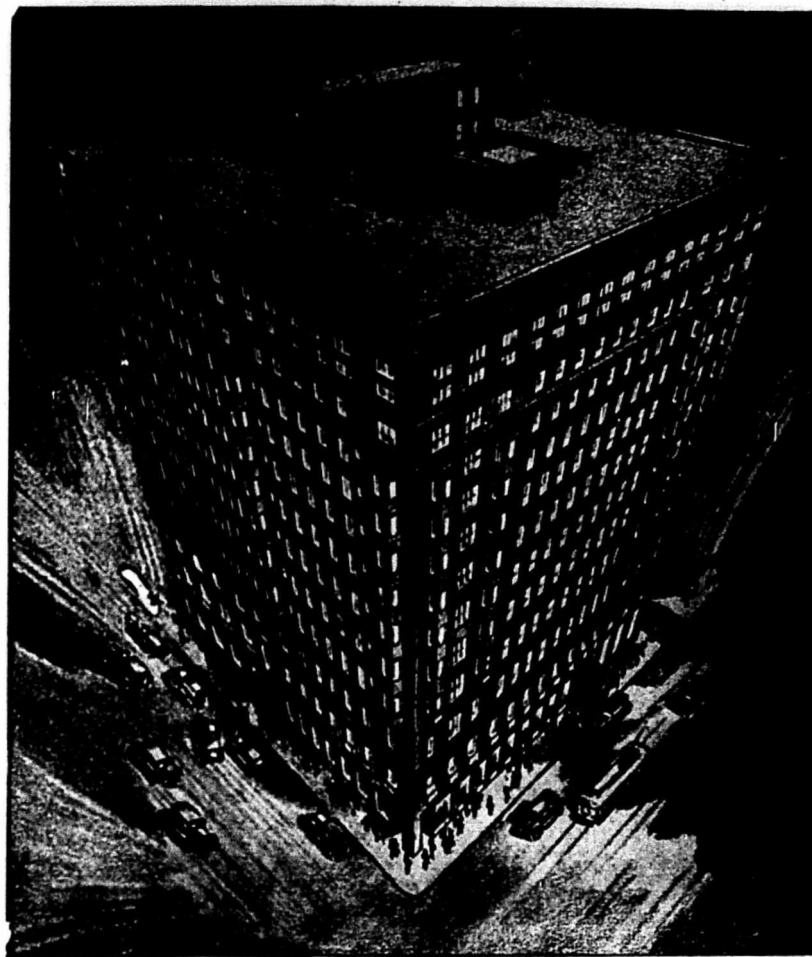


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State W. M. U. Young People's Secretaries

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

2 P.M.—Joint Session of W.M.U. Executive Committee, State W.M.U.
Corresponding and Young People's Secretaries

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EDITORIAL

"THY KINGDOM COME"

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



The Forty-eighth Annual Meeting of Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, will convene in St. Louis, Missouri, on Tuesday morning, May 12. On other pages of this issue will be found its tentative program. It will be seen that it promises much in inspiration and genuine helpfulness. Last month we spoke of the physical features of the meeting place, so favorable in every way. State leaders may encourage a large attendance of W.M.U. members other than actual delegates with assurance that seeing and hearing facilities will be in all respects satisfactory. (See pages 1, 5-9, 35, 36.)

For twenty centuries Christian believers have been praying "Thy Kingdom come". Jesus Himself taught the first disciples so to pray. That He did is sure evidence that ultimately it shall be, that His triumph will be complete, that the Father's will will be as perfectly known, as completely done on earth as it is in Heaven. The certain knowledge that this is God's eternal plan and purpose has reassured and re-energized believers of every generation. As their hearts have reiterated this prayer they have been fortified and strengthened for hard tasks. How tremendous has been its force in the age-long missionary program of those who follow Jesus we are learning anew as we study the regular program topics of our organizations through this year.

The annual meeting program will inevitably emphasize the progress of the surely coming Kingdom. The culmination of our celebration of the Shuck Centennial will focus our attention on a hundred years of missionary history. A gracious, gifted Christian woman from China will help us to see how there the Kingdom is coming, will help us to know the fruits of Henrietta Hall Shuck's consecrated life and of her devoted service. While we cannot yet make positive announcement we greatly hope that Dr. Truett will crown this high hour with a message fresh from world fields. But we do have Mrs. W. J. Cox!

Imperative need and challenging opportunities compel great fervency in the prayer "Thy Kingdom come" in home fields. Emphasis on home missions will be, we believe, especially impressive. Dr. Lawrence and women missionaries from various fields of service will make this a colorful and moving period in our program.

That our organization has been mightily used through the years to help in hastening the glad day of the coming Kingdom is cause for deepest gratitude. This year's reports are immeasurably gratifying. No period of our program excites deeper interest than this of presentation of the year's reports. It is believed that this feature will be most stimulating. A study of the tentative program will deepen our purpose to share in this meeting which we hope will be a truly great one.

We have said that the great Opera House section of the City Auditorium, where our meeting will be held, is beautiful and commodious. We expect that its full seating capacity of thirty-five hundred will be filled with eager interested listeners. What of the invisible host, that great company of our faithful devoted members who, detained at their homes or in various places of service, will yet be with us in spirit? Upon their prayers we rely for a great outpouring of the Spirit. "Come thou with us" in person and in spirit with this prayer the Lord taught to His own on heart and lips: "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done."

ANNUAL MEETING

Tentative Program

Forty-eighth Annual Meeting of Woman's Missionary Union
St. Louis, Mo., May 11-13, 1936

Committee Meetings—Monday, May 11

New Hotel Jefferson

Monday, 9 A. M.—Margaret Fund

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

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

The Southwide Committees on Mission Study, Personal Service, Stewardship,
Missionary Education of Young People will also convene at 9 A. M. on May 11.

REGULAR SESSIONS of ANNUAL MEETING

Opera House of Municipal Auditorium

Theme: "LABORERS TOGETHER with GOD"

Tuesday Morning, May 12

9:30 Worship

Music—Scripture—Meditation—Prayer

Organization

Appointment of Committees

Election of Nominating Committee

Greetings and Presentation of Hostess Committee

—Mrs. E. E. King, *Chairman*, Mrs. S. E. Ewing, *Co-Chairman* of
W.M.U. Committee on Arrangements, St. Louis

"Laborers Together" in 1935—Presented by Miss Kathleen Mallory

Our Young People—Miss Juliette Mather

Mission Study—Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence, *Mo.*

Margaret Fund—Mrs. Frank Burney, *Ga.*

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Seasons of Prayer

Home Missions—Mrs. W. D. Pye, *Ark.*

Foreign Missions—Miss Mary Nelle Lyne, *Ky.*

Year's Financial Record—Mrs. W. J. Cox

Report of Auditor

Music

President's Message—Mrs. F. W. Armstrong

Prayer

Tuesday Afternoon, May 12

- 2:00 Worship
 Music—Prayer
 Reading of Minutes—Mrs. H. M. Wharton
 Jubilee of Our Mission Literature—Presented by
 Miss Ethel Winfield, Secretary of W.M.U. Literature Dept.; Mrs. H.
 M. Wharton; Mrs. Eugene Levering, *Md.*
 "Laborers Together" with Negro Women
 Golden Jubilee Committee's Report—Mrs. G. A. McWilliams, *Mo.*
 "With God"—Memorial Hour
 Prayer

Tuesday Evening, May 12

- 7:30 Worship
 Music—Prayer
 Reading of Minutes—Mrs. Wharton
 Our Young People's Work—Presented by Miss Mather
 Featuring Sunbeam Fiftieth Anniversary

Wednesday Morning, May 13

- 9:30 Worship
 Music—Scripture—Meditation—Prayer
 Reading of Minutes—Mrs. Wharton
 "Laborers Together" in Foreign Fields
 Presentation of Missionaries to Lands Other than the Orient
 "Laborers Together" in Homeland
 Presentation of Missionaries
 Address on Home Missions
 Prayer

Wednesday Afternoon, May 13

- 2:00 Worship
 Music—Prayer
 Reading of Minutes—Mrs. Wharton
 Report of Board of Managers—Miss Mallory
 Reports of Advisory Boards
 Baptist Bible Institute
 Southwestern Training School
 Plan of Work for 1937—Miss Mallory
 Reports of Committees
 Greetings —Resolutions
 Appreciation —Nominations
 Music
 "With God"—Presentation of Plans for
 1936 Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions
 —Mrs. Ida M. Stallworth, *Ala.*
 Assisted by Foreign Missionaries
 1937 Week of Prayer for Home Missions
 —Mrs. B. A. Copass, *Texas*
 Assisted by Home Missionaries
 Missionary Sermon on 1936 Watchword
 Prayer

Wednesday Evening, May 13

Commemorating Shuck Centennial

- 7:30 Worship
 Music—Prayer
 Shuck Centennial Observance by
 Woman's Missionary Union—Miss Mallory
 China—Mrs. F. Y. O. Ling, *Shanghai*
 Unveiling of Portrait of Henrietta Hall Shuck
 Presentation of Missionaries to Orient
 Music
 Missionary Address—Mrs. Cox
 Adjournment

—Prayer

MAY MEETING ITEMS of INTEREST

- 1—Registration for W.M.U. delegates and visitors for May meeting in St. Louis will be in only one place, namely: Registration Lobby on Market Street side of Municipal Auditorium. Registration opens at one o'clock on Monday afternoon, May 11, continuing until 4 P. M.; it closes finally at 10:30 on Wednesday morning, May 13.
- 2—Delegates' seats will be reserved only until 8 P.M. at each of the evening sessions, Tuesday and Wednesday, in the "Opera House" of the Municipal Auditorium.
- 3—The "Opera House" seats 3,500. Its acoustics are appraised as exceptionally fine but for the six W.M.U. sessions there will be provided amplifiers through its public address system.
- 4—Attendance exceeding the 2,500 capacity of the "Opera House" will be readily cared for by use of one or more of the four adjoining "Assembly Halls" each of which is served by the amplifying apparatus, each "hall" seating at least 700. Thus at any of the six sessions of W.M.U. its speakers can be heard by 2,500 in the "Opera House" and by 2,800 in the "Assembly Halls". Accordingly, every one who can possibly attend may be confident of a "good hearing!"
- 5—The Union's president, Mrs. F. W. Armstrong, has been asked and has agreed to preside at the Shuck Centennial "hour" of the joint sessions of the Northern and Southern Baptist Conventions. For this and many other reasons, every W.M.U. delegate and visitor is urged to remain in St. Louis through Tuesday, May 19.
- 6—For additional data see pages 1, 4-9, 35, 36.

Unless a delegate registers before 10:30 on Wednesday morning, May 13, she cannot vote, is not entitled to sit with her delegation and may prevent her alternate from being a delegate, thereby lowering her state's and the Union's record. Please register very promptly!



Chairmen of W.M.U. Committees for May Meeting in St. Louis

(Left to Right) FRONT ROW—Mrs. J. F. Mothershead, *Ladies' Lounge*; Mrs. B. W. Esell, *Music*; Miss Ruth Gordin, *Information*; Mrs. Walter Jones, *Nursery*; Mrs. Hollis Martin, *Decorations*; Mrs. C. O'Daniel, *Exhibits*; Mrs. P. C. Loebecke, *Writing Room*; Mrs. Francis Lane, *Literature*.
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ANNUAL MEETING



"The SPIRIT of ST. LOUIS"



This same spirit which sent Lindbergh on his history-making flight across the Atlantic pervades all preparations which the various committees are making for the coming of the W.M.U. to St. Louis, May 12 and

13. We of St. Louis shall be happy to welcome you to our city and to do all within our power to make your stay pleasant and helpful. Let us urge you not to miss the spiritual thrill you will experience while attending the annual meeting to be held in the Opera House of our magnificent Municipal Auditorium.

Roger Williams (300 years ago) made it possible for Baptists to obtain a secure and permanent foothold in New England and, under the protection of the liberal government which he established in Rhode Island, to begin that growth which has now extended not only to every part of the country but far beyond the national boundaries. What a rich heritage is ours! Through this splendid history we know the heroic effort, vision, disappointments and triumphs of our forefathers. The challenge truly is great that we may write into our own pages of history the finest and most worthwhile recordings that are possible and to press on to greater work. The consecration and devotion of those of the past is the foundation upon which we build today.

"For God and Home and Every Land" was the motto adopted by the

band of faithful women who in 1889 held the first annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union. The aim of the W.M.U. is that the world shall be brought into the saving knowledge of the Christ and the fuller and more abundant life.

It is hoped that we shall have with us during our meetings many consecrated missionaries. All contacts with our missionaries are important factors in the continued success of our W.M.U. work. It will be a privilege to mingle with these ambassadors of our King.

St. Louis will be in readiness for the entertainment of her guests. Its many parks will be beautiful! The Art Museum, with its treasure house of art, is open to all. The Jefferson Memorial contains the early history of St. Louis, the third largest collection of Jefferson manuscripts in this country and many records of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. Then there is the Lindbergh Collection, containing gifts which a score of foreign countries gave to him in commemoration of his epoch-making flight in the "Spirit of St. Louis". These have been viewed by more than 5,000,000 people since they have been exhibited.

These attractions—together with the Lambert-St. Louis Airport, the Missouri Botanical Gardens (*second only to the famous Kew Gardens in England*), the Zoo with its cageless enclosures for bear and antelope—are worthy the especial attention of our visitors.—Mrs. W. E. Atkins, St. Louis W.M.U. Publicity Chairman

Every state W.M.U. is urged to have its respective member or duly appointed substitute present at each of the seven southwide committee meetings on May 11. (See page 5)

"Treasure in Heaven"

ON the March 6 morning, when the April issue of this magazine was being mailed out, there was received at the Birmingham headquarters a telegram saying that Mrs. W. C. Lowndes had entered into her Heavenly Home. For some time she had not been as well as usual, the last two months having been spent in a hospital with no prospect of recovery. Therefore, to her through death came a quickening of activity. Thus will she be remembered, for she was ever alert in her mind and through her many Christian interests.

It will be recalled that the April issue of this magazine carries the picture of Mrs. Lowndes and an explanation of the Elizabeth Lowndes Scholarship of the Margaret Fund. It is gratifying to believe that up in Heaven Mrs. Lowndes and Mrs. Eager are pleased because of the purpose of the "Forget-Me-Not Program" even as it pleases W.M.U. members to build up these two memorial funds.

The Baltimore friends, including two officers of Woman's Missionary Union—Mrs. Eugene Levering and Mrs. H. M. Wharton—gathered in large numbers the Saturday afternoon that the funeral service was held. At the same time the office force at the Birmingham headquarters gathered together for Scripture reading and prayer in loving thanks for the life and work of Mrs. Lowndes: most fitting seemed the closing section of the thirty-first chapter of Proverbs and verses 3-6 of Philipians 1, with each heart silently speaking to God of the blessings which came to Woman's Missionary Union through the forty years of Mrs. Lowndes' faithful stewardship as W.M.U. treasurer. Surely her fidelity and unflinching interest in the financial goals of the Union were not only a great stimulus toward attainment but were an encouragement to a host of W.M.U. members increasingly to "lay up treasure in Heaven". Through the alchemy of God her life and work have been added to such Heavenly treasures, she has herself become "treasure in Heaven".

To her two sons, her granddaughter and grandson and her several sisters sincerest sympathy is extended. Through the years, as now, W.M.U. members will join with them in cherishing her memory.

AN APOLOGY—KINDLY NOTE

ROBERT BURNS was certainly correct in saying that "the best laid schemes . . . gang aft agley". Great is the "grief and pain" because a grievous error was made in proof-reading the most carefully prepared copy of the "Forget-Me-Not Program" in the magazine's April issue. Humble apologies have been proffered to Miss Carrie U. Littlejohn and Mrs. Frank Burney who furnished the program in proper form. The bad error was made by the printer and was overlooked through careless proof-reading in the W.M.U. headquarters office. Graciously forgive and then carefully correct as follows in April *Royal Service*:

1—On page 10, just below the song, please insert from pages 11 and 12 beginning with the item *Prayer*, page 11, through the article by *Miss Carrie U. Littlejohn* (page 12).

2—Then on page 11 insert after its fifth paragraph what was placed at the middle of page 12, beginning (Gets pencil and paper and reads): etc.

SHUCK CENTENNIAL

PLANS and PROGRESS of the SHUCK CENTENNIAL in CHINA



For two years and more some of the Baptist leaders, foreign and Chinese, at home and in China, have been seeking to bring to the consciousness of Baptists everywhere the full import of 1936 in Baptist annals as China Baptist Centennial year. The Centennial Movement has been gaining impetus and, ere 1936 shall close, surely Baptists the world over, as Centennial plans are carried out, will know something of how marvelously our King Eternal has led through a century in bringing multitudes in China to know Him as Saviour, Lord and King.

Baptists in China last year in Shanghai elected a National Centennial Committee. This committee is composed of both Chinese Baptists and foreign missionaries. As organized, the co-chairmen of the Committee are Y. S. Liu and J. R. Saunders; secretaries, K. F. Moy and A. R. Gallimore; treasurer, H. H. Snuggs; and the other members, Misses Mollie McMinn and Mary Anderson, K. M. Wong, W. K. Pong, P. K. Chow and M. T. Rankin. The work for the Centennial has been divided among six committees as follows: Publicity, Evangelism, Finance, Editorial Work, Programs and Preparation of Material. Other men and women, not named on the main committee, have been enlisted as need and wisdom have dictated. Cooperating committees have been formed in North, Interior, Central and West China. These committees include both northern and southern Baptists as well as English, Swedish and other independent groups of Baptists in China. A partial survey of the plans of the Centennial Committee shows:

(1) *Thanksgiving and praise to God* for the rich heritage of the years are in the forefront of Chinese Baptist thinking and planning for the Centennial. Men and women, white and yellow, through the century ago counted not their lives dear that China might know the King Eternal. What of the results? Today's nearly 100,000 members of more than 500 Baptist churches, led by some 2,000 pastors, teachers and other Christian workers, as well as numerous educational and benevolent institutions of all kinds, are a beginning of results of eternal worth for the uplift of a mighty people even unto His throne everlasting. Rendering unto the Lord thanksgiving for all His benefits from pulpit and pew will characterize all the Centennial celebrations in China.

(2) *A major emphasis on evangelism* is also planned for the Centennial year. The real beginnings of the Centennial evangelistic campaigns will be marked by the meetings scheduled early in the year during the visits of Drs. Truett and Rushbrooke. Then similar meetings will be pressed outward to the smallest chapels and inward to China's most spiritually destitute sections.

(3) For the main All-China Centennial celebrations, Canton has been chosen as the place, and October 13-18, 1936, as the dates. It is hoped that Chinese Baptists and missionaries from all over China will attend to join in the mighty psalms of praise, to get the inspiration that such an occasion must needs afford, and to catch step one with another for a mighty going forward for Christ in China through a second century of Baptist history.

(4) As the Day of Prayer for the Centennial in all the churches and chapels throughout China, October 4, 1936, has been designated; while November 15, 1936, has been designated as All-China Centennial Day to be observed in every Baptist church and chapel of China. These days should mean much for Kingdom progress.

(5) A special Centennial edition of the Scriptures, a special edition of suitable hymns for use during the Centennial, the preparation of an All China Baptist History, as well as many other worthy plans have been comprehended in the work of the National Committee of the China Baptist Centennial as they seek His Kingdom's increase for 1936 and the future—"til He come!"—*Mary C. Alexander, Canton*

GREAT VICTORY ACHIEVED

THE gracious Heavenly Father and the generous hearts of W.M.U. women and young people made possible an exceptionally great victory through the 1935 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions. The goal was set at \$165,000, with the understanding that unless otherwise designated all "Beyond-the-Goal Gifts" would be added to the \$30,000 Shuck Centennial item in the \$165,000 goal. With this "understanding" in mind and heart, many W.M.U. members prayed that at least \$70,000 could thus be added, whereby the Henrietta Hall Shuck Memorial would be \$100,000 this Shuck Centennial. The following table shows that such prayers were abundantly answered. The state W.M.U. corresponding secretaries had by March 14 reported receipts as follows for the 1935 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering:

Alabama	\$ 9,647.22	Missouri	11,096.12
Arizona	305.00	New Mexico	1,604.37
Arkansas	8,523.82	North Carolina	28,546.46
District of Columbia	1,030.00	Oklahoma	8,645.05
Florida	5,876.61	South Carolina	15,686.80
Georgia	14,847.17	Tennessee	14,859.15
Illinois	2,430.27	Texas	41,208.95
Kentucky	16,356.59	Virginia	39,369.83
Louisiana	7,866.24	Miscellaneous	462.00
Maryland	2,353.10		
Mississippi	12,121.83	Total	\$242,836.62

Several of the states designated some of their "Beyond-the-Goal Gifts", so that only about \$33,000 was left to meet the needs as listed by the W.M.U. Executive Committee in contemplating the use of the "Beyond-the-Goal Gifts". Thus far the following emergencies have been met:

Turin, Italy, Second Church Debt	\$ 2,000
W.M.U. Training School, Japan	2,000
Rio Publishing House, Brazil	2,000
Bahia Church, Brazil	2,000
North Gate Church, Shanghai, China	3,000
W.M.U. Training School, Pernambuco, Brazil	2,000
Wei Ling Girls' School, Soochow, China	1,000
Ponta Grossa Church, Brazil	1,000
Kindergarten Work in Japan	1,000
Kindergarten Work in South China	1,000
Rafaela Church, Argentina	2,000
Two Churches, Buenos Aires, Argentina	2,000
(\$1,000 Each to Chacarita and Velez Sarsfield Churches)	
Missionary Homes, China	3,500
Missionary Homes, Africa	2,500
Pingtu Institute, China	500
Kindergarten and Good Will Center, Soochow, China	2,500

Not yet has the Birmingham W.M.U. office learned the total of receipts for the 1936 Annie W. Armstrong Offering for Home Missions. Please see if the full amount from your church's W.M.U. organizations has been duly forwarded.

BOOK REVIEWS

Miss Willie Jean Stewart, Tennessee

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

Basil Lee Lockett, A Beloved Physician: Elkin Lightfoot Lockett; Foreign Mission Board of Southern Baptist Convention, Richmond; 1936; Pages 200; Price 50c



It is well known that biography is the most difficult of literary forms and requires the most exacting gifts. Moreover, it is doubtful that any wife will ever write a really good biography of her husband. Those faults which her love allows, her loyalty must always minimize or hide. Her very closeness to her subject destroys her perspective. Thus, the man himself is inevitably obscured. Readers of this book, then, will not expect a vivid picture of the great missionary to Africa to emerge. What they may expect, however, is an unusually full and detailed picture of the life of a missionary in Africa with its problems. Perhaps this is just as Dr. Lockett would have had it.

In approaching the book, the reader will do well to imagine herself privileged to sit down with Mrs. Lockett and listen as she talks about her husband and his work. His preparation, his first impressions, the multitudinous details of his daily living will easily fall into place, from such a point of view, and leave no doubt that here was a man wholeheartedly devoted to God, rendering wise service through many difficulties and overwhelming sorrows.

Although the book is not ideally suited to study classes, the Foreign Mission Board promises an unusually helpful free leaflet for leaders, giving adequate teaching suggestions. With this help and a good map, it should serve as the basis of a most interesting study

of our mission work in Africa, as well as a book for general reading.

Consider Africa: Basil Matthews; Friendship Press (Missionary Education Movement), New York; 1936; Boards, \$1; Paper, 60c

RARE is the author who can combine deep understanding of primitive life and its significance with a simple, readable style. Dr. Matthews has done just this and has produced, as a result, a fascinating book. Those who demand of a mission study book more than the usual factual presentation should not miss this delightful study with its convincing interpretation of the African's spirit, customs and pressing problems.

Sketching, rapidly, the changes which have come to African tribal life with the impact of other civilizations through their commerce and industry, Dr. Matthews treats frankly and fearlessly the problems which have grown out of the breakdown of tribal life and tribal discipline and the crowding of the African into industrial centers. He pays tribute to the saving influence of the mission schools and makes a strong case for just such industrial schools as the MacLeans have so long conducted for southern Baptists in Nigeria. He asserts his profound conviction that Christianity holds the one solution for Africa's problems, the one cure for its woes, but he goes on to warn that only that type of Christian teaching which brings about a new experience will be sufficient for its need.

Southern Baptists will not be in agreement with every position which Dr. Matthews holds. Yet they will find that his book stirs their hearts, stimulates their thinking, makes them more

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MISSION STUDY DEPARTMENT



Southwide Mission Study Chairman: Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence, Missouri

Is the MINIMUM YOUR STANDARD?

A Footnote with Headline Meaning

H EAD LINES in our morning newspapers herald in striking letters the most significant news of the day. If we could, your southwide mission study committee would like to fling before your eyes a footnote to mission study in blazing black and white headlines. It is marked footnote (a) to Point Seven on your Standard of Excellence on page 28 of the 1936 Year Book of Woman's Missionary Union. It reads:

"Minimum Requirements for a Mission Study Class: Three members of a W.M.S. studying a text book on missions for three hours under a leader".

Just a footnote! But it may become either the keynote to progress or the dismal note of death to the missionary knowledge, growth and vitality of your missionary society. Your interpretation will determine which. Have you said to yourselves—or thought—you mission study chairmen of circles or a society: "Well, we do not have to have but three hours of mission study. Let's meet at ten in the morning, get through by two in the afternoon and get our mission study over with!"

That way lies death. You may not see it at once, but every phase of your W.M.S. work will begin to suffer, disintegrate and die when you do just as little mission study as you can. Knowledge of missions is the food upon which the missionary spirit lives. You cannot pray or give intelligently when you do not know missions. If you reduce the study of missions in your society to

six hours a year, your society will inevitably suffer from missionary under-nourishment, and continued under-nourishment prepares the way for every ailment under the sun.

Then why do we have such a footnote? It was put there as a *minimum* goal for women in widely scattered communities, or for those who face other difficulties and unusual situations that prevent the normal, regular mission study which should go on the year 'round. It was never meant to foster the idea that three hours is all the time necessary for a mission study class. The one-day class has proven to be a very fruitful method of study of books of small compass, of methods and as a special accent and unusual inspiration in a well-planned climax to regular mission study. Used aright, it is a blessing; misused, it is a hindrance. Where more than three hours of study is possible, more than this minimum is expected.

The significant word in this footnote is "minimum". Have you in your society changed this to "maximum"? Is this *all* the mission study you are having, two classes a year of only three hours each? If you can't do any better, that will do, as a *minimum*. But woe will be yours, "missionarily" speaking, if you can do better and do it not!

Let us see well to it that this minimum does not become our standard. Write in headlines over your plan for mission study this year, not "How little can we do" but "How much dare we do!"—Mrs. Una R. Lawrence

Calendar of Prayer

May, 1936

Prepared by Mrs. Maud R. McLure, Georgia

WHERE the whole world good as you—
Not an atom better—
Were it just as pure and true,
Just as pure and true as you;
Just as strong in faith and works;
Just as free from crafty quirks—
Would this world be better?

Upt: Youth Movements in the Kingdom

1—FRIDAY

Pray for Miss Olive Riddell, evangelistic work, Kweiteh, China.

God keepeth covenant and loving kindness with them that love Him.—Deut. 7:9

2—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Erhardt Swenson, evangelistic work, Bahia Blanca, Argentina

Love therefore is the fulfilling of the law.—Rom. 13:10

3—SUNDAY

Pray that all members of W.M.U. may feel more keenly the responsibility for the youth of the world.

To whomsoever much is given of him shall much be required.—Luke 12:48

4—MONDAY

Pray for Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Pruitt (on furlough), educational and evangelistic work, Chefoo, China.

If we endure we shall also reign with Him.—1 Tim. 2:12

5—TUESDAY

For Dr. T. J. Watts, secretary of Relief and Annuity Board, Dallas, Tex.

A man's heart deviseth his way, but Jehovah directeth his steps.—Prov. 16:9

6—WEDNESDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Vocum, medical and evangelistic work, Pingtu, China

They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.—Psa. 126:5

7—THURSDAY

For Mr. George Todd Lewis, Mexican Baptist Institute, Bastrop, Tex.

I will hope in Thy name.—Psa. 57:9

8—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Williams, literary work, Shanghai, China, and James Williams, Margaret Fund student

He that soweth righteousness hath a sure reward.—Prov. 11:18

9—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Deter, evangelistic work, Curitiba, Brazil, and Virginia Ray Deter, Margaret Fund student

Abide in Me and I in you.—John 15:4

10—SUNDAY

For divine guidance for sessions of S.B.C. and W.M.U., auxiliary to S.B.C., St. Louis, Mo., in week beginning May 11

O! Thy cometh my praise.—Psa. 22:25

11—MONDAY

For Miss Dorothy Carver, educational work, Kokura, Japan; also for southwide W.M.U. committees in session in St. Louis

It is enough for the disciple that he is as his teacher.—Matt. 10:25

12—TUESDAY

For 48th annual session of Woman's Missionary Union, St. Louis, May 12-13

Laborers together with God.—1 Cor. 3:9

13—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Harold Hall, educational and evangelistic work, Yangchow, China; also for Woman's Missionary Union in session at St. Louis

Jehovah is thy keeper.—Psa. 121:5

14—THURSDAY

For Miss Fannie Taylor, missionary among Italians, Tampa, Fla.

Blessed are they that keep My ways.—Prov. 1:32

15—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Newton, educational work, Hwang-Hsien, China, and Roy Newton, Margaret Fund student

I will bless Jehovah who hath given me counsel.—Psa. 16:7

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

Calendar of Prayer

May, 1936

IF THE whole world followed you--
Followed to the letter--
Would it be a nobler world,
All deceit and falsehood hurled
From it altogether;
Tell me, if it followed you,
Would this world be better? —*The British Weekly*

Topic: Youth Movements in the Kingdom

16—SATURDAY

For editors of *The Window of Y. W. A.*
Jehovah is my light.—Psa. 77:1

17—SUNDAY

Pray that American youth be fully prepared for their great destiny.
Remember also thy Creator in the days of thy youth.—Ecc. 12:1

18—MONDAY

Pray for Rev. and Mrs. I. N. Patterson, evangelistic work, Abeokuta, Nigeria; also for joint sessions of Northern and Southern Baptist Conventions in St. Louis.
A friend loveth at all times.—Prov. 17:17

19—TUESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Hipps, educational work, Shanghai University, Shanghai, China.
Thou art my stronghold.—Psa. 31:4

20—WEDNESDAY

For Misses xxHattie Gardner, evangelistic work, Shaki, and Lena Lair, educational work, Ogbomoso, Nigeria.
No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly.—Psa. 84:11

21—THURSDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Earl Parker (on furlough), evangelistic work, and Miss Florence Jones, nurse, Pingtu, China.
Godliness is profitable for all things.—1 Tim. 4:8

22—FRIDAY

For Miss Mattie Baker, Girls' School, Sao Paulo, Brazil.
The Lord is faithful who shall establish you.—11 Thess. 3:3

23—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. D. F. Stamps (on furlough), evangelistic work, Yangchow, China.
Praise ye Jehovah, for Jehovah is good.—Psa. 137:3

24—SUNDAY

Pray that our Baptist organizations for young people may increase in power and efficiency.
Trust in Jehovah.—Prov. 3:5

25—MONDAY

Pray for Rev. R. E. Pettigrew, emeritus missionary from Brazil, and R. Edward Pettigrew, Margaret Fund student.
The knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.—Prov. 9:10

26—TUESDAY

For Miss Grace Wells, educational work, Chinkiang, China.
Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.—Eph. 5:16

27—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Muirhead, educational work, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
Let your light shine.—Matt. 5:16

28—THURSDAY

For Miss Marjorie Spence, Colegio Bautista, Temuco, Chile.
As the Father hath loved Me, I also have loved you.—John 15:9

29—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Stumph and Miss Pauline Cammack, missionaries among the Indians, Albuquerque, New Mexico.
I will strengthen them in Jehovah.—Zech. 10:12

30—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. C. D. Branch, educational work, Monterrey, Mexico.
Be strong and let your heart take courage.—Psa. 31:24

31—SUNDAY

Pray that the youth of all nations may become followers of Christ.
They looked unto Him and were radiant.—Psa. 34:5

Attended W.M.U. Training School
Attended Southwestern Training School
Attended Baptist Bible Institute

FAMILY ALTAR

Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

TOPIC: "Greatest in the Kingdom"—Matt. 18:1-6

"In spirit meek the Christian kneels
Before the Heavenly Father's throne;
Believing in the promise, feels
This Word is now his very own

"Tis not in greatness seen by men
He wishes always to excel;
But like a child he knows that, when
God moves, He doeth all things well."

"As This Little Child"

1st Day—Matt. 18:1-6
2nd Day—Mark 9:36, 37; 10:15
3rd Day—Luke 9:46-48
4th Day—1 Peter 2:2
5th Day—Luke 22:24-27
6th Day—Psa. 137:1, 2
7th Day—Jer. 45:5

"Children of Light"

15th Day—Jno. 1:4-12
16th Day—Jno. 1:35-42
17th Day—Jno. 2:14-17
18th Day—Jno. 5:24
19th Day—Jno. 6:26, 47
20th Day—Eph. 5:8
21st Day—Jno. 12:35, 36

"Through Faith"

22nd Day—Eph. 2:8, 6:16
23rd Day—Col. 1:23; 2:12
24th Day—11 Thess. 2:13
25th Day—11 Tim. 4:7
26th Day—Heb. 13:5, 6
27th Day—Jas. 1:6
28th Day—Matt. 9:22
29th Day—Mark 9:23, 24
30th Day—Luke 17:5; 18:8
31st Day—Rom. 6:1

"Let Them Praise"

8th Day—Josh. 8:36
9th Day—11 Chron. 20:13; 31:16, 18
10th Day—Neh. 12:43
11th Day—Matt. 21:15, 16
12th Day—Luke 2:46
13th Day—Psa. 148:12, 13
14th Day—1 Tim. 4:12

"Pray Ye"

For annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Union in St. Louis, Mo.—southwide committee meetings on Monday, May 11; annual meeting sessions on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 12-13

For Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis, May 14-18

For joint sessions of Northern and Southern Baptist Conventions in St. Louis, May 18-19

For Northern Baptist Convention in St. Louis following joint sessions

For students and faculties in Baptist schools, colleges and seminaries

For Baptist Hundred Thousand Club

For Ridgecrest program, including Southwide Y.W.A. Camp, June 23-July 3; Home and State Missions Conference in week of August 2; Foreign Missions Week, August 9-14 inclusive

For W.M.U. chief aims: prayer, enlistment, study, personal service, tithes and offerings, missionary education of young people

For camps and summer assemblies in promotion of missionary work

BIBLE STUDY

Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

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

TOPIC: "Greatest in the Kingdom"—Matt. 18:1-6

(Please read the references on "Family Altar" page and think on the child.)

THE greatest truth to mortal e'er revealed
In parables He spake to men of old.
Word of the Kingdom by the prophets told
Held in it mysteries from some concealed;
For those disciples who to Him had knelt
This Word meant life and light and spirit bold.
What treasure of the earth of silver, gold—
Offered to men today whose hearts are cold—
Could give contentment, freedom from all care;
Could bring the peace all troubled hearts desire
There is no peace, they cry. This Word so rare
Is all the seeking sinner doth require
H, like a child, He lets the Master bear
The burden of his guilt, His love inspire.



Long ago and in a land far from ours King Ptolemy Lagus asked Euclid, "Is there not a shorter and an easier way to the study of geometry than that which you have laid down in your Elements?" "There is no royal road to geometry," replied the geometrician. Even so, there is but one way to enter into eternal life. That way is by receiving Jesus as simply as a child receives a gift from his parent. The little girl does not understand the cost of the Shirley Temple doll at Christmas. The small boy has no idea how many stitches went into the birthday sweater. Children never question Daddy's right to furnish food, clothing, an education. If they should ask why these things, they would be told: "Because we love you."

"God is loved" (quote Jno. 3:16). Who can say what it cost the Father to give His Son? (Sing the chorus, "Jesus Paid It All") No one can tell me what price the Savior paid on Calvary. Who has ever understood how great the love of God is? At some time you heard the message of God's love. Did the story of His love reach your heart? Have your ears that hear?

Jesus was teaching in Galilee one day when He called a little child to Him. Putting him before the people, He said: "Verily" (quote verses 3-6 of Matt. 18). Humble as a child, believing as a child, receiving as a child—such He would have us be. Do not think lightly of a little child. Do not neglect him. To the person young in the faith show the same consideration.

Babies live for a while on milk. Soon a little orange juice is added. It is not long until his diet list is almost as long as yours. Would you think of giving him pork chops or plum pudding while he is still an infant? Or would you take away milk, orange juice and good vegetables because he is big enough to eat meat? Surely not. Let us watch the mental and spiritual diet of growing children as well as their physical diet. Do not let them remain babes in Christ too long.

Will you let the missionary program today help you with this problem? Continue to foster a Full Graded Woman's Missionary Union, providing Bible study and missionary information in servings suited to the age and development of the child. Do not try to stuff theology into the minds of Sunbeams. If they learn that Jesus loves them they will be wise. At the same time, do not keep back the fullness of the Gospel from your big girls in Young Woman's Auxiliary. Find just what your boys and girls need and let them grow in Royal Ambassador Chapters and Girls' Auxiliaries. Jesus loved the child.

BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLES

MONTH'S PROGRAM for BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLES

* Prepared by Miss Pearle Bourne, Associate W.M.U. Young People's Secretary

TOPIC for MONTH: YOUTH MOVEMENTS in the KINGDOM

(Have the room to resemble a radio studio with a microphone, control board etc. Think of the topic as being "Youth Broadcasting the Best.")

Hymn—"Come Women, Wide Proclaim"

The Control Board—Bible Study: Matt. 18:1-6 (Page 18)

Tuning In—Prayer that the youth of the world may "tune in" with God
Station YOUTH—Youth Movements (Page 23)

The Musical Offering—"We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"

The Sponsored Program—A Missionary Youth Movement (Page 25)

(This may be presented by five people, seated before an improvised microphone as if in the broadcasting studio. Have them discuss ideals which Woman's Missionary Union builds into this youth program.)

Youth on the Air—Likes and Unlikes (Page 27)

Musical Offering, No. 2—"I Think When I Read That Sweet Story of Old"

The Guest Artists—Shining for Fifty Years (Page 30, beginning with "Well, this is how it happened".)

Signing Off—Prayer for the children in Sunbeam Bands of the world

Not Disobedient to a Heavenly Vision—How I wish that every business woman of our B.W.C.'s in America could come to China and visit the W.M.U. offices (two rooms) located on the seventh floor of the True Light Building in Shanghai. Lovely Lila Watson, corresponding secretary of the W.M.U. of China, and her young Chinese assistant, Miss Chen E. Ling, would delight to display the five colorful and significant pins, symbolic of the purpose of these unit organizations, and to show the Chinese literature and tracts that guide these organizations. There is the Prayer Calendar pad mounted on the color of happiness, red, and made more festive by Chinese lanterns, portraying the colors of the five organizations and stating the goals found on the Standards. There is a quarterly of fifty-two programs, for those who meet weekly, and another of twelve for the monthly meetings. Tracts—beautiful, colorful and bearing the tokens of God's love and challenge to Christian living—fill a large bookcase, and study course books fill another case. The desk of Mrs. F. Y. O. Ling, secretary of the Soo-Sung-Sih W.M.U. Association, is vacant while she visits southern Baptists' W.M.U. in the United States.

This is the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Full Graded W.M.U. of China. The insignia on all the literature calls the organizations to celebrate this Silver Anniversary of glorious achievements for Christ.

But one faithful devout little W.M.S. member has had a larger vision for a more worthy celebration. She dreamed that the W.M.U.'s of the Soo-Sung-Sih Association gave \$10,000 (Mex.) as an endowment fund, the interest of which will be used to supplement the current budget of the W.M.U. headquarters. This local annual budget calls for approximately \$1,500 (Mex.). The offerings never exceed \$800 (Mex.). The W.M.U. of the United States has been supplementing this deficit. But Mrs. Z. W. Chang feels that her dream is a Heavenly challenge and she is proposing that such a fund be raised as a thank-offering during the Silver Anniversary year. Already more than \$1,500 (Mex.) has been given toward this fund. Mrs. Chang is a graduate of southern Baptists' Eliza Yates School for Girls in Shanghai, a member and deaconess of Grace Church, treasurer of Soo-Sung-Sih W.M.U. and president of her local society.

Three-Score-Years-and-Ten Memorial—The one outstanding characteristic of the Chinese Christians is their eagerness to witness, to tell others of God's love and of salvation. When they have found the Light they will often go back to their childhood village to share the story. Eagerly they tell their families, neighbors and even strangers.

This spirit led one of Miss Kelly's first Chinese Christian comrades to start an endowment fund for the support of an evangelist. Zung Sien Sang was a scholar and teacher. In commemoration of her seventieth birthday, she gave \$1,000 (Mex.) the initial gift to this Old

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CIRCLE PLANS

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* is \$1 from Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

WHEN YOUR CIRCLE STUDIES "In Royal Service" and "A Decade of W.M.U. Service" by Miss Fannie E. S. Heck and Miss Margaret Lackey information and inspiration will be increased by use of the following suggestions from Mrs. William McMurry of Greenville, Miss. Extra space is accorded these suggestions, not only because two books are thus considered but also because many women say they do not know how to outline a mission study book. Formerly a Peabody College Teacher, Mrs. McMurry brings to such a task trained ability which will doubtless serve many women in their efforts to outline these two and other books.

To the Teacher: Consider *In Royal Service* and *A Decade of W.M.U. Service* as one text. Use blackboard outline, posters and the dramatic monologue as methods for presentation. Select a woman with good memory and talent for public speaking to be the "Interpreter of Woman and the Times". See that the costume is the best that time and effort will provide. Precede each lesson with devotional readings without comment taken from "Christ's Mission to Women" found at the end of each chapter of *In Royal Service*. Divide these readings to cover seven lessons. Follow devotional with the monologue by the "Interpreter", in the costume of the period she represents. Close each session with prayer. The purpose of the study is to give the class the sweep of missionary history among southern Baptist women for thirty-five years. Guard against too much detail and the intriguing-by-path. Sessions one hour.

Lesson I. Based on chapter 1 *In Royal Service*. "Interpreter's" part, page 7 to the end of the first sentence on 11. Before the class assembles write this outline on the blackboard. Follow it in presenting the lesson.

A. Some Important Facts in American History

1. Reasons for the Jamestown and Plymouth Settlements —2 Character of Settlers

B. Baptists before 1792

1. Persecutions: (1) In Boston; (2) In Virginia; (3) In S.C.—History of First Baptist Church of Charleston

2. Mission Efforts of Colonists

4. Revolutionary War and Its Effect on Baptists

C. The Modern Missionary Movement

1. Leading Personalities: (1) Carey; (2) Judson; (3) Rice: Organizer of Triennial Convention

2. Among Women in America (1) Honor Roll of First Societies

(Present to each woman a tiny scroll made on matches with twelve outstanding societies listed. Ask each member to state in a sentence the organizer and main work of one society

Conclusion: for several seconds display in silence a poster with these words printed on it
Christ Exalted Woman—What am I doing for Him?

Lesson II. "Interpreter's" part, page 72 to Baptist School Girl on 73. Present blackboard outline based on chapter 2.

A. Higher Education for Women

C. Organization of Southern Baptist Convention

—B Political Dimensions

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1. Boards: (1) Home; (2) Foreign
2. Effect of Civil War on Work
- D Reconstruction Days
 - 1 Societies Reorganize
 - 2 The Baltimore Organization
 - 3 Appointment of Central Committees What for?
 - 4 Women at the Conventions: Results
 - 5 (Draw wagon wheel. Label hub 1871 Woman's Mission to Woman; spokes, names of Central Committees)
 - 2. Women of Other Sects Organize
 - 4. Opposition

Lesson III. The First Decade 1888-1898. Based on chapter 3. Present the four following lessons on four cardboard ladders made large enough so that outline can be easily read. "Interpreter's" part, pages 125 to A Quiet Meeting on 127.

Rung 1 Southern Women. Organize (Display poster of wheel with rim on, labeled Woman's Missionary Union 1888. This explains in a simple way the part Central Committees played in organization.)

Rung 2 Home and Foreign Missions (Have two maps on the wall: home mission territory and world map. Ask two members to indicate sections developed by Home Board and foreign fields occupied by southern Baptists during this period. Previous assignment.)

Rung 3 Weeks of Prayer

Rung 4 Bible Fund (Have one story told. Previous assignment.)

Rung 5 1886—Sunbeams—1892

Lesson IV. Progress for Another Decade 1898-1908. Based on Part of Chapter 4. "Interpreter's" part, pages 172 to Days of Trial on 174

Rung 1 Church Building and Loan Fund

—Rung 2 Margaret Home—Fund 1914

Rung 3 "Our Mission Fields"—"Royal Service 1914" (Have a copy of both magazines for comparison and contrast by a member. Previous assignment.)

Rung 4 Y.W.A.

—Rung 5 G.A.

—Rung 6 Training School

Rung 7 Mission Study (Center all discussion of mission leaflets and books around this "rung"). Conclusion. Display in silence for a few seconds this poster.

"If the opportunity to choose came to me as to Solomon I would rather have the knowledge and power to give Christ to the young people of today than anything else I know".

Lesson V. Still Climbing the Ladder, 1908-1918. Based on part of Chapter 4 of *In Royal Service* and chapters 1 and 2 in *A Decade of W.M.U. Service*. "Interpreter's" part, page 208 to Missionary Type on 209 *In Royal Service*

Rung 1 R.A.

—Rung 2 Personal Service

—Rung 3 Graded Union

Rung 4 The Standard (Make large 1913 standard. Compare present one with it. Previous assignment.)

Rung 5 Jubilate Celebration

Rung 6 Miss Heck (Cut out of white page outline pictures of Miss Heck. Use the small one in *Decade* as a pattern. Give one to each member on which is written a selected sentence from Miss Heck's final message to the Union. Brief discussion.)

Rung 7 Mrs. W. C. James

Lesson VI. The Remaining Five Years 1918-1923. Based on chapters 3, 4, 5 and 6 in *A Decade of W.M.U. Service*. "Interpreter's" part, *In Royal Service*, page 354, beginning with The Future and poem pages 121-122 in *Decade*

Rung 1 House Beautiful

—Rung 2 Standards for All

—Rung 3 Covenant Cards

Rung 4 Young People's Secretary

—Rung 5 World Comrades (Use one of first copies.)

Rung 6 Seventy-Five Million Campaign

Rung 7 Birmingham (Show pictures of headquarters)

Lesson VII. Sowers of Light, based on chapters 5 and 6 of *In Royal Service*. "Interpreter's" in white robe with lighted candle in one hand and globe in the other reads pages 224-227. Choose ten missionaries from the various countries, preferably those whose lives are not so well known through other mission books. Present them in the costumes of their adopted country as "pictures" while ten members give five minute sketches. Give as favors fans, lanterns, butterflies made out of wallpaper, also sombreros, elephants and tiny maps of North Carolina and Mississippi (states of Miss Heck and Miss Lackey) cut out of brown paper. On the back of each have written the name of a present day missionary for whom the member is to pray.

(Concluded from Page 13) to the primary importance of Christianity for Africa. Surely they can ask no and leave no doubt in their minds as more!

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PROGRAM PLANS



Mrs. T. M. Pittman, North Carolina

With the PROGRAM COMMITTEE



There are times when it seems fitting to give right of way to a special branch of our Woman's Missionary Union work. The subject for May is too important to be set aside entirely. Yet this month offers the one opportunity to celebrate the Fiftieth Anniversary of the beginning of Sunbeam work.

The committee may be able to combine the topic "Youth Movements in the Kingdom" with a form of Sunbeam anniversary. Ask all who have ever been leaders of the local Sunbeam Band to take part in the program. Have a marked off section of seats reserved for those who were once Sunbeams. A history of the children's mission organization of the church might be prepared. After it is read before the society, it should be preserved with other church records.

In some of our churches there are Sunbeam Bands dating back to 1886. There may be charter members of these early organizations now members of the Woman's Missionary Society. They should be given recognition. Also there may be three generations of Sunbeams in the church. These Sunbeam families should be invited to the meeting and asked to come forward for a greeting from the society.

On page 18 of the 1936 Year Book will be found Sunbeam Fiftieth Anniversary plans. The aims set are 500 new Bands, 500 more A-1 Bands and 500 more mission study classes than ever before in Sunbeam history.

Some of the state Woman's Missionary Unions are making plans for a greatly increased offering from the Sun-

beams in this fiftieth year. One plan is to ask for a gift, small or large, from every one who has ever belonged to a Sunbeam Band. Each society should be sure to study the plans of the state W.M.U. and follow them enthusiastically.

For the program of the May meeting there is ample material given in most interesting form. The subjects, "Youth Movements" and "Youth Movements in America", are being discussed in current magazines and newspapers. When older people realize how distressing it is to young people to seem odd or different from companions around them, great sympathy arises for those who must stand apart for conscience sake. When hundreds of boys and girls start out on Sunday in Germany for their day's outing, parents who do not approve must find it hard to hold their young people to Sabbath observance. Can we always do it in America even though the government is not urging the boys and girls to disregard the Sabbath? What youth movement are we interested in organizing for the young people in our own families? Do we condemn things done by other groups, yet excuse the same things when our own young folks do them? Are we keeping up with the youth of today in world outlook, in changing attitude toward racial understanding and the readjustments of social lines? Are we trying to be wise in knowing how far to follow inexperienced youth and still wiser in knowing how to guide them? It will be necessary to study this program carefully and to get as much outside help as possible to see clearly these complicated conditions. (Pages 23-31)

One woman may make a talk covering the material down to "Fifty Years of Shining." Then should come a general sketch of Sunbeam beginnings and growth. Following this the history of the local Sunbeams should be given, closing with a song by the Sunbeam Band. (Pages 23-29; 29-31)

Societies having no Sunbeam Band should by all means use this opportunity in organizing one. A committee should be appointed to secure a leader and the society should furnish literature and every help in support of the leader and the children's organization. Let this be a year of marvelous Sunbeam expansion.



PROGRAM for MAY



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

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THEME for YEAR: "Thy Kingdom Come"

TOPIC for MONTH: Youth Movements in the Kingdom

Hymn—Comen Women, Wide Proclaim (Page 1 of W.M.U. Year Book)

Bible Study—"Greatest in the Kingdom"—Matthew 18:1-6 (Page 18)

Solo—I Think When I Read That Sweet Story of Old

Prayer that we may have the loving faith of little children

Youth Movements

—Youth Movements in America

Hymn—Give of Your Best to the Master

A Missionary Youth Movement

—Likes and Unlikes

Prayer that our young people's organizations may lead our young people into Kingdom service

What Can We Do?

Hymn—Jesus Wants Me for a Sunbeam

—Fifty Years of Shining

Sunbeam Song—Be a Little Sunbeam

Prayer that we may do all we can for the Sunbeams and all other W.M.U. organizations

YOUTH MOVEMENTS



Today, as perhaps never before, the nations of the world are realizing the importance of the training of youth. Great national leaders are realizing that the security of their power and the continuation of their policies depend on what they put into their young people. All are seeing that tomorrow's world depends on today's youth. So it is a day of "Youth Movements", as national leaders conduct on a great scale programs of training of today's youth to make tomorrow's world what they de-

sire it to be. Some of these are youth movements in more than one sense of the word, for they are characterized by much physical movement, indicative of the purpose uppermost in the mind of their leaders. A recent issue of the *Reader's Digest* carries this suggestive paragraph:

"All over Europe young people—hundreds, thousands—are exercising in unison: doing knee bending, arm waving, torso-twisting, in endless serried ranks. From Leningrad to Sicily these huge groups of gymnasts may be found, and they are most common in those countries that have dictatorships. Youth is the stuff of which armies are made. And a well drilled youth is the best buttress a dictatorship can have."

Let us make a brief study of some of these youth movements to which the nations are giving so much attention.

Nazi Youth—In Germany there is a great youth organization known as Hitler Jugend, or Hitler Youth. It is estimated that five million boys and girls from ten to eighteen years of age are enrolled in this organization. Its purpose is "the development of the future generation that will think and live only in terms of National Socialism". The organization has been described as a "semi-military hierarchy, starting with the units of from ten to thirty, proceeding through five intermediate sizes, to the district groups with a limited number of 300,000. Each size group has a leader appointed from above who receives three weeks' training in a 'leader school' each time he moves up to command a larger unit—the training consisting chiefly of physical educational and Nazi doctrine and psychology".

While this movement gives no strictly military training, much attention is given to the physical life of the boys and girls. They go in groups on biking or bicycling excursions. "All are uniformed in brown shirts, black ties and shorts, with little Sam Brown belts; and groups are to be seen everywhere on the streets, bicycling along the country roads or marching by the thousand in one of their camps". Sometimes, accompanied by a leader, they camp in woods over the week-end, engaging in athletic sports and singing their Nazi songs around the campfire. Every summer a large number of them have the opportunity of attending a camp of three weeks' duration.

Perhaps the most influential activity of the Hitler Youth Movement is the weekly meeting. "Every Wednesday during the school year the local groups all over Germany assemble. The girls and boys meet separately, the younger groups at six o'clock and the older ones at eight. At the beginning of the meeting there is a national broadcast over every German station which may be a speech, a play or a sing, but of course is always designed to glorify the National Socialist Party. The broadcast

is followed by the evening program, using material sent from headquarters in Berlin".

"This youth movement has absorbed all other youth movements with the exception of a Catholic Movement which was guaranteed an independent existence by Hitler in his agreement with the pope". All other religious youth movements are prohibited, and the Hitler Jugend offers no religious training, so it is appallingly true that the young people of Germany are growing up without evangelical Christian training.

Fascist Youth—The youth movement in Italy is openly and definitely militaristic. Fascist military education begins even in the primary school where the small Italian child meets its first drill master. "The common readers instill the proud fever of Fascism with designs showing all sorts of Italian glories, from the flowers in Italian fields to the latest models in Italian fighting planes".

The young boys from eight to fourteen are members of an organization known as the Balilla, which is really a junior army. This organization is named for a small boy who in 1848 threw a stone at foreign soldiers in his native town, Genoa, and thereby started a revolt against them. Each member of the Balilla receives a small sized rifle, and all are trained in rigid army discipline by Fascist officers. The girls belong to the Piccole Italiane, a sporting athletic and disciplinary body for the future mothers of the race. At the age of fourteen the boys graduate into the Avanguardist, composed of boys from fourteen to eighteen. In this organization they begin to study machine guns, airplanes and the most modern tools of war. "Mussolini at least has insured Italy's future with a proud, well drilled, militant youth".

Communist Youth—A most important part of the Soviet Program has been the training of Russian youth. There is in Russia a Communist Youth League, known as the "Comsomel" organization. It has five million mem-

bers—boys and girls, young men and women—regimented in thought and deed for the promulgation of communistic ideals. At the head of this organization is Alexander Kosiarov, a young man, for it is the Soviet idea that youth must lead youth. This leader has been called the Stalin of Soviet youth. His power over the young people is unlimited. His utterances are their ideals, his pronouncements are their laws. He expresses the ideals of the youth of Russia as follows: "We want to amuse ourselves, to work when necessary and to relax when necessary. We want music, theaters, movies, dances and we have no objection to flirting and romance. Nothing is too good for us, and our youth must be cultured enough to enjoy to the limit the best things that life has to offer".

YOUTH MOVEMENTS in AMERICA

WHILE America has no nation-wide youth movement under government control, as has Germany, Italy and Russia, she has many youth movements, both good and bad. We are glad to say that the strongest and most influential of American youth movements are, if not altogether Christian, at least based in part on Christian ideals of thought and conduct. There are the Y.M.C.A., the Y.W.C.A., Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and other organizations which are without doubt rendering a great service in the training of American youth. An especially strong youth movement is that known as "Allied Youth", under the leadership of Daniel Poling. This is altogether Christian in its ideals and in its program of activities and is helping thousands of young people to live clean lives. One of its chief aims is total abstinence. In a recent article in the *Christian Herald* a member of "Allied Youth" made this significant statement: "We want to be young, gay and sober".

We believe that the most important and most influential youth movements in America today are those altogether Christian movements connected with our churches. Every denomination has

its young people's organization, and these are the youth movements which are doing most for the world because they are preparing Christian men and women to live Christian lives and to extend the Kingdom of Christ throughout the world.

Southern Baptists can claim to have four youth movements. First, we have our Sunday schools whose first aim is to teach the Bible to our young people. Other lands may boast of a youth movement reaching five millions. Southern Baptists have almost half that number enrolled in Sunday school. Then we have our Baptist Training Union, a youth movement enrolling more than half a million young people and adults for definite Christian training. We have our Baptist Student Union, a great youth movement among the Baptist students in a vast number of colleges of the south. And we have our Graded W.M.U., a youth movement providing missionary training for Baptist young people of all ages except for young men.

Wonderful movements these, designed to give a well rounded religious training to our southern Baptist youth! A young girl, member of a "smart set", spending her days at cards, dancing and drinking and so forth, recently made this statement—"I don't believe there is a God anyhow, but I would like to know what makes right and wrong". How glad we are that we are teaching our Baptist young people not only what is right and what is wrong and that there is a God to help them do the right but also that they have an obligation to tell the rest of the world about God.

A MISSIONARY YOUTH MOVEMENT

THE missionary movement is a youth movement, always was and always will be. It was started by a youth, Jesus, who gave His Great Commission before He was thirty-four years of age. The first missionary to the gentiles was Paul, a young man with youth's daring, youth's enthusiasm and youth's faith. The modern missionary movement started with a youthful cobbler Baptist

preacher, William Carey, who was only thirty-one years of age when he went to India. The missionary movement in America started with a group of young men students. In the first group of missionaries that ever left American shores for foreign lands were two girls still in their teens: Ann Judson and Harriet Newell. Southern Baptists' first missionaries were the youthful Shucks, Mr. Shuck only twenty-three years of age and Henrietta not yet eighteen when they started to China. Southern Baptists, then, are but treading an old and tried path when they hold as one of their fundamental principles the missionary training of young people.

Surely no more efficient and far-reaching missionary youth movement can be found in all the world than that fostered by our W.M.U. It is organized to reach all the youthful constituency of our churches, and its program is planned to give to our young people missionary information and inspiration in the most attractive and most impelling way. In this movement are four organizations, two of these with graded sub-divisions. There are the Sunbeam Bands for children up to nine years of age; the Junior Royal Ambassador Chapters for boys from nine to thirteen; the Junior Girls' Auxiliary for girls from nine to thirteen; the Intermediate Royal Ambassador Chapters for boys from thirteen to seventeen; the Intermediate Girls' Auxiliary for girls from thirteen to sixteen; and the Young Woman's Auxiliary for young women from sixteen to twenty-five. The strength of this movement is shown by the following statistics (to be printed on a chart or put on a blackboard):

	Number of Organizations	Gifts in 1935
Sunbeams	6,366	\$28,653.66
R. A's.	4,499	29,576.11
G. A's.	7,471	46,476.12
Y. W. A's.	4,902	107,023.44

In all these organizations are 299,883 members.

As the leader of this movement we have Miss Juliette Mather, wonderfully gifted and consecrated to her task, with Miss Pearle Bourne as her able associate. Then in each state there is a young people's secretary; cooperating with them are divisional (or district) and associational and group leaders; and then, on in the local churches young people's directors and counselors. We must realize that this is no small thing that we are talking about but one of the really great youth movements of the world.

This movement seeks first of all to enlist our young people for the study of missions. Every month each organization has at least one missionary program, and the ideal is for four, one each week. The young people themselves give these programs, under the supervision of their counselors and so, by the learning law of activity, great missionary truths and facts become a part of their store of knowledge. Missionary magazines—*The Window of Y.W.A.* and *World Comrades*—are provided not only to furnish them with material for these programs but to entice them to further missionary reading. Then at least once a year these organizations study a missionary book. In addition to these regular study plans the different states, districts and associations plan camps, conclaves and houseparties, assembling the young people together for a few days of intensified study and recreation. There is one such camp for all the Y.W.A's. of the south held at Ridgecrest each summer. The value of such meetings for the physical, social, mental and spiritual development of our youth cannot be measured.

Again the movement seeks to teach

young people to pray for missions. Every possible plan is made to encourage them to pray both in private and in public for our great missionary causes. A Calendar of Prayer, as a guide to private devotions, is given in both *World Comrades* and *The Window of Y.W.A.* With every program a devotional service is held affording opportunities to the young people to pray both aloud and silently in their hearts. All these organizations are urged to take part in the three seasons of prayer, as is the mother W.M.S. Splendid programs are planned for these seasons and every possible effort is made to lead the children and young people to pray intelligently and devotedly for state, home and foreign missions. On the cover of a recent issue of the *Christian Herald* there appeared a picture of a lovely young girl in an attitude of prayer. Underneath were these words—“When the young pray all Heaven is happy”. If that be true then our young people's organizations add greatly to the happiness of Heaven, for through them we are teaching our young to pray.

In the third place this movement seeks to lead our young people to give to missions. It isn't enough that they shall learn about missions—they must have a definite part in missionary work today. Only thus will they become missionary for today and for tomorrow. And giving is one way they can express in action the missionary impressions made by the program of study we give them. So we provide opportunities for them to give—regularly to the Cooperative Program and at the special seasons of prayer and gifts for state, home and foreign missions. We try to instill in them the principle of stewardship of possessions. The Stewardship Declaration Contest conducted each year is for the purpose of helping them to learn the place of tithes and offerings in Christian stewardship. Twenty-three thousand, nine hundred and eleven of our young people reported as tithers last year. The total gifts of our young

people's organizations last year amounted to \$211,729.33.

In the last place this movement seeks to help our young people to be missionaries. Again we make use of the great learning law of activity. We realize that if children do not share what they have with those close to them they will never learn the lesson of world sharing. So these organizations have a program of personal service, providing opportunities for our young people to be missionaries in their own community. And it is our aim and hope that many of them will be missionaries on state, home and foreign fields, for we know that from their number must come our missionary recruits of a few years hence.

Youth moves! It is never still. It must move somewhere, either in the right or the wrong direction. Our missionary youth movement helps our Baptist youth to move in the right direction—toward God and Heaven and eternal things. LONG LIVE OUR SOUTHERN BAPTIST MISSIONARY YOUTH MOVEMENT!

LIKES and UNLIKES

WE HAVE noticed some youth movements of European countries. We have made a brief study of the youth movement closest to our heart—our own Southern Baptist Missionary Youth Movement. Now let us set them up side by side for a bit of comparison and contrast. We will see that in some respects they are alike and in others very much unlike.

They are alike in that they are utilizing the great power of youth. All realize that no cause can live permanently except as it becomes a part of the convictions and ideals of a coming generation. All realize that what tomorrow will be depends on what is fixed in the hearts of young people of today.

All of these movements are alike in that they make use of the psychology of the heroic in their appeal to youth. We all know that young people respond to something that they know is worth doing, something that appeals to their

spirit of daring. They like to feel that they are standing for a great cause, one depending on them and calling for all the heroism of their souls. Hitler, Mussolini and the Soviet leaders realize this and make Hitlerism, Fascism and Communism appeal to their youth as causes worth living for and dying for if necessary. And surely the cause for which our missionary youth movement stands is one to appeal to the heroic in any youthful heart.

Then all of these movements are alike in that they are well planned *training* movements. Hitler has his weekly meetings and such is our goal too. He has his camps, and so do we. Mussolini gives his young people regular drills and so do we, but of a different nature. These other movements depend on leaders consecrated to a task and so does ours. We are all trying to put into our young people the principles we want them to believe, and prepare them for what we want them to do in the world.

But right there the "likes" end and the "unlikes" begin, for what we desire in our young people is very different from the goal of the leaders in these other youth movements. Hitler wants his young people to become good Hitlerites, Mussolini wants his to become good Fascists, the Soviets want theirs to become good Communists, but we want ours to become good citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven. These other leaders are not thinking of the good of their young people, except as it shall promote the good of their causes. We are working for a great cause—yes, but also for the good of our young people themselves, for we know that as they give themselves to the missionary cause their souls will grow richer, their lives will be happier and their Heavenly rewards will increase. These other movements have as their ultimate aim selfishness, hatred, war and the destruction of others. Our movement has as its aim world peace, world brotherhood, world love and the salvation of all people. The ideals of these other movements were born in the ambitions of

unscrupulous and designing men. The ideals of our movement came from Jesus, who gave Himself a sacrifice for others. We believe that much if not most in these other movements pleases the devil. We know that the purpose of ours pleases God.

WHAT CAN WE DO?

THIS great missionary youth movement of southern Baptists, touching the lives of thousands of Baptist young people and reaching to the ends of the earth in its great program of Kingdom extension, draws from our hearts the question "What can we do to help?" The answers to this question are many and touch each of us at some point, for there is not a one who does not have her obligations toward this youth movement and who cannot find some way to help it move on in its great work.

It may be the obligation of some of us to see that we have all these organizations in our church. Some one of us must be the third vice president of our missionary society, with the special task of overseeing the W.M.U. young people's work. That is a task equal in import to that of the W.M.S. president herself—big enough to challenge the most gifted and most consecrated woman in our society. Then some of us must be counselors for these organizations. Again it is a challenging task that is offered. She who becomes a leader of one of these organizations is joining hands with God in the saving of today's youth for the salvation of tomorrow's world. To be sure the task takes time, thought, work, patience and sacrifice—but so does everything else really worthwhile.

Only a limited number of us can be counselors or a director of young people's work, but there are other things for the rest of us to do. We can all belong to a *fostering circle*, constantly on the lookout for ways to help these organizations. Surely we will never let any counselor be embarrassed for lack of equipment. We will furnish all the copies of *World Comrades* and *The*

Window of Y.W.A. as needed. We will provide mission study books. We will buy pictures, maps, charts, construction paper—anything which will help the counselors do more efficient work. Some of us are especially gifted at poster making. Let us offer our services to the counselor to make posters and to teach the young people to make them. Some of us are good at story telling. Let us use this gift at the meetings of the Sunbeam Band. Some of us have cars. Let us use them to carry boys and girls to the missionary meetings. Some of us have big, roomy houses. Let us invite the Y.W.A. girls to enjoy them. Some of us have wide, grassy lawns. Let us invite the Sunbeams to play on them. Some of us may not know much about teaching boys and girls, but we can turn an ice cream freezer and we can make fudge to a delicious, creamy finish. Then let us give the R.A.'s and G.A.'s a party and "fill 'em up". By so doing we may be keeping them from "filling up" on that which will ruin their lives. Let us say to our counselors: "We and all we have are at your command. Use us for the sake of our young people. Call on us for anything you need".

Then there are other things not so tangible, not so easily explained or understood, but perhaps even more important, which we can do. We can pray for our young people's organizations. We can remember the days when they meet and offer a special prayer for them at the meeting hour. We can pray for the third vice president and the counselors. We can pray for the young people themselves, asking God to keep them from temptation and to use them in His Kingdom.

We can show a spirit of loving sympathy toward them. Too often we are inclined to criticize them and berate them for their seeming waywardness, which perhaps is just youthfulness. With memories of our own "waywardness" of a few years ago we need to show a sympathetic understanding of

their problems, their temptations and their dreams.

Surely we need to live the right kind of a life before them. We need to live in such a way that the world which they will inherit from us will be better than that which came to us from our elders. We can't expect them to be law-abiding citizens unless we are. We can't expect them to be consecrated Christians unless we are. We can't expect them to be good stewards unless we are. We can't expect them to be missionary southern Baptists unless we are.

Let us work for our young people!
Let us vote for our young people!
Let us boost for our young people!
Let us pray for our young people!
Let us LIVE for our young people!

SHINING for FIFTY YEARS

THIS year marks the Fiftieth Anniversary of the organization of the Sunbeam Band Movement. This fact calls to our mind a strange paradox. Whoever heard of a child being older than its mother? And yet this Sunbeam child came into existence before the organization of the great mother, W.M.U. And whoever heard of the youngest child being also the oldest child in the family? Yet that is true of the Sunbeam Band—youngest because its members are the youngest children, but oldest because it was the first of the junior organizations to be organized. Another rather surprising thing is that this first organization for W.M.U. young people was started, not by a woman, but by a man. Perhaps this is not so strange after all, for faithful pastors have always been the friends and promoters of all W.M.U. organizations.

This man, to whom goes the honor of starting the Sunbeam movement, was a faithful pastor of a little church in Fairmont, Virginia, fifty years ago. He was a missionary pastor, too. He could hardly have been other than missionary, for he was Dr. George Braxton Taylor, whose father was southern Baptists' first missionary to Italy and whose grandfather was the first secretary of the Foreign Mission Board. It was this

son of a great missionary family who started Sunbeams shining in many lands. But Dr. Taylor didn't do it all by himself—there was a woman who helped him. There is usually a woman around somewhere when men do great things!

Well, this is how it happened—in Dr. Taylor's church, at Fairmont, Virginia, a Sunday school teacher by the name of Mrs. Anna L. Elsom, had a class of little children that she named the Sunbeam Class. Dr. Taylor, with the true pastor's heart, loved these little children and they loved him. He was not with them every Sunday, for he was at that time a student at the University of Virginia, and Fairmont was only one of three country churches which he pastored. When the Sunday came which brought the loved pastor to Fairmont the bright eyed, rosy cheeked members of the Sunbeam Class crowded around him and listened eagerly to his every word. As he looked into their bright faces he longed for these Sunbeams to shine not only in Virginia but in lands of heathen darkness. Then he had a wonderful thought, surely put into his mind and heart by the Holy Spirit: "Why not organize the Sunbeam Class into a missionary band to study about missions and to give to missions and so to shine in far-away places?" Mrs. Elsom, the teacher, agreed that it was a good plan, and so the Sunbeam Class began to meet each month as a Sunbeam Band—the very first in the Southern Baptist Convention. The plan was that each child should bring at least a penny and this was to be earned, if possible, by some kind of work. "So it came to pass that many of the children had missionary pens, or even missionary pigs. Besides these, there was mother to help, berries to gather, errands to run and many little tasks which turned their strength and minutes into money for missions."

Dr. Taylor realized the importance of missionary instruction and prepared programs for these meetings whereby the children learned of the world and

its need of a Savior. Soon other nearby churches heard about the Sunbeams at Fairmont and organized similar bands. The Foreign Board became interested and bore the expense of printing a model constitution and by-laws. The movement spread, not only to other sections of Virginia but also into three other states. Dr. Taylor prepared programs, signing himself "Cousin George". These programs were planned largely on the question and answer method. In them he carried the children on a journey around the world, visiting the different missionary countries. The programs were published in the *Foreign Mission Journal*, in *Kind Words* and in state Baptist papers.

In the meantime the W.M.U. was organized, and it seemed the natural thing that the Sunbeams should be placed in charge of the new woman's organization. This was Dr. Taylor's desire, so he resigned and in 1892 the mother W.M.U. adopted the child, two years older than herself. Ever since, the relationship has been truly that of a mother and child as the W.M.U. has lovingly cared for, planned for and developed this beloved child of her heart.

It is impossible in this brief program to trace the growth of the Sunbeam movement through the years. After the W.M.U. took charge of the work Sunbeam Band leaders were appointed in the different states, and the movement developed rapidly. We would like to know how many children have been members of Sunbeam Bands during the fifty years. We would like to know how many millions of pennies have dropped from chubby little hands into mission collection baskets. We would like to know how many millions of prayers have arisen from earnest little hearts on behalf of the children in other lands. We would like to know how many preachers, missionaries and other earnest Christian workers of today received their first missionary impulses in Sunbeam Bands. We would like to know how many of those who sat in darkness have seen the light of Jesus'

love because of the shining of little Sunbeams. But only God can count all of these things and only He knows the full measure of the service of Sunbeams around the world.

Today there are 6,366 Sunbeam Bands in the Southern Baptist Convention. All of these as well as every

member of the W.M.U. would "send" a big "Thank you" to Dr. George Braxton Taylor as he sits in his home in Hollins, Virginia, doubtless dreaming tender dreams of that first Sunbeam Band in Fairmont, Virginia, fifty years ago. And we know he joins us in rejoicing over fifty years of Sunbeams shining for Jesus.

QUESTIONS for REVIEW and DISCUSSION

1. Discuss some European youth movements.
2. Mention some youth movements in America.
3. Mention some southern Baptist youth movements.
4. Tell of the strength and influence of our W.M.U. organizations as a youth movement.
5. Compare and contrast our W.M.U. youth movements with those in Europe.
6. What may we do to help our W.M.U. youth organizations?
7. What are the duties of the third vice president?
8. Who organized the first Sunbeam Band?
9. Tell something of the activities of this first band.
10. When was the Sunbeam work taken over by the W.M.U.?
11. How many Sunbeam Bands in the Southern Baptist Convention today?
12. Who are our southwide leaders of W.M.U. young people's work?

REFERENCE MATERIAL

The Window of Y.W.A.	—World Comrades
Home and Foreign Fields	—Manuals of W.M.U. Young People's Organizations
Telling You HowJuliette Mather
In Royal ServiceFannie E. S. Heck
Today's Youth in Tomorrow's WorldStanley High
State Denominational Papers	

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Ladies' Endowment Fund. Since then five other members of the W.M.S. of Old North Gate Church have passed their seventieth birthday and have added their gifts also: Mrs. Woo, who had mothered eight sisters; Miss Willie Kelly, southern Baptist's beloved missionary at Old North Gate; Wong Ta Ta, who lived to be ninety-six; Mo Ta Ta, the mother of Mrs. Chang who is leading the women to give the \$10,000 (Mex.) Silver Anniversary gift this year; and Tsang Ta Ta. The papers for this \$6,000 (Mex.) are in a safety box in the Shanghai Commercial Bank. Most of these gifts are bearing 10 per cent interest. This year promises to add one or two more thousand (Mex.) to this fund, and the women hope to have two evangelists instead of one very soon.—Miss Inabelle Coleman on Missionary Trip to Orient



OUR YOUNG PEOPLE



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

MAY, the MONTH of YOUNG WOMANHOOD



Charming May day customs leave a beguiling heritage as if May belonged especially to young womanhood, so the observance of Y.W.A. Focus Week during May 10-16 is especially fitting. Recent years have added the thought of Mother's Day so that the attention of daughter is turned to mother and reciprocally mother can appraise the missionary education of her young lady daughter. Why not study the Y.W.A. manual in your W.M.S. circle meeting nearest Focus Week? A survey of Y.W.A. ideals, a realization of the similarity of fundamental purposes and plans would inevitably increase appreciation of the value of Y.W.A. Let some enthusiastic reader display *The Window of Y.W.A.* so that more subscriptions will be received for it. Today's magazines are cluttered shamefully with liquor and smoking advertisements; by contrast how delightful are the clean swept far and near horizons seen through *The Window of Y.W.A.* The W.M.S. may take this opportunity also for presenting Y.W.A. posters to its Young Woman's Auxiliary: order from W.M.U. Literature Department, 1111 Comer Bldg., Birmingham, Ala., the silver and green *Look-Lift* poster, price 25c, the buff and blue *watchword* poster, 15c.

In the Focus Week the wise W.M.S. will look forward with the alert Y.W.A. to Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgecrest, N. C., making generous provision for helping

Y.W.A. members attend the Camp. The W.M.S. in a college or hospital town should realize that special College Y.W.A. conferences make attendance upon the Y.W.A. Camp inestimably valuable for college and hospital Y.W.A.'s, so the W.M.S. should lend its financial help to attendance upon Y.W.A. Camp, June 23 to July 3, 1936. (See page 33.)

The Y.W.A. will surely want to have a special Mother-Daughter party or banquet occasion in honor of the fostering motherhood of W.M.S.—the *May Window of Y.W.A.* holds admirable suggestions for such an affair. In keeping with Focus Week, Y.W.A.'s will plan for an emphasis on enlistment in which the W.M.S. will assist. "Y.W.A. calling day" will afford joyous opportunity for "selling" Y.W.A. to the hitherto unenlisted young woman. W.M.S. personal service chairman will think with Y.W.A. personal service committee about worthy deeds to be done in His name during this Focus Week.

The "My Promise to Share" program outlined in *The Window of Y.W.A.* should result in promise of help for W.M.U. young people's director in her missionary education activities of the summer. Recognize its importance during Focus Week by asking the Y.W.A. if you can help supply the cards or aid in telling the specific help your church needs in its W.M.U. life.

And during Focus Week you will pray for your Y.W.A., won't you?

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"ANOTHER SUMMER BRINGS ANOTHER JUNE"



Edwin Arlington Robinson says, "Another summer brings another June", and we might add—another June brings another Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgecrest, N. C. This year it comes June 23-July 3. Our southwide Y.W.A. Camp defies description, for the Camp is not merely a place and a time—it is an experience.

In 1923 the W.M.U. inaugurated this southwide Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgecrest. That step set in motion an activity which has brought thousands into closer contact with Christ. From its successful beginning, Y.W.A. Camp has grown until nearly a thousand young women from our southern states and the District of Columbia gathered at Ridgecrest in 1935. These young women came to gain strength physically, mentally and spiritually. They in turn scattered over our southland, with a new peace in their hearts, to bring into a world of hurry and confusion a new restfulness; to carry to the tired whom they meet every day a new contentment to do small things with a freedom from littleness. Many of the young women have dedicated their powers and abilities to the task of bringing in His Kingdom in the office, in the school room, in the city and village and some to hastening the coming of His Kingdom by going to the uttermost parts of the earth. The young women touched by Y.W.A. Camp have diffused their enthusiasm and devotion to the cause of missions through many churches and organizations. The Camp has become an indispensable part of the work of Woman's Missionary Union in promoting the great missionary enterprise.

Young women need the friendship and wise counsel of teachers and leaders and speakers such as W.M.U. invites to Camp. This year the Camp brings to our young women such personalities as:

Dr. H. E. Dana of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth
Mrs. F. Y. O. Ling, W.M.U. Secretary from Central China
Mrs. F. W. Armstrong, President of Woman's Missionary Union, S.B.C.
Miss Kathleen Mallory, Secretary of Woman's Missionary Union
Mrs. W. J. Cox, Treasurer of Woman's Missionary Union
Miss Carrie U. Littlejohn, Principal of W.M.U. Training School
Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Secretary of S.B.C. Sunday School Board
Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Secretary of S.B.C. Home Mission Board
Miss Naomi Schell of Tobata, Japan
Miss Rose Marlowe of Shanghai, China
Miss Emma Leachman of the Home Mission Board
Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence of the Home Mission Board
Miss Vena Aquillard of French Mission in Louisiana
Miss Juliette Mather, Young People's Secretary, W.M.U.

In the Camp program there is time for the Bible hour, mission study classes taught by the finest of teachers, conference hours, vespers led by Mrs. Cox and others, evening services offering a variety of programs. There are also recreational hours with sports, games, auto trips arranged to points of interest such as Mt. Mitchell, Little Switzerland, Lake Lure and Chimney Rock, Biltmore Estate etc.

It is hoped that Y.W.A.'s and Woman's Missionary Societies sending delegates will choose their very finest young women, those who can mean most to the Y.W.A. and church upon their return. The trip to Camp is a fine investment for any society to make. Often the fostering circle of the W.M.S. sends a representative Y.W.A. Sometimes the W.M.S. pays the transportation and the girls care for their own expenses at Camp. The cost is relatively small: \$2 enrollment fee; \$2 a day for board and room in the hotel; with limited space at a lower rate.

Counselors bringing as many as ten girls will be entertained free by the hotel management. Write to your state W.M.U. young people's secretary and to Miss Pearl Bourne, Director of Camp, for further information.

CURRENT MISSIONARY EVENTS

Discussed by Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

The Student Volunteer Movement started in 1886 for the purpose of arousing missionary interest in schools, colleges and theological seminaries. In a year or two 2,000 had volunteered for service abroad and the churches responded to the challenge to support them.—Since the World War a great change has come over the attitude of youth toward the solution of world problems. At the 1919 convention the delegates were lacking in missionary vision and purpose. Many students were determined to work for reforms either with or without the help of God.—In 1923 the youth were in the saddle and turned their attention from world evangelism to the social and economic problems.—At the recent Indianapolis convention the students showed their responsiveness to Christian idealism but with much less self-confidence and more readiness to listen to the experienced leaders. They seemed eager to know the mind of Christ and to discover their place in the program of God, but they were largely uninformed as to the essentials of Christianity and the deepest needs of mankind.—The nucleus of theological students and the children of ministers and missionaries present stood out in contrast to the mass of delegates who had little or no knowledge of the Bible and spiritual things. They had evidently not studied the Bible in their homes, in churches or in colleges or universities. They lacked the background and foundations for the appreciation of missionary themes.—The audience was the mission field rather than the missionary force.—*Excerpts from a Report of the Recent Student Volunteer Convention in the February 1936 Issue of "The Missionary Review of the World"*

"There are deaf spots as well as blind spots in the world. Missions in the colleges are

deaf spots to students. We are not developing a group interested in the church. We need the very best men and women on campus to come to the campus to break down missionary illiteracy"—Miss Wilhelmina Rowland, *Traveling Secretary of the Student Volunteer Movement at the Recent Foreign Missions Conference of North America*

The first All-Japan Methodist Student Conference was held in Tokyo last summer. A committee was appointed to cooperate with the adult committees of the denomination in studying the needs of students in Japan today, particularly to prepare them for a larger and if possible an interdenominational student conference in the near future.

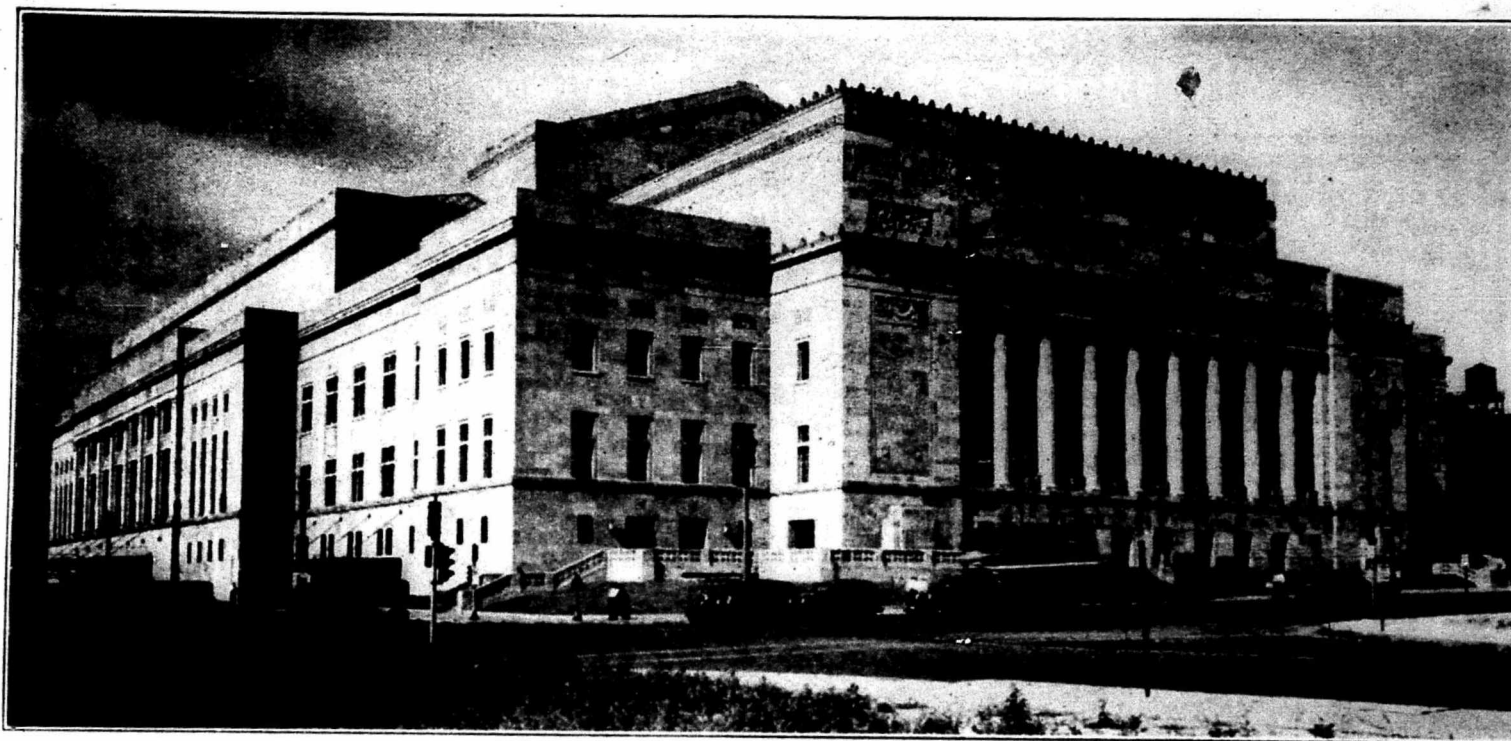
The story of how fourteen million Negroes, once slaves, are acquiring for themselves an accepted position in the national life of America is being listened to eagerly by students in all the important student centers in India, Burma and Ceylon which are being visited by a Negro delegation on a pilgrimage of friendship under the auspices of the Student Christian Movement of America. The Indian Student Christian Movement has a membership of 5,000 and is forty-one years old.

Because the movement known as "Christian Youth Building a New World" is seeking to rally the ten million young people of the protestant denominations of America to united study, thought and action toward a new and Christian world, because so many camps and conferences last year built their programs around this youth movement, and because many denominational meetings and agencies planned their fall programs in harmony with the major projects of the movement it is a challenge to all leaders of youth and certainly calls for thoughtful consideration. Last spring twenty-four regional conferences were held with more than twenty-six thousand young people present.

As to HOTELS in ST. LOUIS

Hotels	Distance from Auditorium	Daily Rate per Occupant for Rooms					Special Features
		Without Bath		With Bath			
		Single	Double	Single	Double	Twin Beds	
Adolphus* 104 N. Kingshighway (24 Rooms)	15 minutes by bus or car		\$1.00		\$1.25		
American 6 North 7th (46 Rooms)	7 blocks			\$2.50	\$2.00	\$2.50	
Auditorium* 1803 Pine (45 Rooms)	5 blocks			\$2.50	\$1.75	\$2.25	
Chase* Lindell and Kingshighway (125 Rooms)	15 minutes by bus			\$8.00 to \$5.00	\$2.00 to \$3.00	\$2.50 to \$3.00	3 room suites (4 persons) \$12.00 per day
Claridge* 18th and Locust (178 Rooms)	4 blocks			\$2.00 to \$4.00	\$1.50 to \$3.00	\$1.75 to \$3.50	
Cornwall* 3710 Lindell (194 Rooms)	10 minutes by bus or car			\$2.50 to \$5.00	\$1.50 to \$2.50	\$2.00 to \$3.00	Single room Club shower \$2.00
De Soto 11th and Locust (160 Rooms)	7 blocks	\$1.50 to \$4.75	\$1.25	\$1.00 to \$3.00	\$1.50 to \$2.00	\$2.25 to \$2.50	Room for 3 with bath, \$5.00 and \$6.00 per day
Fairgrounds* 2644 Natural Bridge (70 Rooms)	30 minutes by street car			\$2.00 to \$2.50	\$1.50 to \$1.75	\$2.00 to \$2.00	
Jefferson* 118 N. 12th (500 Rooms)	8 blocks	\$2.40	\$1.50	\$3.00 to \$3.00	\$2.00 to \$2.00	\$2.50 to \$3.50	2 double rooms bath between, 14 persons! \$7.00 per day
Kingsway 108 N. Kingshighway (92 Rooms)	15 minutes by bus	\$1.50		\$2.00 to \$3.50	\$1.50 to \$2.50	\$2.00 to \$3.00	
Lewman* 826 Washington (178 Rooms)	10 blocks			\$3.00 to \$3.50	\$2.25 to \$2.50	\$2.50 to \$3.00	
Majestic* 208 N. 11th (50 Rooms)	5 blocks			\$2.00 to \$2.50	\$1.50 to \$2.00	\$2.00 to \$2.50	
Mark Twain* 114 N. 8th (60 Rooms)	8 blocks			\$2.50 to \$3.50	\$1.50 to \$2.25	\$2.15 to \$2.50	
Marguerite* 10th and Washington (150 Rooms)	8 blocks	\$1.50	\$1.25	\$2.00 to \$1.00	\$1.50 to \$1.50	\$2.00 to \$2.00	Rooms for 1 with bath \$6.00 per day
Maryland* 285 N. 9th (100 Rooms)	7 blocks	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$2.50 to \$1.50	\$1.75 to \$1.75	\$2.00 to \$2.00	
Mayfair* 8th and St. Charles (180 Rooms)	11 blocks			\$3.00	\$2.50	\$2.75	
Melbourne* Grand and Lindell (180 Rooms)	10 minutes by bus or car			\$2.50 to \$3.00	\$1.75 to \$2.25	\$2.00 to \$2.50	Room for 3 with bath, \$4.50 day Room for 4 with bath, \$6.00 day
Park Plaza 228 N. Kingshighway (140 Rooms)	15 minutes by bus			\$3.50		\$5.00 to \$5.50	
Roosevelt 1801 Delmar (116 Rooms)	15 minutes by bus				\$1.50 to \$2.00	\$2.00 to \$2.00	
Statler* 9th and Washington (120 Rooms)	10 blocks			\$2.50	\$2.25 to \$3.50	\$1.50 to \$1.50	
Warwick 1428 Locust (150 Rooms)	3 blocks			\$2.00 to \$3.00	\$1.75 to \$2.50	\$2.00 to \$3.00	Room for 3 with bath, \$4.50 to \$7.50 per day
Westgate* Delmar and Kingshighway (148 Rooms)	15 minutes by bus or car		\$1.25		\$1.50		
Windsor* 5403 Delmar (24 Rooms)	20 minutes by bus or car		\$1.00		\$1.25		
York 8 S. 4th (50 Rooms)	8 blocks			\$2.00	\$1.50 to \$2.00	\$2.00 to \$2.25	

*Hotels marked * have extended special attention to the Student Volunteer Movement. Those desiring reservations in private homes and boarding houses should write to Rev. E. G. Walker, Chairman Housing and Home Committee, 4926 Nottingham Avenue, St. Louis.



MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM—ST. LOUIS, MO.

In the "Opera House" of this perfectly equipped modern auditorium will be held all of the sessions of the 48th annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to Southern Baptist Convention. The opening W.M.U. session will be on Tuesday morning, May 12. The closing W.M.U. session will be on Wednesday night, May 13. (For further data see pages 1, 4-9, 35.)