

# Royal Service

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**T**HIS Seminary, which has its graduates as missionaries on practically every S.B.C. mission field and in a vast number of southern Baptist churches as pastors or directors of music, is one of the causes for which the Southern Baptist Convention and its auxiliary, the Woman's Missionary Union, are promoting the effort for a debtless denomination by 1945. *The indebtedness of the Seminary as reported to the Convention in June is \$311,345. All W.M.U. members and their organizations are urged to contribute generously and steadily toward the clearing of this extremely burdensome debt.* As a special spur toward such contributions Woman's Missionary Union at its June meeting in Baltimore adopted the following resolution:

**"That—in view of the proposed effort of the Southern Baptist Convention for a debtless denomination by 1945, which necessitates the raising of approximately three million dollars—Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, undertake as its objective toward the clearance of all debts on southwide causes by 1945 the sum of one million dollars".**



# Editorial

ABOUNDING in the WORK of the LORD

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

“THE thoughts of youth are long, long thoughts”. Because they reach into the far future and into the high planes of life purpose they are of tremendous importance. Summer days have brought countless contacts with W.M.U. young people in camps and assemblies, in young people's rallies or in smaller mission study classes. A thousand young women have come from Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgecrest to translate the dreams of those high days into the realities of Christian living in their valleys, some to pursue the high road of preparation for special service, many to live in their homes and churches and communities the life more abundant. Similarly smaller groups—Y.W.A.'s, G.A.'s, and R.A.'s.—have played together, have talked together around camp fires or in the quiet of lakeside or from the majesty of mountains they have caught the vision splendid. They have come back to the places of the every-day, to the commonplace tasks they knew before their high adventure, but they have come carrying their dreams, thinking long thoughts. They will need sympathetic understanding and encouragement. The days ahead are fraught with opportunity and responsibility. Each W.M.S. will seek to interpret rightly the significant word *foster*: not only to provide materials for good leadership of its auxiliary organizations but to foster also the holy aspirations of youth quickened by these graded activities and to provide avenues of expression for high ambitions to worthy service. Guard well the long, long thoughts of your young people home from camp or rally and guide them to purposeful planning for life service.

The world situation tends to oppress and depress each earnest-hearted Christian. Yet each such an one is impressed with the sure fact that God has no plan for the remaking of a world except His plan of the ages—missions—and the realization moves each of us to renewed devotion to the missionary ideals and plans of our Woman's Missionary Union which have been so abundantly used to quicken interest, stimulate giving and call forth prayer. If the 358,716 members of W. M. U. auxiliaries and the 389,129 women members will be steadfast in their devotion to these ideals and plans they will be as leaven to quicken like zeal in other hearts. There are so many practical things that are offered for enlistment of those who might otherwise be indifferent.

The beautiful building for the W.M.U. Training School is rapidly becoming a reality. The corner-stone will be laid on October 2nd, which is also Founders' Day. If your part of the McLure Memorial is not yet sent in you will want to send it promptly according to your state plan.

W.M.U. has assumed a real responsibility toward the effort for a debtless denomination by 1945. To raise a million dollars of the necessary three million indebtedness on southwide causes will require earnest and constant effort. The goal for 1940 is to pay twice as much as in 1939. This can be accomplished by multiplied small gifts; so each of us must do her full part in giving and enlisting others, including young people.

Sacrificial participation in meeting emergency needs of our suffering Baptists  
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# Evangelist's Crusade

“EVERYBODY, EVERYWHERE, ALL the TIME”

Dr. W. H. Knight, Pineville, La.

“HUS does Mark tell us, in the closing verse of his Gospel, that believers ‘went everywhere’ testifying concerning Jesus. The impression which one receives, from reading the Acts of the Apostles, is that individual believers gladly accepted every opportunity to witness and win others to Christ. There is no sign in the New Testament of evangelism being merely a matter of the clergy. Ecclesiastical assumption of religious responsibilities was a later development. Not until state religions began to arise and the clergy to take over religious activity, did the individual believer lose the sense of individual responsibility. In my humble judgment, that was the most tragic day in the history of the church.

But there are signs of awakening interest, on the part of the lay Christians, in soul winning. The most important emphasis in this Nation-wide Baptist Evangelistic Crusade, in my thinking, is the emphasis on personal work. It is well for groups in the churches to study it. It is still more important that these groups practice it.

No greater force has ever risen among Baptists for evangelism than the W.M.S. I have seen it in action, both from the viewpoint of a pastor and evangelist. There are two groups the minister can usually depend on in soul winning effort—his Sunday school teachers and the women of the missionary society. Of course it is patent to say, this is due largely to the important matter of study course work. Knowledge begets inspiration; inspiration, if properly directed, fruits in definite results.

Among the many plans, which I have seen followed by groups of soul winning women, I set forth one which I have often used as pastor and evangelist. For years in one church it was the custom of our women to meet once a month for the sole purpose of personal work. This effort was “over and above” the regularly scheduled meetings of circles and society. They would meet at the church at 10 A. M. The pastor was usually asked to lead in a devotional. Assignments were then made on the basis of information constantly gathered by the pastor and others. This information included new people recently moved into the community, prospects for church membership, the sick and the other spiritual needs. Two hours of visiting followed. The good women went forth in the New Testament fashion, in groups of “twos”. After two hours of work they reassembled at the church for lunch. Around the table they reported their experiences in visiting. These reports were often mountain peaks. After lunch those, who could, took names for afternoon visits. My experience with two groups of women in this type of work has proved to me that a balanced, aggressive soul winning program locally will stimulate interest in foreign missions. I saw one of these groups, during such efforts, become the largest contributor in the south to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, while another one came to be the third largest. Every society should constantly maintain a prayer list and carry on a perennial soul winning effort, as

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# Society Methods

**H**IGHLIGHTING the year's activities of the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, was the annual dinner given in the church dining room Tuesday evening, April 23rd, after which the *Royal Service* program was presented in the Young People's Auditorium. Our president, Mrs. W. S. McCraw, led the twenty-three circles, comprising our large membership, in the plans for this meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to enable the three Business Women's Circles to participate and also to give the men a clearer insight into mission work. The question arose, "Will the men attend a mission program?" Well, they did! In fact, some became so enthusiastic that they wore costumes and assisted their wives as hosts!

Both foreign and home missions were portrayed by the unique table decorations and costumes representing seven mission fields. The Mexican table was set with fiesta pottery and here was displayed a hand-woven Mexican serape. The host and hostess were in native costume. A row of palm trees extended the entire length of the "Holy Land" table where two Arab ladies greeted the guests. The Indian table displayed Indian blankets, pottery and bead work, and here were five smiling Indian maidens.

The mountain table was typical with cabins, gardens and wells, with a mountain family seated with the hostess. At the African table, the hostess was assisted by an African "king" and his wife—Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Routh. Dr. Routh wore a hand-embroidered costume that had been sent to him from

Africa by his daughter, Elizabeth Routh Pool.

The Chinese-Japanese table, which was arranged for the speakers and in honor of our pastor, Dr. W. R. White, was decorated with fans, vases, lanterns, a Chinese idol and butterflies, the symbol of good luck in China. Forming a background were beautiful oriental hangings and a large framed edition of the Twenty-third Psalm in Chinese. Seated with the Japanese and Chinese hosts were Dr. and Mrs. White, Mr. William E. Young, associate pastor, with Mrs. Young and the officers of the Woman's Missionary Society. Mrs. McCraw, dressed in an original Chinese costume, presided.

Y.W.A. and G.A. members, wearing the names of their organization in gold on white streamers, served the 520 guests. The stage in the auditorium was beautifully decorated with a large illuminated cross in the center surrounded by cherry trees in full blossom, with a trellis on either side, entwined with bright flowers and vines. The programs, which also served as place cards at dinner, were miniature jinnikishas.

Augmenting the *Royal Service* program, Mrs. Jennie Howard Lucas, program chairman, had arranged two impressive pantomimes, depicting the American home: first presenting a high school boy and then an evening devotion, with mother and two children. Colored lights played on these beautiful scenes as Dr. White's voice was heard over the loud-speaker reading appropriate Scriptures and in the closing prayer.—Mrs. Will Davis, Oklahoma City

(What successful plans have been used by your society? Please let me have them for this page.—Kathleen Mallory)

# Personal Service

Southwide Personal Service Chairman, Mrs. Eureka Whiteker, Ky.

## In RURAL ORGANIZATIONS

**S**OME of our rural women feel that the literature written for personal service does not take them into consideration and thus does not meet their needs. In planning the work for thousands of organizations it is difficult to make sure that the literature covers all situations. We usually see what we are looking for and I believe that the rural woman can find in our literature many suggestions which have been overlooked by many of them.

All of our literature suggests that a survey be made to discover the needs. For a long time rural women read this and did little or nothing about it, thinking that they knew perfectly the territory surrounding their churches. Recently rural organizations have been awaking to the fact that they did not know their communities, for amazing opportunities have been discovered as results of surveys. These churches are considering their territory to be a five mile radius unless touched by some other Baptist church.

Mrs. John Christian of Cullman, Ala., in thinking about this subject writes: "The heart of all personal service is soul winning; the country woman faces one of the greatest tasks in all history with two out of every three persons in the rural south unsaved. 'Truly the harvest is plenteous, but the laborers are few'.

"It is almost impossible for the rural woman to leave her home: so we need to press the urgent need of prayer. We are creatures of habit, so through force of habit we can do all of our household tasks yet be in prayer for the lost. To me personal service has become an obsession. When it becomes an obsession, each and every woman in the rural churches will be a personal worker in her community. Take a hot dish or clothes to a needy family, keep some one's children while a tired mother gets a few hours of rest. The story of 'The Glorified Guano Sack' can be a blessing. Rural women have learned to bleach the sacks and make them into lovely things for the home or into garments for the frolicking youngsters who need sun suits or tiny bonnets. There is always sickness: so they can learn to do simple nursing, first aid and how to act in an emergency. It takes a calm, poised, tactful person always to do and say the right thing, but if I am His child and a member of a W.M.S. I am going to do that right thing.

"One woman's experience was as follows: A neighbor's brother died at the home of a niece, yet the body was to be brought to the brother's home. Both he and his wife were physically unable to cook, wash or clean. Mrs. X was so impressed to go and clean their house that she left her own home and with the help of a young Christian girl cleaned the house, washed the windows and cleaned the yard".

So we see that rural women do not have to have specially adapted literature to show them how to go step by step in personal service. They know that if personal service is to be of any value it must be to all people what they need. How they have glorified washing, cleaning and quilting by doing it all in the name of the Lord and have all the while been gently leading souls to Christ.—Mrs. Eureka Whiteker

# Stewardship Suggestions

Southwide Stewardship Chairman: Mrs. Carter Wright, Alabama

## SOMETHING NEW for 1941

**A**T LAST there is to be written into the Standard of Excellence for Women's Missionary Societies a requirement that will emphasize section V (Tithes and Offerings) in our Plan of Work, becoming effective in 1941. When you study the W.M.S. Standard in your 1941 W.M.U. Year Book, you will see that points 1 and 9 have been combined and that a new point, numbered 4, has been added which reads: "A ten per cent increase in the number of tithers over those enrolled at the beginning of the year".

### In Defense of the New Point for 1941

For years many of us have felt that our W.M.S. Standard should carry some requirement concerning this fifth chief aim of the W.M.U., for every other chief aim is already thus emphasized and reinforced. For instance:

Our first chief aim is prayer—and point 6 in the standard says: "Observance of the seasons of prayer" etc.

Our second chief aim is enlistment—and point 1 reads: "A net increase in membership during the year of at least 10 per cent" etc.

The third chief aim is study—and point 7 says: "At least two mission study classes" etc.

The fourth chief aim is personal service—and point 8 specifies how it is to be done.

Our sixth chief aim is missionary education of young people—and point 10 says we must have at least two of our junior organizations.

It was only that fifth chief aim—tithes and offerings—concerning which there is now no requirement. A society can be A-1 and not have a single tither in it. But this will not be so in 1941.

Yes, there will be some difficulties and ob-

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jections. Tithing never has been and is not now popular with the majority of people.

Mark you—we will not say, "You must have tithers", even as we do not say, "You must observe the seasons of prayer". We will merely say that your society in 1941 cannot be a standard society—A-1—unless you have a ten per cent increase in the number of tithers. Surely this is a very modest requirement in the light of Scripture and in view of the fact that we have been teaching this doctrine for decades. It will be a real step forward in 1941.

### Getting Ready for the New Point for 1941

In anticipation of this new requirement for 1941, we offer the following suggestions:

**First:** Begin now to make up an accurate list of your W.M.S. tithers. For years you have been urged and expected to do this. Now, it will be necessary in anticipation of the records for 1941. Urge your women to sign the Stewardship Covenant Card. (Secure cards free from your state W.M.U. headquarters.) Remember that when you persuade a woman to tithe you have brought a great blessing into her life.

**Second:** Since questions concerning the tithe and tithers are sure to arise, order from your state W.M.U. headquarters the free tract, "How a Woman Can Tithe". It will help to answer some of those questions.

**Third:** Study the subject of tithing in your circles this fall. Again I recommend that little book, "The Scriptural Basis for the Tithe" by Alber. (Order from W.M.U. Literature Department, 1111 Comer Bldg., Birmingham, Ala., price 15c.) Order free tracts on tithing from Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn. Restudy in your stewardship books the chapters dealing with this subject.

Above all else, pray. Pray that our people may realize before it is too late how great a sin it is to rob God of the sacred tithe.—Mrs. Carter Wright

# From Our Missionaries

## ONLY a TRACT

By Jacob Gartenhaus, Home Board Missionary

**Y**ES, only a tract, but what wonders it can accomplish when it falls into the hands of a hungry heart! It is like the seed that falls upon good ground and takes root, springing up to bear much fruit. But the seed in itself is powerless and without value apart from the soil, and it can only be brought into contact with the soil through the sower. A marvelous illustration of this is the following experience.

In connection with her work among the Jewish people of St. Louis, Miss Dorothy Mayer was visiting a friend in the hospital and, while engaged in a conversation, a woman patient across the room asked: "Do you carry your Bible with you to read to people who wish to hear?" "Yes", was the answer.

Soon Miss Mayer was reading Psalm 27 to her, quoting also other Scriptures. Then she prayed with her.

The woman expressed deep appreciation for the interest shown her. After a heart-to-heart talk she realized her need for the Savior and then gave herself to Him. She was to be dismissed from the hospital that day; Miss Mayer, desiring to keep in touch with her in order to help her find a church home where she might get nourishment for her soul, handed her a tract on which she wrote her own name and telephone number. The name of that tract was "Who Is He?" by this writer.

Several days later this friend called Miss Mayer and requested that she visit her. When they came together she told her that she had given that tract to a Jewish man and that he had read it and it had made a powerful impression upon him. He asked if he might see Miss Mayer. Of course she was only too glad of the opportunity, so the young Christian arranged for the first interview.

At the very outset of their visit Miss Mayer asked the man, "What do you think of this Jesus of whom the tract speaks?"

His immediate reply was: "There must be something to it. I have never been more stirred in my life. How can it be false with so many indisputable proofs from prophecy and history that He is the true Messiah for whom my people have been looking for so long?"

Needless to say this confession brought untold joy to the heart of the faithful worker. Several days later the man phoned her, requesting a "prayer book". She took to him a copy of the New Testament instead, for which he was most grateful; he promised to read it carefully. Miss Mayer took the occasion to help make the plan of salvation clearer and he expressed his full intention to follow the Lord at any cost. A short time later he made a public profession of faith, following the Lord in baptism.

Here we have one of the most thrilling accounts of the marvelous leading of the Holy Spirit and the power of the silent witness. A follower of Christ visits in the hospital; a patient overhears and finds the Savior. She in turn is immediately used to give an unbelieving Jew a little tract on which is written a name and telephone number.

Only a tract, you say? Yes, but what marvels it can accomplish! In the hospitals, on the streets of your city, in your offices, in school, in the apartment next door, in the house across the street—everywhere there are individuals who are waiting for someone to speak a word or they are waiting to be handed a little tract which might start them on the upward road.

# Circle+Plans

Mrs. William McMurtry, Tennessee

## In Teaching "A Golden Milestone"

(See also page 12.)

A Suggestion: "Japanese" lanterns made of wall paper and "cherry blossoms" cut out of light pink crepe paper and pasted on bare boughs will lend atmosphere without expense.

### Session I

**Aim:** To acquaint the class with the native religions and the progress of the Christian enterprise as a whole in Japan

#### Methods:

##### 1. Lecture and Blackboard Outline

The teacher may arrange a comparison of the native religions on blackboard or make a chart on wrapping paper. Suggested comparisons: Founder, date, place, character, history, attitude toward Christianity. All three religions are enemies of Christianity. Shintoism perhaps has waged the bitterest fight.

Founder, Date, Place

Shintoism—Unknown. First religion of the Japanese

Buddhism—Gautama, a prince born in India 552 B.C.

Confucianism—Confucius, born in 551 B.C. in Shantung Province, China

Characteristics of:

Shintoism—Now a cult teaching patriotism. No idols but worship of heroes, natural objects and the emperor

Buddhism—Atheistic. Denies that there is an eternal God

Confucianism—An ethical cult teaching reverence for ancestors. Salvation by inward culture

History: Summarize sections in the text.

2. Questions and Answers and Discussion: What are the difficulties in the way of Christianity?

### 3. Special Assignment:

Roman and Greek Catholics

Protestants

Joseph Neesima—See chapter III: *Japan on the Upward Trail*, Axling.

Northern Baptists

### Session II

**Aim:** To familiarize the class with southern Baptist beginnings in Japan

#### Methods:

1. Lecture aided by placards. Present the bulk of the material under the title, "Southern Baptist Firsts in Japan".

Write on blackboard. On separate pieces of cardboard list the "firsts". Tack under the caption as each is discussed by the teacher or individual members.

### 2. Assignments:

(1) Select your favorite story to be told in the first person as the missionary or national or from the viewpoint of a tourist who makes first-hand observations. Japanese costume may be worn.

(2) Sketch of the McCollums See *Outriders for the King* for additional material.

### Session III

**Aim:** To present the early achievements of southern Baptists in Japan

#### Methods:

1. Lecture—As an introduction to the school and publication work the teacher may give Japan's attitude toward education and reading.

2. Assignments: Posters to be used with each

The Seminary

Publication Work—From other chapters glean facts about Dr. Walne

Seinan Gakuin (Gather information from remaining chapters.)

Evangelistic Work (Cull from chapters 3 and 4 for work of Rev. Mills and the Rays.)

Make four posters carrying the pictures of founders, present workers, institutions etc.

See Foreign Board's *Album* (1926) and revised editions; free packet, containing picture sheet, from Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.; files of *Home and Foreign Fields* and *The Commission*.

### Session IV

**Aim:** To show the progress and development of Baptist work in Japan

#### Methods:

1. Lecture. Churches—their growth and development. (Cull from chapters 4 and 5.)

2. Assignments with Posters:

(1) Seinan Jo Gakuin

(2) W.M.U. History (See chapter 5.)

(3) Training School

(4) Good Will Center

(5) Mrs. Ozaki (costume)

### Session V

**Aim:** To present current trends in Japanese Baptist efforts in educational work from

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## In Teaching "Japanese Youth Faces Life"

(See also page 12.)

**In General—Aim:** See introduction. Usually the only decorations of a Japanese room are a vase, scroll and flowers in the "sacred alcove". Use this setting for every session, but with a different scroll. Make five scrolls six feet long out of ivory ceiling wall-paper. Paste the ends of each strip of paper to a length of broom handle painted black. Write to the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia, Box 1595, for free picture sheet of S.B.C. missionaries in Japan. Work out a scroll poster carrying chapter outlines and pictures.

### Session I

**Aim:** To show the causes, prevention and cure of tuberculosis among Japanese youth

**Methods: Lecture**—The teacher sets forth the general aim of the course, the chapter aim and concludes the session with the author's challenge to southern Baptists to help meet the need for prevention and cure. Use stories and a chart of comparative figures for 1934 to make clear the problem.

**Scroll Outline and Special Assignment**—On the scroll are listed:

1. Causes of Tuberculosis—1. Climate. 2. Improper care in infancy. 3. Long hours of study. 4. Ignorance of disease. 5. Overcrowded conditions.

II Prevention and Cure—1. Nation-wide education. 2. Early diagnosis. 3. Sanatoriums. Use text illustrations.

### Session II

**Aim:** To introduce to the class the Japanese system of education and its effect on Japanese life

**Methods:** Combine lecture and discussion. The teacher presents the aim, using the introductory story. Seek class participation by asking the members to analyze this story for weak and strong points in the Japanese system. In conclusion show in what way Christian education is superior to state controlled education. Tie on to Japan's program of world conquest.

**Special Assignment**—1. The history of Japanese educational system. For additional material see chapters II and III in *Children of the Rising Sun* (price \$3; excellent background book). 2. Weaknesses of the system. They are listed on the scroll: (1) Too few schools (2) Serious psychological reactions (3) Restricted education for women (4) Government control destroys initiative (5) Harmful methods of study (6) Materialistic emphasis.

### Session III

**Aim:** To familiarize the class with southern Baptist schools and their objectives in Japan

**Methods: Lecture**—The teacher traces southern Baptist efforts in educational work from

the beginning to the organization of Seinan Gakuin. Restate the purpose of Christian education. Conclude the session with a concise statement of the present needs of our institutions in Japan.

**Dramatization.** Mrs. Edwin Dozier, Miss Lancaster and Miss Shimose discuss over the teacups the origin, growth and present status of their schools. Work out the conversation, following the simple method of questions and answers. Miss Shimose wears a kimono. Introduce the characters by telling an interesting item about each. See *Constraining Love* for incidents in the lives of Mrs. Dozier and Miss Shimose; consult the text for the facts about Miss Lancaster.

**Special Assignment**—1. If preferred use this method for the schools. 2. The religious life on southern Baptist campuses in Japan

### Session IV

**Aim:** To present some of the social problems of Japanese youth

**Methods:** The teacher combines lecture, outline and question and answer. Make clear the chapter aim by presenting the conflicts in the Kato home. Emphasize the fact that the problems have come out of the conflict between the new (education) and the old (social order). On questioning the class as to the extent and influence of the conflict seek to develop the following outline (scroll): 1. In the home 2. In industry and business 9. In recreation 4. In marriage. Ask for text illustrations.

**Discussion**—1. Which is better for youth, the Japanese or the western system? 2. Has Christianity made any contribution to Japanese youth in bridging the chasm between the old and new?

### Session V

**Aim:** To show that Christ is the supreme need of Japanese youth

**Methods: Lecture and Outline**—The teacher gives the underlying beliefs in Japan's religions and shows how they make barriers in the way to Christ for Japanese youth. Follow on scroll outline of barriers: 1. Loyalty to family ancestors 2. Irreligion and religious substitutes 3. Christianity, foreign religion 4. Aversion to the idea of sin. Conclude the study with the challenge that all youth need Christ.

**Question and Answer**—What are the agencies for winning youth? Refer to scroll. 1. Churches 2. English Bible classes 3. Christian schools 4. Hospitals 5. Literature 6. Social service 7. Personal witnessing. Discuss relative merits of each.

**Special Assignment**—How southern Baptists are preparing Japanese youth to win his country to Christ



# Book Reviews

Miss Willie Jean Stewart, Tennessee

**A GOLDEN MILESTONE:** Edwin B. Dozier, Broadman Press, Nashville, 1940; Pages 178; Price, Cloth 75c, Paper 50c

**S**OUTHERN Baptists have been rich in anniversaries these last few years—the centennial in China, the Golden Jubilee of Woman's Missionary Union and, now, the fiftieth anniversary of S.B.C. work in Japan. In celebration of this last event, the Japanese Baptists asked Rev. Edwin Dozier, a second generation missionary, to prepare a history of southern Baptist work in Japan. This interesting history he has now translated into English for use as the adult book in the Foreign Mission Board's graded series of study course books on Japan.

It is perhaps inevitable that a book prepared originally for Japanese consumption should omit precisely those interpretations of Japanese character and those evaluations of the effect of the upheavals in the far east on Japanese life, which one would normally expect in any book released at this time. This no doubt accounts, too, for its recording of places and happenings and personal contributions in so great detail as to confuse any but the most careful American reader.

Nevertheless, the book gives a vivid sense of the difficulties and changes, the struggles and successes of the men and women, both missionaries and nationals, who have carried on the work in Japan with devotion and wisdom and have laid a strong foundation for the new Japanese Baptist Convention. It looks forward, also, to the challenging future and tries to indicate the type missionary who will be most needed in the years just ahead. Our women may expect from it adequate information and an enriched understanding of the work on this most difficult of all S.B.C. mission fields. (See also page 10.)

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

**JAPANESE YOUTH FACES LIFE:** Dorothy Carver Garrett, Broadman Press, Nashville, 1940; Price 75c and 50c

**S**TARTING from the fact that the problems of youth everywhere are the same and that they merely present themselves in different forms and proportions in different environments, Mrs. Garrett discusses, from the Japanese viewpoint, four fundamental problems, namely: the need for a sound body, a trained mind, a right adjustment to people, a victorious faith. She recognizes also that youth today faces a fifth critical problem—"that of conflicting loyalties, especially as it bears upon the relationship of youth to the state", but she disclaims any competence to discuss the question in full and only touches on it "as it appears in connection with other matters". One can only regret, even as one appreciates the underlying reasons for it, this too great modesty on the part of one of our younger missionaries to Japan; for surely no picture of Japanese youth could be complete without discussion of this most crucial and timely of their problems.

Within her own thus drastically delimited field, however, and with the stated purpose of helping American youth to see not only their kinship to Japanese youth but also the one and only answer to their own problems, the author does a thoroughly competent and workmanlike job. Her fresh approach to the missionary task and her frank, sympathetic evaluation of the work, which southern Baptists are doing in meeting these vital life needs of Japanese youth, mark this an outstanding book which serious students of missions, whether the youth for whom the book was especially written or adults, will not want to miss. (See also page 11.)

# Training School

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## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL at GOOD WILL CENTER

**F**IVE happy weeks of Vacation Bible School ended early in July at the Training School's Good Will Center. During the first two weeks of June a Night Bible School was conducted for our teen age young people, with thirty-eight enrolled, ranging in age from thirteen to twenty. Each night there was shown on stereopticon slides a series of Bible pictures portraying the life of Christ. The meaning of the pictures was prayerfully presented through hymns, poems and oral interpretation by our workers. A genuine spirit of reverence and worship was felt as this group of underprivileged youth saw and listened to the wonderful story of Jesus. Following the pictures each evening an evangelistic talk was made by William Link, a consecrated Seminary student who ably assisted at the Center during the Vacation Bible School season. Then the group was dismissed for a recreation period on the lighted playground. They enjoyed shuffleboard, ping-pong, croquet and the swings. In personal work done quietly during the period Mr. Link led two boys, one of whom was a Catholic, to accept Christ.

The Daily Vacation Bible School for the younger children followed this Night Bible School for the next three weeks, the juniors meeting every morning and the primary and beginner children meeting every afternoon. Thirty-eight juniors and twenty-nine primaries and beginners were enrolled. The two splendid summer assistants, Miss Ida Morris and Miss Louise Pender, and Mr. Link shared in conducting the worship, teaching, recreation and handwork periods in the Junior Department. A series of stories illustrating from child life the meaning of the phrases in the Lord's Prayer was impressively presented during the worship periods. These services were blessed by the presence of the Master and thus one morning five junior girls lifted their hands indicating their desire to know how to become Christians. When the boys and girls had gone outside for their play period these girls were called in one by one; alone with two of their leaders they were shown the way of salvation. In quiet moments of earnest prayer they accepted Christ and surrendered their young lives to Him. The same morning another girl and a boy were led to Christ by the other two workers. It was a day of marvelous blessing! And on the last morning when an opportunity was given for these to confess Christ publicly they stepped forward eagerly to make known to others their faith in Christ. Five of the seven were Catholics.

Miss Mary Sampson, a resident of Louisville who had attended the W.M.U. Training School, rendered efficient service in conducting some of the sessions of the Primary-Beginner Department. How happy were these little ones in the Vacation Bible School and how sweetly they sang of Jesus' love for them! And, of course, they loved the handwork and stories. On the last afternoon of the school all three departments enjoyed a street car ride and an outing in one of Louisville's beautiful parks.

Thus, in our 1940 Vacation Bible School we reached a total of 105 individuals. Of this number there were twenty-seven Catholics and two Jewish children; several of the other children had been attending no Sunday school.—Miss Wanda Lynch, Director of School's Good Will Center

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# Margaret Fund

Chairman: Mrs. H. M. Rhodes, Tennessee

## Permanent Margaret Fund Watchword:

Guard that which is committed to thy trust.—1 Tim. 6:20

## Margaret Fund Watchword for New S.B.C. Year:

Wisdom is better than weapons of war.—Eccles. 9:18

**W**E would guard the lives of the Margaret Fund students who are committed to our trust—in all ways—through prayer, that they may receive the careful guidance to which they are accustomed, asking the Lord to preserve their lives for service to Him. May we, as we experience closer contact with them, seek to influence and guide them to noble, useful lives.

Most of the ninety or more Margaret Fund students will shortly be in their various schools. Will all state Margaret Fund chairmen see that the "College Friend" is appointed immediately in each college town, if this has not already been done? This "friend" will seek to aid or advise students, when it is necessary—in emergencies or merely as one who is known to be there as a friend, waiting to be approached for advice, sympathetic council or help at any hour of the day or night. All who have young people in college know there are often problems or longings for a companion with whom to "talk things over".

Especially notice in the *Calendar of Prayer* in this magazine the names of Margaret Fund students as listed with those of their parents from month to month. Take those that are named, as well as all Margaret Fund students, often to the Throne of Grace. A complete list of students will be published in December *Royal Service*.

We would remind you to plan to have a program on the Margaret Fund in society, association and state meetings at least once a year. Secure the information published in the August issue of *Royal Service*, as also that in August *World Comrades* and *The Window of Y.W.A.*

W.M.S. members, please write your state Margaret Fund chairman in care of state W.M.U. headquarters for her plans for your state, since she may have additional plans besides those suggested by this chairman. May the interest, created through considering the work of the Margaret Fund, so urge you "to do something" that the "Burney Gifts" will show unusual increase.

Besides praying—often—for the security of these students and their parents, may you, through added interest, remember them on "special days", as Thanksgiving and birthdays, with letters of greeting etc., as soon as it is known what school each Margaret Fund student definitely decides to attend. The birthday dates may be had from your state Margaret Fund chairman.

Anyone who has interesting news concerning former Margaret Fund students, please send it to this chairman. Such news can often be published on this page.

Continue to seek Margaret Memorials! Shortly we shall have available a certificate, to be given all who are enrolled under the "Memorials" in the future. So search your organizations, families and memberships for new Margarets!

Please continue your prayers for the Margaret Fund Committee and for all who have responsibility in carrying on this work that is precious to our hearts.—Mrs. H. M. Rhodes, 269 Kenilworth Place, Memphis, Tenn.

Intercede for mission boards and their missionaries in state, home and foreign fields. Pray for Margaret Fund students and for W.M.U. Training School as new scholastic year is entered; intercede also for building project of school. Intercede for world-wide peace.

# Bible Study

Ellie Broadus Robertson, Kentucky

## OUR GREAT HIGH PRIEST—Heb. 1:1-8; 8:1-6

**T**WO visits on a recent Sabbath to Jewish synagogues taught something of Judaism today. The first was on Friday evening in an Orthodox synagogue. The visitor sat alone in the gallery, the only woman present, for the special meal which marks the beginning of the Sabbath was to be prepared while the men went to the synagogue. The service was entirely in Hebrew, chanted responsively or in unison with the leader, heartily in sweet ringing cadences. Toward the close all joined the mourners, bowing at the rail in front, in chanting earnestly the *Kaddish* (memorial prayer in honor of the dead). Parents must be thus honored every week for eleven months—not twelve, for that would imply wickedness needing undue intercession on the part of their sons. But the *Kaddish* itself is a Messianic prayer for the hastening of God's Kingdom. Looking through the prayer-book, on the English side of the leaves, many beautiful psalms were found and admonitions from the Law and a few pages from the *Mishna*\*, also thirteen articles of belief drawn up by the revered Maimonides in the 12th Century A.D. They stressed the unity of God and His choice of Israel, the perpetual hope of the Messiah, a future life, a resurrection and judgment.

The next morning, at a Reformed synagogue service, the case was almost reversed, for only three or four elderly men were present among the rather large gathering of women. The service was in English, the prayer-book showing very little Hebrew. Only at the bringing out and restoring of the *Torah*, moments of special solemnity, the congregation standing, were there Hebrew words. This "Roll of the Law" is a large double roll of parchment, handwritten, in Hebrew of course, kept in "the Ark", a curtained niche behind the pulpit, guarded by a perpetual light. Afterwards a passage from Numbers was read in English from the large pulpit Bible—"How shall I curse whom God hath not cursed?"—and a sermon preached from Daniel's words: "A people apart, not numbered with the nations". Two hymns were sung. Somehow this service, though more intelligible than the former, was less appealing. The women's voices were just a murmur, rather depressing, and the outward likeness to Christian worship made the absence of the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ more marked. The one God seemed claimed for Israel alone.

The *Epistle to the Hebrews* was addressed especially to Jewish Christians who were being urged to give up Christianity and return to the religion of their fathers. The writer shows how Jesus did fulfil the Law and the prophecies of the Messiah, though rejected and slain because He did not come as an earthly king and drive away the Romans—even as Jews today reject Him. But He is a better high priest than Aaron, for He offered Himself as one sufficient sacrifice; His "new covenant" is better than the Mosaic covenant at Sinai, and His spiritual Kingdom endures for ever and ever.

\**Mishna*, the oral law or tradition of the rabbis, written down in the 2nd Century A.D. Discussion of the *Mishna* is the *Gemara*, and both bound together make the *Talmud*.



# 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 1940.

## TOPIC: "To the Jew First"

For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth: to the Jew first and also to the Greek. . . . What advantage then hath the Jew? . . . Much every way: chiefly because unto them were committed the oracles of God.—Rom. 1:16; 3:1, 2

### "Unto Thy Seed"

1st Day—Gen. 11:26-32; Psa. 150:1-6  
2nd Day—Gen. 12:1-9; Psa. 96:1-13  
3rd Day—Gen. 13:1-12; Psa. 2:1-5  
4th Day—Gen. 15:1-7, 18; Rom. 16:1-10  
5th Day—Gen. 17:1-9; Acts 10:1-6  
6th Day—Gen. 17:15-22; Acts 16:12-18  
7th Day—Gen. 18:1-14; John 4:19-29

### "For I Know Him"

8th Day—Gen. 18:17-19; 21:1-4; Psa. 122:1-9  
9th Day—Gen. 22:1-13; Psa. 139:1-12, 23, 24  
10th Day—Gen. 23:1-20; Eccl. 5:1-7  
11th Day—Gen. 26:1-5, 12-17; Acts 27:18-26  
12th Day—Gen. 27:1-21; Matt. 4:1-11  
13th Day—Gen. 27:22-41; Isa. 41:8-13  
14th Day—Gen. 29:1-13; John 1:1-9

### "To Know the Mysteries of the Kingdom"

15th Day—Gen. 35:1-12; Psa. 61:1-5  
16th Day—Matt. 13:1-11; Prov. 4:1-9  
17th Day—Rom. 11:1-21; Prov. 4:10-19  
18th Day—Rom. 11:25-36; Prov. 4:20-27  
19th Day—I Tim. 3:16; I Kings 3:5-14  
20th Day—II Thess. 2:1-12; Job 28:20-28  
21st Day—I Cor. 13; Jas. 3:13-19

### "Let God be true"

22nd Day—Rom. 2:10-13; Jas. 1:2-11  
23rd Day—Rom. 3:1-18; Prov. 11:24-31  
24th Day—Rom. 3:19-31; Jer. 17:9-11  
25th Day—Rom. 4:1-13; Luke 12:13-21  
26th Day—Rom. 4:14-25; I Tim. 6:17-19  
27th Day—Rom. 5:8-21; Rev. 18:15-20  
28th Day—Rom. 6:1-10; Luke 16:9-13  
29th Day—Rom. 6:11-23; Psa. 49:1-12  
30th Day—Rom. 7:18-25; Luke 1:1-4

## "Pray Ye"

Giving thanks that "the Lord God omnipotent reign-eth"

Praise God that "He will not fail nor be discouraged till He has set justice in the earth".

Give thanks that "it is a joy to the righteous to do justice".

Pray for states observing their season of prayer for state missions: (1) that the programs will be impressively presented; (2) that the offerings will exceed the goals in the churches and the states; (3) that each W.M.U. leader will be "steadfast . . . always abounding in the work of the Lord".



## Calendar of Prayer September, 1940

Prepared by Mrs. W. C. Henderson, Arizona

"Religion!" What an untold treasure  
Doth that wonderful word contain—  
A beauty that glorifies pleasure,  
A God-given solace in pain!

Though treachery, tyranny, hunger  
Cast 'round me serpentine snare,  
All the hosts of Heaven defend me  
When I lift my soul in prayer.  
—Kate Beirne O'Rourke

### 1—SUNDAY

Rev. and Mrs. H. B. Littleton (Orrie Ouida Price), Two, Rev. C. W. Knight, Ogburno, Nigeria, educational workers. In the fear of the Lord is strong confidence, and His children shall have a place in refuge.—Prov. 14:26

### 2—MONDAY

That Christian spirit may prevail in labor relations in our own land for the blessing of the world  
To be spiritually minded is life and peace.—Rom. 8:6

### 3—TUESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Tipton (Mary Bryson), evangelistic literary workers, Miss Lila Watson, W.M.U. worker, Shanghai, China  
Whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty and continueth therein . . . shall be blessed in his deed.—Jas. 1:25

### 4—WEDNESDAY

Miss Alma Graves, Fukunaka, Miss Florence Miller, Tokyo, Japan, educational workers  
The Lord will come with strong hand and His arm shall rule for Him.—Isa. 40:10

### 5—THURSDAY

Rev. V. Orta, Elgin, Rev. G. C. Valades, Austin, Rev. and Mrs. S. Martinez, Sabinal, Texas, evangelistic workers among Mexicans  
Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.—Eph. 4:30

### 6—FRIDAY

Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Brown, evangelistic educational workers, Columbia, S. C., Rev. A. W. Puller, educational worker, St. Augustine, Fla., to their own Negro race  
If any man's work abide which he hath built thereon, he shall receive a reward.—I Cor. 3:14

### 7—SATURDAY

Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Allen (Edith Ayers), educational workers, Dallas, and Miss J. J. Cowart (Grace Saphy), evangelistic workers, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; also Helen Kibben and Esther Cowart, Margaret, Penn. workers  
Believe on the name of His Son Jesus Christ and love one another.—I John 3:23

### 8—SUNDAY

That the hearts of many Jews shall be turned to Christ as Savior through kindness and faithful witness of Christian people  
He that scattered Israel will gather him and keep him as a shepherd doth his flock.—Jer. 31:10

### 9—MONDAY

Women's Missionary Union of North China  
Now the God of peace . . . make you perfect in every good work to do His will.—Heb. 13:20, 21

### 10—TUESDAY

Miss Ruth Goodin, educational worker, Rev. and Mrs. N. Garcia (Amada Rosa Perez), evangelistic workers, Havana, Cuba  
The righteous cry and the Lord heareth and delivereth them out of all their troubles.—Psa. 34:12

### 11—WEDNESDAY

Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Beddoe (Lowell Houston), Dr. W. L. Wallace, medical workers, Miss Jessie Green, educational worker, Wuchow, China  
Whoso putteth his trust in the Lord shall be safe.—Prov. 29:25

### 12—THURSDAY

Rev. and Mrs. G. Aldape, Crystal City, Texas, Rev. and Mrs. L. Gloria, Cotlan Springs, Texas, evangelistic workers among Mexicans  
Be not weary in well doing.—II Thess. 3:13

### 13—FRIDAY

Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Terry (Lula Sparkman), educational workers, Miss Edith West, evangelistic worker, Victoria, Brazil  
He was manifested to take away our sin.—I John 3:5

### 14—SATURDAY

Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Playtes (Margaret Sore), Madras, Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Ferrer (Maria Fernandez), San Jose, Cuba, evangelistic workers  
To whom is no labor: this is the gift of God.—Eccl. 5:19

## Calendar of Prayer for September

### 15—SUNDAY

Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Pruitt (*Anna Seaward*), Mrs. S. J. Towashood (*Sarah Crook*), emeritus missionaries from China  
The Lord hath appeared of old . . . saying, yes, I have loved thee with an everlasting love.—Jer. 31:3

### 16—MONDAY

Rev. and \*Mrs. M. W. Rankin (*Grace Elliott*), evangelistic workers, Miss Annie M. Sandilla, evangelistic-educational worker, Shiochow, China  
A true witness delivereth souls.—Prov. 14:25

### 17—TUESDAY

Faithful preparation and participation in the Season of Prayer for State Missions  
Where two or three are gathered together in My Name, there am I in the midst of them.—Matt. 18:20

### 18—WEDNESDAY

Rev. C. F. Stapp, evangelistic worker, Campina Grande, Rev. and Mrs. A. E. Hayes (*Heleen Ford*), evangelistic-educational workers, Recife, Brazil; also John William Hayes, Margaret Fund student  
Our sufficiency is of the Lord.—II Cor. 3:5

### 19—THURSDAY

Rev. and Mrs. W. H. H. Congdon (*Esther Bassett*), Iwo, Nigeria, evangelistic workers  
The Lord thy God in the midst of thee is mighty.—Zeph. 3:17

### 20—FRIDAY

Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Calloway (*Lillian Todd*), evangelistic workers, Macao, Misses Lenora Scarlett and Lora Clement, evangelistic workers, Kong Moon, China  
All the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.—Isa. 52:10b

### 21—SATURDAY

Rev. and Mrs. B. Contreras, Waelder, Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Rios (*Amelia Yanes*), Cameron, Texas, evangelistic workers among Mexicans  
We do know that we know Him. If we keep His commandments.—I John 2:3

### 22—SUNDAY

That southern Baptists may be diligent in paying their denominational debts  
Owe no man anything but to love one another.—Rom. 13:8

### 23—MONDAY

Woman's Missionary Union of Italy  
The labor of the righteous tendeth to life.—Prov. 10:16

### 24—TUESDAY

Dr. and \*Mrs. R. F. Ricketson (*Bessie Rose Abernethy*), xxMiss Pearl Johnson and Miss Pearl Todd, educational workers, Chetoo, China  
The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him and delivereth them.—Psa. 34:7

### 25—WEDNESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. S. E. McAdory (*Berlan Moore*), Udon, Minisilopi, evangelistic workers among Indians  
We love because He first loved us.—I John 4:19

### 26—THURSDAY

Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Sherwood (*Lucia Allen*), evangelistic workers, Campo Grande, Rev. and \*Mrs. A. B. Christie (*Anna Cloud*), evangelistic-educational workers, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil  
O Lord God, Thou art a great God and Thy words be true.—II Sam. 7:28

### 27—FRIDAY

Rev. and \*Mrs. V. Koon (*Aurora Bergroff*), Harbin, Manchukuo, Rev. and \*Mrs. W. W. Adams (*Floy White*), Dairen, China, evangelistic workers  
Pray without ceasing.—I Thes. 5:17

### 28—SATURDAY

Rev. and Mrs. M. G. Garcia (*Adelina Villarreal*), San Antonio, Rev. and Mrs. F. Becerra, Jr., Weslaco, Texas, evangelistic workers among Mexicans  
Thy Word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart.—Jer. 15:16

### 29—SUNDAY

That the Christians of many nationalities within the United States may be faithful in winning to Christ those of their own groups in the Nation-wide Evangelistic Crusade  
Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of Thy Name.—Psa. 79:9

### 30—MONDAY

Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Hipps (*Margaret Strick*), evangelistic-educational workers, Misses \*xxEdyth Boyd and \*Juanita Byrd, educational workers, Shanghai, China, also Robert Owen Hipps, Margaret Fund student  
The Lord hath made bare His Holy arm in the eyes of all the nations.—Isa. 52:10a

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# Business Women's Circles

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**Poster Suggestions**—On a large piece of heavy white paper sketch and color red (or paste after cutting from red paper) a large heart. On it leave a white space (or paste a piece of white paper) and outline on this a door. This should be large enough that the words, "Do not enter—exit only", can be legibly printed upon it. Above the heart print "Is your heart closed to God's chosen people?" and below it give date, time and place of meeting.

Have on display at this meeting a large map of the Southern Baptist Convention territory, conspicuously marked in the places where workers with Jewish people are located. (Details are given in the discussion "That Israel Might Be Saved", page 26.) Also display the several free leaflets available on Jews and evangelization of them; the map and the leaflets may be obtained for postage from Baptist Home Mission Board, 315 Red Rock Building, Atlanta, Georgia.

**Program Suggestions**—Present as an acrostic, according to the letters of the word, C-H-O-S-E-N. Prepare a large poster on which are listed the following: C-ontributions; H-eartaches; O-Zion Haste; S-outhern Baptists; E-xperiences; N-eighbors. Make the first letter of each as large as possible, leaving sufficient space on the left-hand side of the poster for pictures which will be representative of the respective discussions. Make small slots in the poster and let each speaker insert her picture by means of tabs. If desired a series of posters may be prepared, one for each letter in the acrostic. In this case each speaker

will enter carrying her own poster; the pictures will already be pasted or sketched on these posters and can be made larger than possible according to the first plan. The speakers will remain standing and form the word "Chosen". In either case the initial letter may be used alone, saving the time and effort of extensive lettering, if each person will emphasize in her discussion the significance of the letter.

The leader will give the introductory discussion, "A Called People", emphasizing the fact that the Jews were chosen by God (page 21).

*Contributions* is the discussion, "Israel's Gifts to the World". Use a picture of the Bible or of Christ. Be sure to include the splendid poem given (Page 22)

*Heartaches* is the discussion, "The Jew Today". Use a picture of a bleeding heart, of a closed door or iron fence or of rejecting hands (Page 24)

*O-Zion Haste* may be sung or read at this point. The picture used may be of a torch or a trumpet.

*Southern Baptists* is the discussion, "That Israel Might Be Saved", presenting our work among Jews in the southland. Use a picture of Mr. Gartenhaus or a small outline map of S.B.C. territory. Close this discussion with a prayer for the work of all missionaries to Jews. (Page 26)

*Experiences* relates the "Encouraging Experiences" as found on page 28. Use a picture of a church or simply attach one of the tracts on Jewish work

*Neighbors* is the discussion, "The Jew Next Door". Use a picture of clasped hands or of two persons in friendly, neighborly attitude. Close this discussion with prayer that we may continually search for and use opportunities to win Jews for Christ. (Page 28)

Close the program by singing "The Friends of Israel Song" (page 30).

## EVANGELISTIC CRUSADE (Concluded from Page 5)

a part of its year's work. Such organized evangelism by the W.M.S. will send the same spirit through their auxiliary organizations and often throughout the church. The Baptist women of the south, through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering effort, have revitalized—if not saved—foreign missions. They can do likewise with evangelism.

# Program Plans

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**Suggestions for Individual Invitations**—On slips of paper, cut in the shape of a map of Palestine, print these words: "What do I as a Christian owe to the Jew?" Give time, date and place of meeting.

**Poster Suggestions** — Since through the eye the mind is usually able to retain more than through the ear a poster giving the statistical data contained in the program material will be very effective. Include the number of Jews in Palestine, Europe (not given in material but, according to Mr. Gartenhaus, it is approximately 11 million of whom 9 million are in the war area), America, the south, the state, city or community if there are any in the latter two places. Head the poster with "Where the Jew Is to Be Found". (Pages 21-30)

**Suggestions for Presenting the Program:** The Program Committee will find a wealth of material given on the subject for this month's study; it would be wise for the committee to meet as far in advance of the society's meeting as possible in order to study the program as a whole and thus be able to plan its presentation as a unit and not in individual parts casually given out a few days before the meeting. In planning this program the committee should not feel bound to follow the discussions in the order of their appearance in *Royal Service* but should feel free to use the material in the way which will most effectively put across the essential information and bring about practical results. Most committees will find that the topic, *A Called People*, will form a splendid introduction to the whole study and therefore will present it first. In choosing the speakers select women who will make their contributions to the whole program and not as single topics unrelated to each other. Strive to steer clear of the stereotyped, mere-fact-giving, sight-reading speaker. Urge the

women to tell what they have to say in a challenging style that their listeners may know what is their Christian responsibility to the Jew. Very often Christians are interested in giving the Gospel to the Jews thousands of miles away but show no interest in the Jew who lives next door. Let the giving of the Gospel to the Jew in the community be the challenging note throughout the program.

The committee may find it advantageous to combine certain topics; for example: the topic "Israel's Gifts to the World" may be combined with the discussions under "The Jew Today". The woman discussing "The Jew Today in Europe" may bring to the attention of her audience the names of outstanding European Jews and their contributions to the world. The same plan may be followed with regard to the topic "In America". At this point also the speakers should call direct attention to the statistical poster. (Pages 22-26)

As stated above, chief emphasis in the presentation of this program should be placed upon winning the "Jew Next Door". If only one hour is allotted to the missionary program the committee should choose a woman who could effectively condense this topic and correlate with it practical methods for winning the Jew. If time permits, several women might give briefly the stories told in the topics "That Israel Might Be Saved" and "Encouraging Experiences". (Pages 26-29)

The person in charge of the program might close by offering the following suggestions as practical methods of giving the Gospel "to the Jew first":

1. Give out tracts to the members of the society who will in turn place them in the hands of their Jewish friends and neighbors. (Secure tracts, free for postage, from Baptist Home Mission Board, 315 Red Rock Bldg., Atlanta, Ga.)
2. Send Jewish acquaintances subscriptions to *The Mediator*. (Price 25c from Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus, Atlanta address as for 1.)
3. Form "Friends of Israel Prayer Groups" whose objectives are outlined in the program material.

# Program Material

Mrs. C. D. Cressman, Tennessee

**THEME for YEAR: Steadfast Purpose in a Changing World**

**TOPIC for MONTH: "To the Jew First"**

Hymn for Year—How Firm a Foundation

Watchword for Year—"Be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord"—1 Cor. 15:58.

Bible Study—Our Great High Priest—Heb. 1:1-8; 2:1-6 (Page 15)

Prayer thanking God for Jesus, our Great High Priest

Hymn—Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

A Called People

—Israel's Gifts to the World

The Jew Today

In Palestine

In Europe

In America

—O Zion Haste

That Israel Might Be Saved

—Encouraging Experiences

Prayer for God's blessing on the work of all Jewish missionaries

The Jew Next Door

—Hymn—The Friends of Israel Song

Prayer that we may continually search for opportunities to win Jews for Christ

## A CALLED PEOPLE

**I**N this year when we are thinking about God's steadfast purpose in a changing world, we must remember that race of people who amid all the world's changes remains a steadfast part of God's eternal purpose for mankind. Our thoughts go back to a time centuries ago when God spoke to a man in Ur of Chaldees saying: "Get thee out of thy country and from thy kindred and from thy father's house, unto the land that I will show you: and I will make of thee a great nation . . . and in thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed". In that call to Abraham, with its accompanying promise, God made His first great recorded move toward working out His redemptive purpose for the whole world. He chose a man from whom should come a family, from which should come a race, to be His own peculiar people—the interpreters of His law, the authors of His Book, the instruments of His saving grace.

To those of us who understand God's purpose in Israel the Jews are the most interesting people in the world. We are interested in them because they are God's called people, chosen not only to receive His special blessing but also to be a blessing to others.

We are interested in them because they are the people of our Bible. They wrote most of the Bible and practically all the characters who through its pages have become our intimate companions were Jews.

We are interested in the Jews because of the marvel of God's dealing with them through the centuries. They are the miracle people of history. They constitute one of the greatest proofs of the inspiration of the Scriptures.

We are interested in the Jews because of the wonder of their survival. During only one-fourth of their history have they had a national life of their own. For more than nineteen centuries they have been scattered throughout all the earth. There is hardly a nation but has tried to exterminate them and yet they are still here with their identity unimpaired.

We are interested in the Jews because they brought our Savior into the world. It was for this that God called them, preserved them through the centuries, guided, directed and taught them. This was the fulfillment of His promise that through the family of Abraham all the nations of the earth should be blessed.

We are interested in the part Jews are yet to play in the history of the world. Not all of God's promises in regard to His people have been fulfilled. They who read the prophecies of the Scriptures must realize that God still has wonderful plans for the Jews.

We are interested in the Jews because of what is happening to them today. Our hearts go out in sympathy to the thousands who are suffering persecution. And yet we can see things happening to them, in fulfillment of prophecy, which seem to indicate that the time of Israel's glory draws near.

The Jews—called of God and kept by Him through the centuries; a people with a land of promise, yet without a land they can call their own; wanderers upon the face of the earth, yet kept distinct from all others; despised and persecuted, yet playing an important part in history; the people who look forward and not backward to their golden age. These are the Jews, the most interesting, the most important people in the world!

#### ISRAEL'S GIFTS to the WORLD

NO PEOPLE have made such large cultural and religious contributions to the world as have the Jews. Even during these centuries, when they have been without a national home and have become a hiss and a byword among the nations, they have made many wonderful gifts to the world. "From age to age brilliant and gifted members of this race have risen to heights of power and influence in all the great nations of western civilization". The English Jewish Year Book in 1904 listed the names of 500 Jewish celebrities of the nineteenth century.

Jews are especially famous for their success in the world of business. Many of them have amassed great fortunes. God has given them the sagacity and thrift and the ability to make money. They have not only made large sums of money but many of them are famous for their philanthropy. Mr. Gartenhaus writes: "The Jew has always been philanthropic. There are organized charitable institutions to care for their needy. Charity is a foundation stone of Judaism. The Talmud says that charity and the bestowal of kindness outweigh all other commandments. Schools, hospitals, homes for the poor and orphaned abound. Some Jewish communities are beehives of benevolences and are generously seeking to solve problems of suffering and poverty among members of their race". In 1937 Great Britain celebrated the 100th anniversary of the death of the Jewish philanthropist, Nathan Rothschild, who gave the enormous sum of seventy-five million dollars to set free all of the slaves in England.

Jews have made wonderful contributions to art, music, science and in other cultural fields. We remember that Mendelssohn and Rubenstein, the great composers, were Jews. Isaac DeCosta, poet of first rank in Holland; Lord Herschell, the eminent astronomer; Sarah Bernhardt, perhaps the greatest actress of all time; Albert Einstein, famed for the theory of relativity—these and many others—are Jews who have made their names famous throughout the world.

While the Jews have no government of their own, many of them have risen to

high government positions in lands where they have made their homes. There is not a more illustrious name in English history than that of Benjamin Disraeli, prime minister during the reign of Queen Victoria. Another Jew held a similar position in France. Fifty-four Jews have served as judges of the high courts of the United States.

From the very beginning Jews have made their contribution to the development of America. The trip of Columbus when he discovered America was financed largely by two Jewish friends. It is said that the first white man that set his foot on American soil was a Jew who served as interpreter to Columbus. Among the early colonists to come to America were many Jews seeking the freedom offered by this new land. Here they made good citizens, "not only enjoying the rights and privileges but also ready to offer and sacrifice for the keeping and defending of their new home". Large gifts from Jewish patriots helped to finance the American Revolution. Two Jews held places of influence in the southern Confederacy.

In his leaflet, "Trophies of Grace", Mr. Gartenhaus gives a list of Jewish Christians who have greatly enriched the world with their contributions. On that list are: Alfred Eidershein, theologian and writer, whose "Life and Times of Jesus" is considered one of the world's best biographies of Jesus; Rabbi J. Lichenstein, evangelist, who stirred all Hungary with the Gospel message; Joseph Wolff, missionary who traveled all over the world preaching the Gospel; and Sir Arthur Sullivan, composer, who wrote the tune to "Onward, Christian Soldiers" and other well-known church music.

Of course in religion the Jews have made their greatest contribution to the world and the greatest made by any race. They have given to the world its greatest book, the Bible; its greatest man, Jesus Christ; and its greatest religion, Christianity. Jesus Himself said, "Salvation is of the Jews". We who are Christians must never forget that we owe to the Jews our hope of salvation and all things which we hold most precious.

#### The Jew

"Scattered by God's avenging hand,  
Afflicted and forlorn,  
Sad wanderers from their pleasant land,  
Do Judah's children mourn;  
And, e'en in Christian countries, few  
Breathe thought of pity for the Jew.

"And when the great Redeemer came  
For guilty man to bleed,  
He did not take an angel's name:  
No—born of Abraham's seed  
Jesus, who gave His life for you,  
The gentle Savior, was a Jew.

"Yet listen, gentiles, do you love  
The Bible's precious page?  
Then let your hearts with kindness move  
To Israel's heritage;  
Who traced those lines of love for you?  
Each sacred writer was a Jew.

"And though His own received Him not  
And turned in pride away,  
Whence is the gentile's happier lot?  
Are you more just than they?  
No, God in pity turned to you:  
Have you not pity for the Jew?

"And then as years and ages passed,  
And nations rose and fell,  
Though clouds of darkness oft were cast  
O'er captive Israel,  
The oracles of God for you  
Were kept in safety by the Jew.

"Go, then, and bend your knee to pray  
For Israel's ancient race;  
Ask the dear Savior every day  
To call them by His grace.  
Go, for a debt of love is due  
From Christian gentiles to the Jew".

## The JEW TODAY

### In Palestine

**I**F JEWS are the most interesting people in the world, certainly Palestine is the most interesting land in the world and its interest rests largely in the fact that it is the promised land of the Jews. We remember that for many centuries Palestine was in the hands of the Turks. During this period there were movements among Jews to return to their native land. Chief among these was Zionism, with its dream of again establishing in Palestine a Jewish national state. At the end of the World War (1918) Palestine passed under the control of England and by the Balfour Declaration the Jews were not only permitted but were even invited to return to their Promised Land. Thousands of Jews took advantage of this opportunity, until today the Jewish population of Palestine numbers over 400,000. Many of these went merely to escape persecution in European lands but others went, backed by the Zionist organization, to develop the land, still looking forward to a time when it will be the national home of a restored Israel.

This dream seems very wonderful and we find ourselves wishing that Palestine could once more belong exclusively to the Jews. But we must remember that the Arabs have lived in the land for many centuries and consider it their national home. Moreover, during the World War (1914-1918) not only were the Jews promised Palestine, but the Arabs were also promised independence. Of course both promises could not be kept. So, as the Jews have returned to Palestine with their Zionistic dreams, they have met there the Arabs with their nationalistic dreams: many conflicts have resulted. Diplomatic England has not been able to solve this perplexing problem, so riots are almost every day affairs in Palestine.

In the meantime, in spite of their constant conflict with the Arabs, the Jewish colonists are redeeming the land, long considered barren and unproductive, and are making it to flow once more with "milk and honey". They are enriching and irrigating the land and are making it to produce in great abundance clover, alfalfa, cauliflower, tomatoes, carrots, strawberries, bananas, grapes, oranges and many other fruits, vegetables and grains. Jewish dairy and poultry raising is becoming famed throughout the Near East. In the cities, too, Jewish industries are giving employment to thousands of colonists. Jewish hospitals and schools are springing up and health conditions are being greatly improved.

Those of us who read the prophecies of the Bible concerning the Jews can see in all of this God's hand working to carry out His steadfast purpose in the Jewish race. However, the Zionists for the most part are unconscious of the fact that by returning to Palestine they are fulfilling God's prophecies. To be sure, there is in the movement the feeling that as the Jewish nation returns to Palestine "it will once again create spiritual value and make a contribution to civilization perhaps not incomparable to what it has done in the past". But there is in the movement very little thought of the Jewish God and His plan for the race. The Jews are returning to Palestine but they are not returning to their faithfulness to the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. They are thinking of Palestine as their national home but not as the home of the Messiah who has already come. They still reject Jesus and need to be led to see that in Him lies the only hope of the Jews. They need to know Him as the Prince of the House of Israel. They need to see that when the national state, of which they dream is set up, Jesus will be the ruler—that He it is who will sit on the throne of David as King not only of the Jews but of all nations.

### In Europe

There are today over sixteen million Jews living in the different countries of Europe. We cannot think of them without an ache in our hearts, for this is a day of intense persecution against the Jews. We have been appalled at the persecutions perpetrated on the Jews in Germany. One writing of these says: "Unless one has been an eye witness it is almost impossible to realize the horrors of this persecution. . . . In every German city today large signs hang in cafe and shop windows: 'Only traitors talk or deal with Jews. Jews visit this place at the risk of their lives'. Jews are thrown from moving trains, are whipped or shot down in front of their children; they are molested with taunts and physical violence when they appear in the street". Just such things as this were happening a few months ago in Poland. Stories like this show the Jewish persecution even among the children of Poland: "A boy of 12 playing football with other Jewish boys was robbed of the ball by a crowd of non-Jewish boys. He tried to recover the ball but was pushed into a nearby pond. At each attempt to escape he was pushed in again until he drowned".

In Rumania a short time ago 30,000 peasants took an oath to rid their country of all Jews. In Austria, Greece and Italy there is strong anti-Semitic propaganda. It is said that even in England, where kindness to the Jew has been the rule for nearly three centuries, there is a tide of anti-Semitism arising.

Of course today the second World War is absorbing all the attention of the European nations and Jewish persecution has abated somewhat. But the seed of hatred is there and it expresses itself whenever opportunity arises. The tragedy of it all is that much of the persecution is done by so-called Christian people in the name of Christ. Sometime ago there appeared in the *New York Times* a quotation from an article by a German writer trying to prove that Christ was really anti-Semitic. These are some of the amazing statements: "Christ was not only no Jew but was an anti-Semite. He was against the Jews. He was the greatest opponent of Jews in all history. The Christian religion He founded was and is fundamentally an anti-Jewish movement and religion".

With such ideas in the minds of the people we can't wonder at the cruel persecution of the Jews. Whatever may be the result of the war that is raging today, we hope that it will result in a better condition for the Jews of Europe. However, we know that the only hope for the cessation of Jewish persecution is for Europe's people to become truly Christianized.

### In America

From the beginning of its history our "Land of Liberty" has been a refuge for the Jews. There are now in the United States about four and a half million Jews, most of them good citizens of our country. Five hundred thousand of these live in the southland.

Jews are perhaps happier in America than anywhere else in the world and yet even here they are often despised and discriminated against. Sometimes they are not allowed in apartment houses, at summer resorts and in other public places. Mrs. Irene Hanley, the Jewish missionary in southern Illinois, tells a most pathetic story of how her family was persecuted in a certain American town. Not only were the children mistreated in school but the father was so persecuted that he finally had to slip out of the town. The family had to depend on a neighbor friend to purchase their groceries and other necessities until the father sent for them to join him in a larger city.

Recently after a series of meetings with a Jewish missionary in a certain city, a good Christian woman and leader in her church remarked: "I will always feel

different toward the Jews after this. I have never liked them before". Why had she not liked them? Just because she had not known them and was prejudiced against them. Such is the attitude toward the Jews held by many Christian people.

The spiritual condition of the Jews of America is a serious one. Many of them are turning away from the religion of their fathers and have found nothing to take its place. A Jew, writing of his own people in a current magazine, says: "Millions of us no longer know the ways of our fathers. Millions more consider those ways outworn and unappealing". Mr. Gartenhaus writes: "The great mass of Jews and their shepherds are not religious. They are neither radical nor nationalistic. They care nothing for God's plan for Israel". One of their own rabbis says: "The Jew of America is suffering from spiritual famine. He has lost the joy, the peace and well-being which the practice of religion had given to his father and forefathers. The faith—that gave to the ancient Jew joy in moments of sorrow, hope in hours of despondence, cheer in days of darkness—no longer inspires the Jew of today". These Jews in America—wandering away from the faith of their fathers, forgetting the God of Israel, soul hungry for they know not what—constitute a great opportunity for American Christians to lead them back to the God of their fathers and to His Son Jesus Christ, the Messiah who can fulfill all the hopes of Israel.

#### THAT ISRAEL MIGHT BE SAVED

44  O the Jew First" is the Bible plan for the propagation of the Gospel. Most of Jesus' earthly ministry was to the Jews, and the first missionary work of the Christian church was among Jews. But when they refused to accept the Gospel, Paul turned to the gentiles, and so Christianity became the religion of the gentiles rather than of the Jews. Even in this modern missionary era there has been little work among the Jews. Christians have been inclined to look upon the winning of the Jews as an impossible task and, therefore, have been slow to attempt it.

Almost two decades ago southern Baptists awoke to their responsibility with reference to the 500,000 Jews in the southland and the Home Board employed Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus as missionary among them. For all these years this faithful evangelist has been the lone missionary to his people. We are glad to say that recently other missionaries have begun working among the Jews in different localities of the south. The Texas W.M.U. is supporting Miss Mullie Cohen who is doing effective work among her people in New Orleans. In her devotional at the W.M.U. annual meeting in Baltimore Miss Cohen said: "Help my people whether you see results or not; leave the results with God". The Home Board granted permission for her to help this summer in a series of W.M.U. meetings in Alabama. The Baptist City Mission Board of St. Louis is sponsoring Miss Dorothy Mayer as worker among the 100,000 Jews of that city. (See page 9.) Supported by the W.M.U. of southern Baptists in Illinois, Mrs. Irene Hanley is doing a wonderful work in East St. Louis and other points in southern Illinois. The Illinois women generously allow Mrs. Hanley to accept invitations to other states, attending W.M.U. meetings, speaking to various groups on Jewish work and contacting as many Jews as she can. Everywhere she goes her message is received with deep interest and her hearers are impressed with the witness of what Jesus has done for one Jewess and are fired with zeal to do more to give the Gospel to these long neglected people.

The one thing that impresses all who hear these workers among the Jews relate their experiences is the changed attitude of the Jews toward the Gospel. When

Mr. Gartenhaus began his work he had great difficulty in making contacts with the Jews. They would tear up his literature in his face and refuse to listen to his message. But today he is received graciously by Jews wherever he goes, they are glad to accept his tracts and listen with respect and interest to his message. Some years ago, when holding a Jewish-Christian Good Will meeting in Louisville, Mr. Gartenhaus invited the rabbi to attend. The rabbi replied, "If you were to speak across the street I would not disgrace myself by going over to hear you". Fourteen years afterward, when a similar meeting was being held in the same city, the same rabbi came without an invitation and afterwards said to Mr. Gartenhaus: "I am more convinced than ever that the only solution of all our problems is to accept the Messiah". Fifteen years ago it was a rare thing to hear of a Jew becoming a Christian, and very few ever joined a Baptist church. But now almost every day Mr. Gartenhaus receives letters telling of Jews who have become Christians and have been baptized.

The work of Mr. Gartenhaus is twofold. First, he himself tries to reach every Jew he possibly can; and, second, he works constantly to arouse southern Baptists to their duty in regard to giving the Gospel to the Jews. To do these two things he uses varied methods. He makes much use of literature, using some tracts which explain salvation to the Jews and some to interest Christians in the Jews. These he distributes at every opportunity. He also helps in publishing a magazine, *The Mediator*, and it is his purpose that this shall go into as many Jewish homes as possible. We can greatly help the Jewish work by subscribing to this magazine for some Jewish families. The price is 25c a year from Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus, care Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga. It would be splendid if Baptists would see that this magazine goes to every Jewish home in their community. The W.M.U. Literature Department during the past two years has provided more than 400 subscriptions of *The Mediator* to be sent to Jews with whom Mr. Gartenhaus has made contacts.

Then, Mr. Gartenhaus travels over the south himself, speaking to as many groups of Baptists as he can reach. Especially effective have been his Jewish-Christian Good Will meetings, held in many of our leading southern cities. In these, Jews and Christians are brought together in an effort to establish a happy relationship, which will result in more interest in the Jews on the part of the Christians and in a better understanding of Christians and of the Gospel of Jesus on the part of the Jews.

Realizing that at best he can reach only a small per cent of the Jewish population of the south, Mr. Gartenhaus seeks to organize in as many places as possible "Friends of Israel Prayer Groups". He outlines the object of these to be to:

1. Cultivate Christlike attitudes toward "His kinsmen"
2. Live Christlike lives before "His kinsmen"
3. Create Christlike friendships with "His kinsmen"
4. Win "His kinsmen" to Christ.

"Through such groups large numbers of Jews in many of our towns and cities, who otherwise would have been left untouched, have been contacted and not a few won to the Savior".

While we are trying to win the Jews in our own land to Christ we are not forgetting those who are returning in such large numbers to Palestine. We have in Jerusalem Miss Elsie Clor, herself a Jewess, and Miss Eunice Fenderson, who through a Good Will Center and a Baptist church are touching the lives of many Jews, especially children. Dr. and Mrs. Eddleman are in Palestine as our special missionaries to the Jews. They expected to live in Tel Aviv, the all-Jewish city of



more than a million people, and to work there and in Jerusalem. However, when Mr. and Mrs. Hanna went home on furlough the Eddlemans felt it wise to move to Nazareth to keep this work going. Writing of the need in Jerusalem Dr. Eddleman says: "The Jerusalem Baptist Church and Good Will Center, located in a densely settled Jewish section, are worthy of support and are an acute challenge to some pastor to give his life assisting in the large work there".

#### ENCOURAGING EXPERIENCES

As Related by Mr. Gartenhaus

SOMETIME ago one of the pastors in Louisiana wrote me about a young Jewish doctor who married a Baptist but had never been inside a church. I sent him some literature, and the very next Sunday he was present at one of the services. Then on my last trip to that state I arranged to have a service in that very town, and the doctor not only came but invited me to his home for dinner. He is now earnestly examining the claims of Christ. I have every reason to believe that he will become a Christian.

I visited a town in Alabama where the two Jewish families accepted my invitation to attend the services. The good pastor followed up the interest and a few weeks later a request came from one of the men for an Old Testament in the Yiddish language, which request I gladly granted. Then a little later came the good news of the man's conversion. Now the other Jewish friend has requested a Bible.

In a certain city a "Friend of Israel" contacted a Jewish woman and invited her to go to church with her. At first she gave an excuse for not going, and later she told me she had declined the invitation feeling that there was nothing there for her. But this Christian friend renewed the invitation and the Jewess at last reluctantly accepted it to avoid hurt feelings. To her surprise she was impressed with the entire service—the beautiful hymns, the earnestness of the minister and the friendly atmosphere. This led to another visit.

Meanwhile the friend had passed on to her some suitable literature, all of which resulted in her conversion. It would inspire and thrill any heart to hear her tell her experience.

"I was completely taken in", she told me, bubbling over with joy. "It seems that I am born to a new life—it is all so wonderful!"

I, too, was thrilled beyond words when I realized that I was not alone in this battle of winning my people who all these years have failed to hear of a Savior's love because of Christians' indifference. We can see how far-reaching such groups can be.

#### The JEW NEXT DOOR

MOST of us have Jews next door or certainly somewhere near us. There is hardly a Jewish family among all the 4,000,000 Jews in the United States that doesn't have Christian neighbors within a few blocks or a few miles. Our limited number of missionaries can reach only a very small per cent of these, but if every Christian would become a missionary to his Jewish neighbors every Jew could know about the Gospel and have an opportunity to accept Christ in a very short time. One reason so few Jews have been converted is because so few Christians have ever felt any obligation to carry the Gospel to them.

Before effective personal work can be done among Jews a friendly relationship must be established. We cannot hold ourselves aloof in a spirit of superiority and ever hope to reach them with the Gospel. We must show the spirit of Christ in our daily contacts. We must treat our Jewish neighbors as we treat other re-

spected and loved neighbors before we can expect them to listen to the Gospel message.

"A questionnaire was sent out by the Presbyterian Board of National Missions to one hundred and twenty Hebrew Christians, asking among other questions what it was that first led them to consider Christianity. In ninety-eight per cent of the answers it was: 'The kindly interest of some Christian man or woman'. Many Jews will never learn the real nature of Christianity except through personal contact with Christian people".

Recently Mrs. Irene Hanley spent a week in Nashville working among Jews and holding a conference with Nashville women about Jewish work. As she visited among the Jews she found a girl who had written to New York for literature explaining the way of salvation. This girl lived only a few blocks from our great Sunday School Board where millions of pages of Baptist literature are published each year. And yet she had sent to New York for the information she wanted because no Baptist had gotten close enough to her to learn of her heart hunger.

To one of the meetings held by Mrs. Hanley the editor of a Jewish paper came. No one knew of his presence, but the next day there attended one of Mrs. Hanley's conferences a prominent leader among Jewish women of the city saying that this editor had told her to be sure and come to hear the missionary. That morning Mrs. Hanley had a large group of Hebrew students in the audience and spoke to them at length about being saved. In a private conference afterward this prominent Jewish woman asked, "What do you mean by being saved?" In Nashville are thousands of Christians, and yet a missionary had to come from Illinois to tell an intelligent young Jewess that salvation comes from the Lord Jesus Christ.

So many opportunities come for contacts with Jews if only Christians were alert to use them! A member of a "Friend of Israel" group, while waiting for a bus, was invited by a Jewess to ride in her car. She used this contact to give a word of testimony and to leave with this Jewess some Christian literature.

Another Christian woman made friends with a Jewish girl who waited on her in a department store. She gave her a New Testament and some tracts and when opportunity came invited her to her home to talk with her about Jesus as the Messiah.

Another Christian woman received kindly a Jewish peddler. After buying some of his wares she spoke to him about his soul and found him eager to talk with her about Christianity. He accepted the literature she offered, expressing surprise that a gentile showed interest in him and saying: "I thought all gentiles hated Jews".

The Jews are all around us—500,000 of them are neighbors to southern Baptists. They are heart hungry. They are realizing that something is wrong with the Jewish race. They are asking an explanation for the continued persecution of their people. Many of them are leaving their old orthodox faith. They are needing something steadfast to which they can cling in this day of change and doubt. They need friends. They need Christ. We should be their friends. We should give them Christ. We should share with them our steadfast hope found only in Jesus.

"To the Jew first" is the plan for preaching the Gospel. We have made the Jew last or not at all in our evangelizing program. Let us get these chosen people of God so much on our hearts that we will do everything we can to tell them of Him who came to bring salvation "to the Jew first".

### The FRIENDS of ISRAEL SONG

(Tune: *Onward, Christian Soldiers*)

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| <p>"Lord, we come before Thee<br/>In our Savior's name,<br/>For Thy chosen people<br/>Blessing now to claim.<br/>Send the 'showers of blessing'<br/>On each Jewish head;<br/>To the Cross of Jesus<br/>Be each lost one led.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Chorus:</i></p> <p>"Father, bless and save them,<br/>Israel's sons, we pray;<br/>Turn to joy their bondage,<br/>Turn their night to day.</p> | <p>"Satan doth enslave them,<br/>Blinds them to Thy Word;<br/>Oh! do Thou convict them<br/>By Thy Spirit's sword.<br/>Send Thy promised Spirit,<br/>Break their chains of sin,<br/>Bid them trust in Jesus,<br/>Call each lost one in.</p> <p>"O'er the wide world scattered,<br/>Yet they still are Thine;<br/>May Thy glorious Day Star<br/>In their darkness shine;<br/>Though in every country<br/>Far from Thee they roam,<br/>Savior, seek and find them,<br/>Bring each lost one home".</p> |
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### QUESTIONS for REVIEW and DISCUSSION

1. Discuss the Jews as God's called people.
2. Mention some reasons why the Jews are the most interesting people in the world.
3. Name some Jews who have made contributions to art, music and science.
4. Mention some contributions made by Jews to the development of America.
5. Discuss the Jews' religious contribution to the world.
6. Tell something of the present day return of the Jews to Palestine.
7. Discuss Jewish persecution in Europe.
8. Tell something of the condition of Jews in America.
9. Tell of southern Baptist missionary work among the Jews.
10. Discuss the changed attitude of the Jews toward Christianity.
11. Give names of workers among the Jews in the south.
12. Tell of the work of our missionaries among the Jews in Palestine.
13. Discuss the importance of using daily contacts with the Jews for winning them to Christ.
14. Discuss "Friends of Israel" as a way of doing personal service.

### REFERENCE MATERIAL

The following list of reference material is the chief source used in the preparation of the foregoing 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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|----------------------------------------|------------------|
| The Window of Y.W.A.                   | —World Comrades  |
| Southern Baptist Home Missions         | —The Commission  |
| State Denominational Papers            |                  |
| Last Report of Home and Foreign Boards |                  |
| The Rebirth of a Nation.....           | Jacob Gartenhaus |

### ANNIE ARMSTRONG OFFERING

THE state W.M.U. offices report a total of \$154,392.16 raised this past March for the Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions, the goal of which was \$130,000. It is also gratifying to report herewith the way in which the Home Mission Board has been authorized to use \$12,740 of the Beyond-Goal-Gifts:

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| El Paso School Building.....                                                                                                  | \$ 5000         |
| Salary for Missionary, Gallup, New Mexico.....                                                                                | 1200            |
| Church Building, Gallup, New Mexico.....                                                                                      | 1500            |
| Printing Program Material for Mexican Women of Texas.....                                                                     | 300             |
| Kindergartens for Mexicans in Texas: (Laredo \$300; McAllen \$300; Harlingen \$300; Corpus Christi \$300; Del Rio \$300)..... | 1500            |
| Salary, Missionary, Jeanerette, Louisiana.....                                                                                | 600             |
| Building, Jeanerette, Louisiana.....                                                                                          | 900             |
| Salary, Mrs. Leona Woolforth, New Orleans, La.....                                                                            | 480             |
| Salary, P. G. Carranza, Deming and Central, N. M.....                                                                         | 600             |
| Assistant to Miss Mildred Matthews, Havana, Cuba.....                                                                         | 240             |
| Salary, Felix Becerra, Pharr and Edinburg, Texas.....                                                                         | 420             |
| <b>TOTAL.....</b>                                                                                                             | <b>\$12,740</b> |

### "By the Side of the River of Light"

WHILE the Southern Baptist Convention was in session in Baltimore on June 14 the spirit of one of its esteemed missionaries, Mrs. C. F. Stapp of Brazil, joined "the general assembly . . . enrolled in Heaven". Born in Texas Mrs. Stapp attended Baylor University and in 1909 went out with her Baylor husband to their chosen work in north Brazil. Sincerest sympathy is felt at this time for Mr. Stapp and the home circle: four of the sons have been Margaret Fund students.

### BIBLE TOPICS for W.M.U. in 1941

#### SOME PSALMS for TODAY

January—*Psalm 146*—"Help of the Helpless"  
 February—*Psalm 34:1-10*—Radiant Joy  
 March—*Psalm 107:1-16*—Homes for All  
 April—*Psalm 16*—A Resurrection Psalm  
 May—*Psalm 81*—"Honey Out of the Rock"  
 June—*Psalm 27*—"Let thy heart take courage".  
 July—*Psalm 85*—"Grant us Thy salvation".  
 August—*Psalm 97*—"Zion heard and was glad".  
 September—*Psalm 65*—Earth's Joy  
 October—*Psalm 37:1-11, 23, 24*—"Fret not thyself".  
 November—*Psalm 115*—"God will bless us".  
 December—A New Testament Psalm, *Luke 1:68-79*—(Compare Psalm 110.)

# Our Young People

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

## SHARING through STEWARDSHIP

At the Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgecrest, N. C., July 2-12, some 1025 young women from over the southland listened with alert attention as Dr. J. E. Dillard explained why we southern Baptists were in debt and pointed to membership in the Hundred Thousand Club or other state debt-paying plan as the way out of our denominational debt. They heard his grateful praise for the endeavor of Woman's Missionary Union to gather in \$1,000,000 of the necessary \$3,000,000 to be paid on southwide debts before we can reach the valiant slogan, "A Debtless Denomination by 1945". These young women resolved to do all they could toward helping wipe out our debts. But all young people want to share in this admirable project for if the debts are not paid they will drag on, eating up interest, waiting still to be paid.

During the W.M.U. Training School program presented under the direction of Miss Carrie U. Littlejohn, principal, the young women at Y.W.A. Camp resolved to give to help complete the new Training School building, many looking forward to studying there themselves. All seemed eager to share in making a better place for preparation days.

Dr. W. O. Lewis, secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, spoke on July 7, the first day of the S.B.C. effort to give \$200,000 to care for the foreign missionary work of British Baptists in this hour of emergency for them. The girls heard several different appeals for *China Relief* funds and in reply to both *China Relief* and *British Emergency* gathered \$584 to be divided equally between the two funds. In the messages

of home and foreign missionaries, as well as from Dr. Lawrence and Dr. Maddy, the young women of the Y.W.A. Camp saw more vividly the work done by funds supplied through the Cooperative Program.

So at Y.W.A. Camp they came to recognize the joy of sharing their money in a new understanding of stewardship. Not all Y.W.A.'s. can go to Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgecrest, but all Y.W.A.'s. and all other young people in missionary education organizations can learn to be good and faithful stewards if counselors will follow the plans suggested for the *Education of Our Young People in Stewardship of Possessions*. There is a general leaflet for counselors and stewardship chairmen and specific literature for Sunbeams and Juniors, the particular plans for Intermediates and Y.W.A.'s. being included in the general leaflet for counselors and stewardship chairmen. Be sure you have this stewardship material and use it. It is distributed through your state W.M.U. headquarters. It provides for sustained stewardship study which will be fascinating and character forming. The suggestion for a *Church Night of Stewardship* culminating the study is a timely one for an evening prior to the *Every Member Canvass* in your church.

In Germany girls and young women are advised to save their hair cuttings for military use. They no longer have keys attached to canned salmon and other cans for convenience in opening because those bits of tin must be saved for war purposes. If Germany to force her ideology can bother with such small details, we who are Christians can certainly learn to share the Christian message by coming to be honest stewards through careful, prayerful teaching, learning to share in our stewardship.

# College Y.W.A.

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

## AWAY to SCHOOL in SEPTEMBER

SIGNIFICANTLY almost alone in their chance of going uninterrupted to school, young people of America turn back to college this fall. Other students face handicaps and hardships; American youth must know those conditions of other lands not only from the standpoint of news interest but also from the view of their effect on the progress of the Kingdom of God. European youth stands at attention, ready to fight and kill. American young people must be ready alertly to learn about and to love mankind. China's young people are seeking to remember that "the educational front is more important than the military front". In crowded classrooms which serve as sleeping rooms at night, with corridors or outdoors for study halls, they eagerly learn, their zeal even surprising the missionaries. In our strangely strained world, every Woman's Missionary Society in a college or university town or in a town with a hospital must give itself to more active fostering of the Young Woman's Auxiliary in its institution. The world's hatred will corrode our Christian young people if adults fail to emphasize the overcoming power of love as it is seen in the progress of missions. Now as never before missionary education organizations must be increased in membership and must be successfully maintained.

Let the young people's director of a college town be sure that a counselor is provided on the campus, also a charming, alert fostering committee or person from the town to link the Ann Hasseltine or Grace McBride Y.W.A. with the

Woman's Missionary Society and the church. At Winthrop College in South Carolina the Y.W.A. circles meet in the homes of the Baptist women once a month. Would your Ann Hasseltine or Grace McBride Y.W.A. like to follow that plan? Then provide homes near enough to walk to or send cars and add a touch of home in light refreshments served. The mother-daughter plan is a favorite one in many schools, each local woman having as many college daughters as necessary to give each Y.W.A. member a mother and a "home" during the year.

Your Woman's Missionary Society can be sure there is a missionary library shelf available and popular in use, with biographies of missionaries, current missionary books of our own Boards and others. Provide such books as *Dare We Face Facts?* by Muriel Leslie; *I Have Seen God Do It* by Sherwood Eddy.

For the opening day the Y.W.A. would enjoy a supply of lemonade or punch which they could serve from an attractive Y.W.A. booth or nook to hot and weary arrivals. Arrange to have some of the women on hand to help them feel at home and welcomed at once to the church and its missionary activities.

Our young women are ready to respond with prayers and gifts and life service to the world's needs if they know them. At Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgecrest, July 2-12, some 1025 young women gave \$584 to be divided between the *British Emergency Fund* and *Chinese Relief*. Many answered God's call in a definite appeal presented by Dr. Maddy.

In your town the Woman's Missionary Society should realize with keen sense of responsibility its fostering obligation toward Baptist young women and toward unsaved young women on the campus or in the hospital. In the crucial months of 1940-41 there must be no failure in the missionary fostering.

## A DEBTLESS DENOMINATION

TUNE: *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus*

O HARK, ye southern Baptists,  
And heed our rally cry.  
O lift your heart's devotion  
To God who reigns on high.  
Be this our inspiration,  
The goal for which we strive—  
"Debtless denomination  
By 1945".

O come, ye loyal Baptists,  
And heed God's loving voice.  
Through sacrificial giving  
Make Heaven and earth rejoice.  
May all, as loyal stewards,  
Be faithful found and true.  
Bring tithes into His storehouse  
And bring our offerings too.

Remember, all ye people,  
The debt of love we owe  
To Him who died to save us  
Because He loved us so.  
Let's pay the debt we owe Him,  
Our gratitude to prove,  
That all the world may know Him  
And share His saving love.

Come join our happy chorus,  
As hopefully we sing.  
To bring a day victorious  
Let this glad slogan ring:  
Be this our inspiration,  
The goal for which we strive—  
"Debtless denomination  
By 1945".

—Mrs. C. C. Pugh, Ala.  
Mrs. C. D. Creasman, Tenn

## EDITORIAL (Concluded from Page 4)

in European countries and helping to carry on the British Baptist foreign missionary work is our privilege in these troubled times. No member of W.M.U. can be complacent and self-indulgent in the face of such need.

It is not too early to begin preparation for a worthy observance of the December Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions, through study, prayerful planning, saving for worthy giving. Immediately is the responsibility for the state season of prayer.

Steadfast in meeting responsibility for missionary education of youth, sympathetic and helpful as counselors and leaders of young people and children, steadfast in devotion to the missionary enterprise, loyal to the time-tested plans and program of Woman's Missionary Union, we shall through these remaining months of the year 1940 be *always abounding in the work of the Lord*. As Christians we are assured that such work "is not vain in the Lord!"

## CIRCLE PLANS (Concluded from Page 10)

anese national life and to show the influence on Baptist work

Sources: "Foreign Policy Association" books, *War in China and Showdown in the Orient*, price 25 cents each from 8 West 40th Street, New York City

Methods: 1. Lecture or Assignment

(1.) Japan's Rise to Power

(2.) Steps in Her Conquest of China

2. Discussion:

(1.) Is Japanese aggression (from their

point of view) justifiable? For sympathetic understanding call to mind the teachings of Shintoism, her crowded islands, her lack of raw materials and her few tillable acres.

(2.) Shall America continue to sell war materials to Japan? For free and priced material write to: American Committee for Non-Participation in Japanese Aggression, New York City.

Let the teacher give the present status of the Japanese mission with special emphasis on the missionary work of the Japanese Convention, the appalling needs and their challenge to us in the light of the war.

# Current Missionary Events

Discussed by Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

Energetic and aggressive the great majority of the 5,000,000 Jews in North America have prospered greatly. It is the consensus of opinion that within recent years the leadership of world Jewry has passed into their hands and that what happens to the Jews of America will vitally affect all the Jews of the world. Consequently the followers of Christ in North America have a responsibility concerning the Jew such as no other Christians in the world have—no, not even in Palestine.

We are told that workers among the Jews in America, Europe, Palestine and other lands agree that the hearts of the "chosen people" are more open and receptive to the Word of God and the Gospel message today than ever before. The terrific persecution in Europe, the troubles in Palestine and the ever-increasing anti-Semitism throughout the world have softened their hearts and made them long for security and rest.

In the last few years there has arisen over a large area of Europe a problem concerning the Jews that is giving the Christians of that continent much concern. As a result of the persecutions there has been such a rush of Jews to unite with Christian churches that many churches definitely refused to receive them, feeling that they have no true understanding and no definite conviction concerning the Christian faith. Others evade the question by sending them to the nearest missionary to receive baptismal instruction. As a consequence the missionary's whole time is taken up with this matter, leaving little opportunity to ascertain whether or not the inquirers have experienced anything of the saving power of Christ and, if not, to try to make Him real to them. In the mind of one commentator this involves a grave danger. Says he:

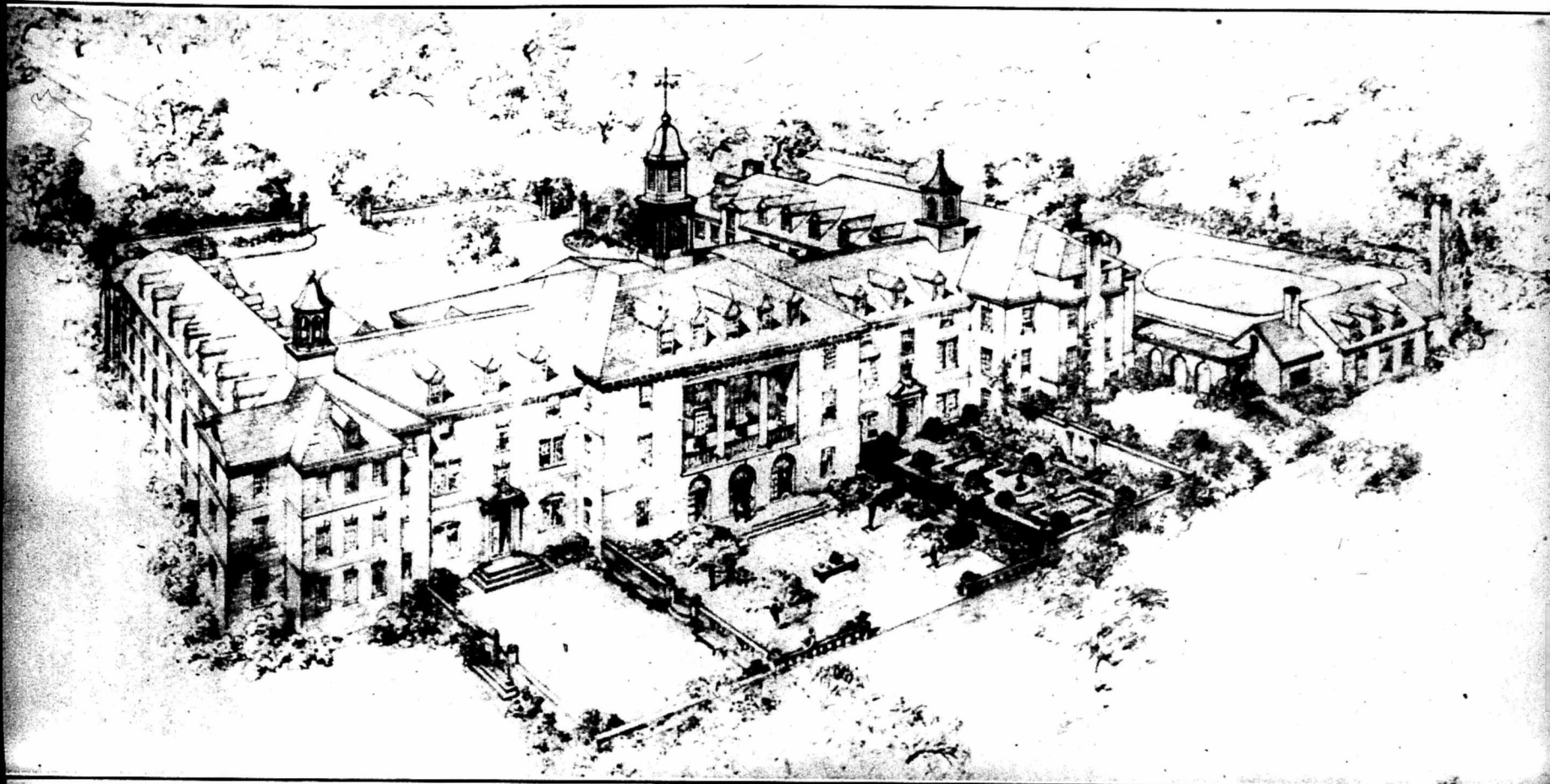
"As far as my experience goes, it seems that those baptized without a real Christian experience very seldom obtain it later". That was spoken in connection with the Jew, but is it not equally true concerning anyone of any race or nationality? Can that be one reason why the Christian church has no more power today than it does have in winning America and the world to Christ?

Lately a *Jewish Missionary Magazine* carried the following statement: "A recent biography of Christopher Columbus, by an outstanding Spanish scholar, offers convincing proof that the discoverer of America belonged to a family of converted Spanish Jews who had settled in Genoa about 1390".

One of the great fortunes of North America was built up by Meyer Guggenheim, a Jew, who as a youth came to this country from Germany in 1847 to escape persecution and to seek his fortune. Meyer Guggenheim had a son, Simon, who is still living but who lost his young son, John Simon, in a tragic way. In his memory Simon Guggenheim and his wife set aside seven million dollars and called it the John Simon Guggenheim Foundation, the purpose of which is "to find or more often to recognize the exceptional scholar and artist and make it financially possible for that one to do the creative work he most wants to do".

Said Conrad Hoffman Jr. at the last Northern Baptist Convention: "We have protested loudly against Hitler's anti-Semitism; the least we can do to support our protest is to support the victims of that anti-Semitism". May we add that the finest thing we can do is to do our utmost to give them Christ in whom only there is true liberty and peace?

REAR VIEW of NEW BUILDING NOW BEING ERECTED for W.M.U. TRAINING SCHOOL, Louisville, Ky.



Architects' Drawing