colleges thousands of miles from parents and home. There are many dangers and destroyers of young plants these evil days.

> Hundreds of letters, breathing sweet prayers. May the morning and evening dews from Heaven wash and keep clean and pure the habits and lives of these precious students, and may they be constrained from evil because you pray. August is for most of them the closing vacation month: pray that each student will use it wisely, whether working or relaxing before school opens.

It was voted in Memphis that next June, or the month best suited to the state we would observe "Forget-Me-Not Day" Just as we wear poppies in honor of our World War soldiers, so the W.M.U. members of the southland would wear forget-me-nots in honor of our Soldiers of the Cross. Each of us would give at least 10 cents as a reminder that we "forget not" their services of love and sacrifice. The procoeds will enlarge the Elizabeth Lowndes Scholarship under the Margaret Fund and the Mrs. Gen. B. Eager Fellowship Fund under the WM.U. Training School. It is requested that each society have a program on these objects, so that our constituency may the better understand and the more appreciate these two beloved departments of Woman's Missionary Union.

We long for this "forget-me-not" program to be so blessed of God tool a worthy offering shall be given. Will



TRAINING SCHOOL



Miss Carrie U. Littlejohn, Principal, 334 E. Hrondway, Louisville, Ky.

A TRAINING SCHOOL GRADUATE among FORGOTTEN PEOPLE



The present administration has brought to our attention the forgotten man industrially and economically. The missionary enterprise keeps before us the forgotten man religiously. The modern educator is making an effort to give every child a chance. What a start it gives us to discover in spite of all these constructive influences in our own beloved land a really forgotten community in our southern mountains, a community forgotten by civilization and its handmaiden-education, industry and religion!

Far back in Haywood County, North Carolina, near the Tennesser line in picturesque Pigeon River Valley is a community covering a territory about ten miles wide and twelve miles long.

We are told that few places surpass this section for sheer beauty of scenery

In this remote community so (avored of nature for heauty, so forgotten by man in all that makes for progress, live about a dozen families with more than thirty children of school age. For twenty years they have lived there with no school, no church, no religious meetings, no community gatherings. To touch the stream of life in the outside world they must walk ten or twelve miles over rough muuntain trails or down an abandoned lumber railroad. Small wonder that in an age of fast moving motor vehicles the world has passed them by?

Last summer a case worker of the Relief Administration found his way into this forgotten community. Fortunately he was a man not only with a social vision but also with a zeal for the things of the spirit. He saw the stark need, and he promptly set out to do something about it. Securing the cooperative interest of the Emergency Relief Administrator, the county school board and superintendent of schools, the officials of a lumber company and the people in the community itself, a simple building was erected and fitted up with tables made of old lumber and chairs sent in by the board of education.

But where could a teacher be found for such a task? It must be some one with a passion for service, willing to endure hardships as a good soldier. Six years ago a quiet, unassuming young woman from North Carolina, a graduate of Meredith, enrolled as a student in the W.M.U. Training School in preparation for foreign mission service. Like many other young people, she finished her preparation just in time to be caught in the maelstrom of the depression. Through these four years she has waited, at times discouraged, often wondering for what purpose she was to play her part on life's stage. Then unexpectedly this door of service opened to her. A pause-a question-a conviction-and she entered, knowing full well that the glamor of far places, appointment by a mission hoard, the strengthening experience of her name on a prayer calendar were not to he hers!

With a sense of comradeship with the Master she parked a few necessities, went by car as fal at possible, then toolked the last ten miles through a down pour of rain into the forgotten community. There she spends her week days teaching school, maintaining a lunch room for the under nourished children, tracking hygiene, smitation and cooking. On Sundays men, women and children come into the little school hulding for Sunday school, where the same little teacher becomes the superintendent, the song leader, the teacher, the "preacher" if you

please In her spare time the visits in the house comforting, cheering, helping.

Wouldn't you like to have fellowship in prayer with Lillian Odum in her beautiful minister among some of God's lorgotten people?—Carrie U. Littlejakn



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7:00- 7:45 Vespers.....

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Thursday, Aug. 8-Dr. Plainfield, Presiding

	Morning Worship
9:15-10:00	Conference, Led by Rev. G. Lee Phelps, Assisted by
	Indian Missionaries
10:00-10:45	Conference, Led by Secretary Godbold
11:00-11:45	Missionary Message Rev. C. W. Stumph -Home Board Missionary to the Indians
11:46-12:30	Missionary Message, Secretary B. L. Bridges, Ark.
4:30- 5:30	Conference, Led by Mrs. Una R. Lawrence
7:00- 7:45	Vespers
8:00- 8:30	Missionary MessageRev. D. D. Cooper
	-Home Board Missionary to the Indians
8:30	Missionary Message Dr. Bearle
	-Home Board Field Secretary

Friday, Aug. 9-Secretary E. W. Reeder, Ill., Presiding

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8:30- 9:00	Morning Worship
9:15-10:00	Conference, Led by Secretary C. M. Brittain, Fla.
10:00-10:45	Conference, Led by Dr. M. N. McCall
	—Home Board Superintendent in Cube
11:00-11:45	Missionary Message, Secretary Andrew Potter, Okla.
11:45-12:30	Missionary Message Dr. Walter N. Johnson
4:30- 5:30	Conference, Led by Mrs. Una R. Lawrence
7:00- 7:45	Vespers Dr. Denham
8:00	Missionary Message, Secretary J. H. Williams, Tex.
8:45	Closing Message from a Home Missionary

FOREIGN MISSIONS WEEK at RIDGECREST

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