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EDITORIAL

In the AFTERGLOW

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

THE 51st Annual Meeting of W.M.U., May 15-17, in Oklahoma City, brought holy joy to a host of delegates and visitors in the realization of attainment of Jubilee goals and in consistent gains in each phase of missionary promotion. Brief inspiring messages from many missionaries and graphic presentation of Indian missions linked the fruits of missions in the homeland and around the world with the promotion work, which is the function of W.M.U. In the afterglow of these high and holy hours we are moved to consider the conservation of gains and to exercise diligence in further enlistment of the women and young people of the churches in our denomination's missionary ideals and objectives. The fervency of spirit which victory engenders must result in steady purpose to go forward, grasping the wider opportunities which these victories have opened to us.

With a gain of more than 100,000 members and more than 4000 organizations great care must be exercised to quicken in them missionary purpose and to assure their participation in the Union's plans and program of activity. With a gain of 10.9% in gifts to mission causes it is most important to stress this expression of the missionary spirit. Only thus can the record gains of 1938 be exceeded in this year 1939. Your society is definitely responsible through fostering care of its auxiliaries and new women's societies. These new members and new organizations will be a tremendous asset if your society is faithful to its responsibility to them.

Focus Weeks for emphasis upon our graded system of missionary education have been highly productive. August 13-18 is Royal Ambassador focus time. W.M.U. has always sought consecrated and competent man leadership for R.A. Chapters. Many pastors are happy in such leadership of the boys of their churches. Interest has been quickened in the Baptist Brotherhood and as an outgrowth the following resolution was adopted in the W.M.U. annual meeting:

Resolved that the Woman's Missionary Union asks:

First, that the Baptist Brotherhood of the south arrange for the Brotherhood organization in the various churches of the Southern Baptist Convention to study the work of the Order of Royal Ambassadors in at least one program annually and to investigate the plans and needs of the Royal Ambassador Chapter in their own church

Second, that the Brotherhood train counselors for R.A. Chapters, using the Correspondence Course from W.M.U. Headquarters, Birmingham, Alabama, emphasizing the study of the "Guide for Counselors of R.A. Chapters"

Third, that the Brotherhood furnish counselors for Royal Ambassador Chapters wherever requested to do so by the W.M.S. of the church.

Your society will do well to cooperate with the Brotherhood in arranging for this study of Royal Ambassador work during this August focus week. Remember that the fostering care of the W.M.S. continues to be a responsibility for this as well as for every other missionary organization for W.M.U. young people.

The closing session of the recent W.M.U. annual meeting was both a benediction and a challenge to high endeavor. The report of the W.M.U. Training

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TRAINING SCHOOL

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

MULTUM IN PARVO

THUS the Romans expressed it: "Much in little"! Through the ages people have realized that things accumulate, that receptacles are not only convenient but suggestive. Accordingly in devising ways and means for raising the money needed for the new building project of the W.M.U. Training School it has seemed well to furnish at a nominal cost offering boxes shaped like the School's proposed building. W.M.S. and Y.W.A. members as well as their organizations will delight to use such a box for their thrifty savings and loving offerings toward the project as set forth on page 36 of this magazine.

For example: \$20 will provide 100 square feet of the roof; \$12 to \$15 will lay a square yard of the foundation; a glass in a window will cost \$8.50; one hundred brick can be laid for \$5. Sunbeams, Girls' Auxiliary and Royal Ambassador members are being urged each to use the "Foot of Dimes" card as a reminder to save and give their dimes; the August issue of *World Comrades* carries a stirring playlet: "March of the Dimes". Similarly, a playlet in the August issue of *The Window of Y.W.A.* sets forth the spiritual values that should accrue to all who contribute to the building project even as the new plant is designed to deepen the missionary purpose of all who are trained therein: the title of the Y.W.A. playlet is "Opening Windows in the New Training School".

Y.W.A. and W.M.S. members are, therefore, encouraged to order and use the offering boxes as pictured on this page. They are of white cardboard, printed in black, the size being about the same as herewith shown: an artistic person can easily add color to her box! The postpaid prices are as follows: 5c each; 50c a dozen; \$4 per hundred. Order from W.M.U. Training School, 334 East Broadway, Louisville, Ky. Won't you "build" largely in this undertaking for "Life Beautiful" through those who will be trained in this new "House Beautiful"?



SUMMER ASSEMBLIES

HOME MISSIONS CONFERENCE

Ridgecrest, August 6-11

By J. B. Lawrence

PACK your bag and get your ticket for the Home Missions Conference at Ridgecrest, August 6-11. This conference has come to be one of the outstanding events at the summer assembly grounds. Last year many said the Home Missions Conference program stood out above all the rest as the most significant and far reaching in importance of all the subjects discussed at Ridgecrest.

This year the program is just as outstanding. The speakers cannot be surpassed. This is a good way to spend a vacation and one would have to travel far before he would find such a feast of good things as will be spread for him in this conference.

Missionary experiences, panel conferences by outstanding leaders and daily inspirational addresses will feature the varied program. Theme for the week, around which all the addresses and conferences will be built, is "Crowning Christ".

Come with us and we will do thee good!

ARIZONA ASSEMBLY

MY two oldest girls went with our pastor and his wife to the Assembly in Prescott for the first time in 1934.

They came home uplifted and happy and talked so much about the Assembly that we began right away to plan to spend our vacation there the next year; we have been to every Assembly since.

It comes at a time in the year when the weather is extremely hot in the valley and we look forward to going to Prescott among the pine trees and mountains and to enjoying the cool weather there. Another reason we like to go is because of the wonderful inspiration and fellowship that we enjoy there. We always have such fine out-of-state visitors that we come home feeling that we have been to the mountain top spiritually as well as physically.

This year our Assembly is to be held in Prescott, August 7-13. It is our privilege to have with us some fine workers. We always look forward each year to meeting our out-of-state visitors, wondering if we shall enjoy them as much as the ones we have met before; we are never disappointed.

We have study classes for Sunday School, Baptist Training Union and Woman's Missionary Union. There is a place for every one in each study period. We also have inspirational, recreational and rest periods. I do not know of any way or place we could spend a vacation more profitably and with greater enjoyment than at the Arizona Assembly.—Mrs. A. J. Garner

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School, revealing its far-reaching influence, prepared all hearts for consideration of its enlargement program. Money available for its present Enlargement Fund, the prospect of a good sale for the present property at 334 East Broadway when it is no longer needed for school purposes, with the \$100,000 to be raised in 1939-1940, assure a beautiful and adequate plant. A hearty standing vote at Oklahoma City approved all these plans. Characteristically W.M.U. works together and, so working, is blessed of God. The afterglow of this great meeting lingers to lighten the path for further united service; the afterglow of a half century of life and work makes radiant the future. Woman's Missionary Union resolves to go forward as "laborers together with God" to hasten His surely coming Kingdom.

"OUTSTANDING" CHURCHES

List of S.B.C. Churches in Which during Calendar Year 1938 Every Resident Woman Member of Church Contributed to Missions (through Cooperative Program Designated and Undesignated or Offerings of W.M.U.)

Names of presidents and pastors are for calendar year of 1938. The small figure preceding any name indicates the number of years the church has been "outstanding". A star (*) to right of any name shows that church also maintained last year an A-1 Full Graded W.M.U., there having been 67 churches thus doubly distinguished. The list of A-1 churches was published in the July issue of this magazine. (Names of presidents and pastors are for calendar year 1938.)

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- 1 Maple Grove (Linn Co. Assn.)
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- 1 Millersville
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- 1 Mt. Hermon (Lamine Assn.)
- 1 Mt. Zion (Audrain Assn.)
- 1 New Hope (Butler Assn.)
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- 1 Pleasant Home (Greene Co. Assn.)

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- 1 Ramsey Creek
- 1 Rich Hill
- 1 Rising Sun (Callaway Assn.)
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- 1 St. Joseph, Patee Park

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- 1 Short Creek
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- 1 Three Groves
- 1 Union
- 1 Victory (Christian Co. Assn.)
- 1 Walnut Grove

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- 1 Cherry Grove
- 1 Coats
- 2 Cool Springs
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- 2 Durham, Watts St.*
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- 1 Greenville Memorial
- 1 Johnson's
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- 1 Black Creek (Colleton Assn.)
- 2 Bradley (Abbeville Assn.)
- 1 Cades
- 1 Canaan (Colleton Assn.)
- 1 Carwell
- 3 Concord (Saluda Assn.)
- 1 Congaree (Orangeburg Assn.)
- 3 Connie Maxwell Orphanage
- 1 Crooked Run (Fairfield Assn.)
- 1 Denmark
- 1 Double Branch (Orangeburg Assn.)
- 1 Double Pond (Barnwell Assn.)
- 2 Ebenezer (Florence Assn.)
- 1 Elko
- 1 Elim
- 1 Elberton
- 1 Fairview (N. Greenville Assn.)
- 3 Flint Hill (York Assn.)
- 1 Gaffney, First*
- 1 Goucher*
- 1 Gray Court
- 4 Holston Creek
- 1 Horeb (Santee Assn.)
- 1 Hunt Memorial (Reedy River Assn.)
- 1 Jenkinsville
- 4 Lake Swamp
- 1 Little River
- 1 Long Branch (Saluda Assn.)*
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- 1 Macedonia
- 2 Mt. Olive
- 1 Newberry, First
- 1 Nichols
- 1 North Greenville
- 1 Pee Dee
- 3 Pine Pleasant
- 1 Pleasant Hill (Pee Dee Assn.)
- 1 Reedy Branch (Barnwell Assn.)
- 1 Ridgeville
- 1 Rock Hill, Northside
- 1 Rock Hill, West End
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- 1 Chattanooga, Parker's Gap
- 2 Chattanooga, White Oak
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- 1 Greenville, Second
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- 1 Houston, Harbor
- 2 Houston, Hibbard Memorial
- 2 Houston, Third
- 3 Hull
- 1 Kyle
- 1 La Feria
- 1 Laird Hill
- 2 London
- 4 Los Fresnos
- 1 Malakoff
- 3 Mason
- 2 Mt. Enterprise
- 1 Orchard
- 2 Overton, First
- 2 Pecan Grove
- 3 Pine Hill, First*
- 3 Pineland
- 1 Pine Ridge
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- 5 Burdette*
- 2 Calvary
- 1 Chesterfield
- 1 Clintwood
- 2 Coeburn*
- 1 Cool Spring*
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- 1 Crooked Run
- 1 Dillwyn*
- 2 Dry Fork
- 2 Elk Hill
- 1 Emmaus
- 1 Eden
- 2 Ephesus (Concord Asm.)
- 3 Ephesus (Rappahannock Asm.)*
- 1 Fieldale*
- 2 Fort Lewis
- 1 Fountain Creek
- 1 Graceland
- 1 Grove
- 2 Hampton, Memorial*
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- 1 Hillsville
- 1 Hilton*
- 2 Irvington
- 1 Ivor*
- 2 Kedron
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- 1 Lynchburg, First
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- 1 Shiloh (Petersburg Assn.)
- 5 Slovak
- 2 Smithfield*
- 1 Spring City
- 1 Spring Creek
- 1 Spring Hill (Rappahannock Assn.)
- 1 Tabernacle
- 3 Thaxton*
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BOOK REVIEWS



Miss Willie Jean Stewart, Tennessee

Any books reviewed in this magazine may be ordered from State Baptist Bookstore. The price of each book is quoted with its review.

FANNIE E. S. HECK: a Study of the Hidden Springs in a Rarely Useful and Victorious Life—Mrs. W. C. James; Broadman Press, Nashville, 1939; Price 60c

ALTHOUGH it is now almost twenty-five years since Miss Heck's death her influence still lives in Woman's Missionary Union and her memory is still green in the affections of all who had vital contact with her. It would have been very easy, therefore, for the author to have told the well-loved story of Miss Heck's life and left it there. But Mrs. James has chosen a far more exacting and more rewarding task by undertaking, as her sub-title suggests, to seek out and interpret the hidden springs in Miss Heck's heredity and nurture and Christian experience which poured their richness and beauty into the making of her steadfast character and radiant personality. The author has succeeded remarkably well in comprehending and passing on to her readers "those things in Miss Heck's life and writings that have 'rung the bell within'" and have made her the power she was and is in southern Baptist life.

The plan of the book is quite simple. In six brief chapters, suitable for study classes as well as individual reading, it discusses Miss Heck's heredity and the formative experiences of her early years; her conversion and the activity of her radiant young womanhood; her first and then her second period of formal service as president of the Union; the crowning achievements of the Jubilate year; and the moving experiences of that final pain-crowded year in which she became a veritable benediction to every life that touched hers in any way. It is a stirring story which we hope none of our women and Y.W.A. members will miss. (See page 21.)



FAMILY ALTAR



Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

Note: The references in italics are furnished by the "Committee on Improved Uniform Lessons of the International Sunday School Lessons". The references in heavy type are in keeping with the month's missionary topic and with the denomination's emphasis on soul-winning in 1939.

TOPIC: Carrying Out the Great Commission in the Orient

"Go, preach My Gospel," saith the Lord;
"Bid the whole world My grace receive;
He shall be saved that trusts My word
And be condemned who'll not believe."

"I'll make your great commission known;
And ye shall prove My Gospel true
By all the works that I have done,
By all the wonders ye shall do."

—Isaac Watts

"Behold, I send My messenger".

"All unrighteousness is sin".

- 1st Day—Memorize Matt. 28:18-20;
I Kings 18:17-21
2nd Day—Matt. 11:1-11; *I Kings 18:30-35*
3rd Day—Matt. 11:16-27; *I Kings 18:36-39*
4th Day—Matt. 12:14-21; *I Kings 21:17-20*
5th Day—Matt. 12:30; *I Kings 24:11*
6th Day—Matt. 13:1-9; *Psa. 27:1-5*
7th Day—Matt. 13:18-23; *I Kings 4:1-7*

- 15th Day—Memorize Psa. 116:1-3;
Don. 5:1-5
16th Day—*I John 5:17; Don. 5:25-30*
17th Day—*I John 8:4; Dan. 1:16-20*
18th Day—*I John 1:8, 9; Prov. 31:1-5*
19th Day—*Luke 13:3; Isa. 5:11-13*
20th Day—Psa. 94:11, 12, 16-23;
I Thess. 5:6-11
21st Day—Psa. 110; *I Chron. 26:3-5*

"Take My yoke upon you".

"The love of Christ constraineth us".

- 8th Day—Memorize Matt. 11:28-30;
I Kings 4:32-37
9th Day—Matt. 13:24-35; *I Kings 4:42-44*
10th Day—Matt. 18:18-19; *I Kings 5:1-7*
11th Day—Rom. 8:1-11; *I Kings 5:8-14*
12th Day—Rom. 8:14-18, 24-31;
I Kings 6:15-19
13th Day—Rom. 8:35, 38, 39; *Gal. 6:1-10*
14th Day—Rom. 12:1-12; *Joel 1:5-7*

- 22nd Day—Memorize John 17:3-5;
I Chron. 26:16-21
23rd Day—*Luke 5:22; Deut. 6:10-13*
24th Day—*I Cor. 5:14; Luke 12:16-20*
25th Day—*Isa. 33:22; James 1:22-25*
26th Day—*Isa. 43:11; 58:2; Neh. 4:14, 15*
27th Day—*Isa. 46:12, 13; 47:14;*
Psa. 103:1-3
28th Day—*Isaiah 2:7-9; Isa. 6:1-5*
29th Day—*John 3:18-21; 6:39; Isa. 6:6-8*
30th Day—*John 7:16-18; 8:47; Isa. 6:9-13*
31st Day—*Rev. 7:9-12; Ex. 3:9-12*

"Pray Ye"

That Christian hearts will increasingly praise God for His Son

That summer meetings in assemblies and camps and associations will strengthen Christian character and deepen the sense of responsibility and devotion for missions near and far

That the Home Missions Conference at Ridgcrest, August 6-11, will be largely attended and divinely guided (See page 6.)

That Chinese Christians and all missionaries to China may be conscious of the watchcare of the Heavenly Father and that southern Baptists will rally loyally to Chinese relief and rehabilitation plans of the S.R.C. Foreign Mission Board

Intercede for all missionaries in home and foreign lands.

Ask God's guidance for: (1) W.M.U. Training School building plans; (2) W.M.U. young people's organizations; (3) Southwide Baptist Revival.

BIBLE STUDY

Ella Broadus Robertson, Kentucky

The EVER-ENLARGING CITIZENRY of the KINGDOM

Matt. 8:11; John 10:16; Rev. 7:9-13; Eph. 2:17-20

THE "wideness in God's mercy" rings like a rich bell's note through the Scriptures, but the Jews could not hear it. It is in the promise to Abraham and in the story of the chosen people; in the Psalms—"God shall bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall fear Him"; in the experiences of Jonah, that unwilling missionary; in the foregleams of the Messiah in the prophets—"a light to lighten the gentiles", as well as "the glory of Thy people Israel". It sounded clear in the teaching of Jesus, as He rejoiced in the faith of the Roman officer, and as He declared Himself the Good Shepherd not only of Israel (Psa. 78:52) but of other sheep in distant folds. The disciples had to be taught it by the hardest. Paul was the first who grasped the joy and glory of it. Read Eph. 2:17-20. Do we believe it? Do we act on our belief? Do we know that this is what we are here for? Paul says to these gentiles that because of the Gospel they are fellow-citizens with the saints, kinsmen in the family of God, built into the same structure, the temple of the Holy Spirit. Striking words indeed for a Jew!

Paul even caught a glimpse of the church triumphant when he said to the Philippians: "At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, in Heaven and on earth". But it was John the Beloved to whom it was given to see that multitude from every nation and tongue, praising God for His salvation, serving God in Heaven, and to bear the wonderful words: "The Lamb will shepherd them . . . and will guide them to the waters of life . . . and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes".

Look at the tears and agony of the orient today; and Europe one mass of fear! Why does the Kingdom of God come so slowly? One by one must men come into that Kingdom, but the millions of Christians are not winning millions more, as Christ intended we should. In this country, some are fearing to welcome the refugees from Europe, even the children who are needing homes in a sane environment. Perhaps God is sending them to us to bear the Gospel. Many immigrants have found this the chief treasure of their new home land. We ourselves owe a debt to missionaries who long ago took this blessing to our ancestors, in the wilds of heathen Germany, and to the early inhabitants of Britain. "Many shall come from the east and the west", said Jesus. We of the west are many, and the east needs us as never before.

Years ago I heard Dr. Bryan say: "I'm not asking anybody to hold ropes while I go down into a well. I'm asking them to hold the ladder while I climb to the top. Nobody can see God at work in the world as can a foreign missionary". And Dr. Scherer: "Two facts are beyond dispute—one is the restlessness of men everywhere at all times, and the other is their need of God. Men are not materialistic at heart, but spiritual. They are not at home on this planet. They need God. Only then are they at peace". This of course is an echo of Augustine's dying words: "Thou hast made us for Thyself, and we are restless till we rest in Thee".

Calendar of Prayer August, 1939

Prepared by Mrs. W. C. Henderson, Arizona

O God of all mercy, protect us—
Whoever we may be—or where—
From spirits of darkness that hover
To lead us to sullen despair.
This life may seem filled up with worries,
With sorrows, with tears and with care;
But we find an eternal sunshine
In the wonderful gift of prayer.

—Kate Byrne-O'Rourke

Topic: Carrying Out the Great Commission in the Orient

1—TUESDAY

Foreign Mission Week, Ridgecrest, N. C.,
July 30-Aug. 4
Glory ye to His holy Name. —I Chron. 16:10

2—WEDNESDAY

Miss Anna Hartwell, **Martha
Frank, 19Wm. Wm. evangelistic
workers, Hongkong, China
They spoke unto him the word of the
Lord.—Acts 18:11

3—THURSDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Abernethy (Jimmie Leon-
ard), evangelistic workers, Miss Mary
Crawford, evangelistic-educational worker,
Miss Jennie Alderman, evangelistic work-
er, Tientsin, China
Thine is the Kingdom, O Lord, and Thou
art exalted above all.—I Chron. 20:11

4—FRIDAY

Dr. and Mrs. J. V. Dawes (Laura
Mauro), Dr. and Mrs. T. P. McCrea
(Jacqueline), evangelistic missionaries from
China
He will keep the feet of His saints. —I Sam. 2:9

5—SATURDAY

Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Kelly, Tuskegee, Ala.,
educational workers to their own Negro
race
It seemed good to us . . . to send chosen
men unto you.—Acts 15:25

6—SUNDAY

Home Mission Week, Ridgecrest, N. C.,
Aug. 6-11
Where prayer was wont to be made. —Acts 16:13

7—MONDAY

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Smith, Sandy Hook,
Ky., evangelistic workers among Men-
dians
Behold the Lord's doing, and wonder there-
at: the idea of the world's redemption. —Eph. 3:1

8—TUESDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Brecher (Arla Porter),
Mr. and Mrs. Crabtree (Mabel Hender-
son), evangelistic-educational workers, Rio
de Janeiro, Brazil; also Robert G. and
Lewis M. Brecher, Margaret Crabtree,
Margaret Ford students
The Lord is thy shade upon thy right
hand.—Psa. 121:5

9—WEDNESDAY

Miss May Perry, evangelistic worker,
Miss Neale Young, W.M.U. worker,
Abokuta, Nigeria
No good thing will He withhold from them
that walk uprightly.—Psa. 84:11

10—THURSDAY

Mrs. F. J. Fowler (Daisy Cate), Mrs. R.
M. Logan (Rebecca Adams), emeritus
missionaries from Argentina
He that keepeth thee will not slumber. —Psa. 121:3

11—FRIDAY

Miss Blanche Groves, educational worker,
Soochow, Miss Grace Wells, evangelistic
worker, Chinkiang, China
The hour to reap is come.—Rev. 14:15

12—SATURDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Davis (Mary Gamble),
Latin-American publication workers, El
Paso, Texas
Declare His glory among the nations. —Psa. 96:3

13—SUNDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Tipton (Mary Bryson),
evangelistic-literary workers, Miss Lila
Watson, W.M.U. worker, Miss Roberta
Pearle Johnson, evangelistic worker,
Shanghai, China
For my brethren and companions' sakes,
I will now say "Peace be within thee". —Psa. 121:6

14—MONDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Villarsal, Eagle Lake,
Texas, evangelistic workers among Men-
dians
Put on the whole armor of God. —Eph. 6:11

Calendar of Prayer for August

15—TUESDAY

Misses (Addie Cox and **eViola Humphreys, evangelistic workers, Miamos **eZemma Hale and eJosephine Ward, educational workers, Kaitang, China. There is no restraint to the Lord to save by many or by few.—1 Sam. 14:6

16—WEDNESDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Giam (Jesse Pettigrew), evangelistic-educational-medical workers, Miamos (Jane W. Lide and Florence Lide, evangelistic-educational workers, Hwangshieh, China; also Gertrude and Bryan P. Giam, Margaret Fund students. We trust in the living God.—1 Tim. 4:10

17—THURSDAY

**Mr. and **eMrs. Johnson (Elizabeth Jackson), Mr. and eMrs. Harrison (Helen Bagby), educational workers, Racine, Brand. And this is love—that we walk after His commandment.—II John 6

18—FRIDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Beard (Grace Home), Pawnee, Mrs. Phelps (Sue Bronson), Weimaha, Miss Grace Clifford, Nardin, Okla., evangelistic workers among Indians. I have set before thee an open door.—Rev. 3:8

19—SATURDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Bagby (Frances Adams), Sao Paulo, Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood (Rudice Allen), Campo Grande, Brazil, evangelistic workers. Great is our Lord and of great power.—Psa. 147:5

20—SUNDAY

That southern Baptists may grow in the grace of giving. He that sows, let him do it with liberality.—2 Cor. 9:7

21—MONDAY

Dr. and Mrs. T. Nell Johnson (Nellie Tyner), Mrs. E. L. Morgan (Lela Carter), emeritus missionaries from China. Known unto God are all His works from the beginning of the world.—Acts 15:18

22—TUESDAY

**Miss Alice Parker, evangelistic-educational worker, Miss Mary Demarest, evangelistic worker, Miamos *Irue Jeffers and eCharles Liddell, educational workers, Yangchow, China. His understanding is infinite.—Psa. 147:5

23—WEDNESDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Machado (Estrella y Hernandez), Vibora, Mr. and Mrs. DeArmas (Edwina y Estepa), Jacomino, Cuba, evangelistic workers. We have thought on Thy lovingkindness.—Psa. 48:8

24—THURSDAY

Dr. and Mrs. Yocom (Daisy Disney), medical workers, Miamos (Pam) Caldwell and (Bonnie Jean Ray, evangelistic workers, Pingtu, China; also Dorothy Yocom, Margaret Fund student. The day of the Lord is near upon all the nations.—Obadiah 15

25—FRIDAY

Mr. and Mrs. HUI (Louise Herick), Mr. and Mrs. Woodward (Mabel Williams), evangelistic workers, Canton, China. Trust ye in the Lord forever, for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength.—Psa. 124:8

26—SATURDAY

Mr. and eMrs. Rankin (Grace Elliott), educational workers, Miss Annie Sandlin, evangelistic-educational worker, Shichow, China. At midnight Paul and Silas sang praises unto God.—Acts 16:25

27—SUNDAY

"An exaltation of the ministry of preaching" in the Southwide Revival efforts of southern Baptists. The Lord is a God of knowledge and by His actions are weighed.—I Sam. 2:3

28—MONDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Cavazos (Flora C.), Miss Amelia Diaz, evangelistic workers among Mexicans, Miss Otis Lovelitt, evangelistic worker among Chinese, San Antonio, Texas. A man is not justified by the works of the law, but through faith in Jesus Christ.—Gal. 2:16

29—TUESDAY

Dr. and Mrs. Ayres (Winifred Bennett), Dr. and Mrs. Humphrey (Edith Felber), evangelistic-medical workers, Chengchow, China. He will be our guide even unto death.—Psa. 48:14

30—WEDNESDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Stearns (Lilla Hyatt), evangelistic-educational workers, Bucharest, Rumania. Seek the Lord and His strength, seek His face continually.—I Chron. 16:11

31—THURSDAY

Mr. and eMrs. Reid (Jewell Starr), *Miss Mary Lee Dunn, evangelistic-educational workers, Mexico City, Mexico, D. F. Teach me to do Thy will, for Thou art my God.—Psa. 143:10

Attended W.M.U. Training School
Attended Southwestern Training School
Attended Baptist Bible Institute
*At Home in Yangchow



WHEN YOUR CIRCLE STUDIES the Biography of Miss Heck

each member will want her own copy. As this magazine goes forth in July there is definite assurance from the Sunday School Board that the biography will be ready for sale by August first. Very promptly in August order your copy, please; see page 16 of this magazine as to cost. The following suggestions for teaching the book are made by Miss Wilma Bucy, field worker of S.B.C. Home Mission Board:

It is very fitting that we should have for our study the life of Miss Fannie E. S. Heck, who was described by Mrs. Cox, in *Following in His Train*, as "the predominating personality in Woman's Missionary Union and as one whose plans and policies were so farsighted that panting time toiled after her in vain. . . . Her leadership was so progressive that the years have not overtaken her plans and policies for the Union. The women of the south followed her as though a shining star went before them".

Let the teacher ask herself: What message does this book have for me as an individual, as a teacher, for those who sit in my class? What objectives shall I have in my teaching? Shall I be content to present this story so cleverly and attractively the class members will feel that they have become personally acquainted with a wonderful personality, or shall I strive to get each member to delve down and discover the "hidden springs" which fed the life of this young Christian gentleman and nourished her maturer years of leadership and sustained her through the testing time of intense pain and suffering? Then shall I drive home the truth that those things which made Fannie E. S. Heck "an incomparable leader", "a shining star" will make us good and strong and true and that those same "hidden springs" should be as abundantly present in our lives today?

The wise teacher, who "reads the signs of the times", will not lose this opportunity to stir up real thinking on the powerful influence of a Christian home. Some might be induced by this discussion and example to establish a family altar in their own homes.

A note book entitled "Hidden Springs" could be made in class. Draw a family tree for both lines, given in first chapter, and write underneath: "Thou has given me the heritage of them that fear Thy name"—Psa. 61:9.

An almost hidden stream and a rainbow may be added at next lesson. The colors of the rainbow may represent the characteristics of this beautiful life as manifested in her home, her church, her city and in the southland.

Encourage members to jot down many items of interest brought out in the discussion—for instance, the inscription on the memorial tablet in First Baptist Church, Raleigh, should be copied. Other little sketches may be used as headings for succeeding chapters such as: a crown for "In Royal Service", a silver trumpet and a lily. Outlines of chapters and favorite quotations from Miss Heck's messages may be copied.

What results should be expected from this purposeful teaching? Surely there should be:

1. Deeper gratitude for W.M.U. and all of her splendid leaders
2. A yearning desire in every leader's heart to emulate Miss Heck's noble example
3. Less hesitancy on part of others to accept responsibility of leadership
4. New family altars established, others revived.

BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLES

Miss Isabelle Coleman, Virginia

SUGGESTIONS

(1) August is the month when an outdoor meeting is most enjoyed—a garden meeting, a trip to a near-by farm or to a lake or riverside. After cooking supper over a merry campfire, let the circle sit about the glowing embers and follow a lantern light program. Let the participants hold in their hands lanterns distinctive of their countries, as: Palestine lantern may bear in gold letters on the parchment John 3:16; Japan's swings from a bamboo pole and has black letters of the name of the participant pasted against the pink (in Japan a host can always recognize his guest at the gate by the name on his lantern); China's foursquare frame about the flickering light will enclose beautiful, colorful Chinese scenes.

(2) From Foreign Mission Board, Box 1595, Richmond, Virginia, order kodak pictures of China and Japan (7c each). Use these on invitation cards, program cards or as souvenir. Beautiful and interesting curios from the orient are available from Miss Mary M. Hunter, Box 1595, Richmond, Va. Write her for price list and also as to motion pictures of S.B.C. work in China.

TOPIC: CARRYING OUT the GREAT COMMISSION in the ORIENT

Hymn: "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning"

Scripture: (Let everyone give a verse about *Light*.)

Chain of Prayers

The Light of the Gospel: "The Great Commission and the Orient"—(Pages 24, 25)

A Palestinian Urn: "Palestine Today"—(Page 25)

A Chinese Lantern: "China Today"—(Page 26)

Japanese Insignia: "Japan Today"—(Page 27) —*Quartette:* "Follow the Gleam"

Three Torches: "Making Disciples in Palestine, China and Japan"—(Pages 28-31)

Hymn: "We've a Story to Tell"

Chinese Music: (Victrola Records)

Campfire Stories: (Page 32)

—*More Chinese Melodies*

Out of the Darkness: "Calls from the Orient"—(Pages 32-33)

Lights of Response: (Round table discussion of definite ways of helping China)

More Chinese Melodies

—*Benediction*

CALLS from CHINA

You have always said that you were ready to help any of us when you could. Some of us see a great need for a Baptist Student House here in Shanghai. All of our schools are carrying on in crowded quarters with little room for the extra-curricula activities. Our homes are also crowded and when there are several single women in school work as there are in our home, if we all had our groups here at our house, the home would never be free for our personal recreation. What we need is a large comfortable house with four or five rooms which could be furnished for meetings, a reading room, a place for personal talks with our students, a game room and lawn for volley ball and tennis. Rent is high here: for such a building we would have to pay at least \$100 (American) a month. The furnishing could be bought in second-hand stores. We will do our best to make some substitute arrangements, but we would like to be able to launch this movement in the fall. You see there are five Baptist schools that would be served by such a house, besides the W.M.U. Training School.—*Lorene Telford*

The first of June the Central China Mission cabled its endorsement of this call, thus urging that there be made possible a student house for these hundreds of Chinese students. The girls have held their Y.W.A. meetings standing in a crowded corridor. Courageously they are carrying on, but what a challenge it is to us to help the youth of Shanghai by giving them a place-of-prayer, a meeting place, a Student Christian Center!

PROGRAM PLANS

Mrs. T. M. Pittman, North Carolina

With the PROGRAM COMMITTEE

AUGUST, our vacation month, is here. We all feel that we may let things slip along. We spend most of our time out of doors, so why keep the living-room spick and span? Clubs have adjourned for the summer, so magazines are our heaviest reading. We are relaxed and lacking in energy.

Yet at this time the topic for our missionary meeting is one that draws with unusual force on our sympathies and calls for our deepest thoughts. We must follow St. Paul's admonition, "Gird up the loins of your minds". As a Program Committee we must make every effort to have the best program of the year.

The topic—"Carrying Out the Great Commission in the Orient"—takes us to three countries harassed by war. First, Palestine with its clash of Jews and Arabs; then to China, devastated by war; then to Japan where the war spirit predominates. Each of these countries needs careful study with the desire to understand the many sided questions presented. (Pages 25-27)

Presenting these questions clearly and attempting to give some answers to them is the work of the Program Committee. First, the committee should decide on the best place for the meeting. Shall it be at the church where there are chairs and a shelter in case of rain? Shall it be in someone's garden with flowers, grass and a suitable shady spot? Shall it be an afternoon picnic meeting in a park or convenient grove? Shall the society of some near-by church be invited to join and furnish part of the program? Other plans and questions will present themselves; so the committee should start thinking and making preparations in ample time. Transportation should be arranged so no one will miss the meeting for lack of a way to get there. A "cavalcade" through the town at the end of the meeting might prove an interesting feature. The oldest in years and the oldest in membership might be shown special honors. Also new members and visitors should be welcomed. Make this the friendliest, happiest of meetings. Lemonade and small cakes will add to sociability and make a real event for some members who are having no vacation trips.

The program in whatever setting must be prepared and presented clearly and interestingly. Mrs. Creasman suggests that "Calls from the Orient" be given by three women in costumes of the countries represented. If these women are in costume they can be used in other parts of the program. For instance: have one woman tell of "Palestine Today" and let the one in that costume stand by her while the talk is being made. The same plan should be followed in telling of China and Japan. (Pages 25-27)

When "Making Disciples in Palestine" comes on the program, the woman in costume may speak. The one in Chinese dress should tell of "Making Disciples in China"; the one in Japanese dress should tell of "Making Disciples in Japan". These talks must be shortened and if told in the first person as actual experiences they will be more effective. (Pages 28-31)

After special music—and be sure it is suited to the meeting—the same three women in costume may conclude the program with "Calls from the Orient" (Pages 32-33)

May the result of this program be more love for each other and deeper love for the cause in which we are united!



PROGRAM for AUGUST



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: The GREAT COMMISSION—OUR MISSION

TOPIC for MONTH: Carrying Out the Great Commission in the Orient

Hymn—Jesus Shall Reign

Bible Study—The Ever-Enlarging Citizenry of the Kingdom—Matt. 8:11; John 10:16; Rev. 7:9-12 (Page 18)

Prayer that we may help to enlarge the citizenry of the Kingdom

Hymn—The Kingdom Is Coming

The Great Commission and the Orient

—Palestine Today

China Today

—Japan Today

Hymn—Tell Me the Old, Old Story

Making Disciples in Palestine

—Making Disciples in China

Making Disciples in Japan

—Hymn for Year

Prayer for God's blessings on all of our work in the orient

Stories That Cheer—

Mrs. Chang Learns about the True God

The Word Brings Calm in Danger

A Japanese Officer Refuses to Fight

Calls from the Orient

—Benediction (See page 33.)

The GREAT COMMISSION and the ORIENT

The Great Commission was spoken in the orient. Jesus Himself was an oriental. He spent His whole life in an eastern country. His church was established among orientals. His Kingdom started in the east.

The first missionary effort of His disciples was to Christianize the countries lying nearest Palestine, which we call today the Near East. But even at the time when Jesus gave His Great Commission there were other countries still farther east where lived millions of people, many if not all of whom knew nothing of God who had sent His Son to save a lost world. Yes, even then there was China—already millenniums old, already with an ancient civilization, already with millions of people worshipping idols and living in the darkness of heathenism. And even then there was

John 12:32 I Jn. 4:8 Matt. 11:5

Mt. 11:28

Mk. 10:14

John 3:16

the Island Empire of Japan, already six hundred years old, with an emperor supposed to be a descendant of the sun goddess and with people even then worshipping that emperor and believing themselves to be a divine nation.

We are sure that Jesus included these orientals among the "all nations" of His commission. But in the divine purpose of God the footsteps of the early Christian missionaries were turned westward instead of eastward; and the Gospel—instead of going to Persia, China, Japan and India—traveled to Greece, Italy, Spain, England and America. So we find ourselves today God's chosen people, entrusted with His Gospel and commanded to go with that Gospel to all nations. As we hear the Great Commission of our Lord, our hearts turn toward the Near East with millions in Palestine and Syria still waiting for the Gospel message and to those other nations of the Far East still sitting in darkness waiting for the light of God's love. The Gospel which started in the east must go back to the east on the wings of our love and in obedience to the Great Commission.

PALESTINE TODAY

IF WE could stand today on the spot in Palestine where Jesus gave the Great Commission and behold the conditions that prevail in the lives of the people living there, our hearts would break over a holy land which has become one of the earth's most unholy places. We would see two great groups of people—Jews and Arabs—each claiming Palestine as their holy land, each desiring complete possession of the country, each hating the other with an intense hatred, each in constant conflict with the other. We would see these two groups as adherents of two great monotheistic religions—Judaism and Mohammedanism—which curse the lives of the people and make it a very difficult task to win them to Christ.

At the end of the World War our hearts rejoiced because Palestine for the first time in many centuries became

the possession of a Christian nation—England; we felt that conditions would be propitious for Christianizing the land of our Lord. But with the conflict between Jews and Moslems increasing in intensity every year, with conditions of adjustment arising to baffle even the great diplomatic nation—Great Britain—Palestine has become more and more a land of unsolvable problems and one of the most difficult missionary fields in the world. In writing of present day conditions in Palestine our S.B.C. missionary, Mr. Leo Eddleman, says: "Though a small country, Palestine in 1938 saw a year of bloodshed that is comparable to that of war zones; refugees from this country have flooded the more peaceful areas of Syria and Lebanon. Nineteen hundred and ninety-seven people were killed (mostly from ambush), and other thousands have been wounded, terrorized, made homeless and reduced to a state of economic dependency".

The fact that the people of Palestine are under the power of the only two major religions that have not given way to the Gospel of Jesus Christ makes the work of the missionaries there very difficult, the fruits of their labor very meager. The very difficulty of the task makes it a challenging one. Mr. Eddleman says: "We believe the very fact that Mohammedanism and Judaism have responded less than other religions to the Gospel increases the weight of responsibility upon us somehow to share with them the Christ".

We read much of modern development in Palestine—of the wonderful potential riches of the Dead Sea, of petroleum lines pouring oil into the port of Haifa, of the growth of other cities and the development of agricultural sections. Into this restored land are pouring from Europe's Semitic-persecuted countries thousands of Jews. These with the hordes of Arabs living in the land make a population of over a million, all of them needing the Gospel of Him who spent His earthly life in this land. On

up in Syria are other multitudes needing to know of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. And Jesus, standing on a mountain of this land and speaking to us across the centuries, said: "Go ye and make disciples of all nations"—surely He meant that we should include the people of His own country.

CHINA TODAY

CHINA, perhaps more than any other country in the world today, touches our hearts and appeals for our sympathy and help. She is the oldest nation in the world; she is the largest nation in the world; and she is being ravished and despoiled by what is perhaps the most ruthless and needless war in the history of the world. A year ago when we had a program on China this dreadful war was in progress, and our hearts ached over the condition of the Chinese people; and now — after twelve more months of fighting, twelve more months of China's suffering—we come again to realize that the war still continues, adding day after day to the total of casualties, destruction of property and human suffering.

Our secretary for the orient, Dr. M. T. Rankin of Shanghai, in a recent issue of "The Commission" gives us some pictures of the impressions left on his mind after a year of war in China: "Pictures of suffering, tragic, devastating suffering. Pictures of broken and mangled bodies of wandering children and aged men and women, forlorn and hopeless. Pictures of great refugee camps, crowded with destitute people who have been blasted and blown from their homes by shells and bombs. Pictures of millions of human beings moving out over the face of a vast continent, seeking safety and shelter. Pictures of destruction, of cities and countryside wrecked and ruined; of homes, schools, churches, shops and commercial establishments blown into pieces. Pictures of the fury of savage cruelty and of beastly passions. Pictures of national greed and lust, of hate and injustice".

This gives us a conception of what the

war has inflicted upon China, and yet there are some encouraging sides to the situation. There is the fact that as yet China has not been conquered, and day by day the hope grows stronger that she will come out in the end victorious. Then, the war has developed among her people a spirit of patriotism and national unity never known by this giant nation before. Her people no longer think in terms of family or clan, but of the nation as a whole. They have developed a love for China and an interest in her welfare never known before. Their one purpose is to save China, and to that end they are willing to render any service and to make any sacrifice.

Another blessing of the war is the movement toward the interior. Developments hitherto known only along the coast and in the cities are being carried into the interior sections, and so the whole of China is being permeated with the best things of her modern civilization.

But the best result of the war is the spiritual development of the Chinese people. The New Life Movement, inaugurated by Madame Chiang Kai-Shek, is setting the thinking and living of the Chinese people upon a higher plane. The four great virtues taught by Confucius — courtesy, service, honesty and self-respect—are being lifted as the ideals toward which the people are to strive. Along with this is that greater New Life Movement which offers to the Chinese people salvation through the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The loyalty of our missionaries in this time of crisis, the faithfulness of Christian nationals, the relief work offered through Christian churches, hospitals and schools and the influence of the great Christian Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek and his wife, as well as of other Chinese leaders of prominence, are proving to be mighty factors for the spread of Christianity.

So, even in the midst of the darkness of war, we see gleams of light for China's four hundred millions of people. These gleams may prove to be the dawn of a

new day of national development and Christian progress for China which is the oldest and largest and which should be the greatest nation in the world.

JAPAN TODAY

AS we turn our attention toward Japan today we must think, not of the Japanese soldiers with their ruthless destruction of China, not of the Japanese government which has perpetrated this undeclared war on a neighbor nation, not of the unreasonable ambitions of Japanism but of the Japanese people as a whole. These are the same attractive, bright, intelligent, lovable people that we have studied about in our missionary programs through the years. They do not want war except as they have been made to want it through their patriotism and love for their country.

Let us try to see the war from the viewpoint of the Japanese people. We must realize that in general they look upon their nation as divine, upon their emperor as their god. They think of themselves as a divine people, set apart and superior to all other people. They feel that it is their divine mission to get possession of as much of the world as possible and that any nation would be benefited by becoming a part of the great Japanese Empire. They feel especially superior to China, looking upon her as an undeveloped nation which would be greatly helped by being annexed to Japan. So, this psychological attitude has led them to look upon themselves as real benefactors in trying to take China.

Then we must realize how densely populated is Japan, how small is the territory to sustain so many people. There are 437 inhabitants to every square mile in Japan. Her total area approximates the combined areas of Georgia, North and South Carolina and yet the population is nine times that of these three states. Not only that, but her natural resources are very limited. The Japanese feel that the world should provide enough space for her millions of people and enough of raw materials to supply the needs of her ever-increasing

industries. Other nations have gone forth to take territory that they desired — Great Britain took India, the settlers of America took the land of the Indians, Italy took Ethiopia. Why shouldn't Japan go over and take possession of China and thereby benefit both nations? Such is the reasoning of the very patriotic Japanese!

It must be remembered too that the Japanese do not know of all that their soldiers have done in China and that the whole thing is presented to them in such a way as to elicit their support of the war with their money and their lives. Dr. Gaines Dobbins writes: "The war in China is not presented as one of conquest and exploitation, but rather as a holy crusade to rid that land of unjust rulers, red communists and to inaugurate there a rule of peace, righteousness and prosperity. When eyewitnesses told of the slaughter, looting and unmentionable violence which accompanied the capture of Nanking, the people would not believe it but charged that these awful things were done by Chinese dressed as Japanese soldiers! When Nanking was captured, the Japanese newspapers reported that the Japanese army was joyously welcomed by thousands of Chinese 'who threw themselves in gratitude at the feet of the gentle and kind Japanese soldiers who immediately began to bind up the wounded, give food to the hungry and otherwise comfort those who had been the victims of the devilish Chiang Kai-Shek'".

If we are tempted to censure the Japanese too severely for the atrocities of the war in China we need to look ourselves squarely in the face and realize that it is at least in part our fault. It was America who opened the gates of Japan to the outside world 83 years ago. Since then we have sent her many "gifts" — cotton, tobacco, machinery, whiskey, arms, ammunition—but we have not sent her missionaries in sufficient numbers to Christianize her rapidly developing civilization. We "lost our opportunity to win to the Gospel of Christ

and the way of peace a great nation in-the-making". Even now, to our eternal disgrace, we are sending her arms, ammunition and planes to carry on her war with China. How important it is that instead of sending implements of war we should send to her poor deceived people the Gospel of peace!

MAKING DISCIPLES in PALESTINE
SOUTHERN BAPTISTS in obedience to the Great Commission of our Lord are carrying on missionary work in the land of our Lord. We have three mission stations in Palestine and two in Syria with some work among Jewish colonies.

At Jerusalem our missionaries, Misses Clor and Fenderson, are doing a splendid work through the Baptist church and Good Will Center located in a densely populated section of the city. Miss Clor writes of their work: "We have much to praise the Lord for in spite of the gross discouragements that confront us. We had the joy the past year to see three of the young people, for whom we have prayed for five or six years and who have confessed their faith in Christ that length of time, go through with the Lord in baptism. Up until recently their parents opposed bitterly this step of public confession but prayer changed things and they gave their consent. Another, the fourth, was a Scotch soldier who was saved and baptized at the same time. A Russian Baptist who has been with us the past two years was taken into the church by confession of faith. Thus the Lord is adding to the church those that should be saved and we ask an interest in your prayers that more fruit might be realized for the Master than ever before this new year".

At Haifa, Mr. and Mrs. Owens are doing a splendid work. "Here several services a week answer the seekings of many hearts". When the preaching hall is open for an hour's worship it is usually full. Mr. Owens is conducting a seminary on a small scale by giving a thorough course in theology to two young native preachers, thus preparing

them to open up other mission stations in the future.

During the last year our missionaries at Nazareth, Mr. and Mrs. Hanna, came to America, making it necessary for Mr. and Mrs. Eddleman to leave their work at Tel Aviv in order to carry on the work at Nazareth. Writing of this work Mr. Eddleman says: "Those who live in this city do not think of it with sincere sentiment as the 'home of our Lord'; it is a city benighted and bound in superstition, ignorance, rank idolatry and shrine worship. The real Gospel is almost a strange note to the ears of the people. The government's wise curfew regulations have reduced the number of services a week but there are a few members, along with a number of unbaptized converts, who are helping to hold forth the evangelistic message which the city needs".

Two native preachers keep the work going in our two mission stations in Syria. They report good growth for last year.

The real need for Palestine is "prayer on the part of God's missionary minded people and the addition of consecrated personalities to the missionary staff". There went out last year to this field a lovely new missionary, Miss Kate Ellen Gruver. Already, even while studying the language, she has organized the first Sunbeam Band in Palestine. We wish that many other young people would volunteer for Palestine and that we would make possible their going by largely increasing our gifts to the Co-operative Program.

MAKING DISCIPLES in CHINA
CHINA, with her four hundred million lost people, constitutes the greatest missionary field in the world. There southern Baptists have over 200 missionaries or almost half of their entire foreign missionary force.

There are both dark and bright sides to our missionary work in China. On the dark side is the bad results of the war — the bombed buildings, the scat-

tered people, missionaries forced away from their stations, the usual program of work interrupted, Chinese Baptists in constant danger and distress. It almost breaks our hearts to realize that the Japanese have destroyed nearly half a million dollars' worth of Baptist property in China. Read this description of a missionary's visit to one of the once beautiful Baptist compounds in Shanghai: "We passed through the Japanese-occupied section where real war had left only empty shells of buildings. Grim sentinels handled bayonets too carelessly for my peace of mind. They looked ever ready to use them! My heart sank with a 'thump' as we rolled into the once beautiful compound. I wondered if the Wares' house could ever be lived in again and was told that it was among the best preserved on the campus. It looked more like a junk shop than like the well-ordered house that I had visited in the past. Sight of lavatories broken in probable glee increased the speed of my circulation. The great hole in the roof of Sallee Memorial Chapel, the jagged holes in roofs of other buildings, the brave remains of Eliza Yates Dormitory and the wild state of the growing things made a sad picture which I cannot erase from memory".

Descriptions like this, and even worse, could be written of many places where Baptist churches, homes, schools and hospitals once stood, but which are now in ruins. Certainly it hurts us to think that for more than a year many of our missionaries, as well as our Chinese Baptist friends, have been in constant danger from falling Japanese bombs, floods and pestilence. All of these conditions tempt us sometimes to feel that we should cease our missionary efforts in China. And then it is that we need to look at the bright side of the picture — the side that shines with the sunshine of encouragement and hope and makes us see that God is using even this war for the spread of His Kingdom.

We can rejoice because our missionaries have been able to stay on the field.

At the beginning of the war, when opportunity was given them to leave, practically all chose to stay, saying: "We cannot leave our Chinese Christian friends in this time of their trial. We will stay with them and continue as best we can our work of making disciples among the Chinese people". So when their homes have been destroyed they have found other homes. When the bombing of hospitals, schools and churches has interrupted their regular work they have found other places of service. And so, in spite of the devastation of the war and all other disturbing conditions, the work of making disciples has gone gloriously on.

We are glad to know that very little of our work has actually stopped. All of our hospitals except one have been kept open, and most of them have rendered their largest service since the war started. While the work of the schools has been disrupted none of the main schools have been closed. In south and central China, where the war has been the fiercest, some schools have been compelled to move, and some have been temporarily combined with others, but all of them have continued their work. None of the schools in north China have had to move, and all have had unusually large enrollment. No regularly organized church has been permanently closed, and the number of baptisms everywhere has been unusually large.

The faithfulness of the Chinese Christians is another bright side of the picture. The war has been a testing time for them, and they have proved the all sufficiency of the Christian religion for any situation. They have remained faithful to Christ under the most trying circumstances. They have continued their church work, even in times of great danger. And when they have been scattered, like the early Christians they have gone everywhere preaching the Word.

The brightest part of this picture is the increased evangelistic opportunity produced by the war. Suffering has increased the soul hunger of the Chinese

and has opened their hearts to receive the Gospel message. The unselfish devotion and sacrificial service of both missionaries and Chinese Christians have been living examples of real Christianity and have made the Chinese desire to have a religion which produces such beautiful results. Moreover, the refugee camps and hospitals—where war victims, soldiers and others are treated—have offered marvelous opportunities for preaching the Gospel. In many instances buildings on our missionary compounds have been used as places of refuge; thereby the missionaries have had the opportunity of reaching thousands with the Gospel.

The following description of the refugee camp at Yangchow will give us some conception of the wonderful evangelistic opportunities offered in such camps: "Yangchow was taken on December 14, 1937. By January there were over one thousand refugees crowded on the compound, occupying our buildings but providing their own food. What a challenging opportunity! Dr. Stamps and Miss Demarest were ready to lay hold on this new opportunity; religious work was started at once. Daily services began under the leadership of Christian young men and women whom God had brought into the compound. All of the buildings were put into use. Prayer meetings and Bible study classes were begun for the Christians, with evangelistic services for the unsaved. Many were led to give their hearts to the Lord and their testimonies were most inspiring. After some two months the Japanese military authorities forced the refugees to return to their homes but permitted the Christians to remain. Many people had accepted Christ during the time they had been on the compound, and sixty-six were baptized in April. The work went forward with daily Bible teaching and evangelistic services. The result was that 209 were baptized into the two churches in the city. What a glorious harvest!

Of the refugee work in Kaifeng a missionary writes as follows: "How grate-

ful are the Lord's children to have a small share in relieving hunger and suffering! During the occupation over fifteen thousand refugees crowded into ten Christian centers in Kaifeng. Baptists carried on three camps: one in the city where about four hundred were cared for and two at the South Suburb Compound, caring for about three thousand. Pastors, teachers, missionaries and lay workers were busy in meetings and classes. A continual revival went on for three months, and it is estimated that at least five hundred were saved".

So we see that in spite of the war, and even because of the war, many Chinese are finding the Lord. One writing of the work in north China which has not been so seriously affected by the war says that the revival spirit continues, "missionaries and Christians are marveling still at the wonderful works of God. Wrongs are being righted, the sick are being healed, devils being cast out in a way that we can scarcely imagine in our own homeland. There are many villages in which every family has one or more saved persons and in some villages nearly every one has accepted the Lord. Many formerly engaged in the ordinary affairs of life are giving their full time to witnessing for Him now. Of course, the work is being hindered in many ways by existing conditions but is still going on. Man-made devices which rain destruction are powerless to counteract the blessings which God showers upon His own". So we see that this is not a time for retrenchment in our work in China. We must keep our missionaries on the field and must add to their number as rapidly as possible. We must take advantage of every opportunity to make disciples of China's poor, war-torn, sin-cursed, hungry-hearted millions.

MAKING DISCIPLES IN JAPAN

WHILE the Japanese are fighting for their emperor and Japan, southern Baptist missionaries are working to make disciples of her people for him who is greater than any king or

peror. Of course anything as important to the Japanese people as is their war in China is having its effect on our Baptist work in Japan. One missionary says: "The national condition has produced countless changes in the attitude and conduct of all classes of people". Those who come in contact with our mission stations are no exception to this rule. The Christians are loyal to their country, and most of them are willing to fight for her when called, even as Christians of all countries of all ages have been willing to fight for their countries in what they felt were just wars. Nine of the graduates of our Baptist boys' school have already been killed in action and others are now among Japan's fighting forces in China. Five of the middle school boys, who are too young for conscription, have volunteered for service in the army and navy.

But in spite of adverse circumstances our southern Baptist work goes on with increasing success. The boys' school was not able to take all the students who applied for admittance last year, and the girls' school had an increase of thirty over the preceding year. The Seminary and the Bible Training School for young women also had a successful year, the Bible Training School graduating its first class of two young women and the Seminary its first class of three young men since its reopening in 1935. Both of these schools have been at Fukuoka, but the plan is to move the Bible Training School to Kokura where it will be a unit in the long hoped-for college department of our girls' school.

The W.M.U. of Japan had a most successful year with increased gifts and advance along the lines of personal service. A splendid Y.W.A. Camp is held

each July on the campus of the girls' school. Special projects of the W.M.U. are the Bible Training School and the Good Will Center, which is located at Tobata. The Good Will Center is rendering wonderful service in helping to improve home conditions. One home—which was changed from a miserable hovel to a clean, well ordered, happy home, with both mother and father Christians—has become the envy of the other women of the community, who say to the fortunate mother in this remade home: "You have understanding in your home".

"The Good Will Center has ministered to families whose fathers have been called to the army. It has found an even greater opportunity for service to those of the very poor who have no one in the army and are being neglected in these days by the charitable organizations that usually minister to them".

Many of the Baptist churches in Japan report a year of progress. Seven of the twenty-three are now self-supporting and all are working toward that ideal. The church connected with our boys' school is self-supporting, is building a home for the pastor on the campus and is planning to erect a church building on the edge of the campus where it can better reach the village people.

In 1940 Japanese Baptists plan to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of southern Baptist work in Japan. The plans have already gone into action with the inauguration of the Memorial Evangelistic Campaign which is to last until the fall of 1940, when the Jubilee Celebration is to take place. One of the goals of the campaign is to increase to fifty the number of churches in the convention.

STORIES THAT CHEER

Mrs. Chang Learns about the True God

Mrs. Chang was a member of a well-to-do mountain family. Bandits came, carrying off some of the members of her family; a large part of the land belonging to the Changs had to be sold in order to obtain money for their ransom. Then came a drought, further reducing the fortunes of this Chinese family, so Mrs.

Chang was compelled to leave home, seeking the necessities of life. She went to Hsing Yang twenty miles away and while there went to church and for the first time heard the Gospel and accepted Christ. Returning to her mountain home she told her family and neighbors about the true God and His Son Jesus. She felt that she could not tell the story well enough so back to Hsing Yang she went, begging that someone would go to her home to help her make her people understand about the true God. A Chinese evangelist and two consecrated Christian women responded to her call and made the journey to her home. For two days they walked over the rough mountain trail, often wading streams. It was hard and they became very tired, but they forgot all about the difficulties of the journey when in the Chang home they found a group of listeners eager to hear the story of the true God. After a week's meeting several families took down their idols and twenty people said that they believed in the Lord.

The Word Brings Calm in Danger

A Bible class was in session in a Chinese city. They were studying the book of Daniel and, in seeking to show how through the fear of man many worshiped idols, they read Proverbs 29:25: "The fear of man bringeth a snare, but he that trusteth in the Lord is safe". Even while they were reading that verse the air raid signal was heard and at the same time the buzz of a plane sounded above. The students began looking around, wondering what they should do. On the streets were people running to and fro. Should they also run out and try to find a place of safety? Then the beautiful meaning of the verse they were reading calmed their disturbed hearts: "The fear of man bringeth a snare, but he that trusteth in the Lord is safe". Over and over they read it, feeling safe in their trust in the Lord. The enemy plane circled above, the distressed people of the city ran hither and thither, but the little class of Bible students went on in peace and quiet with their study. Miss Katie Murray, who relates this experience, finishes her story with this exclamation: "Praise the Lord for the quieting effect of His Word!"

A Japanese Officer Refuses to Fight

An officer in the Japanese army became a Christian before he was called into service. When the order came to join the fighting forces in China he went, not wishing to bring disgrace to his family in Japan. On reaching China his Christian spirit shrank from participating in the fighting which he felt was not according to the will of the Prince of Peace, who now ruled in his heart. "I will not fight the Chinese", he said. For this brave stand he paid the price of his life. If the Prince of Peace could rule in the hearts of both Japanese and Chinese the war would soon end.

CALLS from the ORIENT

(This should be given by three women dressed in the costumes of the countries represented.)

Palestine—The people of the land of your Lord beg you to bring them the Gospel message. Your group of seven missionaries is pitifully small to reach the almost four millions of people living in Palestine and Syria. These multitudes do not realize their need of Jesus and do not respond readily to His Gospel, but their lives are woeful, and only Jesus can save their souls and give them joy and peace. Jesus is saying to you: "Go ye and make disciples—in Palestine and Syria". What is your response to His Commission?

China—The four hundred million lost people in China call to you for help. You have among them over 200 missionaries, which is a pitifully small

group to reach so many people. China needs your missionaries as never before. Her Christians need their encouragement and support in this time of crisis. Her millions of unevangelized constitute a field ripe unto the harvest. They can be won to Christ in large numbers if we will send missionaries to tell them of Jesus. China is becoming a united nation. You can make her a united nation for God by giving her the Gospel. Jesus is saying to you: "Go ye and make disciples—in China". What is your response to His Commission?

Japan—The needs of Japan's ninety millions, so intelligent, so progressive, so attractive and yet so sinful call to you to give them the one thing they need most—salvation through Jesus Christ. Japan, in trying to destroy China is in danger of destroying herself. Only the Gospel of Jesus Christ can save her people and yet you have only 14 missionaries giving her that Gospel. Your country is sending to Japan ammunition to use in the war against China and is thereby helping to destroy both China and Japan. You can send to Japan the Gospel and thereby help to save not only Japan but the orient because Japan, when Christianized, could Christianize the orient. Jesus is saying to you: "Go ye and make disciples—in Japan". What is your response to His Commission?

BENEDICTION

(The three women representing the three nations continue to stand in front and lead in the benediction as given in the Union Year Book and in previous 1939 issues of this magazine.)

QUESTIONS for REVIEW and DISCUSSION

1. Discuss conditions in Palestine today.
2. Why is missionary work especially hard in Palestine?
3. Discuss conditions in China today.
4. What benefits are coming to China through the war?
5. Discuss conditions in Japan today.
6. Tell something of the attitude of the Japanese people in general toward Japan's war with China.
7. Tell something of southern Baptist work in Palestine and Syria.
8. How is the war affecting our missionary work in China?
9. Tell something of our work in the refugee camps.
10. How are war conditions in Japan affecting our work?
11. Tell something of our schools in Japan.
12. Discuss plans for the fiftieth anniversary in Japan.

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

A WEEK for R.A.'s.



W.M.U. young people's organizations have come to look forward eagerly to their Focus Weeks; R.A. Focus Week comes August 13-18 this year. What will W.M.U. young people's directors, what will 5,316 R.A. counselors and 47,745 R.A. Chapter members think of to make this Focus Week significant in the missionary activity of Baptist boys? Its purpose is to set before boys, fathers, mothers, friends, the missionary society and the church in general, the value of the Order of Royal Ambassadors, so plan with that purpose in mind. Posters illustrating the object and the allegiance of Royal Ambassadors can be put up in the church and in store windows. Mission study scrapbooks, handwork, chapter paraphernalia can be displayed, with pictures of chapter activities. Plans for each day may include:

Sunday—Recognition in the church service as ushers, or reserved seats for R.A.'s. and parents, a special section of the church bulletin devoted to R.A.'s, participation in the service by reading Scripture

Monday—Knightly Deeds

Tuesday—Work on Ranking System

Wednesday—Use part or all the prayer meeting hour presenting a regular R.A. program or planning a special presentation of R.A. work, discussing what R.A. means to me, the R.A. Ranks, or using *Timothy's Tide* or other playlet

Thursday—Enlistment and World Comrades subscription day

Friday—Picnic supper for R.A.'s. and their fathers, with initiation for new R.A. members, or missionary talk by pastor, or program presented by chapter.

If you have no R.A. Chapter in your church this is the very week in which to get one started. Some well organized chapter would delight to invite your boys to share in their activities for several of the days, giving them enthusiasm for and information about R.A. work.

This week would be opportune for an R.A. Conclave also. Several chapters of your town or association could meet together for the Friday picnic or for an all-day mission study class and picnic on Saturday. Brief reports of special chapter activities and a program built up with some contribution from each chapter could be used instead of the mission study class. Emblems can be awarded for advanced degrees at the conclave, on Friday or at Wednesday evening service.

This first Focus Week after the Baptist Brotherhood begins to take a vital interest in Royal Ambassadors should mean much to R.A.'s. and their fathers (see editorial, page 4). So let W.M.U. young people's director and R.A. counselor be alert to make it count for much in the Kingdom.

CURRENT MISSIONARY EVENTS

Discussed by Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

As this issue of *Royal Service* carrying a program concerning work in the orient goes to press, as the southwide Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgecrest is in progress and as plans are being made for Y.W.A. and G.A. camps and house parties in the various states it is interesting to note that two of the missionaries recently appointed by our Foreign Mission Board were greatly influenced in making their life decisions by the work of these two W.M.U. organizations for girls and young women.

The one was Mrs. Roy F. Starmer (*Lillie May Hylton*). In a story of her life she says, "In the summer of 1929 I attended the Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgecrest. I was conscious of the Holy Spirit moving mightily in my heart during the time and on the last night of the camp I felt a vital and definite call from God for service in a foreign country". Mr. and Mrs. Starmer go to Bucharest, Rumania, to teach in the Seminary and the Mrs. W. C. James Memorial School in that city, hard by the Near East.

The other missionary was Kate Ellen Grover. She writes that just before her junior year in college the ideals and principles learned from her mother and instilled by Christian teaching began to influence her attitudes as never before. Soon through the influence of a friend she began to take part in religious organizations. Said she, "Before I realized what had happened I found myself the counselor of a Junior Girls' Auxiliary. It frightened me half to death, knowing that as a counselor I was responsible for leading those children largely in their Christian development and realizing for the first time just what it means to be a Christian". It was while listening to a talk by Mrs. Roswell Owens, one of our missionaries to Palestine, and whom this editor first knew at the Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgecrest, that Miss Grover, so she says, heard clearly and distinctly the call of God to give her service in her Master's native land, Palestine.

Discussing the *Palestine Problem* a missionary of the Church of Scotland said in Edinburgh recently, "There is only one solution of the present dilemma in Palestine and that is the spiritual

solution. *Arabs and Jews must learn the way of brotherhood*". Another missionary writes, "The Sunday schools and Vacation Bible Schools are the only places where Arab and Jewish children meet in peace and brotherhood in this time of racial enmity and bloodshed".

In the *Western Recorder* of May 25 there was an arresting heading above a letter written from Nazareth in Palestine by our missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Eddleman. We pass it on to the readers of *Royal Service*. "Are You Praying for Palestine?"

The China Bible House and the Christian Literature Society of China both report larger sales of Bibles and Christian literature this past year than any previous year. The sale of Bibles in Shanghai was 80 per cent higher than in the last three years. The demand for Bibles and Christian literature in the west and southwest of China has kept ahead of the supply. Many refugees in their enforced haste in leaving their homes left their Bibles behind and are buying new ones saying they cannot get along without them.

From an article in the *Christian Century* we gather the following interesting information concerning Christianity in Japan.

"There are in Japan approximately 350,000 Christians. The number increases from 10,000 to 20,000 a year. Considered in the light of Japan's 90,000,000 inhabitants these figures are not particularly impressive.

"There is little doubt that the actual number of converts is in excess of the official figures and that the influence of Christianity is out of all proportion to the actual number of Christians.

"It is doubtful if any other faith in Japan has a man who occupies quite the unique position in Japanese life that Kagawa, the Christian, does.

"Reactionary elements definitely consider Christianity too international and peace loving for a nation as virile and Heaven ordained as they would like the Japanese to be. Repeated demonstrations, not serious in themselves, indicate a trend toward drastic regulation of all 'foreign' faiths. Christianity, however, has as firm a position in Japan today as it has in any non-Christian nation in the world".



BUILDING ANEW "HOUSE BEAUTIFUL"—W.M.U. TRAINING SCHOOL, Louisville, Ky.

THIS preliminary sketch for the new home of Woman's Missionary Union Training School presents a charming conception of what the architect contemplates for the School's new plant out by "The Beeches" of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. All W.M.U. organizations and their members will want to contribute toward this definitely missionary undertaking. Therefore the basic building costs are herewith listed, further explanation being on page 5:

Student Bedroom	\$ 1,000	Library	\$13,000	Class Room (Medium)	\$ 3,000	Roof (per 100 Square Feet)	20
Faculty Bedroom and Bath	1,200	Music Department	8,000	Class Room (Small)	2,000	Mantel	120
Office	1,000-1,200	Parlor (Large)	2,500	Entrance Hall Floor (Marble)	300	Window (Including Window	
Infirmary Room	1,000	Parlor (Small)	1,400	Three Stairways (Each)	500	Frame)	100
Infirmary Kitchenette	600	Dining Room	7,500	One Step of Stairway	25	Window Glass (Each Pane)	8.50
Infirmary Dispensary	600	Elevator	4,000	Steps (Front Entrances—Each)	200	Brick (Each)05
Infirmary Bath	200	Class Room (Large)	4,000	Foundation (per Square Yard)	12-15		

How many dozens of bricks will you lay? How many foundation stones? In this building, remember that the W.M.U. Training School teaches that "other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ".