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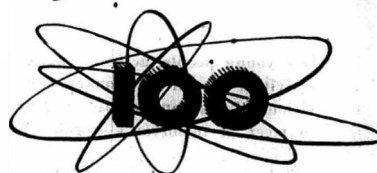
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in their first hundred years of expansion and growth.
Among the dynamic forces set in motion was
Woman's Missionary Union, organized in 1888. In
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month like an electric current, energizing the Baptist
women of the southland and the world for the work
of the Kingdom. Do you regularly connect with its
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EDITORIAL

MRS. F. W. ARMSTRONG, *President W. M. U.*

A Christ-Centered Centennial

THE eyes of the world are on southern Baptists as they come to the center of their Centennial Celebration. The necessary omission of the usual May meetings puts upon the great constituency a peculiar test. Can the pastors of the churches, the leaders in Woman's Missionary Union, Sunday-school and Training Union so inspire the people? Will the people respond to leadership in such a way as to bring victory in all the high aims of the Centennial? Much prayer, much speaking to the ideals and aims, much earnest effort are required; but the hindering circumstances surrounding our today's life are a real test of the devotion and spirit of sacrifice of southern Baptists.

Jesus said: "If ye love Me, ye will keep My commandments". Each Centennial year is an expression of love for Him. Each is the expression of a Christ-centered life. Yielding our hearts, our hands, our feet, our time to His leading will make this Centennial Celebration Christ-centered.

We remind ourselves and each of you that the Centennial itself is now centered— with June half the days will be gone and only half will still be ours to claim for Him and His cause. Woman's Missionary Union has always magnified the word AUXILIARY as defining its relation to the Southern Baptist Convention. It has sought to re-emphasize that relationship in every plan for this year of 1945. The real test of helpfulness is whole-hearted enlistment of each society and auxiliary and of each member of every W.M.U. organization. With the larger meetings cancelled, it is expedient that substitutes be planned which will provide inspiration and incentive to meet the ideals and objectives set to assure the "Crowning of the Century for Christ".

There was never a time when dedicated money could be so used to help in such a high ideal as this. Each member must be encouraged to give not less than one-fifth more to the Cooperative Program than last year. Many must make up in larger giving for those who fail to catch the ideal or who are limited in their capacity to give. Then there are countless opportunities for designated gifts to denominationally approved causes. Help your members to make wise choices in planning designations and keep a record of gifts so designated, because the Union has set for itself a goal of one-third of the all-over goal of the Convention's \$20,000,000. The recent meeting of the W.M.U. Training School's Executive Committee revealed a definite need for more class-rooms at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Since the Training School students are admitted to Seminary classes, this need was recognized as a joint responsibility. Believing that the Union's Executive Committee will heartily approve an effort to raise half of the estimated \$100,000 needed, we are constrained to recommend this project as worthy of designations. Full information on your part will help many generous-hearted W.M.U. members in your constituency to help meet this need.

Faithful following of programs, careful preparation for Seasons of Prayer, extra mission study classes, organization of Missionary Round Tables, large emphasis of community missions ideals, clear teaching as to stewardship of possessions, training of leaders for effective leadership of auxiliary organizations for young people! These represent our reasonable service in making this a Christ-centered Centennial.



Centennial Evangelistic Crusade

Dr. Fred C. Eastman
Secretary of Evangelism
Home Mission Board

"If Thou Go with Us"

OUR Centennial Evangelistic Crusade is now in full swing. More than twenty of our leading cities and hundreds of our churches report great victories for Christ, with thousands joining our churches for baptism and even a larger number by letter. Oklahoma City, with sixty-five churches enlisted, reports two thousand additions by letter and twelve hundred additions by baptism. Dallas, Texas, with eight-one churches enrolled, reports more than one thousand additions by baptism. Shreveport, Louisiana, with fifteen churches enlisted, reports more than seven hundred additions with more than four hundred coming for baptism. Atlanta, Georgia, is now (April) engaged in a great crusade with more than eighty-five churches enlisted.

These are but a few of the glorious reports we have received and our hearts rejoice over this great ingathering as well as the thousands who have rededicated their lives to Christ and the hundreds of our young people who have answered the call to special service. And yet, with all of these facts before us, we have not seen anywhere in our southland the spirit of a great revival sweeping the hearts of our people. The attendance in our churches is encouraging but not what it should be. It is difficult to have great crowds at week-night services and our morning services are attended by a mere handful of our membership. I do not mean to sound a pessimistic note but as your secretary of evangelism I feel very much like Barak, the son of Abinon, when he cried unto Deborah, a prophetess, the wife of Lapidoth, who judged Israel, saying: "If thou go with us we can win the fight".

In this present world struggle I realize that millions of our men have answered the call of their country and are now in uniform, many of whom are now engaged in actual conflict, and it is impossible for them to have a large part in this crusade. Many of this number were among our most active lay-leaders in our churches. I also recognize the fact that many of our men, who have remained behind to maintain the home-front and send out the supplies needed by our armed forces, are overworked. They are under both a mental and physical strain.

It is also true that millions of our women are engaged in the war effort and are now working long hours to do the work formerly done by men. In addition to their war effort they carry on their household duties. At the end of each day they are mentally and physically exhausted and feel very little like attending the community evangelistic services.

In the crusades in which I have worked this year 90% of the attendance at each morning service was women, 75% of the evening congregation was women, 95% of our special prayer services was women, 95% of our personal workers was women and in a call to special service for Christ our young women outnumber the men two to one. With all of the alibis I have offered due to the war we must all admit this percentage prevailed before we were engaged in a world war, and I insist if we are to win a million souls for Christ this year we must depend to a large degree upon our consecrated women of the southland whose faith, loyalty and zeal will lead us on to victory. I recognize women cannot do the task alone but we can join hearts and hands like Deborah and Barak and sing "Praise ye the Lord", for leading us on to victory.

Community Missions

Mrs. Edgar Godbold, Louisiana
Southwide Community Missions Chairman

The Appeal of Community Missions to Young People (An Actual Round-table Discussion)

Personnel: Community Missions Chairman; Mr. S., Director of Community Missions for Entire Church; Miss Hattie, Dean of Women of a Baptist College; Opal, Nellie and Aline, Y.W.A. Members

C.M. Chmn.: I wonder if this statement by Dr. James Plant, psychiatrist who specializes in conduct disorders of young people, isn't the secret of most of youth's problems: "I was sure that one of the things which young people search for is the chance to lose themselves with a cause that would sweep them away. . . . Perhaps they look for that in which they can lose themselves—without success. . . . One can find himself by losing himself today quite as truly as two thousand years ago". Do you think community missions work would be an answer to that quest?

Miss Hattie: Yes, it should appeal to a spirit of adventure kindred to that which makes good paratroopers, pilots and volunteers for submarine service. The knowledge that they have the one thing that will stop wars, right the world's wrong and bring abundant life to all who accept Christ and His teachings and endless joy in Heaven should challenge them.

C.M. Chmn.: Mr. S., what has the church planned in mission work for the community?

Mr. S.: We now have four missions operating in as many suburbs. In one of these a prayer-meeting is being held each Saturday night until they can secure a lot and start a church building. A weekly cottage prayer-meeting is being sponsored by one of the girls. The College Y.W.A. in its community missions plans is providing girls to teach each Sunday in one of the missions, while others direct the Training Union work. The Brotherhood is conducting services Sunday afternoon at the Veteran's Hospital. This summer the church plans to employ four young people for ten weeks to conduct Vacation Bible Schools throughout the association where they would not otherwise be held. One of these will work especially in the colored churches, using as many of their leaders as possible so that they will become self-reliant.

C.M. Chmn.: Any summer revival meetings?

Mr. S.: Yes, we are asking one deacon, one circle of the W.M.S. and two young people to be responsible for outdoor meetings to be held in the territory of each circle.

C.M. Chmn.: Opal, how do you find it best to put community missions work across?

Opal: We ask each girl to be responsible for one line of work, like Betty working at Pelican Drive Mission, Katherine promoting the cottage prayer-meetings, Marjorie leading a G.A., and Ruth helping in a Sunbeam Band at one of the colored churches. Ruth is going to organize Royal Ambassador Chapter there next week. Each girl has others who work with her.

Nellie: I have charge of the work at Charity Hospital. Each Sunday morning we sing hymns, read the Scriptures in the wards while a boy and girl do personal work by distributing tracts, reading the Bible and trying to lead the lost to Christ. Then the Sunday-school lesson is taught in the isolation ward for social diseases. We have had many conversions. The house doctor told us the patients were much calmer and easier to care for after our services.

Opal: We ask for volunteers for the jail services. We started having them on Sunday afternoons but the jailer wanted us to have them Wednesday nights too because he said there was much difference in the conduct of the prisoners after our services and that once a week was too long an interval between them.

C.M. Chmn.: Well, doesn't that apply to all of us whether we're in jail or not?

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Current Missionary Events

Discussed by Mrs. W. C. James, Virginia

As this is being written our Foreign Mission Board is celebrating its one hundredth anniversary, having been founded immediately after the Southern Baptist Convention came into being. At the meeting yesterday, April 10, thirty-eight new missionaries were appointed. Among them were ten couples, one single man and seventeen single women, one of whom is an M.D. appointed to serve in Nigeria, West Africa. The thirty-eight are reported to have come from nine of the nineteen states and the District of Columbia cooperating in the Southern Baptist Convention. Five are from Louisiana, six from Georgia, ten from Texas, seven from Kentucky, two from North Carolina, two from Alabama, two from South Carolina, one from Tennessee and three from Oklahoma. Nineteen of the thirty-eight will serve in Latin America, nine in Brazil, three in Colombia, four in South America (country not designated), while two will go to Mexico and one will serve in some Latin American country not yet designated. Of those assigned to the orient, four were designated either to Japan (or Hawaii) and one to Hawaii. Three will serve in China, while two were appointed to serve in the orient but no country designated, thus making ten for oriental countries. To Africa will go eight and to Palestine one alone. These missionaries include recent graduates from our Seminaries and Training Schools, students in medical centers, pastors and some in other religious work.

From Montreal, Canada, comes the information through chaplains that a number of men in the Royal Canadian Air Force are planning to enter the ministry upon their discharge. It is reported that the chaplain of one unit is already giving preliminary instruction to five young men who desire to become ministers.

From Boston comes the information that the New England "Youth for Christ Campaign" is one of the churches in that city every Saturday night with young people who "prefer revival hymns and straight-to-a-decision preaching" to Saturday night dancing or movies. For weeks this campaign has continued enlisting young people who otherwise might be drawn into activities that would be their undoing.

Timely are the summaries taken not long ago in four groups that considered the responsibility of church members to the great missionary work of the churches. One group discussing "The Christian Home and Missions" reached the conclusion that parents are responsible for directing the thought and attention of their children to the mission work of the church. "Christian Missions," they said, "must begin at home but never can end there."—Presbyterian Survey

In Ft. Wayne, Indiana, the churches are conducting a successful week-day school program with 170 pupils enrolled in fifty-eight classes in all the city's public schools. In some schools 100% of the pupils attend the classes. Such attendance is voluntary. At their forty-fifth annual convention, held last fall, the Gideons made plans to distribute the New Testament and Psalms to all children in the public schools of the United States who will accept them, regardless of faith, and to place a Bible on the desk of every teacher.

According to a recent announcement in the *Church Times* the Student Volunteer Movement will serve as the agency of the Foreign Missions Conference in enlisting recruits for future missionary careers.



Calendar of Prayer June, 1945

Mrs. W. C. Henderson, Arizona

I DO not ask my cross to understand, my way to see;
Better in darkness just to feel Thy hand and follow Thee.
I do not ask that Thou shouldst always shed full radiance here;
Give but a ray of peace that I may walk without fear.
Joy is like a restless day, but peace divine like quiet night;
Lead me, O Lord, till perfect day shall shine through peace and light.
—Adelaide A. Proctor

1—FRIDAY

xx*Miss Blanche Groves, xx*Miss Sophie Levesau, Soochow, xx*Miss Rose Marlowe, xx*Miss Hannah F. Saltee, Shanghai, China, educational-evangelistic work
Love ye your enemies and do good and lend, hoping for nothing again.

—Luke 6:35

2—SATURDAY

Rev. P. Palmer, Heber Springs, Rev. W. R. Jones, Warren, Rev. C. C. Roberts, Bentonville, Rev. O. Whittington, Little Rock, Ark., rural evangelistic work
They went forth and preached . . . the Lord working with them.

—Mark 16:20

3—SUNDAY

Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Deter, Mrs. E. G. Wilcox, emeritus missionaries from Brazil
Blessed are all they that put their trust in Him.

—Psa. 2:12

4—MONDAY

That the young people of Southern Baptist Convention may be led into active service is the Centennial Evangelistic Crusade of Southern Baptists
Having the everlasting Gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth and to every nation and kindred and tongue and people

—Rev. 14:6

5—TUESDAY

xx*Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Powell, evangelistic work, Shaki, xx*Miss Isabella Moore, Oyo, xx*Miss Lena Lair, Iwo, Nigeria, educational-evangelistic work
God, having raised up His Son Jesus, sent Him to bless you.

—Acts 3:26

6—WEDNESDAY

Dr. T. J. Watts, executive secretary of the Relief and Amenity Board; also all secretaries and state board members working with him
The meek will He guide in judgment.

—Psa. 15:9

7—THURSDAY

Miss Otile Lowell, San Antonio, Miss Mary Etheridge, El Paso, Texas, Miss Margaret Jung, Phoenix, Ariz., evangelistic work among Chinese
Cause me to hear Thy loving kindness in the morning; for in Thee do I trust.

—Psa. 143:8

8—FRIDAY

Rev. and Mrs. A. E. Hayes, Rev. and Mrs. L. L. Johnson, educational-evangelistic work, Recife, Brazil; also Linda Hayes and Jed Johnson, Margaret Fund students
No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly.

—Psa. 84:11

9—SATURDAY

Rev. and Mrs. M. A. Gonzalez, Santa Clara, Rev. and Mrs. M. M. Mollan, San Cristobal, Rev. and Mrs. F. J. Rodriguez, Calabazas, Cuba, evangelistic work
Ye are all one in Christ Jesus.

—Gal. 3:28

10—SUNDAY

Rev. Peyton Stephens, S.B.C. missionary to China, 1893-1924; Mrs. Peyton Stephens, Miss Florence Jones, Miss Mary Moorman, emeritus missionaries from China
We have thought of Thy loving kindness, O God.

—Psa. 42:8

11—MONDAY

Baptist believers in Juarez
The Lord shall cause His glorious voice to be heard.

—Isa. 30:30

12—TUESDAY

xx*Miss Flora Dodson, xx*Miss Floy Hawkins, HongKong, xx*Miss Jessie Green, Wanchow, educational-evangelistic work, xx*Miss Ardie Pender, Suining, xx*Miss Ruth Pettigrew, Kwetchow, China, evangelistic work
If it be of God, ye cannot overthrow it.

—Acts 2:20

13—WEDNESDAY

All member meetings for W.M.U. young people
Strengthen, O God, that which Thou hast wrought for us.

—Psa. 48:33

14—THURSDAY

Rev. and Mrs. G. Aldape, Crystal City, Rev. J. Rios, Edinburg, Rev. and Mrs. E. Rodriguez, Kerrville, Tex., evangelistic work among Mexicans; also Elias Rodriguez, Margaret Fund student
Whoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

—Acts 2:21

Calendar of Prayer for June

15—FRIDAY

xxMrs. W. E. Salter, xxRev. and Mrs. W. W. Lawton Jr., evangelistic work, xxMim Dia Lee, educational-evangelistic work, Kailfeng, China
Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness.
—Psa. 112:4

16—SATURDAY

Rev. A. B. Barnes, Tucson, Ariz., Rev. L. K. Sullivan, Magdalena, Rev. Z. O. Young, Chama, N. M., rural evangelistic work
Sing forth the honor of His Name; make His praise glorious.
—Psa. 66:7

17—SUNDAY

Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Lowe, Miss Lillian Thompson, Miss Edna Earl Tent, emeritus missionaries from China
Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, ye righteous.
—Psa. 32:11

18—MONDAY

Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Quizes, Rev. and Mrs. H. B. Ramsour, educational-evangelistic work, Buenos Aires, Argentina
He that trusteth in the Lord, mercy shall compass him about.
—Psa. 32:10

19—TUESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Smith, Pineville, Mrs. M. Haddon, Thibodaux, Miss Vena Aguilard, Crowley, La., evangelistic work among French
Let such as love Thy salvation say continually, The Lord be magnified.
—Psa. 40:16

20—WEDNESDAY

For unusually good institutes this summer for southern Baptist Negro women leaders
Remember that thou magnify His work which men behold.
—Job 36:24

21—THURSDAY

xxRev. and Mrs. R. A. Jacob, educational-evangelistic work, xxMiss Pearl Caldwell, xxMiss Bonnie Jean Ray, evangelistic work, xxMiss Blanche Bradley, medical-evangelistic work, Pingtu, China; also Lydia Jacob, Margaret Fund student
Cast thy burden upon the Lord and He shall sustain thee.
—Psa. 55:22

22—FRIDAY

Rev. N. N. Carter, Rev. Jordan Davis, educational-evangelistic work among their own Negro race, Selma, Ala.
Lift up a standard for the people.
—Isa. 62:10

23—SATURDAY

Woman's Missionary Union of interior China
His children shall have a place of refuge.
—Prov. 14:26

24—SUNDAY

That Christian people shall speedily awake to the importance of Christian education in the way of righteousness is His.
—Prov. 11:28

25—MONDAY

Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Crabtree, Dr. and Mrs. F. C. Porter, "Miss Blanche Simpson, educational-evangelistic work, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; also Lydia Crabtree, Margaret and Celeste Porter, Margaret Fund students
Other men labored and ye are entered into their labors.
—John 4:14

26—TUESDAY

Rev. and Mrs. R. R. Machado, Vibora, Rev. and Mrs. J. Mederos, Melena del Sur, Rev. and Mrs. A. Santana, Bejucal, Cuba, evangelistic work; also Moises Machado, Margaret Fund student
Put on the whole armor of God.
—Eph. 6:11

27—WEDNESDAY

xxRev. and Mrs. R. L. Bauser, Kurlia, xxRev. and Mrs. A. R. Gallimore, Canton, educational-evangelistic work, xxMiss Ruth Ford, medical-evangelistic work, Santos, China
We trust in the living God.
—1 Tim. 4:10

28—THURSDAY

Rev. and Mrs. D. Bejarano, Artesia, Rev. and Mrs. A. T. Cabrera, Deming, N. M., evangelistic work among Mexicans
Say to them that are of fearful heart: Be strong, fear not.
—Isa. 35:4

29—FRIDAY

xxRev. and Mrs. F. A. R. Morgan, educational-evangelistic work, Sao Paulo, "Miss Alma Jackson, medical-evangelistic work, Galania, Mrs. D. P. Appleby, publicational-evangelistic work, Bello Horizonte, Brazil; also F. A. R. Morgan Jr., Margaret Fund student
That Thy way may be known upon earth, Thy saving health among all nations.
—Psa. 67:2

30—SATURDAY

Rev. and Mrs. A. Echavarriz, Los Pinos, Rev. and Mrs. I. Negrin, Cruces, Cuba, evangelistic work; also Anne J. Negrin, Margaret Fund student
The Lord thy God in the midst of thee is mighty.
—Zeph. 3:17

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Family Altar

Mrs. W. H. Gray, Alabama

TOPIC: Today's Youth—Tomorrow's Hope

"A Son in His Own Likeness"

1st Day—Gen. 5:1-5, 28-32; Luke 2:1-7
2nd Day—Gen. 6:1-3, 5-12; Gal. 4:4-7
3rd Day—Gen. 6:13-22; Psa. 118:19-29
4th Day—Gen. 7:13-24; Luke 4:16-21
5th Day—Gen. 8:1-13; Mark 8:22-26
6th Day—Gen. 8:18-9:7; Luke 6:20-26
7th Day—Gen. 9:8-17; Matt. 21:6-11

"Solomon, thy son, shall reign after me"

8th Day—1 Kings 1:28-40; Jno. 14:25-31
9th Day—1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12; Luke 22:14-20
10th Day—1 Kings 4:20-34; Luke 19:1-10
11th Day—1 Kings 5:1-12; Luke 24:44-48
12th Day—1 Kings 6:11-15, 21, 22, 37, 38; Acts 1:12-14
13th Day—1 Kings 8:1-7, 12-21; Acts 2:1-4
14th Day—1 Kings 8:22-30; Acts 3:1-10

"Timothy, My Own Son in the Faith"

15th Day—1 Tim. 1:1-14; Acts 4:13-20
16th Day—1 Tim. 1:18-23; Acts 5:26-32
17th Day—1 Tim. 3:1-16; Psa. 67:1-7
18th Day—1 Tim. 5:1-8; Acts 6:1-8
19th Day—1 Tim. 6:1-12, 20, 21; Acts 11:19-26
20th Day—II Tim. 1:1-14; Acts 13:1-3
21st Day—II Tim. 2:1-13; Acts 16:9-15

"Thy wife, Elizabeth, shall bear thee a son."

22nd Day—Luke 1:5-17; I Tim. 3:1-13
23rd Day—Luke 1:18-25, 57-66; I Pet. 4:12-19
24th Day—Luke 1:67-80; II Tim. 4:1-8
25th Day—Matt. 3:1-12; Gen. 1:1-5
26th Day—Mark 1:1-8; Acts 17:24-28
27th Day—Jno. 1:15, 16; Psa. 100:1-5
28th Day—Jno. 3:23-36; Psa. 93:1-5
29th Day—Jno. 4:1-9, 43-54; Psa. 8:1-9
30th Day—Jno. 5:19-29; Heb. 11:1-3

Note: The above 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.

"Pray Ye"

In adoring thanks that from everlasting to everlasting "the Lord God omnipotent reigneth"

For widest possible use of S.B.C. and W.M.U. reports

In Christian humility yet assurance that we "can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth"

In earnest intercession that all Christians as "laborers together with God" will "serve their generation according to the will of God" through prayer, stewardship of tithes and offerings, missionary education of youth and community missions

For faithful participation in local and associational meetings, seeking to make permanent the emphasis now given to them while travel to more distant meetings is curtailed

In agony of soul for world-wide peace through allegiance to the Lord Jesus Christ

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Bible Study

Dr. W. O. Carver, Kentucky

Psalms 110

THIS is one of the psalms Jesus used in interpreting Himself and His mission, one that He used in planning and projecting His world enterprise. He discloses by His use of them what psalms and other Scriptures were most useful to Him in the growth of His personality, in His preparation for His work as the Messiah and for setting His Gospel on its way to victory. A section of Psalm 40 may well have helped Him as He went to His baptism. Note especially verses 7-9 and compare His saying to John the Baptist that He was "to fulfill all righteousness". The second psalm formed part of His scriptural preparation for His temptation. Compare His Father's promise in verses 6-7 with the devil's offer of all the kingdoms of the world.

Certainly Psalm 22 was His crucifixion psalm, for He cried aloud on the cross the first verse of it, and it all fits perfectly into His crucifixion experiences. The sixteenth would have helped Him as he came to Gethsemane and to death. Peter used verse 10 on Pentecost. He may well have heard Jesus use it. A study of the Old Testament as the Bible of Jesus is very helpful.

This 110th psalm is very fitting for our topic this month, when we are thinking of how Jesus counts on His young people. He used this psalm in His controversies with Jewish theologians and politicians on the last day of His public appearance (see Mt. 22:41-45 and compare Mark 12:35-37, Luke 20:41-44). He did it to show how confused and mistaken they were in their ideas about the Christ. Peter quoted it in his Pentecost sermon to explain that Jesus, now sitting at God's right hand, had sent the Holy Spirit for power in the Christian enterprise. And Hebrews 1:13 uses it to show the superiority of the Son of God to all the angels. It is used elsewhere in Hebrews and by both Paul and Peter. We confidently interpret the psalm as especially applicable to Jesus and His work of producing the Kingdom of God.

The third verse emphasizes especially the reliance of the conquering King upon "His youth". With this we compare Peter's quoting on Pentecost from Joel to the effect that, when the Spirit is poured forth upon all flesh, "your sons and your daughters shall prophesy"; "young men shall see visions" for inspiration, planning and leadership, while "old men shall dream dreams" to promote the age-long work of God. Look then at the psalm as it unfolds stanza by stanza:

1. First is Jehovah's assurance that His chosen King will overcome all opposition and rule in the midst of His enemies. This is the purpose and promise of the eternal God to His Christ (1-2).
2. Verse 3 (second stanza) crowds much into a few words which are very difficult to translate. With some changes the American Standard Version best presents the meaning. It emphasizes the value of young people to the Lord in His Kingdom of salvation:
 "Thy people offer themselves willingly
 In the day when Thy mighty army
 Goes forth in the beauty of holiness;
 Out of the womb of the morning Thy youth
 Come with the freshness of the dew".
3. Then comes (verse 4) another form of Jehovah's assurance to His King, who is now an eternal priest after the manner of Melchizedek. This is assured on the unchangeable oath of the everlasting God. This priest offers His own life and blood in atonement for us all.
4. The final, longer stanza (5-7) pictures the conquering King overcoming all opposition and spreading wide His righteous rule over the expanses of many countries, never tiring until His work is finished.

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Circle Program

EXPLANATORY NOTE: The following program is submitted for use by the circles this month. Its suggested articles will be found in the following monthly missionary magazines:



*Summer
Camps*

Royal Service, 50c a year from 1111 Comer Bldg., Birmingham 3, Ala.; *The Window of Y.W.A.*, \$1 a year from the same Birmingham address; *World Comrades*, \$1 a year from the same Birmingham address; *The Commission*, 50c a year from Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond 20, Virginia; *Southern Baptist Home Missions*, 25c a year from Baptist Home Mis-

sion Board, Atlanta 3, Ga. Each one participating in the following program should have access at least to the magazine in which her article appears. (See also page 38 of 1945 W.M.U. Year Book and page 12 of this magazine.)

Circle Program Topic: The Hope of Our Christian Heritage

(Summer Assemblies, W.M.U. Camps)

Devotional Theme: "But grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ"—1 Peter 3:18.

My First R. A. Camp (See article in June issue of *World Comrades*.)

Learning Home Missions Firsthand (See article in June issue of *Southern Baptist Home Missions*.)

Passports Applied for (See article in June issue of *The Commission*.)

When I Saw Home Missions (See article in June issue of *Southern Baptist Home Missions*.)

"Hope Springs Eternal" (See article in June issue of *The Window of Y.W.A.*)

Our Young People (See page 22 of this magazine.)

Our Second Century in China Begins Now (See article in June issue of *The Commission*.)

"If Thou Go with Us" (See page 4 of this magazine.)

President's Message (See page 3 of this magazine.)

Business Women's Circles

Miss Mary Christian
W.M.U. Representative

Program Hints

THIS month, since the program is about young people, would be an appropriate time to have a member from the young people's organization fostered by the circle to speak to it. This young person, representing his or her organization, might be asked to tell the organizational watchword, hymn, aims, magazine and something of what the organization has done in mission study, community missions, "Forward Steps" or "Ranks" and plans for summer camps. If the fostered organization is a Sunbeam Band and if it is not feasible to have one of its members attend the circle meeting, invite the leader to tell of the work and needs of the organization.

If the W.M.S. president and the W.M.U. young people's director were invited and agreed to present the dialogue (pages 18-20) given in the program material, it would be excellent. This dialogue with the report from the organization fostered by the circle would be a splendid evening's program for a Business Women's Circle.

Should that plan not be desirable, why not use the questions (pages 20-21) at end of the program as a basis for the evening's discussion? Where the question begins with "Discuss", change to "Enumerate" or "Name" or "Mention", so that any one answering will not use too much of the limited program time.

If the program chairman has discovered, as some have, those in the circle who will not take time to study and condense an article, she is wise to cut it herself before making the assignment. Let us plan well the devotional period, the music, the decorations and the definitely missionary program so that it will be attractively presented and within the time limit.

Items of Interest to B.W.C.

1945 B.W.C. Conference at Ridgecrest Canceled—A recent message from Dr. T. L. Holcomb, secretary of the Sunday School Board, stated that because of the grave transportation crisis in our nation due to war emergencies it was decided best not to hold any of the regular conferences at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly this summer. While we are disappointed not to be able to hold this summer the fourth of our southwide conferences for members of Business Women's Circles, all of us do sincerely want to cooperate in every possible way that will help to bring this awful war to a speedy and successful end. Perhaps many more associational or state B.W.C. conferences and camps will instead be held this summer.

Mississippi organized her first B.W.C. Federations at Jackson and Laurel in April. One hundred forty business women and advisers from thirteen churches met on April 2 at Calvary Baptist Church in Jackson for a supper meeting at which time they voted to organize the Jackson B.W.C. Federation. Miss Edwina Robinson, state W.M.U. executive secretary, acted as temporary chairman. On the evening of April 5 the members of the Business Women's Circles of Laurel had a lovely banquet at the First Baptist Church, Misses Edwina Robinson and Mary Christian being guests. Enthusiastically was it voted to organize the Laurel B.W.C. Federation. The necessary committees were appointed to plan further for this.

Shelby County B.W.C. Federation in Memphis, Tennessee, had its first quarterly meeting this year in January in order to have speakers who were participating in the annual W.M.U. associational meeting. Miss Mary Northington, state W.M.U. executive secretary, and the writer had a good time with that splendid group. Miss Ruth Ford, missionary nurse on furlough from China, is president and Mrs. C. S. Alexander is program chairman.

Rehoboth B.W.C. Federation, Macon, Georgia, with Miss Lila Mae Chapman as president and Mrs. W. C. Holt as adviser had a beautiful banquet in March with 150 in attendance from twelve churches. This was its third meeting since the organization a few months earlier.

Birmingham B.W.C. Federation, with Mrs. Clara Love as president and Miss Ethel Winfield as program chairman, is planning to have its annual summer week-end camp. Methods conferences and messages from missionaries will be features of the program with time, of course, for fun and play and cats!

Program Plans

Prepared by Miss Nell Taylor, Mississippi
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Purpose: To create an awareness of youth's problems, ambitions and opportunities as they fit themselves for the responsible tomorrow which awaits them and to revitalize our efforts in helping meet their needs.

Poster: Secure snapshots of members of the young people's organizations and of other youth of the church. From these pictures cut the head in a small square or circle. Have all ages represented. Near the top of the poster-paper print "TOMORROW'S"; near the center of the poster arrange the small picture-heads to form the word "HOPE". Under this print in smaller letters, "Will you help them prepare?"

Give the place, time and date of the meeting.
Personal Invitation: Cut black paper in the shape of a picture-album. With white ink, print: "Bring the picture of a youth and join us in viewing snapshots of Today's Youth—Tomorrow's Hope".

Preparation and Atmosphere: Hang a large map of the world on the wall which members will face. On construction-paper mount the picture of a church, a school, a home, a business firm or something suggestive of the business world. Arrange these four pictures around or beneath the map. As indicated in the invitation, have each member bring the picture, large size if possible, of at least one youth in her family. Stand these on a table under the map and identify them as "Today's Youth". Run narrow ribbons of crepe paper from the table to the four pictures around the map. Above the map print "Tomorrow's Hope". Thus are the youth of today linked with every phase of the world of tomorrow.

Presentation: The program chairman may prepare one large picture album that may be used in turn by each person on program. Make each page as strikingly attractive as possible, so that each page will carry a message of its own as well as help convey the complete idea. For program material see pages 14-21. Some suggestions follow:

(1) **Part One, "In the Days of Youth"**—Have a picture to represent each of the three ideas: youth daring, youth doing, youth dreaming.
(2) **Part Two, "Today's Youth"**—Use a grandmother's childhood picture linked with her grandchild's picture, emphasizing the fact that youth today is basically the same as youth has always been; it is the world condition that changes. Next, picture some deplorable conditions which we must help youth overcome. Then show a church, the one thing whose stabilizing influence can help youth stand for the right in the face of wrong.

(3) **Part Three, "Youth and World Missions"**—From *World Comrades* and *The Commission* obtain pictures of missionaries who in their youth have dared to represent Christ in fields afar. Next, picture some mission station or a crowd of people waiting to hear the Gospel, representing mission's need of youth. Then show youth's dedication to the task by picturing one kneeling in prayer or one meditating.

(4) **Part Four, "Light Tomorrow with Today"**—Use a large emblem, in colors, on each of the next pages to represent the organizations as they are discussed. "W.M.U." may have other representative pictures to show "Tomorrow" as she discusses magazines, mission books, stewardship plans and camps. "W.M.U." could more effectively present the work of the organizations if the young people's director, counselor for each organization and some young people themselves were present to say a few words for their own group. Especially should the R.A. and G.A. members who are working on their ranks and steps be present to show their arm-bands and perhaps tell a few things they have done.

If the young people are present, arrange for them to be standing on either side of the table for the closing thought. Have "W.M.U." read to them Paul's challenge to Timothy: "Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an ensample to them that believe, in word, in manner of life, in love, in faith, in purity"—1 Timothy 4:12. Close with a prayer for God's blessings on these youth, who represent youth around the world, and for the W.M.U. as it ministers to the needs of these promising leaders of the future.

Program Material

Mrs. C. D. Crossman, Tennessee

THEME for YEAR: Facing Tomorrow with God

TOPIC for MONTH: Today's Youth—Tomorrow's Hope

Hymn for Year—Lead On, O King Eternal

Watchword for Year (*Revelation 14:6b*)

Bible Study—Psalm 110 (*See page 10.*)

Prayer thanking God for His promises of the ultimate triumph of righteousness

Hymn—Come, Women, Wide Proclaim

In the Days of Youth

—Today's Youth

Prayer that today's youth may be saved from the perils that surround them

Youth and World Missions

Hymn—We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

Light Tomorrow with Today

—Hymn—O Zion, Hasten

Prayer for God's blessings on the W.M.U. work of missionary education of young people

In the DAYS of YOUTH

THE young, like the poor, we have always with us. Someone has said: "Youth is eternal in that always youth is coming up—coming up to take the place of those who have been before them, pushing off the generation before that they might have the right of way, only to be crowded out by the youth who come on." Every generation of youth is a pleasure and a perplexity, a power and a problem, a hope and a hazard, a joy and a job.

The days of youth are *daring* days. We love that Bible story of the young man who, at great personal danger, stole through enemy lines to obtain a drink of water from the well by the gate of Bethlehem, just because King David had wished for it. Such is the spirit of youth. Danger means nothing if his heart is wrapped up in a cause. Someone has said: "History has been rescued from staleness by the young running up and down creation looking for a chance to die". It is this spirit of adventure, this fearlessness in the face of danger that make the very young the best soldiers. This same daring makes them also the best soldiers of the cross.

The days of youth are *doing* days. The young are full of energy. They want to be doing things. They are constantly on the look out for some activity. Many of the great deeds of the world have been done by young people. Alexander had conquered a world at thirty. Hannibal commanded the armies of Carthage at twenty-six. William Pitt was prime minister of Great Britain at twenty-five. Keats wrote his greatest poetry before he was twenty-four. Joan of Arc was burned at the stake at nineteen. Martin Luther was twenty-seven when he started the Protestant Reformation. George Williams was twenty-three when he founded the Young Men's Christian Association. David Livingstone at twenty-three was spending himself for Christ in darkest Africa.

The days of youth are *dreaming* days. "The thoughts of youth are long, long thoughts". A young man's dreams become his ideals and determine in large measure what he will do and be tomorrow. Hitler is able to keep his soldiers fighting even in the face of certain defeat because of the ideals planted in their hearts in the days of early youth. Emerson said: "What tender and poetic youth dreams today and conjures up with inarticulate speech is tomorrow the vociferated result of public opinion and the day after the character of nations".

How important that in the days of youth our children shall be taught, trained and guided into right paths. Youth is so impressionable, so easily influenced, so readily led to do the right or to do the wrong! The cry of the dreamer is expressed in the following poem:

"Youth awaits leadership. Who will provide that leadership?
Youth dreams. Who will guide his dreams?
Youth dares. Who will lead him to dare the right?
Youth does. Who will lead him to do the right?
Youth seeks a rich, full life. Where will he find such a life?
Youth must be devoted to something. Where will he find something worthy of his devotion?"

In this program we will try to find the answer to these questions.

TODAY'S YOUTH

YOUTH holds the center of the world's interest today. In this time of world crisis every nation turns to its youth as its only hope. It is the young men who pilot airplanes over enemy cities, who drive tanks in jungles and deserts, who fire death-dealing missiles at enemy targets, who fight on all the world's battle-fronts today. The heart of the adult world turns in pride to those brave youths who with such skill and fearlessness are fighting for causes they consider worth dying for.

But there is another group of today's youth which is bringing great concern to thinking adults. These are they who are not yet old enough to fight but who in a few years will hold the destiny of the world in their hands. These are they who are still in our homes, in our communities, on our streets, in our schools, in our churches—still ours to teach, to train, to direct and to influence.

Many conditions among today's youth distress us. We know that crime among the young is increasing, that statistics of juvenile delinquency are showing alarming conditions. According to the F.B.I. the average age of persons arrested in 1943 was eighteen years. The arrests of seventeen-year-old boys increased 27.7 per cent and of sixteen-year-old boys 61 per cent during 1943. For the past two calendar years arrests of girls under twenty-one years of age have increased 130 per cent. We are told that moral conditions in high schools are deplorable. Some child welfare authorities tell us that the "pick up" girl is more of a social problem than the commercial prostitute.

As we view these deplorable conditions we find ourselves asking the question, "Are today's youth different from those of other days?" There are those who think so and exclaim: "The young people of today are the worst the world has ever known. They are just going to the dogs". It must be remembered that in other days elders thought the same thing of their young people. We can well believe that a century ago, a time much in our thoughts during this Centennial, the gray-haired elders, who helped with the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention, looked at the doings of the youth of that day with apprehension, exclaiming, "What shall we do with our young people? They're just going to the dogs".

"But", you say, "the young people of this generation are doing things that young people didn't do one hundred years ago or even just a few years ago when we were young". And it must be acknowledged that that is true. But, even that does not prove that today's young people are different. In nature the young people of every age are the same. It is the world, not youth, that has changed. Young people of today see more, hear more, know more, move faster and live faster than they did one hundred years ago. They have many temptations unknown to the young a century or a quarter of a century or even a decade ago. Modern inventions and discoveries are used by the forces of evil to entice young people into sin. Manufacturers of strong drink and tobacco see in the youth of today their future customers and lay their traps for them.

"A million men are needed".
Have you heard the brewers' cry?
Have you seen the fateful vision
Of this army passing by?
"A million young men give us
Who have never tasted beer,
For new customers are needed
In our business every year!"

Such is the spirit of the brewer. Such is the spirit of evil which makes the world of today more dangerous for young people than it has ever been before.

We can rejoice because there are also many influences for good at work among today's youth. Never before in the history of the world have so much thought and attention been given to the welfare of young people. Juvenile courts, public playgrounds, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, 4-H Clubs, child welfare organizations, children's clinics—these and many other agencies are trying to safeguard today's youth.

But of course the greatest and safest leadership for youth is found in our churches. We can rejoice because there are twenty-one million youth in the protestant and other evangelical denominational Sunday-schools. The young people's societies in the churches have three and one-half million members. Our church youth have an army of 216,000 clergymen to aid them and more than a million teachers and other leaders.

Wonderful is the influence of the church over its young people. A juvenile court judge in Denver, Colorado, says: "We have never had an active church boy in real trouble in the juvenile court". A juvenile judge of Nashville, Tennessee, who in four years tried 4000 cases of youth under seventeen years of age, deducted from these trials three facts:

1. Of the approximately 4000 cases, only seventeen were those of regular Sunday-school or church service attenders. And of these seventeen, nine were not guilty.
2. Only about six of the families of these 4000 were attenders at Sunday-school or church.
3. Over seventy-five per cent of them were from broken homes. Either the parents were separated, divorced or one or both were dead.

If churches have such influence on young people how important it is that we shall get as many as possible into our churches. The tragedy lies in the fact that there are at least twenty million youth not connected in any way with any church. This constitutes the greatest peril of our nation. In the "International Council of Religious Education", held a few years ago in Chicago, one speaker said: "The twenty million spiritually illiterate young people in the United States form a greater peril to democracy in this country than any of the highly propagandised 'isms' from the old country. The unchurched youth of our land becomes fertile field for teachings that belittle our heritage of democracy and glorify state domination of its citizenship". To save the church and its work, to save our country and its democracy, to save the world from paganism and to save youth from ruin we must win the young people of today to Christ and enlist them in His service.

YOUTH and WORLD MISSIONS

A YOUNG man just eighteen, who had always lived in the country and had never been a hundred miles away from home, was being inducted into the army. As he bade his church friends farewell with eager eyes he said, "I'm going over there to get a Jap". Some heard the remark with a feeling of sadness that a young man's first vision of a far-away place should be associated with the ambition to "get a Jap" by taking his life and that such an ambition should be considered right and announced with pride. We wish that all the youth of America could have a different sort of a world vision, beholding opportunities to help rather than to hurt, to serve rather than to slay. We wish that more young people could be fired with the ambition to go "over there" not to "get" a Jap but to "give" a Japanese or a Chinese or an Arab or a Roumanian the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Always missions has been a project for youth. The Kingdom of God must go forward on the dreaming, the daring and the doing of young people. The youth of today is the hope of the missionary cause of tomorrow.

Missions appeals to youth.—The hardships, the adventures, the heroic in the missionary cause satisfy the longings of the youthful heart. Young people want adventure. Missions is the greatest adventure in the world. Young people want to

do something that is difficult. Missionary work is never easy. Young people want something challenging. Missions challenges their every ability and appeals to the heroic in their souls. Once a young man went to a college professor, saying: "The trouble with me is that I have no reason for living. An aimless existence is fit for an animal but a man needs a reason and I have none". All right thinking young people want a reason for living, some cause worth the devotion of their lives. Surely the missionary cause answers this need of their hearts and gives them the best possible reason for living.

Missions needs youth.—Missions needs the adventurous spirit of youth, the courageous daring of youth, the enthusiastic zeal of youth. In postwar days missions will need young people as never before. Young people are winning a war today, young people must win the peace tomorrow by giving the world the Gospel of peace and good-will. Many of our foreign missionaries, now on forced furlough because of the war, will not be able to return to their fields. Dr. M. T. Rankin, our foreign missions secretary, estimates that 125 of our former missionaries in China will never go back because they are too old or too sick or for some other reason. That is about half of the missionaries who were in China before the war. Someone must take their places. Last fall when Dr. Maddy introduced eight new missionaries to the Board he almost sobbed as he said: "I thought there would be twenty-five". There should be right now in the Chinese language school 125 of our young people getting ready to go to China as soon as war ends.

Not only must the places of retired missionaries be filled but new opportunities opening at the end of the war will demand a much larger force than we have ever had before. We should have twice as many foreign missionaries and twice as many home missionaries as we have now to meet the ever increasing needs of the fields. What a challenge to youth! Missions needs youth! Young people well trained and Spirit-filled to go to the mission fields! Young people consecrated and on fire with missionary zeal to support with their prayers and their gifts those who go! All Christian youth is needed for this enterprise. They cannot be conscripted. They must, as volunteers, answer the call. We can prepare them to volunteer for this service by giving them missionary education in the days of their youth.

Youth needs missions.—Students of youth psychology tell us that youth problems must be solved by the positive rather than the negative approach. In other words, we must not say to the young, "Don't do that", but rather, "Come do this", substituting something good which they ought to do for the something bad which they think they want to do. According to this psychology youth needs missions. Those young people of today who are doing things which degrade them and lead them to destruction need to have their interests and their activities turned to something that is constructive—something that will build them up instead of breaking them down. Surely the cause of world-wide missions is the something that can be substituted for those evil things which are absorbing the lives of so many of our young people. Missions can be made so interesting and so appealing that young people will be drawn from those questionable activities which tend to drag them down. Many young people engage in wrong things just because they have nothing else to do. The activities of missionary organizations give them something else to do. The boy who engages in a well planned Royal Ambassador program will not want to be on wild spees with the wrong kind of companions. The girl who goes to the Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgecrest will not find the Honky Tonk a very interesting place. The little child, who in a Sunbeam Band learns to share his or her blessings with others, will not develop into a selfish, self centered character.

**Youth needs missions!
Missions needs youth!
Let us give missions to youth!
Let us win youth for missions!
That is the only hope of the missionary cause for tomorrow.**

LIGHT TOMORROW with TODAY

Tomorrow interviews the W.M.U. while we listen in.

(Two women, one representing Tomorrow, the other the W.M.U., sit and carry on an informal conversation as follows:)

Tomorrow—"Light tomorrow with today", wrote Elizabeth Barratt Browning. I am Tomorrow and I speak to you, Oh Woman's Missionary Union, asking what you are doing to light tomorrow with today.

W. M. U.—My special task is world-wide missions. I know that the only light for tomorrow or any day is that which shines from Jesus, the Light of the World. If that light is to shine in tomorrow's world it must shine in the hearts of the young people of today. They must be the messengers of light to another generation. With my program of missionary education of young people I am lighting tomorrow with today.

Tomorrow—How early in the life of a child does your program of missionary education begin?

W. M. U.—At birth. I try to enrol the babies of W.M.U. members and of others in the church as Sunbeam Babies. The mother of a new baby is visited by a Sunbeam Baby Visitor and is presented with a card on which are an etched picture and a poem about a baby. On the child's first birthday the mother receives a letter, on the second birthday the child receives a scrap-book made by the G.A. and on his third birthday his gift is a world bank in which he can place his offering as the mother directs. Meanwhile the Sunbeam visitor drops in to see the baby and mother from time to time.

Tomorrow—How long is a child considered a Sunbeam Baby?

W. M. U.—Until he is four years old, when it is expected that he will be enrolled as a regular member of the Sunbeam Band, where he remains until he is nine years old. Usually it is best to divide the Sunbeam Band into two groups—one for children of pre-school age and one for those from six through eight, following the age grouping of the Beginners and Primary Departments of the Sunday-school. I consider the Sunbeam Band my most important organization, because during this period the children are at their most impressionable age and the truths planted in their hearts then will stay with them through life. Many missionaries on home and foreign fields today testify that they first felt impressed to be missionaries when they were Sunbeams.

Tomorrow—What do you do with children when they become too old to be Sunbeams?

W. M. U.—I have other organizations for them. The boys become Royal Ambassadors, from nine to twelve belonging to junior chapters and from thirteen to seventeen to intermediate chapters. The girls become members of Girls' Auxiliary, which is also divided into junior and intermediate groups. When the girls reach the age of sixteen they become members of Young Woman's Auxiliary. All of these organizations are wholly missionary, designed to give missionary education to the youth of the church.

Tomorrow—I'm interested in knowing what is done in these organizations which will affect tomorrow.

W. M. U.—By every possible means I try in these organizations to teach young people about missions and to train them to be missionary in spirit and in conduct. I have many means of imparting missionary information. Each organization is urged to hold regular meetings, at least two a month, and it is much better if they meet every week. At least once a month a missionary program is given and at all meetings some kind of missionary information is given.

Tomorrow—Where is material found for these programs?

W. M. U.—In our young people's magazines: *World Comrades* for Sunbeams; G.A. and R.A.; *The Window of Y.W.A.* for the young women. Besides the programs these magazines contain splendid reading material. One or both of these magazines should be in the homes of all the young people of the church. Some churches provide them for the young people through the budget, just as Sunday-school and Training Union literature is provided.

Tomorrow—What other plans do you have for giving missionary information?

W. M. U.—The Royal Ambassadors have the Ranking System and the Girls' Auxiliaries have the Forward Steps which inspire them to memorize much Scripture, learn much about the missionary work of southern Baptists, read and study many mission books and finish many projects, all of them of missionary educational value. In fact when a boy reaches the highest rank and a girl the highest step they have a well rounded missionary education. One meeting each month is supposed to be given over to a study of the requirements for the ranks and steps.

Tomorrow—You mentioned mission books. Do you expect young people to study books about missions?

W. M. U.—Yes, indeed! There are mission books to appeal to those of every age and I expect that every young people's organization shall have at least two mission study classes each year. Classes in missions can be made highly interesting with pictures, posters, maps, curios, dramatics etc. The young people just love them and certainly that is one way to light tomorrow with missionary education given today.

Tomorrow—Are all the study books for young people about missions?

W. M. U.—No, not directly though of course many are strictly missionary and all books studied are related to missions and help to promote missions. For instance, each organization has a manual and the young people are supposed to study them to know how to make their organizations as efficient as possible. Then they study books on the missionary message of the Bible and on prayer and on stewardship.

Tomorrow—Do you expect young people to understand the Bible teachings of stewardship?

W. M. U.—Yes, I have a splendid plan of stewardship education, including the memorization of Scripture, writing songs, poems and stories, making posters and scrap-books, presenting declamations and pageants and engaging in other projects which will give stewardship education. Once a year a church should observe Stewardship Night, thus affording the young people an opportunity to demonstrate before the audience what they have learned during the year.

Tomorrow—Do you think that just knowing about stewardship today will make them good stewards tomorrow?

W. M. U.—Oh, no! I realize that stewardship teaching must find expression in stewardship practice in days of youth. I try to enlist all my young people as tithers and to help them form the habit of making regular contributions not only to their local church but to the Cooperative Program. Then through my special offerings to state, home and foreign missions during each year they learn to add to their tithes their love gifts.

Tomorrow—Do you teach your young people to give anything besides money?

W. M. U.—Oh, yes! I try to teach them to practice the larger stewardship, consecrating their time, talents and personalities to God. Through my community missions program I help them to be missionaries in their own communities as they give themselves in loving service to those who need their help. Sunbeams who share their toys with other children today will be sharing the Gospel with others tomorrow. Boys and girls who become soul-winners in their teens may be soul-winners on some missionary field tomorrow.

Tomorrow—Are you teaching your young people to pray?

W. M. U.—Yes, I have splendid prayer plans in which the young people share. They have a part in observing each year the three seasons of prayer for state, home and foreign missions. A prayer calendar in their magazines each month leads them to pray definitely for some missionary or missionary cause every day. At all their meetings they have devotional services.

Tomorrow—By what means do you promote these organizations for young people?

W. M. U.—It is my plan that the members of the Woman's Missionary Society shall foster them. By fostering I mean that they shall organize the organizations,

then do everything possible to keep them functioning in an effective way. One officer of the Woman's Missionary Society is the young people's director, especially charged with the responsibility of directing the young people's organizations. The society also elects a counselor for each organization. It is a good plan for each circle of the W.M.S. to take a definite organization to foster. Magazines and other supplies are provided; help is given in transportation to the meetings; refreshments for social occasions are furnished; homes are open for meetings; teachers are provided for study classes. These and other things circles can do in fostering the organizations.

Tomorrow—Do the churches realize the value of these organizations?

W. M. U.—Not as much as they should, perhaps, but my Focus Weeks are a help not only in exalting the work in the eyes of the young people but in calling the attention of the churches to the value of the W.M.U. organizations. This year the second week in February was Focus Week for G.A.'s and the second week in May for Y.W.A.'s; the second week in August will be for Sunbeams and the second week in November for R.A.'s. At these weeks special church services are in charge of the respective organization, banquets and other social functions are held, study classes are conducted, special projects in community missions are planned and everything possible is done to focus the attention of the church on that particular organization for the whole week.

Tomorrow—You seem to have wonderful plans for preparing the young people for the mission responsibilities which will be theirs tomorrow.

W. M. U.—I must tell you about what I consider one of the most effective of my plans for my young people—the camps and houseparties. Young people are very camp-minded today. So, in every state, camps or houseparties are planned for G.A., R.A. and Y.W.A. members. Some are state-wide, while others are held by divisions or associations. Some are held in college buildings and others in camping places. Some of the states have their own beautiful camp sites. A program of mission study, devotional periods, inspiration and recreation is planned. Usually missionaries and denominational leaders are present. Crowning all has been the southwide Y.W.A. Camp held at Ridgcrest each summer. To this have gone hundreds of girls to enjoy the beauties of that ideal camping spot of southern Baptists and to receive inspiration from the wonderful program planned for them. Last summer a Young Men's Mission Conference was also held at Ridgcrest, especially appealing to older Royal Ambassadors and young men beyond Royal Ambassador age. A splendid plan of fostering a G.A., R.A. or Y.W.A. is to send some or all of their members to a camp or houseparty. In such meetings lights are lighted which will surely shine in tomorrow.

Tomorrow—Woman's Missionary Union, your words encourage me. I believe you are doing much to light tomorrow with today.

Save the youth from sin and sorrow,
Lead them in the service way;
Then will dawn a bright tomorrow;
It will be a shining day.

QUESTIONS for REVIEW and DISCUSSION

1. Discuss the characteristics of youth.
2. Tell of distressing conditions among youth today.
3. Are today's young people different from those of other ages?
4. Discuss the influence of the church on young people.
5. Why does missions appeal to youth?
6. Discuss missions' need of youth.
7. Discuss youth's need of missions.
8. Name W.M.U. young people's organizations.

9. Tell of plans for Sunbeam Babies.
10. Tell some of the plans for the missionary education of young people through W.M.U. organizations.
11. Discuss ways to foster these organizations.
12. Discuss the value of young people's camps.

REFERENCE MATERIAL

The following list of reference material is the chief source used in the preparation of foregoing program, and credit is hereby given for facts and suggestions derived therefrom as well as for material quoted in whole or in part. (Further interesting help may be found in this listed material and in leaflets as suggested below.)

World Comrades	—The Window of Y.W.A.
State Denominational Papers	
Manuals of Young People's Organizations	
The Way of Missionary Education	Judiette Mather
The W.M.U. at Work	Wilma Bucy

SUGGESTED LEAFLETS—Supplemental Helps for W. M. S. Program

A Call from the Master Foreman	3c
A Cluster of American Beauties	3c
Four Parables	3c
Homes	3c
"I Shall Arrive"	4c
The Angel of the Home	2c
The Girl Who Volunteered to Stay at Home	3c
Their Resolve	3c

Bible Study (Concluded from Page 19)

The world is now ripe for a universal campaign of spiritual conquest in the power of the Redeemer King. The first apostles were almost all relatively young men. Young men and women must be the missionaries in every age. Students have led some of the greatest advances in the history of Christianity. Young people are always the chief factors in great advances. This is their day and Christ's: theirs if they are His.

Celebrating the Centennial

"One Sacred Effort" (Pageant-Play)—Price 15c
Requires 7 young women for speaking parts, 18 young people for tableau; time about 35 minutes

"Hitherto—Henceforth" (Pageant)—Price 12c
Requires 18 characters, mixed ages, about 9 speak or read; quartette or small choir; time about 30 minutes

These dramatizations are suitable for evening service, W.M.U. meetings in church, association or larger gatherings, B.T.U. assembly. They have been planned to inform and inspire.

Send remittance with order, please, to
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Our Young People

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

At Home and at Camp

THIS war-time June, camps which are held will bring a quiet solace and an inspiring refreshment of soul to young people attending. Many associational, district and state camps will be held for Royal Ambassadors, Girls' Auxiliary and Young Woman's Auxiliary members. Every counselor, every W.M.U. young people's director, every mother will want to see that those, who can, share in these blessings. Perplexing questions bother boys and girls in these troublous times; life is full of strain to nerves and hearts; missionary camps will reassure and strengthen faith by pointing again to God's world plan and to the triumphant work of missionaries and other loyal Christians.

It will be impossible, however, to hold the Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgcrest. Some states already have State Y.W.A. Camps and these will be enlarged in attendance; other states have associational or sectional houseparties which will also offer Y.W.A.'s the encouragement they need. But many more Y.W.A.'s—in fact, we hope all Y.W.A.'s—will plan for "The Y.W.A. Camp That Stayed-at-Home". Your Y.W.A.'s. can enjoy carrying out these plans. Do not carelessly say: "We can't add on anything to our summer schedule. We just can't do that". We can always do more for our Lord and His Kingdom. This summer you can have "The Y.W.A. Camp That Stayed-at-Home" and make these small gatherings very meaningful to your young women. "Where there is a will, there is a way!"

Woman's Missionary Union is printing a folder of plans adjustable to your situation. It contains outlines for a camp of a week in length and also directions for overnight retreats or, if you can do no more, one full evening in fellowship with Y.W.A.'s everywhere. This folder is being sent through state W.M.U. headquarters as all free W.M.U. material is distributed and will probably reach your church before this Royal Service arrives. But be sure that your Y.W.A.'s. read it, heed it and use it to the best advantage. They will need full-hearted assistance and encouragement from the W.M.S. members. Y.W.A.'s. have terrific responsibilities for the post-war world. Their hands will first be rebuilding and they must be as ready as the fostering care of Woman's Missionary Society can help them to be. Vacations will not be in the customary "pack up and go places" fashion, so Y.W.A. Camp fits in to this stay-at-home pattern.

Our Centennial plans and goals would have been emphasized at Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgcrest; so these will be emphasized in "The Y.W.A. Camp That Stayed-at-Home". Missions, the maker of peace as the Gospel weaves together the hearts of the people of the nations, would have received primary place in thought and prayer at Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgcrest; so the lost world and the progress of Christianity will be central in "The Y.W.A. Camp That Stayed-at-Home". Missionaries and denominational leaders are supplying messages, *This Would I Have Said*, so that we shall have in the folder both information and atmosphere that will stir Y.W.A.'s. with the lift of enthusiasm that Y.W.A. Camp at Ridgcrest has customarily given.

On June 15, it is our hope that every Y.W.A. will gather so that all can have the feeling of "keeping step with comrades, over the hill away", in a simultaneous service. Material for this is supplied in full detail in "The Y.W.A. Camp That Stayed-at-Home" folder.

The theme for this stay-at-home camp is *Pioneers—1945 Style*. In 1945 there were giants of soul who pioneered in developing a denomination to become of world service: in 1945 Y.W.A.'s must be developing breadth and depth of soul to be pioneers in world service for Christ in their generation also. There are geographic areas; there are realms of life in every community that need young women of pioneer spirit to reveal Christ by witness of word and life. We believe that "The Y.W.A. Camp That Stayed-at-Home" material will be a blessing to all our young women and we call on you as counselors and W.M.U. young people's directors to help them use it to the best possible advantage in your immediate situation.

"She is the pioneer who climbs—
Who dares to climb
Her own high heart!"

Book Review and Study Suggestions

Miss Willie Jean Stewart, Tennessee

Epochs of Home Missions

MAN'S mind asks continuously: What is this? Where did it come from? What is it for? How did it start and how did it get to be as it is now?

These questions, so far as the home mission work of southern Baptists is concerned, Mr. Joe W. Burton who is educational secretary of the Home Mission Board undertakes to answer. With fascinating sources at his command, he has singled out those constructive plans and efforts which have proved of lasting value and thus have given an over-all view of the growth and development of home missions in the first one hundred years of our history.

Those who teach this, the adult book of the Home Board's new historical series, will want also to have at hand the *Resource Book on Baptist Home Missions* and perhaps other books of the series, as well as a good Baptist history. These books they can order from their State Baptist Bookstore at fifty cents for "Epochs" and forty cents for the "Resource Book". Some outcomes of the study which teachers may hope to find are: an interesting and challenging impression of the struggles, successes and failures through which home mission work has come; a feeling of compulsion to more adequate support of home missions in prayers and gifts; a realization of the fact that every southern Baptist is a home missionary; and a challenge to work at the job.

Session One. With antiques, relics and costumes create an atmosphere of long ago. Dramatize an early meeting of the "Board of Domestic Missions" or Home Mission Board: (1) The chairman tells briefly of events leading up to organization of Southern Baptist Convention. (2) Secretary tells of organization of two mission boards and of the three tasks assigned to "Board of Domestic Missions". (3) Three members discuss colored population, "New Orleans", "Destitution". (4) Various members anticipate obstacles to the work, difficulties of travel, yellow fever. (5) Chairman announces resignations of two former corresponding secretaries, proposes Russell Holman as new secretary—election—adjournment. Following the dramatization summarize the activities and results of the first epoch.

Session Two. Decorate with war relics or, lacking these, with Indian curios etc. Review briefly the situation at time of War between the States. Ask someone to discuss Indian work under the Indian Association, later under the Domestic Board and the effects of the War between the States (pages 16, 34, 41, 43). Another may report on the curtailment of the board's work by war. An effective speaker may tell of the board's work in the southern armies. Sum up conditions at the close of the war and tell of efforts to rehabilitate the work.

Session Three. Make a poster representing each contribution of Dr. Tichenor to home missions. Place these effectively. Taking account of the healing years, present briefly and without emotional bias the problems discussed on pages 60-68. Tell the story of I. T. Tichenor in narrative form. Lead a discussion of Dr. Tichenor's contributions to home mission work, giving ample opportunity for members to tell of their own experiences in connection with the work mentioned. Tell of the Tichenor Memorial Fund of twenty thousand dollars established by W.M.U. and how it has now grown into the million dollar Church Building and Loan Fund of the Home Board.

Session Four. Place a tree full of "dollars" in the front of the room. Picture the period of expansion in the first decade of the century. Show a picture of Dr. B. D. Gray and speak of the evangelistic and enlistment departments as his outstanding contributions to home missions. Have a soldier march in and speak of camp work

in World War I. Tell of the Seventy-Five Million Dollar Campaign; crowd more "money" on the tree. Let "Home Board", borne down by a heavy sack marked "Debt", come in and take every "dollar" from the tree as someone tells briefly and clearly of the crisis of depression and theft. "Annie Armstrong Offering", "Hundred Thousand Club" and "Cooperative Program" come in together. "Annie Armstrong Offering" announces that she will carry on the work of the board while the other two lift the debt. Have someone tell, from chapter 5, how the debt was paid, as "Annie Armstrong Offering" puts more "dollars" on the tree and the other two slowly and painfully lift the debt from Home Board's shoulders.

Session Five. Seat on the platform persons in costume to represent all forms of Home Board work. Using a large map present "a miracle of growth". From a poster have class read the table of achievements of one hundred years, as those on platform speak of what each item means in human terms. Present the task that lies ahead, the men and money needful to do it, the help each must give. Close with thought of love as the moving motive of home missions and of all missions.

Since June's study centers around W.M.U. young people it is all the more stimulating to have the following information as to the cash contributions in 1944 by W.M.U. young people to non-local denominational work:

Young Woman's Auxiliaries.....	\$261,208.69
Royal Ambassadors	88,214.08
Girls' Auxiliaries	142,942.55
Sunbeam Bands	75,434.99
TOTAL BY YOUNG PEOPLE.....	\$567,800.31

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New Approach to World Medical Missions

FEELING the need of medical attention for the underprivileged families around Central Baptist Mission, Martha Ward and I (both nurses preparing for medical mission work) decided to establish a clinic or a home visitation plan through the Mission. Realizing that our work would be closely connected with the public health field, we consulted Dr. Hugh Leavell, director of public health in Louisville. He was in favor of our plan and suggested that we should get a view of the public health work done in the city of Louisville and how it was done. This, he thought, would be of value to us not only for this particular situation but for our future work on the foreign field.

He turned us over to the director of the public health nurses who took us over to the East Louisville Health Center where we would get our introduction to the public health nursing. With the aid of the supervisor there and Dr. Marjorie Rountree, the doctor in charge of the clinic, we soon had a plan worked out for our training. Dr. Rountree was very much interested in our plans and remarked that she thought it should be Louisville's contribution to world medical missions to give us this training.

Our experiences have been very interesting as we have gone with the nurses into the homes. Two experiences especially I would like to relate:

As we drove up the narrow rocky road, I wondered just what it would be like. The nurse had told me that this family, whom we were going to see, lived in a tent—and it was winter too! As we drove up an eight-year-old girl opened the door to see who we were and what we wanted. There in that one-room tent lived the father, mother and three small girls. The tent was dirty and smoky and the only source of light was a coal-oil lamp. I was amazed that such conditions existed right here in this modern city.

One raw windy day I went visiting with a county nurse. We turned off the road to a small house back in the field. The floor of the porch and the kitchen were muddy and the rest of the house was dirty. The mother, who was partially blind, greeted us unenthusiastically and took us into the room where there were four small children all under five years of age. The two-year-old boy stood there naked; one small girl was barefoot; the six-month-old baby appeared to be of low mentality. Again I shuddered as I realized that many children in our own country are being reared in homes such as these.

We have had the privilege of getting an inside view of public health nursing. These two homes are samples of many of the homes into which they go. We are now carrying on our own program of visitation under the joint supervision of the Public Health Department and the Mission and have seen many similar conditions. Brother Barnette, director of the Mission, gives us the names of the families in the Mission who need health instruction and those where there is illness in the family. Each Monday we go out and visit them. On the whole we have been welcomed and we have been able to help them take advantage of the facilities offered them by the Public Health Department. In one instance only were we refused admission to the home without being allowed to state our purpose in coming, but the others are eager for us to come back. One mother, who has a premature baby, asked us to come back and help her in feeding problems of the baby and the other children.

We have welcomed this opportunity through which we have been able not only to help people here and now but also to gain valuable experience for our work on the mission field.—Miss Everley Hayes, Missouri

STATISTICAL TABLE COMPILED AT W.M.U. HEADQUARTERS
January 1, 1944, to January 1, 1945

State	Number of New Organizations						Total Number of Organizations						Number of Members	Number of Libraries	Churches Having
	Sunbeam Bands	Junior and Intermediate Royal Ambassadors	Junior and Intermediate Girls' Auxiliaries	Young Woman's Auxiliaries	Woman's Missionary Societies	Total	Sunbeams	Junior and Intermediate Royal Ambassadors	Junior and Intermediate Girls' Auxiliaries	Young Woman's Auxiliaries	Woman's Missionary Societies	Total	Woman's Missionary Societies	Young People	A-1 Full Graded W.M.U. System
Alabama	53	56	71	37	62	279	403	371	601	256	882	2,513	23,067	18,013	14
Arkansas	2	3	6	18	4	31	11	10	18	4	19	62	347	408	3
California	21	38	37	17	44	157	218	208	343	155	450	1,374	12,871	10,975	98
Dist. of Columbia	6	8	17	12	15	46	23	19	31	18	59	150	1,895	688	2
Florida	47	91	106	43	30	317	8	6	402	150	496	1,515	1,964	786	6
Georgia	64	73	116	22	45	323	223	208	402	150	496	1,515	1,964	786	2
Illinois	11	21	18	15	14	79	106	107	196	82	114	705	34,305	21,629	30
Kentucky	47	72	76	29	45	269	431	430	741	293	828	2,823	4,035	4,885	17
Louisiana	25	18	23	15	31	112	265	211	378	141	441	1,436	22,154	12,785	5
Maryland	3	5	5	4	21	32	52	28	58	31	95	264	2,411	1,274	13
Mississippi	32	49	43	32	33	209	387	474	299	442	1,990	2,518	19,601	18,227	9
Missouri	4	10	18	2	9	41	68	55	119	19	98	399	1,899	1,999	25
New Mexico	88	120	118	52	42	440	707	641	960	544	1,219	4,181	42,583	47,244	21
North Carolina	21	19	44	15	20	119	302	272	453	216	643	1,896	22,746	16,022	29
Ohio	21	24	44	17	11	117	572	415	657	374	817	2,885	26,265	25,564	114
South Carolina	46	74	147	43	56	294	484	456	786	365	829	2,920	22,080	17,086	26
Tennessee	93	119	167	69	86	507	788	771	1,015	579	981	4,134	35,781	41,510	4
Texas	33	64	81	44	181	239	788	771	1,015	579	981	4,134	35,781	41,510	4
Virginia	653	937	1,163	492	637	3,882	6,724	5,985	9,744	4,861	12,651	39,667	381,655	337,331	24
Total	653	937	1,163	492	637	3,882	6,724	5,985	9,744	4,861	12,651	39,667	381,655	337,331	24

* Figures in this column are included respectively in next column.

STATISTICAL TABLE COMPILED AT W.M.U. HEADQUARTERS
January 1, 1944, to January 1, 1945

State	Scientific Observing			Distribution of Literature			Mission Study									
	Books	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Leaflets and Pamphlets	Stewardship Cards	Alabaster Boxes	Offering Envelopes	Classes	Small Seals	Pioneer Classes	Institutes	First Large Silver Seal	Second Large Silver Seal	First	Second	Garnet Seal
Alabama	19	43	19	4,613	1,300	2,000	14,000	1,477	2,450	4,753	4,529	25	2	1	1	18
Arkansas	339	363	331	5,966	4,150	1,930	70,000	72	119	733	511	2	2	2	1	4
California	30	18	38	1,737	50	1,000	1,000	868	402	4,312	3,328	7	13	20	14	23
Dist. of Columbia	30	30	30	3,501	100	1,000	720	97	22	110	110	2	2	2	2	2
Florida	285	30	449	284	278	1,000	86,000	737	539	4,301	5,169	2	32	23	1	8
Georgia	917	1,009	1,121	907	1,043	1,000	80,000	1,676	1,270	3,650	4,533	480	6	30	4	30
Illinois	1371	176	211	175	176	187	15,670	423	307	1,060	1,477	6	8	6	5	8
Kentucky	437	767	617	977	622	1,006	152,000	1,493	1,191	10,505	14,565	52	35	100	68	47
Louisiana	554	512	345	618	315	470	16,000	1,374	789	10,505	14,565	52	35	100	68	47
Maryland	89	90	8	95	91	105	16,000	135	68	340	3,936	15	29	1	3	269
Mississippi	530	889	541	873	540	993	116,000	1,983	1,238	3,011	3,936	33	28	30	17	41
Missouri	79	854	68	907	688	949	7,000	1,460	1,741	8,327	13,181	2	2	2	2	2
New Mexico	40	1053	87	125	95	200	135,000	113	102	1,993	7,653	90	30	13	15	6
North Carolina	499	641	510	572	596	598	90,000	2,895	1,766	4,978	7,653	24	28	14	13	12
Ohio	653	1,121	640	1,220	657	1,173	115,000	1,932	831	4,354	3,515	31	6	42	30	30
South Carolina	533	820	541	815	549	820	170,000	1,607	1,777	8,883	10,416	6	10	34	15	1
Tennessee	173	64	131	2,134	1,452	2,527	140,000	1,607	1,770	10,239	8,513	31	6	42	34	26
Texas	73	67	71	1,994	734	1,968	140,000	3,054	3,541	222	3,466	54	3	3	3	20
Virginia	118	9,571	16,515	9,603	14,813	1,153,307	91,74	27,908	22,360	71,831	89,053	618	210	421	248	138
Total	118	9,571	16,515	9,603	14,813	1,153,307	91,74	27,908	22,360	71,831	89,053	618	210	421	248	138

SUNBEAM BANDS
Included in First Table
January 1 to December 31, 1944

Reported by State Treasurers as Having Been Contributed by Members of Sunbeam Bands

STATES	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Ministerial Relief	Christian Education	State etc. S.B.C. Program	TOTALS
Alabama	\$ 1,106.71	\$ 583.71	\$ 85.06	\$ 790.62	\$ 1,250.79	\$ 3,817.89
Arizona	15.64	8.18	1.11	2.71	78.88	106.52
Arkansas	770.49	449.14	21.48	29.38	855.14	2,125.63
California	8.29	24.29			.25	32.81
Dist. of Col.	30.36	14.63			9.11	54.10
Florida	913.00	270.85	34.88	49.42	792.58	2,060.73
Georgia	1,058.60	553.45	.14	1.34	3,944.55	5,558.08
Illinois	383.42	271.45			198.07	852.94
Kentucky	863.17	623.41	66.18	334.88	874.30	2,761.94
Louisiana	706.25	323.67	20.58	98.75	1,199.07	2,348.32
Maryland	80.89	96.18			177.07	354.14
Mississippi	989.43	896.41	151.20	190.02	3,519.91	5,746.97
Missouri	1,123.30	721.22	121.95	871.78	2,627.23	5,465.48
New Mexico	124.33	44.86	4.89	11.09	90.68	275.85
North Carolina	3,333.51	1,532.58	188.92	2,037.54	3,582.14	10,674.69
Oklahoma	1,156.82	968.50			446.00	2,572.22
South Carolina	2,929.95	1,513.34	286.12	1,313.65	3,321.96	9,365.02
Tennessee	1,540.60	941.37	148.74	203.44	2,058.54	4,892.69
Texas	2,172.92	1,265.63	134.29	501.73	1,667.40	5,742.08
Virginia	3,871.62	2,009.98	303.82	430.25	4,186.29	10,801.96
TOTAL	\$ 23,179.30	\$ 13,112.85	\$ 1,572.36	\$ 6,866.60	\$ 30,703.88	\$ 75,434.99

GIRLS' AUXILIARIES
Included in First Table
January 1 to December 31, 1944

Reported by State Treasurers as Having Been Contributed by Members of Girls' Auxiliaries

STATES	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Ministerial Relief	Christian Education	State etc. S.B.C. Program	TOTALS
Alabama	\$ 1,806.81	\$ 1,094.37	\$ 193.09	\$ 1,789.89	\$ 2,625.07	\$ 7,510.13
Arizona	23.67	17.24	2.50	6.49	133.34	183.24
Arkansas	1,117.33	647.87	58.23	79.64	1,622.54	3,525.61
California	29.30	11.17			3.35	43.82
Dist. of Col.	21.52	3.90			12.08	37.50
Florida	1,948.12	659.05	75.90	107.50	1,706.94	4,497.51
Georgia	1,963.49	936.09	.25	1.10	8,288.39	11,189.31
Illinois	765.81	543.00			396.15	1,704.96
Kentucky	1,985.90	1,250.64	174.26	887.19	2,073.26	6,371.25
Louisiana	1,733.08	794.25	43.25	242.33	2,909.78	5,722.69
Maryland	118.57				130.28	248.85
Mississippi	2,941.54	2,824.10	319.22	422.20	10,970.28	17,477.34
Missouri	1,975.29	1,162.29	193.75	1,384.65	4,449.32	9,165.30
New Mexico	161.80	58.37	7.40	14.43	126.01	368.01
North Carolina	5,390.76	2,546.08	439.90	4,744.31	6,274.77	19,395.82
Oklahoma	1,468.90	1,184.00			796.40	3,449.30
South Carolina	3,963.12	2,115.84	481.16	2,209.19	5,063.39	13,832.70
Tennessee	3,237.23	1,942.77	397.67	543.91	4,531.32	10,652.90
Texas	3,411.16	1,904.15	162.58	873.51	2,996.46	9,347.86
Virginia	5,823.76	3,063.93	641.58	909.35	7,779.62	18,218.44
TOTAL	\$ 39,887.16	\$ 22,759.11	\$ 3,191.64	\$ 14,215.89	\$ 62,888.75	\$ 142,042.55

ROYAL AMBASSADOR CHAPTERS
Included in First Table
January 1 to December 31, 1944

Reported by State Treasurers as Having Been Contributed by Members of Royal Ambassador Chapters

STATES	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Ministerial Relief	Christian Education	State etc. S.B.C. Program	TOTALS
Alabama	\$ 1,131.78	\$ 611.41	\$ 120.93	\$ 1,155.87	\$ 1,551.78	\$ 4,571.77
Arizona	15.13	13.78	2.11	5.21	113.21	149.44
Arkansas	628.21	400.79	45.08	61.65	988.71	2,124.44
California	1.00	5.65			.50	7.15
Dist. of Col.	8.15	2.50			2.99	13.64
Florida	1,313.84	390.70	62.76	88.91	1,300.63	3,176.84
Georgia	937.36	566.30		.40	5,059.41	6,563.47
Illinois	384.42	271.56			198.06	854.04
Kentucky	909.03	617.38	95.35	485.98	1,056.96	3,164.70
Louisiana	841.49	394.65	20.95	117.67	1,432.14	2,806.90
Maryland	27.00	38.08				65.08
Mississippi	1,021.63	1,012.40	179.63	210.13	5,200.39	7,624.18
Missouri	1,097.02	647.04	95.23	744.23	2,252.52	4,836.04
New Mexico	85.16	30.72	3.89	7.60	67.11	194.48
North Carolina	3,320.16	1,493.50	277.18	2,989.37	3,924.29	12,004.50
Oklahoma	1,246.50	989.46			620.30	2,856.26
South Carolina	2,866.34	1,553.95	359.10	1,648.78	3,749.50	10,177.67
Tennessee	2,009.40	1,177.23	268.50	367.24	3,259.86	7,882.23
Texas	1,688.41	932.48	95.91	439.61	1,378.01	4,534.42
Virginia	4,726.63	2,566.37	560.23	793.36	6,592.73	15,239.32
Miscellaneous	167.51					167.51
TOTAL	\$ 24,446.17	\$ 13,715.95	\$ 2,186.85	\$ 9,116.01	\$ 38,749.10	\$ 88,214.08

YOUNG WOMAN'S AUXILIARIES
Included in First Table
January 1 to December 31, 1944

Reported by State Treasurers as Having Been Contributed by Members of Young Woman's Auxiliaries

STATES	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Ministerial Relief	Christian Education	State etc. S.B.C. Program	TOTALS
Alabama	\$ 2,791.15	\$ 1,326.13	\$ 277.16	\$ 2,622.02	\$ 3,472.62	\$ 10,489.08
Arizona	16.64	13.77	2.33	5.71	136.03	174.48
Arkansas	1,816.62	883.46	97.16	132.90	2,155.85	5,086.02
California	26.35	29.50				55.85
Dist. of Col.	33.00	15.10			13.07	61.17
Florida	1,522.93	574.70	156.86	222.26	3,098.28	5,575.03
Georgia	2,205.84	1,230.61	1.00	9.50	13,242.37	16,689.32
Illinois	766.80	543.00			4,929.67	6,239.47
Kentucky	1,753.66	2,315.36	388.83	1,978.10	4,120.29	12,556.24
Louisiana	2,499.74	1,143.28	62.24	349.50	4,253.72	8,308.48
Maryland	355.51	262.38				617.89
Mississippi	5,883.09	5,679.20	639.57	864.81	21,962.94	35,029.61
Missouri	2,233.32	1,407.15	148.72	1,379.85	4,708.39	9,879.43
New Mexico	350.77	124.58	16.05	31.30	255.88	778.58
North Carolina	10,422.35	4,300.13	915.56	9,874.33	11,920.28	37,432.65
Oklahoma	2,675.00	1,246.74			822.00	4,743.74
South Carolina	8,373.85	3,969.59	1,114.03	5,114.94	11,179.12	20,751.53
Tennessee	6,654.73	3,700.28	858.55	1,174.27	11,945.88	24,333.71
Texas	3,782.21	1,478.89	130.10	912.88	2,547.55	8,851.64
Virginia	13,914.72	6,805.12	1,549.43	2,211.68	18,154.30	42,725.25
Miscellaneous	1,831.53					1,831.53
TOTAL	\$ 71,909.81	\$ 37,138.97	\$ 6,357.59	\$ 26,884.05	\$ 118,918.27	\$ 261,208.69

STATE and OTHER OBJECTS in S. B. C. PROGRAM
Included in First Table

January 1 to December 31, 1944

Reported by State Treasurers as Having Been Contributed by W.M.U. Members

STATES	State Missions	Orphanages	Hospitals	Miscellaneous	TOTALS
Alabama	\$ 40,521.78	\$ 4,152.09	\$ 1,935.22	\$ 114,609.76	\$ 161,218.85
Arizona	2,973.79	75.00	14.82		3,063.61
Arkansas	42,300.06	12,183.83	6,629.99	18,304.39	79,418.29
California	242.21	64.30	21.70	242.23	570.44
District of Columbia	3,860.97	198.50		28.00	4,087.47
Florida	65,311.30	17,052.90	679.70	11,141.56	94,185.46
Georgia	22,546.94	15,586.27	4,884.23	294,186.94	337,204.39
Illinois	28,688.98	14,584.82	221.66	4,065.73	47,561.19
Kentucky	59,545.25	18,610.02	8,084.41	18,392.65	104,632.33
Louisiana	92,588.11	961.52	1,110.37	1,343.27	96,003.27
Maryland	15,411.84		310.62	414.15	16,136.61
Mississippi	80,850.92	26,382.81	3,248.25	73,233.51	153,715.49
Missouri	58,662.58	10,778.65	10,114.45	40,921.74	120,477.42
New Mexico	4,227.51	7,782.98		2,711.39	14,721.88
North Carolina	70,519.03	24,802.05	29,749.84	58,735.17	183,806.19
Oklahoma	19,493.07	136,776.52	2,474.15	1,400.00	160,143.74
South Carolina	83,147.52	30,891.49	22,319.94		136,378.95
Tennessee	77,180.65	24,908.34	2,759.83	46,194.42	151,043.24
Texas	247,218.16	69,631.87	377,276.99		694,127.21
Virginia	114,661.74	29,765.92	7,053.04	61,703.98	240,184.68
TOTAL	\$1,176,952.63	\$ 444,989.88	\$ 478,909.22	\$ 747,628.99	\$2,798,480.72

Community Missions (Concluded from Page 5)

Opal: Then there's the work at the Girls' Industrial Home. It's compulsory for the girls to attend but we let them choose which of the four classes they prefer. Twenty minutes is allowed at the close of the lesson for an evangelistic appeal by a special speaker.

Aline: Don't forget the street meetings on "Lower Third", where many people pass by. Remember also the two girls who keep the children in the nursery while W.M.S. meets. I hope this summer we can direct on the playground for children so they can have supervised play. It would be fine for the children whose mothers work, besides keeping children away from some undesirable picture-shows. It would help all of them, neglected or not.

C.M. Chmn.: Quoting from "Working Parents and Latchkey Children" Mr. Zurcher says: "The house-key tied around the neck is the symbol of cold meals, of a child neglected and shorn of the security of a mother's love and affection".

Opal: There is just one handicap: some of the girls do not have enough confidence in themselves to attempt this work. What can we tell them?

C.M. Chmn.: That their confidence need not be in themselves but in Philippians 4:13. Thanks, everyone, for your part in this work. May we close the meeting with silent prayer?

VERY valuable are the statistical and financial reports as given on pages 26-32. Thus grouped they can be rather easily detached from this magazine and placed in one's Year Book or other reference material. They will stimulate now and from month to month.

**Causes, as Herewith Listed, Being Helped by
Beyond-the-Goal Gifts of**

1944 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

American Bible Society	\$ 5,000.00
Equipment for Two New Missionaries	2,000.00
Medical Student Volunteers in Texas Schools	2,000.00
Postwar Rehabilitation Work in China and Europe	100,000.00
World Emergency Relief Fund of Foreign Mission Board	1,164.73
Africa	95,391.65
Brazil (North)	48,297.00
Brazil (South)	92,350.00
Chile	22,350.00
Colombia	31,700.00
Mexico	14,700.00
River Plate, Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay	42,953.00
Near East and Europe	32,718.19
Orient (China)	76,382.56
Orient (Hawaii)	10,000.00

Total\$577,007.13



Contributions Counting in the Centennial

THOUGH Woman's Missionary Union has been in existence only fifty-seven years of the Convention's century it has nevertheless contributed largely to the many missionary and benevolent causes for which the Convention was organized in 1845 or has in the meanwhile undertaken to support. For instance: in its fifty-seven years the Union has given to the Convention's Foreign Mission Board \$7,256,465.68 through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Similarly in the last thirty-eight years it has given to the Convention's Home Mission Board \$3,174,880.85 through the Annie Armstrong Offering. The following tabulation shows the totals by Woman's Missionary Union in its fifty-seven years to foreign and home missions and to other causes vital to the Southern Baptist Convention and to its auxiliary, Woman's Missionary Union:

Foreign Missions	\$21,445,223.10
Home Missions	10,330,346.55
Ministerial Relief	1,743,265.04
Christian Education	12,775,565.62
State and Other S. B. C. Objects	31,010,936.24
Bible Fund of S. S. Board	42,120.10
Margaret Fund	502,072.18
W.M.U. Training School	1,486,941.54

TOTAL CASH CONTRIBUTIONS\$79,336,470.37

RECORD of CONTRIBUTIONS
January 1 to December 31, 1944
WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION, AUXILIARY to S. B. C.

STATES	Reported by State Treasurers as Having Been Contributed by W.M.U. Members					Received by W.M.U. Treasurer			Total	Coop-erative Program
	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Ministerial Relief	Christian Education	State etc. S. B. C. Program	W.M.U. Training School		Special Gifts		
						State Appt.	Scholar-ship Fund			
Alabama.....	\$ 57,286.72	\$ 28,174.62	\$ 4,866.60	\$ 45,607.28	\$ 161,218.85	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 501.10	\$ 299,055.17	\$ 119,768.65
Arizona.....	1,190.76	1,179.16	41.83	103.00	3,063.61	48.50	25.75	130.79	5,783.40	2,307.99
Arkansas.....	43,486.03	20,527.06	2,623.34	3,910.03	79,418.29	751.29		77.16	150,793.20	61,920.02
California.....	1,713.53	768.92	260.68		570.44	21.15		10.50	3,345.22	452.94
District of Columbia.....	9,155.94	2,429.83		634.50	4,087.47	135.00		17.00	16,459.74	10,460.30
Florida.....	66,881.79	26,577.81	4,051.79	5,905.88	94,185.46	500.00	400.00	556.23	199,058.96	110,183.85
Georgia.....	67,761.16	29,739.55	22.19	1,115.39	337,204.39	3,675.79	600.00	1,800.00	441,918.47	234,998.10
Illinois.....	22,193.63	9,848.39	4,488.11	13,982.92	47,361.19	419.80	400.00	75.78	98,769.82	40,801.85
Kentucky.....	86,050.12	52,433.13	9,378.05	50,645.37	104,632.33	2,000.00	719.94	1,031.88	306,890.82	196,662.97
Louisiana.....	55,869.64	25,611.52	1,394.33	7,812.29	96,003.27	300.00	300.00	515.05	187,806.10	141,444.28
Maryland.....	11,283.87	2,946.85	869.73	1,739.45	16,136.61	175.00		21.00	33,172.51	
Mississippi.....	41,181.52	39,754.90	4,476.96	6,053.68	153,715.49	1,400.00	300.00	325.00	247,207.55	44,563.33
Missouri.....	59,546.68	30,550.79	5,160.18	39,379.19	120,477.42	1,560.00	650.00	337.03	257,661.29	126,647.52
New Mexico.....	17,030.91	6,144.53	778.94	1,519.27	14,721.88				40,195.53	25,295.66
North Carolina.....	163,928.62	62,820.46	12,017.48	129,608.82	183,806.19	1,700.00	1,300.00	284.00	555,465.57	290,277.31
Oklahoma.....	56,539.96	16,290.74	998.00	7,432.88	160,143.74	1,200.00	700.00	800.00	244,105.32	35,000.00
South Carolina.....	112,089.31	49,177.70	11,080.12	49,264.62	136,378.95	1,650.00	875.00	511.13	361,026.83	238,281.99
Tennessee.....	102,115.48	53,436.88	11,869.58	16,234.52	151,043.24	1,500.00	1,000.00	231.10	337,430.80	229,586.85
Texas.....	359,504.42	108,848.91	32,593.50	*793,258.68	*694,127.22	1,300.00	475.00	1,122.22	*1,991,129.95	317,420.19
Virginia.....	216,244.79	98,184.99	18,516.34	27,679.45	240,184.68	2,000.00	900.00		603,710.25	374,119.12
Miscellaneous.....	5,426.46	384.14					300.00	501.46	6,612.06	
TOTAL.....	\$1,556,481.34	\$ 665,830.88	\$ 125,487.75	\$1,201,887.22	\$2,798,480.72	\$ 21,436.53	\$ 9,145.69	\$ 8,848.43	\$6,387,598.56	\$2,600,192.92

*In Texas total of \$1,991,129.95 is included \$991,049.38 given to its "Endowment and Enlargement Campaign for Christian Education and Hospitals."