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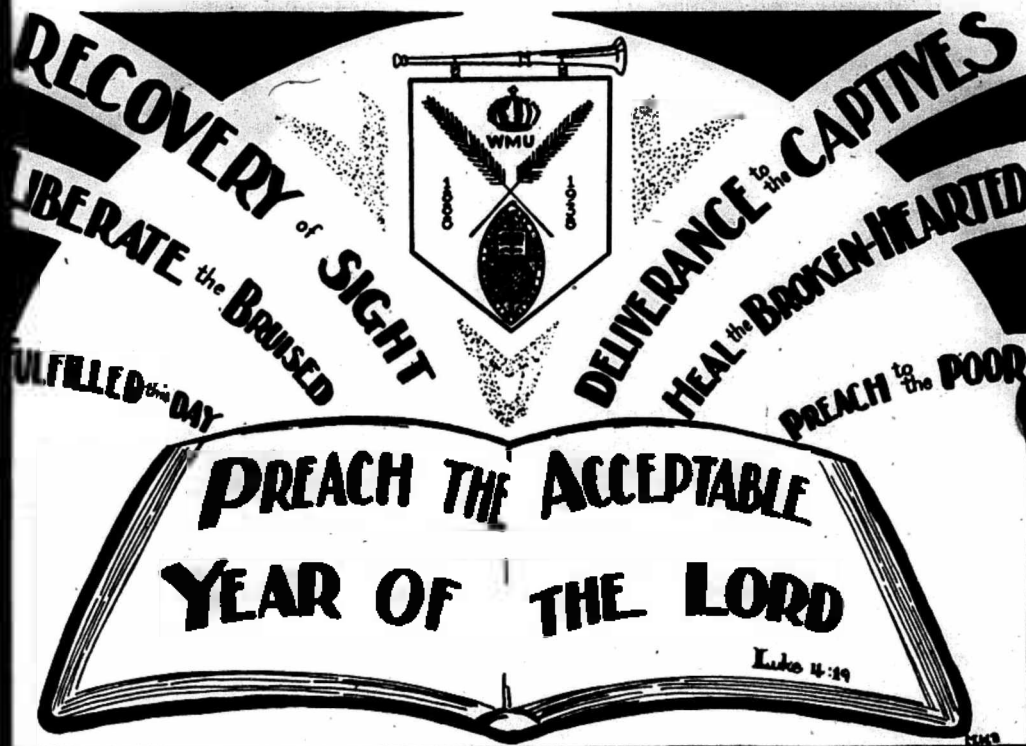
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W.M.U. Watchword: Laborers Together with God

Watchword for Year: Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His Name; bring an offering; and come into His courts.—Psalm 96:8

Golden Jubilee Theme: "Ye shall hallow the fiftieth year and proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof: it shall be a jubilee unto you!"—Lev. 25:10

Theme for Home Mission Week of Prayer— "Preach the acceptable year of the Lord".—Luke 4:19



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EDITORIAL

A TRUMPET in EVERY HAND

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



Every Christian loves the story of Gideon and the three hundred with its assurance of victory through obedience and faith. It was a chosen company who faced a huge army, a company chosen through marked evidence of singleness of purpose, a company prepared to obey the command of their leader, a company valiant for victory because in faith they followed Jehovah God. We like to ponder on the preparation of mind and heart, the experiences which led them to this high place of complete readiness for that which God had in store for them. We can almost share the sense of valor and triumph that filled the hearts of the three hundred as they stood each man in his appointed place, a trumpet in his right hand, a pitcher in his left holding its glowing light, hidden until the strategic moment. We share the waiting, the high moment of action and the reward of faith and absolute obedience when the enemy though of great numbers, discomfited and self-destroying, flee in fear. Because each man stood in his appointed place doing his individual part he could claim the victory and partake of the triumph.

"A trumpet in every hand". We have chosen the trumpet as the symbol of the Golden Jubilee of Woman's Missionary Union. It typifies victory. By its symbolism we are challenged to courageous and victorious service. Each member aspires to do her individual part, to work faithfully in her appointed place, to share fully the labors and the triumphs of this golden year. That this happy situation may become a reality to each of us the most careful plans were made for spiritual preparation of heart and mind and the means provided whereby each might avail herself of such preparation. Its very crown is found in the material for use during the March Week of Prayer for Home Missions, for the period in that week designated as the Golden Jubilee Commitment Program. Its careful prayerful use will assure readiness for triumphant service.

Suppose one man here and there in Gideon's line of battle had been frightened by what he knew about the host of the Midianites, had failed to be obedient, had failed to break the pitcher in his left hand that would expose his glowing light, had let the trumpet fall from his right hand. Gideon and his three hundred would have known defeat or at least a doubtful victory. Singleness of purpose and united action were God's conditions for the evidence of His power. "The Lord hath made bare His holy arm in the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God". Woman's Missionary Union, this year celebrating its Golden Jubilee, works and prays and gives that all the ends of the earth may speedily see the salvation of our God. Undoubtedly He has led us thus far, certainly He will continue His blessing upon us. "A trumpet in every hand", each in her place, united in purpose and joined in activity "to stimulate the missionary spirit and the grace of giving among the women and the young people of the churches", this is our ideal for the members of this great missionary organization.

OUR GOLDEN JUBILEE

Southwide Jubilee Chairman: Mrs. George McWilliams, Missouri

A PERSONAL WORD



I find it difficult to write this my last word to the leaders of our W.M.U. organizations concerning our preparation for a worthy observance of the Golden Jubilee. God has greatly blessed the work of the past fifty years. We have a great heritage to pass on to others and it is a worthy desire that we pass it on not only unimpaired but greatly enriched to those who shall come after us. We are living in a time however when the burden of responsibility seems heavier to many than ever before in our experience, not even excepting the period of the World War.

World conditions make it imperative that the followers of Christ have the true faith, that they sound no uncertain note and that not one of us shall fail to hear and answer the call of God sounding o'er the tumult. For that reason I am asking you, if you have not already done so, to begin as soon as you read this to use the "Continuing in Prayer Bookmark" for February. You will find it on pages 33, 34 of your February *Royal Service*, or you may have one of the separate cards that were intended to be distributed for use during February. You will note that the thoughts for prayer and study are in line with the chief aims of Woman's Missionary Union and that one object for prayer follows through several days but that for each day different passages of Scripture are suggested for study that in them God may speak to your soul and your prayer may be made vital, effective by this added power. Read carefully the foreword that you may consider seriously how prayer along these lines may affect your own life. May you find in using these February "Continuing in Prayer" suggestions such a springing up of interest that you will do your best to persuade others to use them and thus unite in a real concert of prayer and study at once.

May I plead with you to use the Commitment Program to be found on pages 38-40 in the booklet of programs for the Home Mission Week of Prayer? I would not so urge you were any great part of it my own composition. You will find that it is made up almost entirely of selections from the Word of God and of beautiful and inspiring poems in line with the chief aims of the Union. If possible use the songs suggested as they follow the same lines of thought. The program is not as long as the space used would indicate because, as you will note, the passages of Scripture are written out in full. Try to be unhurried and to create an atmosphere for genuine worship in the development of this program.

The Golden Jubilee commitment cards are self explanatory. I would suggest however that you keep some of these cards throughout the year so that in case there may be those in the weeks and months to come who would like to be enrolled they may be included among those who are willing to make definite commitments or recommit themselves. All other suggestions that seem necessary will be found on pages 5 and 38 of the program folder.

JUBILEE—Of what does it speak to you? It is derived from an old Hebrew word *yobel*, meaning "the blast of the trumpet". In our "Message of the Trumpets", we considered just what "the blast of the trumpet" meant to the

Hebrew of that ancient day. The people of Israel had been called and chosen and were being prepared for a world mission. Like them we too have been called and chosen. As heirs of the promise ours too is a world mission and, just as the Israelite of old when he heard "the blast of the trumpet" recognized in it the voice of God calling and felt that the obligation lay upon him to answer the call whether for joy or sorrow or sacrifice, so should we in our word *Jubilee* recognize the call and feel under obligation to answer.

Claiming the salvation that has come to us through the redeeming blood of the Lamb, our Lord Jesus, we are under even greater obligation to be on the alert to hear God calling, to recognize His authority and in full surrender commit ourselves to the doing of His will. If the word *Jubilee* means that to us then shall this be a Golden Jubilee indeed.

—Mrs. W. C. James, Va.
Golden Jubilee Committee Member

MAY 8, 1938—WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION SUNDAY

THE months of preparation for the observance of the fiftieth anniversary of Woman's Missionary Union have been spent in an effort to emphasize the necessity of a *spiritual* understanding of the bigness of the task of those committed to the promotion of a missionary program. The underlying thought back of all preparatory spiritual growth plans has been: "You must be something before you can do something". Those who have gone before us—making Woman's Missionary Union what it is today—have builded the organization and program upon that knowledge, as evidenced by the *Chief Aims of Woman's Missionary Union: Prayer, Enlistment, Study, Personal Service, Tithes and Offerings, Missionary Education of Young People.*

It is fitting, therefore, that the opening service of the Golden Jubilee W.M.U. Annual Meeting with its anticipated program of history, prophecy and praise should be sermons by our southern Baptist pastors on the *Chief Aims of Woman's Missionary Union.* On September 20th the Richmond, Virginia, Baptist Pastors' Conference passed a resolution approving the plan of using this subject for their Sunday morning, May 8th, sermons. Rev. C. L. Hammock, pastor of the Venable Street Baptist Church and president of the Richmond Baptist Pastors' Conference, has conveyed this information to the Golden Jubilee Committee. It is the hope of the committee that many other pastors throughout the south will join in this plan and that Sunday, May 8th, 1938, may be known in history as Woman's Missionary Union Golden Jubilee Sunday. It will be a strengthening of the tie that binds together all departments promoting the program of the Southern Baptist Convention, to which Woman's Missionary Union is Auxiliary.

—Mrs. George McWilliams, Chairman of Golden Jubilee Committee

REFERENCE MATERIAL on MONTH'S PROGRAM (See page 34.)

World Comrades	The Window of Y.W.A.
Last Report of Foreign and Home Mission Boards	
Europe and the Gospel.....	Dr. Everett Gill
Europe: Christ or Chaos?.....	Dr. Everett Gill
European People of Texas.....	John Held
Follow Me.....	Una Roberts Lawrence

W. M. S. Programs for Week of Prayer for Home Missions

Feb. 28-March 4 Inclusive, 1938

Observed by WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION, S.B.C.

Program for MONDAY—February 28, 1938

SUBJECT: Direct Evangelism in Fields of S.B.C. Home Mission Board

HYMN: "Come Women, Wide Proclaim"

TALK (by President): Explanation of Week's Plans, Theme, Goal etc. (See pages 2-5, 38 of week's W.M.S. folder.)

PRAYER that the society's and the southwide observance of the week may be guided by God

DEVOTIONAL: Theme—"Preach the Gospel to the Poor"—*Preach:* Rom. 10:11-15; Mark 16:15, 20; Acts 10:34-38, 42; *the Gospel:* Matt. 4:23; Rev. 14:6, 7; Rom. 1:16; II Cor. 4:3-7; *to the Poor:* Deut. 15:11; Isa. 41:17; Psa. 34:6; Jas. 2:1-8; II Cor. 9:9; Luke 4:18

DISCUSSION: Why have preachers? Why have evangelistic services?

PRAYER for all preachers and evangelistic efforts

HYMN: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

TALK: "Compassionate Interest to Win the Lost" (See article by that title on page 6 of week's W.M.S. folder.)

TALK: Defining Home Missions (See article by that title on page 7 of week's W.M.S. folder.)

PRAYER for all phases of home mission work

TALK: Home Board's Department of Evangelism (See article by that title on page 8 of week's W.M.S. folder.)

HYMN: "My Country, 'Tis of Thee"

TALK: Evangelism in Cuba (See article by that title on page 9 of week's W.M.S. folder.)

PRAYER for work and workers in Cuba

TALK: Examples of Evangelism (See article by that title on page 10 of week's W.M.S. folder.)

SEASON of PRAYER for Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, Mr. Joe W. Burton, Miss Emma Leachman, Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence

HYMN: "Sweet Hour of Prayer"

ANNOUNCEMENTS as to Tuesday's Program

READING of APPEAL from Home Mission Board (See "Appeal" on page 11 of week's W.M.S. folder.)

PRAYER for Dr. J. B. Lawrence and for Annie W. Armstrong Offering

INGATHERING of Annie W. Armstrong Offering

SCRIPTURE (*In Unison as Benediction*)

"Laborers together with God, preach the acceptable year of the Lord, give unto the Lord the glory due unto His Name, bring an offering and come into His courts".

Program for TUESDAY—March 1

Prepared by Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence, Mo.

SUBJECT—"Heal the Broken-hearted"—*Luke 4:18*

Re-creating Humanity: City Missions, Rescue Missions, Mountain Missions

HYMN: "Jesus Paid It All"

SCRIPTURE LESSON: "Healing Humanity's Hurt—the Mission of Jesus: *Luke 4:18-19*; His Commission to His Disciples: *John 20:21*; The Proof of Our Faith: *James 2:14-17, 26*; The Supreme Proof: *John 11:25-27*

PRAYER for all who teach and preach the Word of God in faith, believing that "the preaching of the cross . . . is the power of God"

HYMN: "Grace Enough for Me"

TALK: The Ministry of Joy (*See article by that title on page 12 of week's W.M.S. folder.*)

TALK: From House to House (*See article by that title on page 13 of week's W.M.S. folder.*)

TALK: "Your Most Earnest Prayers" (*See article by that title on page 13 of week's W.M.S. folder.*)

TALK: "Twenty Minutes a Day" (*See article by that title on page 13 of week's W.M.S. folder.*)

TALK: Through the Week with the Word (*See article by that title on page 14 of week's W.M.S. folder.*)

TALK: A Step at a Time (*See article by that title on page 15 of week's W.M.S. folder.*)

PRAYER for the missionaries in our cities as they visit in homes and teach the Word to people from many lands

HYMN: "There's a Green Hill" (*First Verse*)

TALKS: In a Field of Deepest Need—(1) in New Orleans; (2) in Jacksonville (*See articles on pages 15-17 of week's W.M.S. folder.*)

PRAYER for our workers in Rescue Missions

HYMN: "There's a Green Hill" (*Second Verse*)

TALK: The Call of the Mountains (*See article by that title on page 17 of week's W.M.S. folder.*)

PRAYER for souls to be saved through the preaching and teaching of the Word in the mountains

HYMN: "There's a Green Hill" (*Third and Fourth Verses*)

SENTENCE PRAYERS, calling city and mountain missionaries by name

ANNOUNCEMENTS as to Week's Program

INGATHERING of Annie W. Armstrong Offering

HYMN: "Rescue the Perishing"

PRAYER, remembering all the societies in home mission churches that are also meeting—and praying in many different languages

Program for WEDNESDAY—March 2

Prepared by Mrs. Wesley N. Jones, N. C.

SUBJECT—"Preach Deliverance to the Captives"—*Luke 4:18*

Inter-Racial Relationships: The Jew, Indian, Negro

READING of Acts 17:24-27

HYMN: "Come Women, Wide Proclaim"

SCRIPTURE: Redemption from Physical Captivity—*Ps. 126*; Israel to Be Preserved and Restored—*Isa. 49:8-13*; Salvation for All Men—*Isa. 52:7-10*; Romans 1:16

PRAYER: Thanksgiving for our many blessings and for the coming of the Kingdom in power—in our own land, in our lives and in our churches

HYMN: "This Is My Father's World"

READING (*by Program Chairman*): We Owe the Jews (*See article by that title on page 19 of week's W.M.S. folder.*)

TALK: A New Approach to an Old Problem (*See article by that title on page 20 of week's W.M.S. folder.*)

PRAYER for Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus, southern Baptist missionary to the Jews, and that the burden of Israel's salvation may be laid on our hearts

HYMN: "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

TALK: Home Mission Work among the Indians (*See article by that title on page 21 of week's W.M.S. folder.*)

MESSAGE from a Missionary to Indians in Southern Alabama (*See article by that title on page 21 of week's W.M.S. folder.*)

TALK: Among the Pueblo Indians (*See article on page 22 of week's W.M.S. folder.*)

PRAYER for our native Americans and for those who are endeavoring to lead them into a fuller knowledge of Christ

HYMN: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

TALK: A Complicated Home Mission Task (*See article by that title on page 22 of week's W.M.S. folder.*)

STATISTICS (*by Program Chairman*): Progress among Negroes (*See data in article on page 23 of week's W.M.S. folder.*)

PRAYER that we may attain our goal in the Annie W. Armstrong Offering and that our special Golden Jubilee gift of \$10,000 in 1988 for the work of Negro women and young people may be not only a blessing to them but to us who give

ANNOUNCEMENTS as to Week's Program

INGATHERING of Annie W. Armstrong Offering

HYMN (*Audience Standing*): Golden Jubilee Hymn—"This Glad Year of Jubilee"

PRAYER (*by Jubilee Chairman*) that we may reach our aim for the Jubilee Year, as a Union and as a society. Pray also for a deepening of the spiritual life of our constituency; close with our Lord's Prayer in unison.

Program for THURSDAY—March 3

Prepared by Mrs. B. A. Copase, Texas

SUBJECT—"Recovering of Sight to the Blind . . . and Setting at Liberty the Bruised"—*Luke 4:18*

Roman Catholicism: Cuba, Panama, French, Italians, Mexicans, Spanish-Americans, Others

SCRIPTURES and OPENING PRAYER: "The entrance of Thy Word giveth light"—*Ps. 119:130, 8; John 3:18-21*

HYMN: "Rescue the Perishing"

TALKS: Cuba, "Another Reapeth", Panama (Assigned to three. See articles by those titles on pages 24, 25 of week's W.M.S. folder.)

PRAYER for Dr. McCall; for Miss Mildred Matthews, Leading W.M.U. of Cuba; for Other Missionaries

HYMN: "Footsteps of Jesus"

TALKS: French, "He Maketh the Wrath of Man to Praise Him", Italians (Assigned to three. See articles by those titles on page 26 of week's W.M.S. folder.)

PRAYER that our gifts may correspond to their needs

HYMN: "Something for Thee"

TALKS: Mexicans, Spanish-Americans, Others (Assigned to three. See articles by those titles on pages 26, 27 of week's W.M.S. folder.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS as to Plans for Friday

INGATHERING of Annie W. Armstrong Offering

BENEDICTION

FRIDAY: March 4

DAY of PRAYER and PRAISE for HOME MISSIONS

(For detailed information see pages 28-40 of week's W.M.S. folder.)

QUESTIONS for REVIEW and DISCUSSION on MONTH'S PROGRAM
(See page 34.)

1. Discuss the condition of Europe fifty years ago.
2. Compare conditions in Europe fifty years ago with those of today.
3. Tell of the beginnings of Baptist work in Europe.
4. What was the first European mission field of southern Baptists?
5. Discuss the importance of the London Conference of 1920.
6. Who is superintendent of our mission work in Spain and southeastern Europe?
7. Name the five European fields of southern Baptists.
8. Tell something of the work in each of these fields.
9. Discuss the opportunities and responsibilities of Europe tomorrow.
10. Tell something of home mission work among the Europeans in the southland

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(To Have Preference in Order Herewith Listed)

Salaries of workers have precedence over other items.
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Miss Emma Leachman (Salary and Traveling Expenses)	\$ 2,100
Mrs. Uta Roberts Lawrence (Salary)	1,800
Mrs. Uta Roberts Lawrence (Office and Stenographer)	400
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Work among the Deaf

Rev. and Mrs. A. O. Wilson, Dallas, Texas	900
Rev. and Mrs. C. F. London, Ft. Worth, Texas	900
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Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Michaels, Mountsboro, Ark.	600

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Rev. and Mrs. Pascal Arpaio, Krebs, Okla.	1,100
Rev. and Mrs. L. Di Pietro, Kansas City, Mo.	1,150
Miss Mary Heiden, Herrin, Ill.	750

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Mission, Pointe au Chien, La.	100

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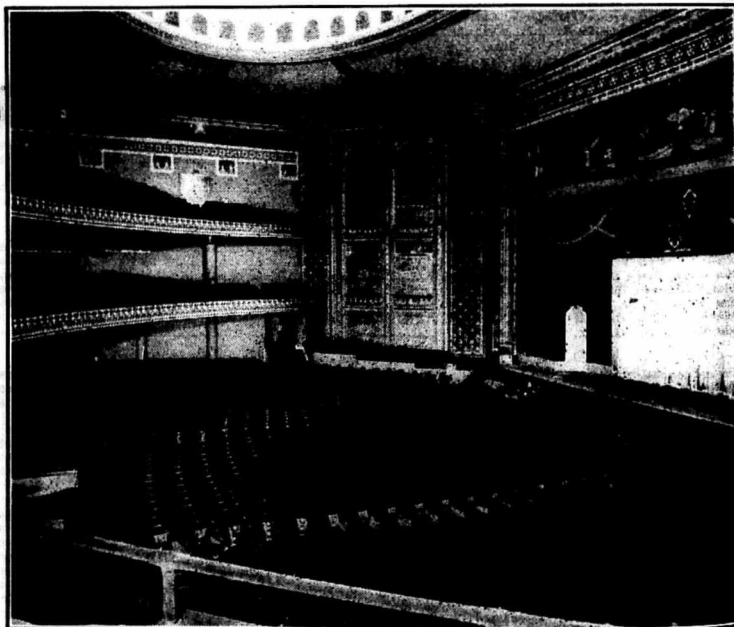
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Miss Aurelia Baez, Tampa, Fla.	300
Rev. and Mrs. Frank Ramirez, E. St. Louis, Ill.	900
Rev. and Mrs. Paul C. Bell, Burrop, Texas	2,000
*Rev. and Mrs. D. O. Blaidell, Alice, Texas	100
Rev. and Mrs. Andrew Cavazos, Laredo, Texas	360
Rev. and Mrs. Alfredo Cavazos, San Antonio, Texas	360
Rev. and Mrs. Daniel Delgado, Eagle Pass, Texas	900
Rev. and Mrs. Elias Delgado, Del Rio, Texas	900
*Rev. and Mrs. Martin Garcia, San Antonio, Texas	700
*Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Gonzalez, Austin, Texas	1,100
*Rev. and Mrs. Victor Gonzalez, Bryan, Texas	360
*Rev. and Mrs. Pascal Martinez, Beaumont, Texas	600
*Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Kelly, Rio Grande City, Texas	900
Rev. and Mrs. W. R. Coswell, Burrop, Texas	750
Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Lopez, Lubbock, Texas	750
Miss Gladys McInoshan, El Paso, Texas	400
Miss Lillie Mae Weatherford, El Paso, Texas	600

Miss Gloria Ruiz, El Paso, Texas	
Prof. and Mrs. A. Velas, El Paso, Texas	
Rev. and Mrs. Geo. E. Mizim, Brownsville, Texas	
(Missionaries to be supplied)	
*Rev. and Mrs. Hernandez Alon, Sonora, Texas	
Rev. and Mrs. Eusebio V. Rodriguez, Cuervo, Texas	
Rev. and Mrs. D. Ruiz, San Angelo, Texas	
*Rev. and Mrs. Abel R. Saut, Brownsville, Texas	
*Rev. and Mrs. Isidro Armandariz, Comoco, Texas	
Rev. and Mrs. A. N. Postet, Waco, Texas	
Rev. and Mrs. J. G. Sanchez, Albuquerque, N. M.	
Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Farber, Roswell, N. M.	
Mrs. Mildred Bollinger Stein, E. St. Louis, Ill. (Va. Div.)	1.00
Prof. Pablo Beldain, Bucarop, Texas	1.00
Work in New Mexico (Missionaries to be supplied)	1.00
Indiana	
Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Stumph, Albuquerque, N. M.	2.00
(Salary and Traveling Expenses)	
Miss Pauline Cunnock, Santa Fe, N. M.	1.00
(Salary and Traveling Expenses)	
Rev. and Mrs. G. Lee Philip, Wernicks, Okla.	1.00
(Salary and Traveling Expenses)	
Rev. A. Worthington, Pawbucka, Okla.	1.00
Rev. and Mrs. Ros R. Beard, Pawnee, Okla.	1.00
Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Hucocock, McAlester, Okla.	1.00
*Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Cooper, Shawnee, Okla.	1.00
Miss Grace Clifford, Nardin, Okla.	1.00
Rev. and Mrs. R. M. Avenier, Colbert, Ala.	1.00
Rev. and Mrs. Willis King, Danis, Fla.	1.00
Cuban Work	
Work in Cuba	10.00
GOAL for OFFERING	\$120.00



AUDITORIUM of MOSQUE
W.M.U. ANNUAL MEETING PLACE
 May 8-11 inclusive (See also pages 6, 15.)

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ANNUAL MEETING

WELCOME to RICHMOND

The Golden Jubilee meeting of Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern-Baptist Convention, will be held in
The MOSQUE

May 8-11 inclusive.

Some years ago a group of civic and social minded citizens of Richmond planned and built this commodious and beautiful Mosque, which serves as a community center, enriching the amusement, social, civic and religious life of our city. Among the many attractions of Richmond as a meeting place, is this magnificent building. In addition to its many other facilities, it contains an auditorium which is not equalled by any city of the middle Atlantic or southern states and is one of the largest in America. Magnificently decorated, it offers seating accommodations for approximately 5,000 people. The auditorium is 100% acoustically correct. The stage is 43 feet deep and 88 feet wide with a proscenium 70 feet wide (*larger than any south of New York*), providing stage accommodation sufficient to handle grand opera and pageants on an ambitious scale. There is space for sufficient drops and curtains for the most extensive performance; adjacent dressing rooms are modern in every detail.

There are four large lounge rooms for the accommodation and convenience of delegates and for exhibit space. Other sections of the lounges are available for committee rooms, containing all necessary facilities.

The Mosque is situated on Laurel and Main Streets, just a few blocks from the heart of the city and the Jefferson Hotel, which will be headquarters for Woman's Missionary Union during its Jubilee sessions. It is conveniently reached by bus and street railway lines and has ample parking space, not available in the crowded sections of the city.

Another of the facilities of the Mosque is the great banquet hall with a seating capacity of over 2,000. The management provides caterers.

This building, so especially adapted for our needs in annual session, is graciously tendered to W.M.U. by the city of Richmond. In the name of your host, this city of the Old Dominion, we welcome you to the convenience, pleasures and privileges which will be yours in the commodious Mosque.

—Mrs. George W. McDaniel
 W.M.U. Publicity Chairman

In Remembrance—Mrs. James G. Tyler, Baltimore

ON the second Sunday of this Fiftieth Anniversary of Woman's Missionary Union "the golden bells" rang for the entrance into Heaven of Mrs. Tyler who was a charter member of the W.M.U. Executive Committee on which she served for at least six years. She was also a valued leader in the Maryland Union. She will live on, too, through her Christian family of which one daughter, Mrs. Curtis Lee Laws, was invaluable in her volunteer leadership (1912-21) in the formative years of College Y.W.A. and other phases of W.M.U. young people's work.

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COLLEGE Y. W. A.



Miss Juliette Mather, W.M.U. Young People's Secretary
AGAIN the WEEK of PRAYER for HOME MISSIONS



In this Golden Jubilee Year how welcome is the Week of Prayer for Home Missions! This year that is to be made holy must be perfumed with the incense of many prayers: how else will we achieve toward that hallowed goal? Our America cannot historically claim always to have been Christian in her attitude toward other nations or always to have been Christian within her own borders. But can we not claim by our prayers and redoubled home mission efforts that America will become Christian in all her relationships? Here is our hope, here is hope for the world—"Prayer changes things!" "If ye ask in faith believing ye shall receive." Let us rejoice that this Week of Prayer comes to emphasize our responsibility for making America Christian, for evangelizing our southland.

Last year many young people's organizations failed to report having a special prayer meeting for home missions during the Week of Prayer for Home Missions; we take it that those who did not mention observing this week with prayer and an offering did not so observe. This year let every Woman's Missionary Society ascertain that each of its young people's organizations has a prayer meeting and brings an offering for home missions. The W.M.U. young people's director should be sure of this participation by each Woman's Missionary Union organization, the counselor of each organization should be responsible for her own organization's having this prayer-and-giving service. The young people themselves for the most part will read about the week in Dr. Lawrence's Appeal in the March numbers of *World Comrades* and *The Window of Y.W.A.* There are all of these to see that each organization meets especially to pray and that each individual brings a gift for the Annie W. Armstrong Offering, but if all of these—members, counselor, W.M.U. young people's director—let it slip, then Woman's Missionary Society president or member, whoever you are reading this page, you be sure that the missionary education organizations of your church are not left out of this precious week with all its potentialities.

Programs are distributed through state W.M.U. headquarters according to the usual plan followed by your state in mailing out to organizations. The programs for our young people this time have been prepared by unusually well qualified people. Miss Lucy Cunyus, who was a missionary in Cuba and now serves in the Home Mission Board office, prepared the Young Woman's Auxiliary program. Mrs. Joe Burton, wife of the publicity director of the Home Mission Board, prepared the Royal Ambassador material. Mrs. Shad Medlin, who was missionary of the Home Mission Board to Mexicans in Bastrop, Texas, arranged the Girls' Auxiliary plans. We are grateful to each one of them for their excellent service in this way. Now we want to show our appreciation and do our part by holding the prayer meetings without fail.

Moreover, we want to bring gifts. Our Annie W. Armstrong Offering goal is \$120,000 but we should surpass that far, just as we surpassed the goal of \$107,000 in 1937 by gathering in \$130,850 for the 1937 Annie W. Armstrong Offering. This 1938 offering in the main must carry the current home missionary work of our denomination. Salaries for most of the Home Board's missionaries in the southland and in Cuba are paid with checks drawn on the Annie W. Armstrong Offering deposited under a separate account in one of the banks of Atlanta. What if we fail? There is no other fund for them. We set a Golden Jubilee goal of ten per cent increase in all our giving during 1938 over our gifts of 1937. What did your organization give in the Annie W. Armstrong Offering last March? And 10 per cent increase will be \$..... But even that is hardly worthy, scarcely represents your real desire to help in winning the homeland to Christ. Reach far beyond that 10 per cent increase this March. Pray and give—what a familiar combination of words; the two have grown to be coupled as nonchalantly as pepper and salt, light and dark; but pray and give are vital words—they are related to "Ye are the salt of the earth" and to "Ye are the light of the world". Pray and give—every member of every one of the missionary education organizations of Woman's Missionary Union. Pray and give during March. Pray for home missions, give through the Annie W. Armstrong Offering.

Calendar of Prayer March, 1938

Prepared by Mrs. Maud R. McLure, Georgia

"Give me, O Lord, a task so hard
That all my powers shall taxed be
To do my best;
That I may stronger grow in toil,
For harder service fitted be
Until I rest".

Topic—Europe: "Sheaves—with Rejoicing"

1—TUESDAY

Pray that the Annie W. Armstrong Offering for Home Missions may far exceed the goal.

He that giveth let him do it with liberality.
—Rom. 12:8

2—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Heard (*Berika Deh-kim*), evangelistic work, Chandler, Arizona
Our help is in the name of Jehovah.
—Psa. 124:8

3—THURSDAY

For Miss Emma Leachman, field worker, and Miss Una Roberts Lawrence, mission study editor for Home Mission Board
Verily there is a reward for the righteous.—Psa. 58:11

4—FRIDAY

For Miss Mary E. Kelly, Christopher, and Miss Mary Headen, Herrin, Illinois, evangelistic work
Walk ye before Me, and be thou perfect.—Gen. 17:1

5—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Fitzgerald, Cherokee, and Rev. Lee, Murphy, N. C., evangelistic work
O sing unto the Lord a new song.
—Psa. 98:1

6—SUNDAY

For faithful observance of the Sabbath
Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.—Ex. 20:8

7—MONDAY

For Misses Pearl Todd and Pearl Johnson, educational work, Cheloo, China
My peace I give unto you.—John 14:27

8—TUESDAY

For annual sessions of W.M.U. of North Carolina, Asheville, March 4-10. Also for Miss Naomi Schell, Good Will Center, Tobeta, Japan

Mine eyes shall be on the faithful.
—Psa. 104:6

9—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. McArdery (*Berlen Moore*), Union, and Rev. Shun Yau Lee, Greenville, Miss., evangelistic work

I pray that thy faith fail not.—Luke 22:32

10—THURSDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. White (*Mattie Newman*), evangelistic work, Kweichow, and Dr. and Mrs. Ayers (*Winnie Bennett*), medical work, Chengchow, China

The fruit of the Spirit is love.—Gal. 5:22

11—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Orrick (*Vera Shumshereys*), evangelistic work, Montevideo, Uruguay

Believe in the Lord your God.
—1 Chron. 16:13

12—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Moore (*Miriam McColl*), and Prof. and Mrs. Vivanco (*Maria E. Robinson*), educational work, Havana, Cuba

Thou, Lord, hast not forsaken them that seek Thee.—Psa. 9:10

13—SUNDAY

For Mrs. Christine Coffee Chambers and Miss Lillian Thomasson—on furlough—University of Shanghai, China

Unto Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.
—Psa. 36:4

Calendar of Prayer for March

14—MONDAY

For Misses Susan Anderson and Irene Young, educational and W.M.U. work, Abeokuta, Nigeria

The love of God is shed abroad in our hearts.—Rom. 5:5

15—TUESDAY

For annual sessions of W.M.U. of Alabama, Dothan, and W.M.U. of Georgia, Augusta, March 15-17

The living shall praise Thee.—Isa. 39:19

16—WEDNESDAY

For Misses Martha Franks, Lois Glass and Wilma Weeks, educational work, Hwang-Halen, China

I will instruct thee and teach thee.—Psa. 32:8

17—THURSDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Wamego (Angeline Pratt), Ponca City, and Rev. and Mrs. Hitcher, Stillwell, Oklahoma, evangelistic work

I thank God whom I serve.—II Tim. 1:3

18—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. T. F. McCrea (Jennie Reed) and Rev. and Mrs. J. V. Dawson (Laura Moore), emerita missionaries from China

According to thy faith be it unto you.—Matt. 9:29

19—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Ray (Daisy Pettus), evangelistic work, Hiruhitama, Japan

The joy of the Lord is your strength.—Neh. 8:10

20—SUNDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Machado (Estelle Perez), evangelistic work, Vibora, Cuba

Incline your heart to the Lord.—Job. 24:23

21—MONDAY

For Miss Juliette Mather, managing editor, and for other editors of *The Window of Y.W.A. and World Crusades*

His faith is counted for righteousness.—Rom. 4:3

22—TUESDAY

For annual sessions of W.M.U. of Tennessee, Nashville, March 22-24

Quicken us in Thy righteousness.—Psa. 119:40

23—WEDNESDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Bell (Ida Parle), and Prof. Buldado, educational work, Bastrop, Texas

The Lord is high unto them that call upon Him.—Psa. 145:18

24—THURSDAY

For Mr. and Mrs. Sougan (Grace Mason), evangelistic and educational work, Canton, China

Whatever we ask, we receive of Him.—I John 3:22

25—FRIDAY

For Dr. and Mrs. Long (Florence Major) and Miss Kathleen Manley—on furlough—medical work, Ogbomoso, Nigeria

Jesus saith, Have faith in God.—Mark 11:22

26—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. DiPietro, evangelistic work, Kansas City, Missouri

The Lord is worthy to be praised.—II Cor. 11:31

27—SUNDAY

For W.M.U. of South China

My God, unto Thee will I pray.—Psa. 5:2

28—MONDAY

For Misses Agnes Graham and Corella Brewer, Colegio Bautista, Temuco, Chile

If thou canst believe, all things are possible.—Mark 9:23

29—TUESDAY

For annual sessions of W.M.U. of Virginia, Winchester, and W.M.U. of Louisiana, Shreveport, March 29-31

Blessed are they that sow beside all waters.—Isa. 32:20

30—WEDNESDAY

For annual sessions of W.M.U. of Illinois, Marion, March 30-April 1

The Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached.—Matt. 24:14

31—THURSDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. Bagby (Frances Adams), evangelistic work, Sao Paulo, Brazil, and Luther and Samuel Bagby, Margaret Fund students

Be beneath the prayer of the righteous.—Prov. 15:29

*Attended W.M.U. Training School
Attended Southwestern Training School
Former Margaret Fund Student*

FAMILY ALTAR

Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

TOPIC: "SHEAVES - - with REJOICING"

SOW in the morn thy seed;
At eve hold not thy hand;
To doubt and fear give thou no heed;
Broadcast it o'er the land.

THOU canst not toil in vain;
Cold, heat and moist and dry
Shall foster and mature the grain
For garnerers in the sky.

—James Montgomery

"Delivered" . . .

1st Day—Dan. 1:1-9
2nd Day—Dan. 1:11-20
3rd Day—Dan. 2:1-10
4th Day—Dan. 2:18-23
5th Day—Dan. 2:24, 31, 36-38, 48, 49
6th Day—Dan. 3:1, 4-18
7th Day—Dan. 3:19-30

"Dot Take Head"

15th Day—Mark 13:8-11, 28
16th Day—Matt. 10:1-13
17th Day—Matt. 10:14-22
18th Day—Matt. 10:23-33
19th Day—John 15:1-12
20th Day—John 15:13-21
21st Day—John 16:1-18

"Are Ye Able?"

22nd Day—Matt. 20:20-22
23rd Day—Acts 6:7-15
24th Day—Acts 7:1-3, 55-60
25th Day—Acts 8:1-6
26th Day—Acts 14:19-22
27th Day—Rom. 2:1-9
28th Day—Rom. 3:1-5, 14, 17, 18, 33, 39
29th Day—Rom. 10:8-18
30th Day—Rom. 11:33-36
31st Day—Rom. 12:1-3, 18-21

"Taken Up Out of the Dew" . . .

8th Day—Dan. 4:1-12
9th Day—Dan. 5:1-12
10th Day—Dan. 5:18-21
11th Day—Dan. 5:22-31
12th Day—Dan. 6:8-13
13th Day—Dan. 6:14-23
14th Day—Heb. 11:32-34

"Pray Ye"

Thank God for Jesus Christ and that through Him "whoever wills" may have eternal life.

Ask God's guidance in national, state and local governments, praying for those who make and administer the laws, that righteousness may prevail.

Intercede for lost souls in the southland and for Christians who are seeking to win them to Christ.

Pray that the observance of the March Week of Prayer may greatly promote home missions, asking that each W.M.U. member and every society will give with unusual generosity toward the goal of \$125,000 for the Annie W. Armstrong Offering for Home Missions.

Intercede for the meetings in Richmond in May of the Southern Baptist Convention and of Women's Missionary Union, asking God's guidance for their presidents and program committees, for Richmond pastors and committees in preparatory service.

Pray daily for Golden Jubilee.

BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLES

Miss Inabelle Coleman, Virginia

SUGGESTIONS

1—Since very few people have any adequate conception of the size and relative proportion of the various nations of the world, it will be revealing and worth while to greet the members with an invitation to one of the tables-for-four on which there is a jig-saw puzzle of colored pieces of the map of Europe. Putting these together will fix in the minds of the members the position and proportional size of the nations of Europe.

2—On the wall have a map of the whole world.

3—Added interest may be stimulated by letting the members presenting the program dress in the costumes distinctive of various sections of Europe, namely: Rumanian peasants, gypsies, Hungarian bride, and so forth.

4—The Foreign Mission Board has several moving picture reels of sixteen millimeter portraying southern Baptist work in Rumania, Hungary, Jugoslavia and Italy. These may be borrowed and used merely for the exchange of taking good care of them and paying the return express charges. Please make reservations for these films to Miss Mary M. Hunter, Box 1595, Richmond, Virginia.

5—Splendid kodak pictures of southern Baptist work in Europe may be secured for seven cents each—the cost of developing—from the Foreign Mission Board, Box 1595, Richmond, Virginia.

TOPIC: EUROPE

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Report from Europe—(Current Magazines)

SeaSon of Prayers

Europe Today—(Page 26)

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United Singing: "The Kingdom Is Coming"

Tomorrow's Europe—(Page 29)

Individual "Europeans in the Southland"—(Page 30)

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SeaSon of Intercession for Europe

SUBTLE PERSECUTION

In Rumania: Many children of Baptists are completely ignored at school. The law provides that they can attend the government schools. But nothing is done to protect them from the ridicule of the teachers and pupils, or from never receiving a report card, or from never being honorably promoted to the next grade, or from being ignored and persecuted.

In Italy: He is a minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. He has been out of jail only three days. Sad, depressed and pale from a year in prison, he seems bewildered and without the normal courage of a man. But why the term in prison that has taken away his spirit of heroism? A year ago he had recently baptized eighteen believers. That day recorded their first communion. Eager that these babes-in-Christ should understand the full meaning of the Lord's Supper, he had preached about the bread—symbolic of the broken body of Christ given in atonement and as a propitiation for their sins; and about the wine—symbolic of the blood of Jesus that takes away the sins of the world. As always, a government representative sat in a rear pew censoring the service. At the close of the hour, hand-cuffs were slipped onto the wrists of the minister, and he listened to the accusation from the 1930 *Concordia*, article 402 No. 5: "Any one publicly insulting the religion of the state will be punished with imprisonment for not more than one year". Merely to say that the communion bread and wine are symbolic of the broken body and shed blood of Jesus is to insult "the religion of the state". Under such strain and stress as this all non-Catholic ministers live and serve in Italy.

BOOK REVIEWS

Miss Willie Jean Stewart, Tennessee

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

Rebuilding Rural America: Mark A. Dawber, New York; Friendship Press, 1937; Pages 210; Price \$1



So much is being said and written about rural life today, and so many experiments are being tried looking to remedying its ills, that some knowledge of the subject is imperative for all who make any pretense of keeping themselves informed concerning outstanding matters of current interest. This book may well serve as a primer or survey course of study for those just beginning their investigations of the subject. It has the twofold advantage of covering a rather wide range and of approaching the whole problem from the standpoint of what the rural church can and should do, not only to hold up its end but also to take its natu-

ral place of leadership in rural communities.

Starting with the statement that the many changes that struck the cities and the urban population fifteen to twenty years ago have now reached the countryside and call forth the best statesmanship that the nation can provide, the author gives a brief survey of the changes economic, social and religious which have made rural problems acute. He then goes on to propose a remarkably sane, constructive approach to their solution. That it should become in spots more idealistic than practical is almost inevitable in view of the long-range planning involved. In spite of this, however, it is eminently practical in that it shows how and where the leadership of any church in any rural community can take hold and start working at its task more effectively. Pastors and laymen, as well as missionary-minded women, should find the book stimulating and suggestive.

B.W.C. PROGRAM for HOME MISSION PRAYER WEEK

(For week's theme, illustration, full program, list of causes and goal see pages 1, 7-12.)

Hymn: "Come Women, Wide Proclaim"

Scripture: "Preach the Gospel"—Rom. 10:11-15; Mark 16:15, 20; Acts 10:34-38, 42; Matt. 4:23; Rev. 14:6, 7; Rom. 1:16; II Cor. 4:3-7

Talk: Home Board's Department of Evangelism (See page 8 of week's W.M.S. folder.)

Talk: Examples of Evangelism (See page 10 of week's W.M.S. folder.)

Prayer for all evangelistic work and workers

Hymn: "Jesus Paid It All"

Talk: In a Field of Deepest Need (See page 15-17 of week's W.M.S. folder.)

Talk: The Call of the Mountains (See page 17 of week's W.M.S. folder.)

Prayer for souls to be saved by the preaching and the teaching of the Word

Hymn: "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

Talk: Home Mission Work among the Indians (See page 21 of week's W.M.S. folder.)

Talk: A Complicated Home Mission Task (See page 22 of week's W.M.S. folder.)

Prayer that our gifts may correspond to all such needs

Talk: Mexicans, Spanish-Americans, Others (See pages 26, 27 of week's W.M.S. folder.)

Hymn: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Ingathering of Annie W. Armstrong Offering

—Lord's Prayer

CIRCLE PLANS

WHEN YOUR CIRCLE STUDIES "TEPEE TRAILS"

by G. Lee Phelps it will find decidedly helpful the following suggestions from Mrs. Eugene E. Steele, mission study chairman of the Georgia W.M.U. Mrs. Steele says:

This book is the story of a man, who has endured hardships, suffered privations and encountered many dangers for thirty-five years in the spirit of love as one of God's chosen servants to help the Indians find "the Jesus Trail". This book is a glorious example of what the grace of God can do in the heart of man whether he be a white man or an Indian. It may be taught as simply or as elaborately as one may desire.

Teacher's Preliminary Preparation: The teacher should study the book well in advance, in order that she may have the subject matter in hand. She should also select for special assignments such supplementary material as:

The Story of Red Men, Seymour; *National Geographic*, March, June and November 1937; *The Gospel among the Red Men*, Hamilton; *The People of the Jesus Way*, Beagle; *The Window of Y.W.A.*, August 1937; *The Missionaries of the Home Mission Board*. Poster suggestions are as follows: Reproduce Book Cover; Pictures from *National Geographic*, Nov. 1937; Teepee with Log Cabin in Background. Free helps are: Picture Poster of the Home Missionaries; Mimeo Maps of Indian Country; Map of Home Missions; Stereopticon Lectures (Free for Carriage): secure all such helps from Home Mission Board, 315 Red Rock Building, Atlanta, Georgia.

Special Assignments: Let artistic members arrange class room to give Indian atmosphere, for example: Have blackboard bordered with Indian designs, use colored chalk. In one corner have teepee made of burlap or gunny sack. Use curios and sandtable with Cut-Out Indian Village. Divide class into tribes, let them find out all they can about their tribe. Ask all to bring pictures from papers and magazines to make scrapbook. Arrange for handwork, for example: bead-making, weaving etc. Let musical members arrange for Indian music. See that each member uses a notebook.

Chapter I—The Trail Begins: Outline each chapter on board or chart made of brown wrapping paper. Let two ladies present sketch of author's life, using the Log Cabin poster. Stand in front of teepee.

Chapter II—Into Indian Life: Use mimeograph map for location of work and missionaries. For each tribe tell of the customs of treating the sick, burying the dead, courting etc.

Chapter III—Meeting Heathenism: Each tribe tells of its forms of heathenism. Teacher summarizes results and compares Indian heathenism with heathen worship of other races. Dramatize stories on page 70-75.

Chapter IV—Adventures along the Way: Have some one to impersonate Mr. Phelps and tell of his experiences. Have some one in costume tell about John McIntosh. Write on blackboard names of the Indian preachers of the different tribes. Have brief study period. Give a true-false test.

Chapter V—Widening Roads: Draw on blackboard a narrow, rough road; have members of class tell from information in book how it may be smoothed and widened. List on blackboard present needs. Suggest how needs can be met.

BIBLE STUDY

Ella Broadus Robertson, Kentucky

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.

SPIRITUAL SYMPATHY

II Samuel 6:12-16; I Samuel 1:21-2:1

A PASTOR (Dr. J. O. Williams) said casually in a sermon: "Sympathy is the power to understand another person's feelings and actions in an experience outside one's own"—a surprising definition, but true. Take two familiar O. T. scenes.

1. King David is bringing the Ark to Jerusalem. It is the crowning moment of his life thus far. The secret of happiness with David was recognition of God's Providence. From the wonderful day when Samuel anointed him, through the years of wandering and persecution he trusted and hoped. Now he is king and is at peace even with his enemies. He desires a great public recognition of Jehovah as his God and the God of Israel. His whole ardent nature is poured into the occasion, with sacrifices, with shouting and singing, with trumpets and cornets, symbols, psalteries and harps. He has written a special psalm, and the Levites sing it. He himself, in a simple ephod like a priest, dances for joy before the Lord. All the people understood. They loved David. But one face looked down in scorn from the palace window, Michal the daughter of Saul. Saul's religion was entirely superficial, just making a decent offering or two for fear something would happen to him if he didn't. Michal was like him. So when her husband comes in, elated and radiant, instead of loving congratulations she gives him sarcasm: "How glorious was the King of Israel today, exposing himself before his people and his servants!" David answers more sternly than he speaks anywhere else: "It was before Jehovah, who made me prince over His people. No other woman thought it unseemly!" Poor Michal! Handed back and forth with the fortunes of men, she had grown bitter. Polygamy mortified her; she liked a king in crown and royal robes; and this procession bored her. Yet once she had saved David's life.

2. Now the other picture: it is one of the tenderest in all literature—a little child, an old priest, a woman kneeling with rapt face, holding little Samuel's hand in hers while he looks up at old Eli who blesses him. There is a fourth figure, seldom drawn in. A man stands in the background, wondering but consenting. It is Elkanah, Hannah's husband—one of those gentle, true-hearted men, not specially quick, not imaginative, but good as gold. He could never have dreamed of such a sacrifice as Hannah is making. He cannot quite understand it. But he loves her dearly, he admires her spiritual heroism, he helps her carry out her plan. The child is very dear to him as Hannah's child. If he cannot share her exaltation, he takes his share of the giving up, in his silent man's way. He will steady her as they go home, leaving the child, and will comfort her when the reaction comes and she sobs in his arms.

But notice: it is a woman in the first scene who is hard and cold; it is here a man who is a marvel of tender sympathy.



PROGRAM PLANS



Mrs. T. M. Pittman, North Carolina

With the PROGRAM COMMITTEE



Program material for *Royal Service* has to be prepared several months ahead of the time it reaches the societies. Those who write about conditions in Europe in December and January can but wonder what reports the newspapers will be carrying in March. The Program Committee should study current magazines, newspapers and state Baptist papers for as late news as can be found. Preparation should begin several weeks in advance that talks may be based on careful study.

In opening the program, the leader for the afternoon should introduce the topic with a short statement combining "Europe Fifty Years Ago" and "Europe Today". Under the first head three points to be stressed are: 1. The jealousies, hatreds and fears seething through Europe in 1888 and working toward the World War; 2. Democracy practically unknown in government and church; 3. Baptists almost unknown, with only one Mission. Under the second head the speaker may quote in part from "Europe Today" (pages 24-26).

The second speaker may tell of "Some Effects of the World War on Baptist Work". (See *New Beginnings in Europe*, page 25). The heads in this talk should be: 1. Some Results of the World War; 2. The London Conference and Countries Assigned to Southern Baptists; 3. The Plan—"The plan was not to send large numbers of missionaries, but rather to assist in those denominational enterprises that required considerable outlay of capital, such as theological schools, publication work and chapel building".

"The Cooperative Program at Work in Europe" may be told by five women.

The leader for the afternoon may suggest that the society take a tour of the European countries on the shores of the Mediterranean. The first "port-of-call" would be Spain where we are allowed only a short stop because of war. Here let one member tell the paragraph on "Spain" (page 29). The leader then takes the society to Italy where another report is given (page 29). The next three talks are on Jugoslavia, Hungary and Rumania. None of these talks should be long and each one should be asked not to read from the magazine. Women who are unwilling to trust their memories may write what they wish to say and read it from their manuscript but not the printed material, please. Each will be more familiar with the sentences she has copied, and few women will write long papers. Thus two purposes will be served. (Pages 27-29)

"Europe Tomorrow" and "Europeans in the Southland" may be combined by the leader of the meeting and may lead up to the introduction of "Mrs. Andrew Udvarnoki". If possible have some one represent this interesting Hungarian Baptist. Secure a woman who will enter heartily into the part and tell the story as if of her own life. (Pages 29-34)

Where the committee wishes to use only a few women in the program, the following plan may be used. The leader may make the opening talk as suggested. A second woman may take a dollar and tell of its travels in the Cooperative Program work in Europe. The countries on the northern shore of the Mediterranean may be visited and helped by the Cooperative Program dollar.

The suggested Bible study (page 21) for this meeting covers a part of Hannah's prayer of thanksgiving. I Samuel 2:9 would be a comforting thought in closing.

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MRS. ANDREW UDVARNOKI

A Baptist Mother in Hungary



If a child in America who had never been to a Baptist church or Sunday school, indeed had never heard that there were such people in the world as Baptists, should by her own study of the Bible come to the Baptist view of its teachings and stand by her beliefs, even before she knew that there were others in the world who believed as she did, we would think her a very remarkable child, wouldn't we? Such a child was Mrs. Udvarnoki, the outstanding personality chosen for this month's program. She tells of her work among Hungarian women as follows:

"In 1895 we organized the first Woman's Missionary Society which was composed of eighteen members, four Hungarians having come over from the German church. We studied the Bible, did handwork and sewed, gave lectures, visited the sick and worked in the church. They chose me for president, but only for a while did everything go smoothly. There were enemies. When some of the women became a bit educated they said that I had no education, so I gave the leadership over to them for two years and the work went to pieces. Then the members and the brethren said I should stand in my place and lead. I did this for thirty-

two years with God's help. We women had to fight the men as some were against us. Women were not allowed in the conference. Mrs. Meyer went in once with her husband and they asked her to leave. We told them that Jesus did not send the women away but that He gave Mary the glorious command. They told me I could attend conference but I said I would not go until the other sisters could go; so, thank God, we were given permission and freedom".

On request Miss Maude Cobb, S.B.C. missionary to Hungary, interviewed Mrs. Udvarnoki that we might have the story of her life in this issue of *Royal Service*. Miss Cobb says of her:

"In trying to find words to describe her I find these most appropriate: 'She is an angel sent down from Heaven'. She certainly has been an inspiration and blessing to me, adopting me as one of her girls and I praise God for her life.

"Upon asking her to tell her life story I told her that she had been chosen from among all our European Baptist women as the one W.M.U. leader whose life will be studied by southern Baptist women. This humble spirit's eyes filled with tears as she said: 'God has honored me greatly in choosing me as one of His servants'.

"As the interview came to a close, through her tears of joy, she said: 'And now my dream is coming true. You girls are here to teach and the Hungarian Baptist Bible Girls' School opens Tuesday, October 19, with twenty-two girls'. Truly my heart is touched and humbled and I rejoice in the great opportunity that is ours".

As you read (pages 31-34) the complete story of Mrs. Udvarnoki in the main part of the program (and it is certainly one of the most interesting and inspiring stories that this magazine has ever carried) you, too, will be touched and humbled by the life of this great woman. You will rejoice because you, too, can have a part in this dream of hers which has come true.

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PROGRAM for MARCH



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: "SHEAVES - - with REJOICING"—Psalm 126:6

TOPIC for MONTH—Europe: "Sheaves - - with Rejoicing"

Hymn for the Year—Come Women, Wide Proclaim

Watchword for the Year—Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His Name; bring an offering; and come into His courts.—Psalm 96:8

Bible Study—Spiritual Sympathy—II Sam. 6:12-16; I Sam. 1:21-2:1 (Page 21)

Prayer that we may have spiritual sympathy with the Baptists of all lands

Hymn—"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Europe Fifty Years Ago —New Beginnings in Europe

Prayer thanking God for the faithfulness of European Baptists

Europe Today

The Cooperative Program at Work in Europe

Hymn—"The Kingdom Is Coming"

—Europe Tomorrow

Prayer for peace in Europe and throughout the world


Europeans in the Southland

—A Baptist Mother in Hungary

Hymn—"Faith of Our Fathers"

Prayer that we may be faithful in giving the Gospel to Europeans in Europe and America

EUROPE FIFTY YEARS AGO



Fifty years ago Europe presented a sad picture. Though the smallest of all continents, except Australia, she was the home of more than half of the nations of the world. Centuries of conflicts among these nations had left their scars of jealousies, hatreds and fears in the hearts of her peoples. Fifty years ago the whole world was prophesying a European war. Germany and France were ready to fly at each other's throats. Spain and Russia were tiring of the despotism of a ruling aristocracy. The Balkan States were a synonym for unsettled conditions

and strife. All the animosities among nations that finally produced the World War were seething underneath and gradually working their way to the surface.

Fifty years ago democracy was practically unknown in Europe. Kings and emperors ruled with despotic power, the masses of the people were oppressed and liberty was practically an unknown word in European vocabularies. Allied with the despotism of ruling aristocracies was the despotism of great state churches, which robbed the people of their religious liberty. The two great branches of the Catholic church—Roman and Greek Orthodox—prevailed among most of the nations. Practically every nation had a state church for, even where the protestant movement had become strong enough to displace Catholicism, some protestant church had been made the state church. The free churches—so called because

they had no connection with any state—had a difficult existence, for not only did they find it hard to compete with churches receiving generous support from public taxation but usually they were persecuted by the Catholic or other state churches.

Fifty years ago Baptists were almost unknown in Europe. It is just about a hundred years ago that J. G. Onchen and six others were baptized in the River Elbe near Hamburg, Germany, and the first Baptist church on the continent of Europe was started. Mr. Onchen and his converts were missionary in spirit and succeeded in making Hamburg a center for Baptist expansion into many of the European countries. Then, about two generations ago, by means of the distribution of the Bible—chiefly by colporters of the British and Foreign Bible Society of London—people of different European nations began to believe the Bible the Baptist way. So by fifty years ago there had come to be in many European countries little groups of Baptists, but they were too few in number and seemingly too unimportant to be very widely known and were unnoticed, except when some state church decided to eliminate by persecution "those fanatical Baptists".

Fifty years ago southern Baptists had one *Mission* in Europe. It was in 1870 that we began our work in Italy: so fifty years ago that *Mission* was already eighteen years old. In 1873 Dr. George Boardman Taylor became our missionary in Italy, and it was he that was at the head of our only *Mission* in Europe in 1888.

So fifty years ago, when southern Baptist women were organizing for world evangelism, the great continent of Europe had very little part in their missionary thinking—only one little *Mission* claimed their interest and support. However, there were millions of people in the bondage of false Christianity, almost as bad as paganism, and there were little groups of Baptists scattered over Europe, waiting for the time when stronger groups would come to help them

win those millions to the truth of the Gospel.

NEW BEGINNINGS in EUROPE

THE World War brought the nations of Europe very close to the United States. Our boys went over to fight, side by side with the boys of some European nations against the boys of other European nations, and came home to tell us that all European peoples were much alike and also much like their kinsmen on this side of the Atlantic. So did we learn that the people of the two continents are bound together by ties of kinship, mutual interests and mutual dependence.

Perhaps it was this feeling of closeness that set the Baptists in Europe and North America thinking about each other. The little groups of Baptists in European nations discovered that they had some big brothers in nations where Baptists were not a persecuted, despised and poverty stricken sect but honored, powerful and rich. And the large groups discovered their little brothers, greatly needing a strong hand to help them. So these Baptist groups, large and small, decided that they needed to get closer together for mutual helpfulness.

The first step taken by southern Baptists was at the Atlanta Convention in 1919 when "a Commission was provided for consisting of Drs. J. F. Love and Z. T. Cody, to visit war stricken Europe and report on the missionary and economic needs of our Baptist brethren in those lands". These together with Dr. Everett Gill, at that time connected with the Italian Mission, visited England, Scotland, France, Belgium, Holland, Italy, Egypt and Palestine. Then came the famous London Conference in 1920. Representatives from the Northern and Southern Baptist Conventions of the United States, from Canada, the British Union and from nearly all the countries of continental Europe, came together to discuss how Baptists could work together for the extension of the Kingdom. This was one of the most important meetings in Baptist history. "Significant and far

reaching decisions were made". The stronger Baptist bodies learned that there were in European nations exclusive of Russia Baptist groups totaling about a quarter of a million, with probably as many as two million in Russia. While most of the groups in the different countries were small, they were a splendid, Bible loving and Bible reading people. But they were extremely poor and, therefore, unable to carry on their work in an effective way. So the larger Baptist bodies saw that it was their duty and their privilege to be helpful "big brothers" to the smaller Baptist bodies. It was decided that the countries of Europe should be assigned to the larger bodies for cooperative missionary work. In the allotment of countries Italy, Spain, Jugoslavia, Hungary and Rumania fell to southern Baptists.

So did southern Baptists make new beginnings of work in Europe. The plan was not to send large numbers of missionaries but rather "to assist in those denominational enterprises that required considerable outlay of capital, such as theological schools, publication work and chapel building". This has been the plan followed and so, not for fifty but for eighteen years, southern Baptists have been the big brother to these European Baptists, giving them as much help as the gifts of the people would permit.

EUROPE TODAY

WE cannot think of Europe today without a heartache. What has become of the hopes of those early post-war days when we almost believed that the last war had been fought and that the millions of boys who had laid down their lives on European battlefields had by their sacrifice made the world safe for democracy and for all other good things? Alas! Now we know that the war to end wars was but preparation for other wars, and that it almost brought an end to true democracy. In Europe today are wars and rumors of wars. Nations armed to the teeth, cherishing old animosities, are waiting for a chance to fly at each other's throats. In Europe today are dictators pretending to be friends to the

masses of the people and yet more despotic and more selfish than was any pre-war ruler. In Europe today are still millions of people who know no better way of worshiping God than the empty forms and ceremonies of the Roman and Greek Catholic churches.

We asked two of our friends who traveled in Europe last summer to give us brief statements of their impressions of Europe today. Dr. Frank Leavell, student secretary, writes as follows:

"The conditions in Europe vary as to the nations of Europe. I found in the non-war nations serene contentment and happiness. By non-war nations I mean Holland and Switzerland. In the nations preparing for war there is distress of mind and suspense which penetrates the nerve cells of the people. England because of the loss of colonies and the repudiation of her crown is on mute defense. On the other hand her tremendous armament program is the greatest preventive of war in Europe today. France is in economic distress. Italy is exuberant because of the recent annexation of Ethiopia. Germany is in suspense; busy but bothered; being blindly led whither they know not. They are living by artificial stimulation, under dictator leadership which cannot last.

"Stating it differently—the condition in Europe is chaotic and varies with the various countries. The suspense centers in the possibility of war. Europe is in the death throes of the old civilization or the birth pangs of a new one. Personally I hope and believe it is the latter".

Miss Margaret Bruce, W.M.U. young people's secretary of Tennessee, says:

"Oppression, revenge, fear and depression can be felt by the traveler in Europe as she sees the armed boundaries of the greatly modernized and improved countries. The troubles of Europe are so deep-rooted because of their historical, political, national and religious aspects, that one truly knows with Lloyd George that 'it is for Europe; Christ or chaos?' The answer to the question depends upon American Christians. Shall we give

Christ to the countries of Europe that are ruled by dictators and bound by the rankest Catholicism and state religions?"

The COOPERATIVE PROGRAM at WORK in EUROPE

WHAT are southern Baptists doing in Europe today? Again it gives us great joy to remember that the Cooperative Program is extending a long arm of helpfulness to the Baptists of the five European lands which were assigned to southern Baptists at the London Conference. Yes, when we give to the Cooperative Program we are having a part in all southern Baptist work in these lands. Let us see something of what the southern Baptist Cooperative Program dollar is doing in these five European lands.

In Rumania—When our W.M.U. was formed, fifty years ago, to southern Baptist women Rumania was a mere spot on the map of Europe—just one of the little European nations about which little was known and little was thought. Today Rumania has become not only one of the big and important nations of Europe but also the center of our European work; it is one of the most promising and appealing of all our foreign mission fields. Bucharest, the capital of Rumania, is also the capital of southern Baptist European work, for there lives the superintendent, Dr. Everett Gill. At Bucharest are our Theological Seminary and the James Memorial Training School. Miss Ruby Daniel is the new principal of the Training School, taking the place of Miss Earl Hester who last year married a young Rumanian preacher, Mr. Petra Trutza, and is now with him in Louisville where he is attending the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Miss Daniel is proving a worthy successor to Mrs. Trutza and is carrying on the work in a splendid way. She has, as her assistants, three former students of James Memorial. The former Mrs. Hurley (now Mrs. Schuller) and Mrs. Gill are also helping with the school during these days when Miss Daniel must give much time to language study.

An important occasion for Rumanian

and other European Baptists was the meeting of the Regional Conference of the Baptist World Alliance in Bucharest last July. When it was found that a respectable hotel cheap enough to accommodate the out-of-town guests could not be obtained, arrangements were made to entertain them in the Seminary and Training School. Beautiful is the picture of Rumanian Baptists' welcome to their guests as given to us by the gifted pen of Mrs. Gill: "Bands from several churches came and, the day the 'foreign' guests arrived, they were lined up in the court between the two buildings with the sun shining on the white costumes, colorful sashes and polished brass instruments. They played welcome songs and national airs as Dr. Rushbrooke, Dr. Lewis, Dr. Luther Smith of New York and Dr. Lippard, editor of *Missions*, walked into the court. Unfortunately, the Truets were taken immediately to the place where they were to be entertained and so were not with the others, much to the disappointment of the players. Miss Inabelle Coleman came later in the day. But all had an opportunity to hear the bands before the conference was over".

This was a wonderful meeting, and yet it had some bad results. Perhaps it was because the Greek Orthodox church saw how great a people were the Baptists and how rapidly they were growing, that they began a renewed persecution against them. The newspapers have carried bitter criticism and an edict, demanding that all Baptist churches which do not have as members one hundred heads of families should be closed, has been pending for many months. The enforcement of this edict would mean the closing of all Baptist churches in Rumania. As this program is being written we rejoice to hear that the edict will not be enforced. However, we do know that already many churches have been closed and that Mr. Socaciu, the president of the Rumanian Baptist Union, was placed in prison because of a sermon he preached.

In spite of these adverse circumstances

the work goes forward gloriously. Six thousand were baptized last year. Seventy-four young people are enrolled in the Seminary and Training School. Miss Ruby Daniel writes that the twenty-eight girls in the Training School are a happy, jolly bunch in spite of the seriousness of the circumstances that overshadow many of them.

Mrs. Trutza tells of great need of a student hostel or Baptist dormitory in Bucharest, "where the university students who are Baptists can live in decent quarters and have religious atmosphere". She says: "There are no dormitories in connection with the universities; the students live in most miserable, immoral surroundings, so our finest young people are lost to our cause. We know so many of them who were splendid leaders in their villages but after they came to Bucharest in the whirl of student life, bringing them in contact with Nazi nationalistic groups, they were swept off their feet into the current of wrong thinking and wrong living. There was no place of refuge, no guiding friend to help them through those years".

Mrs. Trutza also reminds us that the time is drawing near for the organization of a National W.M.U. in Rumania. She says: "With groups of girls going out from James Memorial every year we shall, in another four or five years, be ready for a union of our missionary societies. Even now we need some one to write programs and plans—a W.M.U. secretary as we have in other lands".

These Rumanian Baptists, so persecuted and yet so faithful, should have the support of our gifts and our prayers. We could meet these two great needs cited by Mrs. Trutza, if we would. Let's do our best for the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering each year, that our Foreign Mission Board may be able to do more for Rumania.

In Hungary—Fifty years ago Rumania's neighbor nation, Hungary, was one of the large and powerful countries of Europe but the World War reduced her to about one-fourth of her former

size. Hungary has the oldest Baptist Union in Europe and before the war had about 23,000 Baptists. But the reduction of her territory also reduced the number of her Baptists. However, since the London Conference, southern Baptist Cooperative Program dollars have been at work on behalf of Hungarian Baptists and are helping them to regain their former strength. Our chief work here, as in Rumania, is educational. We have in Budapest a Seminary and on the 19th of last October we opened in connection with this a Training School for young women. Miss Ruth Mahan is the capable principal of this school. She is ably assisted by Miss Maude Cobb and Mrs. Bela Udvarnoki. The school opened with twenty-two girls, eager and ready for training. The building is composed of several apartments connected with the Seminary building. Mrs. Gill says that when she was there late in the summer these were old, dingy and most unattractive, but that when she returned in October everything was changed. She writes:

"It seemed a miracle when I saw the beautiful quarters, where I had left piles of plaster, bricks and wood only six weeks before. The night I made the opening address the small chapel was crowded with all the Baptist pastors of the city, heads of all the institutions, the Seminary committee, representatives of the Woman's Union and as many more as could get in".

Certainly it is encouraging to know that the new project is starting off so promisingly. We can believe that it will mean to the Baptist work of Hungary what James Memorial has meant to Rumania.

In Yugoslavia—Southern Baptist Cooperative Program dollars are at work also in Yugoslavia, but we are sorry to say that not many of them get to that country. As Dr. Gill said in last year's report, "This is still the day of small things for Yugoslavia but a day of good things". This report said that there had been in one year a ten per cent increase in the membership of the churches. Miss

Inabelle Coleman, after visiting European mission fields, said: "Nowhere have I ever been have I seen a greater need for anything than for a Training School and Seminary for the people of Yugoslavia. You see the people at Bucharest speak Rumanian, the people at Budapest speak Hungarian, the people of Yugoslavia speak Slavic mainly. This eliminates them from these other two training schools and seminaries. The pastors and workers need some training. It is a dangerous thing to have a spirit of revival and evangelism flowing over a country without adequate means for training these babes-in-Christ, especially the pastors and volunteer workers". May the time be hastened when we shall do for Yugoslavia what we have done for Rumania and Hungary by providing a place for the training of her young people.

In Spain—There is little late news of Spain. We know that southern Baptists have been helping with the work there since the London Conference. A short time before the revolution broke out Dr. Gill visited Spain and found the work in good condition and the workers encouraged. But, of course, the revolution has greatly hindered the Baptist cause. It is impossible to know just the present condition of Spanish Baptists. At the last report no Baptist pastor had been killed, though pastors of other evangelical groups had suffered martyrdom.

In Italy—Baptist dollars have been at work longest in Italy, and yet in some respects it is the most difficult of our European mission fields. In the home of Roman Catholicism where its power is the strongest and with the rise of fascism further restricting the liberties of the people, the lot of Italian Baptists has become even more difficult than formerly. However, in spite of such adverse circumstances our work is progressing. Last year two new missionaries, Dr. and Mrs. Dewey Moore, went out to reinforce Dr. and Mrs. Whittinghill. After a visit to Italy Miss Coleman writes:

"I cannot say too much for the fine spirit of Dr. and Mrs. Dewey Moore. They are going to make two of our greatest missionaries. Already they have made a wonderful start and the Italians love them dearly. Of course, there is a great deal of persecution in Italy. It is a kind of subtle, silent punishment that is difficult to see unless you look for it and, through gaining the confidence of the people, let them open up their hearts to you. But nevertheless, Baptists in Italy are suffering in many ways. It isn't good to be a Baptist in Italy. But on the other hand, the Baptists of Italy are a courageous, wonderful group. Nowhere in Europe did I see a finer spirit than I saw in many, many places in Italy. In spite of any exterior conditions there are a multitude who are faithful and loyal to the Master, warm-hearted and evangelistic in spirit, daring to go quietly along in the way of absolute stewardship to the Master. There are two hundred and fifty young people enlisted in the young people's organizations in Turin, for instance. They baptized more than sixty last year into their churches there. I found the same spirit in Naples where eighteen had just been baptized before I reached there. I would not be honest not to add, however, that there are places where the people are rather depressed and dejected over the persecution, and that the sadness of their hearts is reflected in their faces. But in most places I found an eagerness to go forward in spite of any outward condition".

EUROPE TOMORROW

WHO would dare to prophesy what will come to Europe tomorrow? Will there be another great European war? Will the boundaries of nations be changed again? Will dictatorship increase or decrease in its popularity as a form of government? Will communism, fascism and nazism prevail? Will the Roman, Orthodox and other state churches lose their power? It would take one wiser than Solomon to answer these questions and know what tomorrow will bring to the peoples of Europe.

However, one thing is certain—tomorrow will bring increased opportunities in Europe to southern Baptists. Christianity has failed in Europe because it has prevailed there in a perverted form. Much if not all of the present conflict in Europe has grown out of a misconception and misrepresentation of Christianity. In most instances the Christianity of Europe has not been Christ-like. It has poorly represented Christ in individual lives, in religious organizations and in national life and civilization. Contrary to the fundamental principles of Christ it has created a religious aristocracy which has oppressed the masses of the people. And out of such a false idea of Christianity have developed communism, fascism, nazism and the spirit of conflict which so curses the Europe of today.

Surely what Europe needs today is the spiritual religion—the truth that will free her people from the shackles of false conceptions of Christianity. And surely Baptists and other evangelicals are the ones that have the truth that frees, the spiritual religion which Europe so much needs. Amid the shadows of war the Gospel is the only light that shines with a steadfast glow. It is this light that must chase away the shadows of conflict and the darkness of the ecclesiasticism, fanaticism and idolatry of the Roman and Greek Catholic churches. Southern Baptist hands must hold that light steady and sure for tomorrow's day in Europe.

EUROPEANS in the SOUTHLAND
FIFTY years ago the doors of America were opened to immigrants from all lands. And to Europeans—enslaved by the despotism of both state and church, crowded into lands not able to sustain their population, impoverished by systems of government which sought not the welfare of the masses—this country seemed indeed a land of hope with its wide open fields, its liberty of government and religion, its opportunities offered to people of all classes. So to our shores came hordes of people from all European nations. For the past decade

and more, strict immigration laws have curbed the flow of incoming Europeans, but most of those who came years ago have stayed, and they and their children are still in our land. Some of these have become assimilated and are really Americanized, but thousands of them are unassimilated and are as truly foreign as their brothers in Europe.

While there are groups of Europeans scattered in all the states of the southland, our largest European population is in Texas, Oklahoma and southern Illinois, with large groups in some of our cities—Baltimore, Tampa, Birmingham and others. It is said that there are 600,000 European people in Texas. Houston has a European population of over 40,000, while in Galveston sixty per cent of the population are Europeans. Dr. John Held, missionary among them, writes of the difficulty of reaching these Texas Europeans:

"One of the greatest difficulties in winning these people to a better life, in religion and morals, is their clannishness. They hold together and often suspect our motives. They are also religious exclusives. They have seen so much fanaticism on the part of Americans, that they hesitate even to enter one of our churches. They have also been told some ridiculous things about us, and these things cause them to be very cautious. We have also done some very ridiculous things, that have made them feel resentful. Their preachers, including the Lutheran preachers, and their priests do all in their power to keep them from attending our churches. This means that we must win them through personal contact and proper information".

There are thousands of foreigners in Oklahoma: Germans, Italians, Swedes, French, Greeks and others. One of the greatest foreign mission fields in the southland is in southern Illinois. In the mining region around Christopher one may reach those of twenty-eight different language groups, while East St. Louis has so many foreigners that it is like a little Europe transplanted in one city.

Again our Cooperative Program dol-

lars are busy, for part of those that go to home missions are used for work among the foreigners at the different centers of European population. Five missionaries are doing splendid work among many nationalities at East St. Louis; and we have missionaries among the Italians at Tampa, Birmingham, Krebs (*Oklahoma*) and in Kansas City. One of the most effective works among foreigners is the Good Will Center. Our Home Board has four of these: at Christopher, Ill.; Birmingham, Ala.; New Orleans, La.; and Baltimore, Md. Besides this work of our Home Mission Board many states include the foreigners in their state mission work.

LIFE STORY of MRS. ANDREW UDVARNOKI PIONEER in HUNGARIAN MISSION WORK

(As told by Mrs. Udvarnoki in an interview with Miss Maude Cobb. The parenthesis statements are Miss Cobb's remarks. For picture and rest of story see page 23.)

I WAS a first child born in 1869, at Orzentmiklos, Hungary, about twenty-five miles from Budapest. My parents belonged to the Reformed Church. My mother was a good woman and taught me to pray. One night I waked my mother up, telling her that I could not sleep because my nurse had not had me say my prayers. So mother prayed with me and the next morning the nurse was reprimanded.

In the school I studied the catechism and learned about baptism and that Jesus had set the example by being baptized. I learned from the Bible that those who were baptized had been born again. I asked my mother: "Where do Baptists live?" She told me that they only lived in Jesus' day, but that there are none now. I was very sad but a voice seemed to say: "You be a Baptist". Then I decided that I'd be one if no one else was because that is the New Testament teaching. I wanted to be better than my parents who sometimes said ugly things.

In our yard were two little horses that loved me. I loved them too and usually fed them. One day I was working under a little shelter and they started biting on it and the roof fell on me. It really did hurt and I said something bad. The devil said: "See, you cannot be good".

One day the judge's daughter told me that there were some strange Christians in town and that they wore large hats. I was curious to see them and we went. The service was held in a room and kitchen. I was a small twelve year old girl but I squeezed through the crowd. While hearing them I felt that they were the Baptists for whom I had been looking and I cried for joy.

I went home and told my parents that I had found the Baptists. I invited all my relatives to the following week's service. After hearing to the end my loved ones said: "Those are the true believers, but we cannot live like they do because it is hard". I was calmed knowing that they were convinced that I had not made a mistake and I decided that with God's help I'd show them that one could be a Baptist.

It must not be thought that these Europeans are an inferior people. They belong to the same races that produced Savonarola, John Huss, Martin Luther, Michelangelo, Paderewski and others of the world's great, too numerous to mention. Unobtrusive there are those among American Europeans who will become great in the Kingdom of God, through their service in winning others of their people to Christ if only we will do our part in giving them the Gospel. Let's keep our Cooperative Program and our Annie W. Armstrong Offering dollars busy that more Europeans in America may know and accept the Gospel story.

The judge was a relative of mine and he and the other community leaders tried to make me deny my belief because they did not want the Baptists to increase in the village. They seemed to be afraid of a child's testimony. They claimed to be pious Christians. I asked them: "Which one of the commandments do you keep?" They were silent. A young man laughed, saying: "This child has put up a question that you can't answer". The judge replied: "No, we cannot answer because if we break one of the commandments we have broken all". My answer was: "Everyone must be converted".

Soon the Reformed Church minister came to my parents asking if they could not do something with me, that I wanted to convert everybody. They informed him that they did not oppose me. He said: "Those good-for-nothing Baptists have ruined this child". I asked him: "Is the Bible and that which we study in the school true?" "Yes", he replied. "The Bible is the one book and God's Word is true". I explained to him that it was what I studied in the Bible that won me and not the Baptists. I also added that I found the Baptists to be much more sincere than the Reformed Church believers. Seeing that I stood fast, Satan used some of my relatives to ask me not to start a new religion. I wanted to be a Baptist but they said I was still a child and that they did not believe I was converted. They asked my parents how I behaved myself. The answer they received was that my parents did not know what had happened to me, but that I was entirely different and very obedient.

At this time a German preacher, Mr. Meyer, was in Budapest and there were about twenty Baptists. I came to the city to be baptized, but they were afraid to baptize me as I was only thirteen. I told them that it did not matter, that I'd prove myself. One year later they saw that I was serious so I was baptized. My parents began attending church. Often I went to the field and prayed that they too might accept Christ as personal Savior soon. I decided I would never marry and told my mother: "The knowledge of Jesus makes me so happy that I am not interested in anything but His work".

Then my parents, my grandmother, who was seventy-two, and some other relatives were converted and how I did praise God. I had to train my parents in the Christian life, because they did not want to give me money and let me go on mission trips. I gave regularly but one winter I had no money and mother asked from what was I going to give now. I replied that God would provide and He did. They thought of many places they thought I should use that money but I told them it was God's. I wanted them to tithe from the farm produce. Once we were picking cherries and I said there would be two hundred pounds. Mother said we'd do well to get 160. When we received more than 200 pounds I told her just to count out 180 and we'd give the rest to the Lord. Once there was a big shower and the tomatoes were washed back into the ground. Mother asked from what will I give now? I asked God to glorify Himself. I looked and picked the tomatoes out of the dirt. That season tomatoes were scarce and expensive, but God blessed us by giving us many tomatoes and I told mother it was because I wanted to give the tenth. Once when I wanted to go on a mission trip she wanted me to stay home and help the workers. I told her if she would let me go by a certain time the work would be finished, and so it was. (Matt. 6:33)

I wanted to be wholly God's and do His work, but there were no Baptist papers and I knew nothing of mission work. There were no song books; I had some German song books, took the notes and put Hungarian words to them. I wrote songs and taught them to the others.

Several young men asked for my hand in marriage but I told the preacher not to come to our house another time with any such request as I was not in-

terested. (You know that in Hungary at that time and even now in the villages practically no talking or courting is done until after the engagement. A boy decides which girl he would like to marry. Then he writes to her pastor telling him to ask the girl if she will marry him. The girl makes up her mind, writes a letter to the pastor telling her decision for or against the other party. If favorable, then they meet and become better acquainted.)

About that time Mr. Udvarnoki told the deacons in his church that he wanted to get married and, giving them a list of three girls, told them to choose one of the three to be Mrs. Udvarnoki. They unanimously chose me. Then he came to Budapest and made the same request of the deacons here and they also unanimously chose me. (While she told me this her youngest daughter, Elizabeth, came into the room and asked: "Mother, did not daddy choose you too?" And we three had a good laugh. Elizabeth and I both assuringly told her that had we been there we would by all means have chosen her too. Then she told us how important it was for him to have the right kind of wife because he was the first educated Hungarian Baptist minister and leader, having studied at Hainburg Seminary.) Then Mr. Udvarnoki came to me and asked me to marry him. I asked him how he could have the nerve to come to me in person and ask me because that was not proper. He told me that two committees had unanimously agreed that I should be Mrs. Udvarnoki. I then thought this to be the Lord's leadership and decided that God wanted to use me to help in this way instead of alone. When I came to Budapest the brethren and sisters were delighted that I would be Mrs. Udvarnoki and said they hoped I would start women's mission work. It frightened me. I was only a country girl and had never heard of women's mission work. July 10, 1895, Mr. Udvarnoki and I were married. In the same year we organized the first Woman's Missionary Society in Hungary and I was for thirty-two years its president.

God gave us nine children, four of whom are living. I still went on mission trips. Once my husband and another minister were going on a five weeks' trip to Rumania and Transylvania. I said that was too long to leave the children. The other minister said the work would be only half done if I did not go as so many women were waiting there with no one to lead them. I closed the door and, opening my Bible, prayed that God would lead me. My Bible opened to the place—Matt. 12:29. I went and God blessed and used me to help the women in Rumania and Transylvania. Also I went to Czechoslovakia.

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—1888—

The Golden Jubilee

—1938—

My meat is to do the will of Him that sent Me and to accomplish His work.—John 4:34
As the Father gave Me commandment so I do.—John 14:31

COMMITTING MYSELF

As a disciple of Christ I want to be enrolled among those who promise—

- To spend some time alone each day in a study of God's Word and in quiet meditation
- To pray daily for the interests of the Kingdom in all the world and in intercession for others
- To do my utmost to gather my family together daily for worship
- To endeavor to enroll in each of our W.M.U. organizations members whose declared purpose would be to become active in the various phases of W.M.U. work
- To complete the required mission study course
- To teach a mission study class
- To pray and definitely work to win at least one soul to Christ this Jubilee Year
- To try to be like Christ "who went about doing good" chiefly that He might "save men from their sins but who delighted to save them from their sorrows"

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There was a missionary with whom I worked. We alternated—she did city mission work one day and I the next. She worked with the girls and I in the homes. Once I was sick. She came in and knelt beside my bed crying, saying: "The work is so large, let us pray that more women will be led into mission work. Let us write the rich people in America".

In about 1913, there was a World Baptist Conference here in the German church. A Rumanian woman talked about women's work. They asked me to speak and I asked for help to start a girls' school. We had a deaconess home and ten deaconesses, but after the war only two were left and they are both in our orphanage now. The war tore up all of our work. The orphanage was made a necessity by the war. The conference promised help but did nothing about it. A preacher from Vienna said they had such a girls' school but that the girls after training had married the preachers. I said: "Thank the Lord. We need more trained preachers' wives". The conference agreed.

In 1934, it was our great joy and privilege to have Dr. Maddy and several dear women from S.B.C. visit us. I was asked to talk after dinner. I first thanked the southern Baptists for help during the war when there were no potatoes, no food in our markets to buy. I said there is one thing for which I have prayed which I have not received—a school for Hungarian Baptist girls. Then Dr. Maddy said: "We have planned to give you one. You just must accept it". Then the dear women said that they hoped that out of their gifts to Lottie Moon Christmas Offering they could help give the school.

God reward those dear women, Dr. Maddy, Dr. and Mrs. Gill and the others for all their love, interest and gifts! God be merciful to southern Baptists who have sacrificed that we Hungarians might have this school that our daughters might be trained to serve our Lord and Master. I am so happy that God has graciously permitted me to live and see my dream and prayer answered in the opening of the Baptist Bible Girls' School in Budapest, Hungary.

Psalm 145:19—"He will fulfill the desire of them that fear Him: He also will hear their cry and will save them".

NOTE: For reference material and questions see pages 6, 10

- To study with an open mind the whole subject of tithes and offerings
- To tithe
- To lead or assist in leading some one of our W.M.U. young people's organization.
- To listen for the call of God in every need and demand of my church and community that I might know His will to do it

Name.....

The joy of the heart is love
The joy of the mind is sincerity
The joy of the spirit is courage
The joy of the will is decision".

This page is perforated so that it may be easily detached, studied and meditated upon. After heart searching prayer place an x in the square before each of the aims to which you may have decided to commit yourself. (If you are already at work as some of them place an x anyway, thus recommitting yourself.) Then give it to your society's Golden Jubilee chairman within a month or as promptly as possible thereafter.

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CURRENT MISSIONARY EVENTS

Discussed by Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

People of all classes and nations are being reached through the Bible Kiosk at the Paris Exposition, maintained by the Geneva Bible School. By the middle of October, about 3,000 copies in 51 languages had been sold in three months. With every Bible sold, one or two leaflets are given as a guide to reading and to the knowledge of personal salvation.

With war raging in two of the countries (Spain and China) in which southern Baptists are at work and with another the aggressor nation in one of these wars, it is helpful to remember that the "weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty unto the pulling down of strongholds" and that the Bible which is the "Sword of the Spirit" is being placed in the hands of thousands everywhere, thus helping to arm them in the warfare for "peace and good will among men".

Ten years ago the Soviet government gave permission for the printing of 50,000 Bibles and 50,000 New Testaments under the auspices of the Russia Bible Fund. The money necessary for this project was procured from many sources: much of it was given by Americans. Part of the work had been done when suddenly the government withdrew its permission. "Since Russia is still closed to Bible distribution", says Mr. Neprash, secretary of this Russian Bible Fund, in the *Missionary Review of the World*, "the committee in charge of the fund decided to use the money to make the Scriptures available in many places throughout the world. Some evangelical Christians organized the distribution in China, Manchukuo and Japan and the writer (Mr. Neprash) took up the work in parts of Europe where there are large settlements of Russians. "The results of this evangelistic work are far beyond expectation because of the spiritual hunger of the masses of exiles".

Recent indications point to a determined revival of religious interest in Russia in

spite of the most persistent efforts on the part of the government; an indication of this trend is that four years ago the Militant Godless League numbered 5,000,000 members. At present there are only 2,000,000 enrolled.—*Lutheran News Bureau*

As this is being written the latest information from Rumania is to the effect that the government has issued an order exempting Baptist churches from the provisions of the decree which would have closed most of the Baptist churches in Rumania. The Baptists are highly delighted and are doing all they can to cooperate with the government in finally settling the problem.

Miss Ruby Daniel writes that the James Memorial School in Bucharest, Rumania, opened with a student body of 29 girls of five nationalities: Rumanian, Hungarian, Russian, German and Bulgarian. "The enthusiastic spirit of the girls", writes Miss Daniel, "and their appreciation of the school are shown in every activity".

As we rejoice with our Rumanian brothers and sisters our hearts are saddened because of the anti-Semitic activities in that country. The newly elected government, with the apparent approval of King Carol, started the new year by announcing that it would expel from Rumania "all Jewish elements that entered the country illegally after the World War". There are about 1,200,000 Jews in the kingdom of Rumania who, we are told, fled from anti-Semitic outrages in other countries, notably Poland and Germany, and may be unable to show passports from the countries from which they escaped. Now they are again to be thrust forth and where shall they go? As we rejoice during our Jubilee Year let us not forget that these stricken people everywhere are descendants of those to whom the "blast of the trumpet", proclaiming the Year of Jubilee, meant so much in ancient Hebrew history.

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