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Mr. and Mrs. McRae, David, Betty, Billy, Robert and Jimmy

He Uses Our Prayers

DAVID McRae is riding a bicycle that
does not move an inch. He is exer-
cising his leg, following polio.

The lives of our missionaries are so filled
with experiences which we seldom hear
about and cannot know at the moment that
we must be constantly praying for them. By
learning and understanding as much as we
can about their situations we shall better
compass them about with our prayers.

Our missionaries in Hashemite Kingdom
of Jordan and in Israel have been walking
through deep trouble.

The little one-year-old daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. Dwight L. Baker in Nazareth has
polio; also the six-year-old and second son
of Dr. and Mrs. James T. McRae in Ajloun.

David is fortunate in that his father is a
doctor and Dr. Brown in the same Gilead
Hospital has had some special training in
the care of polio patients. They taught an
Arabian nurse the Kenny Method of treat-
ment with hot packs. An old watering
trough has been turned into a place for
hot baths with a propeller turned by a
bicycle to keep the water circulating. They
have fixed a small bicycle so the back wheel
is off the ground for David to exercise on.

The Lord has also provided a Scotch
missionary physical therapist who is study-

ing the language in Jerusalem preparatory
to finding a place to work. She visits every
week or so to set up what equipment she
can and direct the exercises.

Dr. Brown thinks David has retained
some of the muscles and nerves in his af-
fected leg. He cannot stand but there is
hope that he will regain fairly good use of
the leg.

Mrs. McRae writes that throughout this
experience they have been completely as-
sured of being in the place where God
wants them to work. The staff of the hos-
pital and the village have been brought
closer together in their concern for the win-
some child; the Moslem gatekeeper and the
mule driver and others have been praying
for him. With no physical therapy in the re-
gion at all, they see the beginning of such
a department for the hospital so that other
crippled children can be treated. So do our
valiant missionaries gather blessings out of
their daily living.

But have you prayed for them? As Mrs.
McRae puts it, "We lean on your prayers.
There are times when answers are so clear,
when discouragement vanishes so com-
pletely, when problems work out so easily,
that we know your prayers are with us.
He uses your prayers."

Does he have yours to use?

From Darkness To Light

by Minnie D. McIlroy, Buenos Aires

IT was only a little tract that Pastor Varetto had given to her husband in the street, but it gave the first glimmer of the gospel light of Jesus Christ that was to flood the heart of Dona Antonia de Di Lorenzo.

At once she became greatly interested in the salvation of her soul. She decided to find out more about this gospel so she began attending the evangelical meetings. Even now, after more than thirty years, she remembers the text of that first message from the lips of Pastor Varetto: "The ax is laid unto the root of the trees; every tree therefore which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire" — Matthew 3:10; Luke 3:9.

Shortly afterwards, convinced of the truth of what she heard, she accepted Christ as her Saviour. But she wanted to be as fully evangelical as she had been fanatically Catholic, so for two years she studied the doctrine comparing the new belief with the old. It cost her a great struggle to give up all of her mistaken ideas and superstitions but the battle was won gloriously.



Dona Antonia

ously. Two years after reading the little tract, she followed her Lord in baptism. She became very active in seeking the salvation of her loved ones, and the Lord has graciously answered her prayers for a goodly number of them.

A few months after her baptism, her husband was converted. Since that time she has had the joy of winning for Christ three daughters, a son, two sisters and their families, two nieces and a daughter-in-law. And recently three grandchildren have been converted, won principally through her testimony. One of her grandsons, a fine young fellow of about 13 years of age, is very active in the "Sociedad de Intermedios" (combined advanced Royal Ambassador and Girls' Auxiliary work).

Dona Antonia is now 71 years old but still very active in the Lord's work.

How we rejoice in the great work begun in this consecrated woman's heart, when the reading of that small tract was used of the Holy Spirit to kindle a gospel flame that has spread to so many hearts!

The Good Fight Must Go On

THE GOOD FIGHT must go on until all the world hears and the message is fully proclaimed at any cost. Alone and in prison, Paul thought not of surrender but of world conquest. The two empires were already engaged in a death struggle and Paul knew which was to win. "In real life," says an eminent preacher, "Nero sits on the throne and Paul languishes in prison, and many years must pass before people begin calling their dogs Nero, and their sons Paul! But that time comes! As God lives, that time always comes."

—Samuel M. Zwemer, in *How Rich the Harvest* (Revel)

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COVER: So long as representatives of the world keep talking together at United Nations, war is not inevitable. Messages and prayers will encourage these who carry such weight of responsibility. "The work of righteousness shall be peace" and we continually pray that United Nations can maintain order while missions has a chance to spread the gospel of the Prince of peace.

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Our Priceless Heritage

by Mrs. J. M. Dawson



WHERE is Mt. Mitchell, Mother?" inquired my little girl during one of our early Ridgecrest summers. We were too close up to get a view of the majestic king of the Blue Ridge there, but when traveling fifty miles distant I was able to point it out from the rear platform of the train. Only then did its towering height and outlines appear in true perspective. So it is with the mountain peaks of history. The beholder needs to stand at the long distance of the years to appraise them.

We need to look repeatedly upon the grandeur and sublimity of mighty movements that tower as lofty mountain peaks bringing incalculable blessings into our human world. One such was the Protestant Reformation. In 1517 the scholarly monk Martin Luther, nailed his ninety-five theses to the door of the castle church at Wittenberg declaring in the face of uncompromising ecclesiasticism, "Here I stand; I cannot otherwise: God help me!" That declaration shook Europe with a mighty convulsion and plunged the people into a revolution that gave all future generations a rebirth of religious freedom reshaping the whole of European thought. But those nearest that stupendous event were never able to envision the immeasurable significance and consequences as we are able to do today.

No less impressive is that watershed of history—the establishment in 1636 of "The Providence Plantation in Narragansett Bay."

The intervening years mark some epochal events that are milestones in the historic struggle for religious liberty. According to Appleton's Encyclopedia, "In England from the time of Henry VIII to

William III a full century and a half, the Baptists struggled to gain their footing and to secure liberty of conscience for all. They issued appeal after appeal, addressed to the King, the Parliament and the people in behalf of soul liberty

"Yet until the Quakers arose in 1660, the Baptists stood alone in its defense amidst universal opposition. Among the Baptists, Christian freedom found its earliest, its staunchest, and its most disinterested champions; persecuted themselves, they never persecuted others. The paths of the Baptists are paths of freedom, pleasantness, and peace."

It is true that in the processional honoring the inauguration of President Truman, the Catholics of Maryland presented a magnificent float pictorially laying claim to being the first group in America to have religious toleration. But toleration is vastly different from full religious freedom.

However, had they followed their first official head in this country, Archbishop John Carroll, they would have in after history upheld church and state separation instead of obstructing it.

No more dramatic event ever stirred the hearts of men than the story of the Pilgrims in 1620. Never was there a more heroic band than these gallant souls, fleeing from religious tyranny, civic unfairness and governmental autocracy. Stepping from their historic little craft, the *Mayflower*, leaving the delicate rim of foam curling on the shores of the broad ocean which had heaved them to a new land, whose mighty depths promised to protect them against retaliation from the land from which they had fled, they brought within their bosoms experiences of divine grace

Freedom of worship—how easy to say but how much was suffered to gain it!

and in their hands the open Bible, whose teachings gave us our government, homes, schools, and churches.

But no stranger contradiction is recorded in all history than the sad story of these who came to the new world to worship God according to the dictates of their own conscience, and then denied this precious boon to others.

It remained for Roger Williams to suffer cruel persecution and finally banishment from the Massachusetts Bay Colony because of his most original and most unforgettable contention of absolute religious liberty and complete separation of church and state. In the bitter winter of 1636 this brave soul was ordered to leave Boston because his views boldly expressed were different from those of the rulers of the colony though it was founded ostensibly for the purpose of giving every man a right to believe as he pleased. Recently viewing this immortal story over television, my tears fell unashamed.

Who of us as Baptists can ever count indifferently that which cost so much? In the cruel New England winter, Roger Williams blazed a trail that today encircles the earth and wherever free men dwell and the human spirit struggles for liberty, the name of Roger Williams is spoken with reverence. Founding the state of Rhode Island where the church and the state were never united by political bonds, his achievement came at a time when there was not only no example of church-state separation, but where such separation to the masses was almost incredible.

Roger Williams dared to proclaim the utterly revolutionary doctrine that in the colony of Rhode Island all men, irrespective of creed, color, or political affiliation were equally welcome, Jews, Turks, Catholics or Protestants, so long as they obeyed the civil laws they themselves enacted.

This was the first commonwealth in history to grant full religious freedom—certainly vastly superior to the Toleration Act of Maryland.

When Roger Williams in his trial stood

opposite the government against hostile antagonists he was undaunted and alone. Confident in the "rockie strength" of his principles he launched, as Paul before Agrippa, his unanswerable arguments. In that dramatic trial he kindled the flames of conviction which later blazed in Patrick Henry and impelled him to defend the Baptist preachers of Virginia who dared to stand up for religious liberty. Others who exerted their powerful influence in those molding days of the New World were John Witherspoon, the eminent Presbyterian, James Madison, Charles Pinckney, Samuel Livermore, Thomas Jefferson, and to these in fairness must be added unorthodox Thomas Paine, Ben Franklin, and Stephen Girard.

But always in the forefront marched the militant Baptists whose witness cost severe persecution in Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Virginia. Henry Dunster was compelled to resign the presidency of Harvard because of Baptist views. Ministers in Boston and Virginia were jailed for the same offense.

As we think of these heroes and our own troubled times more than seven million Southern Baptists must not forget the "rockie strength" from which they are hewn. Today human freedoms are being challenged all over the world. Here in our own land sinister forces would undermine and destroy this basic American freedom of worship, of separation of church and state. It is not too much to say that our Baptist Committee on Public Affairs conjoined with other powerful Christian groups, has achieved some signal victories during these past months. We would not forget that every man, woman and child who bears the name of Baptist has a priceless heritage. In the spirit of the brave D.P. of 300 years ago who founded the first Baptist church in America at Providence, Rhode Island, may we valiantly defend and loyally practice the principles of that glorious God-given liberty, which is the basis of all liberties, even absolute Religious Freedom.

A Dream in the Making

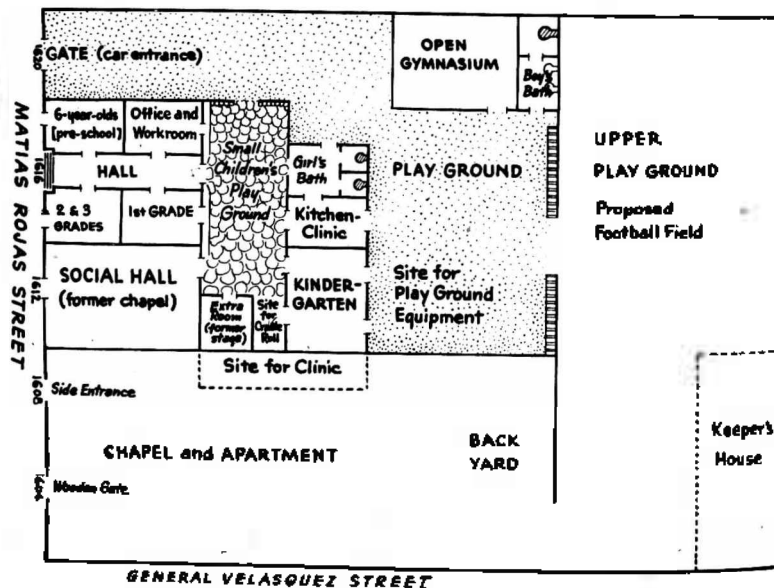
by Lois Hart

I should like to take you on a personally conducted tour of the present Good Will Center buildings at Antofagasta, and show the plans for future ones we hope to have.

Arriving at Matias Rojas Street from almost any direction you can see the two-story cream buildings with the red tile roof that is the new chapel. Our doorbell, if you choose to ring it, is at the side door. Our front gate is a future project; we hope to have an iron gate someday. The present

wooden one is supported by a board. I'll come flying down the stairs, as I do many times a day, for the bell rings often, and will be thrilled to see you and show you around.

First, our garden. It is our pride and joy, for much labor and thought have entered into its making. There is a front strip, with a poinsettia tree (they are quite common here; growing very tall and needing little attention); a side strip by the wall on General Velasquez Street, where we



We love our new piano (rolled to the door so you can see it, too) and our playground is always crowded on Saturday afternoon!

have vines mostly; and several little plots in the back. The plots are round holes with good dirt, and we have planted a fig tree, a grape vine and several morning glory vines mostly to cover up things like the ugly water tanks; and right in the center, a pine tree. The unoccupied space we fill in with broken-up sea shells, which gives a clean appearance.

The chapel has been such a blessing. We have two rows of benches, a portable organ, and a pulpit that is rather shabby, for it has been with us such a long time. The stage is just wonderful and, last year, we finished the many and sundry curtains and backdrops needed. There we have the school programs, the patriotic, and Christmas plays and also the general assembly for Sunday school and the preaching service. It is a nice airy, light building.

There is a side door going upstairs to the "apartment built for two." We have always been hopeful that there would be two of us to work in the Good Will Center. Since no American girl has come as yet, perhaps I shall, eventually, find a Chilean helper. Right now, a high-school girl accompanies me and keeps me informed about all the school activities. The view from the front balcony is very pretty because one can see the bay, the ships at sea, and some of the town. We have flowers in boxes there. Going through the apartment to the back, we can see from the back porch the keeper's house, our big playground, the bamboo-roofed gymnasium, which used to be a cow barn when the property was a dairy. Now we will go down the back steps and continue our tour.

After seeing the new part, we'll move to the old. First we come to the social hall (our former chapel), a room of many uses. The former stage is now a classroom, having been lowered and fixed. It is the one room in which the boys can make all the noise they want to make! One door leads into a classroom, of which there are three in that building: one for second and third, one for pre-school (six-year-olds here). I must say our school furniture is a little the worse for wear, having about eight years of use. The "office work-room" is also there—unfinished as yet, because some of the walls need lining, and wood is very expensive, but usable nevertheless. There are many shelves and cabinets for storing our much-used pictures and materials.

Other doors from the social hall lead out to the street. One leads into a small yard, which has been covered with flagstones and is reserved for the little tots. On either side we have vines and plants growing, and a hardy little tree in the center which the children water diligently. Across the little yard is another longish building, divided into three parts: one room for the kindergarten, one for bathrooms and the other the former clinic, still serving its purpose, but is more of a kitchenette now for teachers. We have hope for the new clinic room and Cradle Roll department. We were unable to realize that dream this year, but, perhaps, by next year we can save enough to make the dream a reality.

Is Your History Lost?

by Dr. Norman W. Cox

IN the fifteenth chapter of Luke, Jesus paints for us three heart-moving pictures of God's grief over that which is lost. In the parables there, we have the story of the lost sheep, the lost coin, and the lost boy.

The second parable shows the grief of a woman because of the loss of a part of her marriage dowry. Might this loss apply to a Christian's or a church's loss of a part of their inheritance?

If that be true, then God is grieved because more than 20,000 of our more than 28,000 Southern Baptist churches have lost part of an important inheritance in losing their histories.

There is no exaggeration in the statement that more than 20,000 Southern Baptist churches have lost histories of their own life. They have been busy with this and that. Absorption in other things has made them apathetic to the value of their history. These churches have had somebody to minister as pastor, fill the church offices, staff the organizations and serve as janitor, but no one particularly has bothered about the history.

My experience and observation through forty years in the pastorate emphasize these values that accrue to the church that cares for its history:

1. One cannot understand anything until he knows its history. Our church is a mystery to us; there is much about it that eludes us; somehow it lacks the grip on us that otherwise it would have until we know the story of those whose love, life, and labor created and sustained it before we entered into its ministry.

2. The membership of a church is made up of uncemented layers until that church has made available to its constituency a

clear history of its life. When that is done, the new members coming in quickly find themselves assimilated into the firm life of their church.

3. A church that knows its history is more stable than one that is indifferent to its history.

4. There are vitamins in the history of each church which, when made available to its membership, supply deficiencies that otherwise cannot be provided.

5. The way our churches are organized and the work promoted, there is a tendency to fragmentation which comes about by reason of the divisions of sex and age. These can be bonded into unity by the recovery and utilization of the history of their church. Then all have a picture which enables them to see unity in their diversity and to realize that each is important to the whole.

There are other values, but do not these provide sufficient reason for each church to give due and proper attention to its history? To get this done, our people must become conscious of the loss they have sustained. It is more than most have realized. In the parable, as soon as the woman found out that her coin was lost, she did something about it. It is not too much to say that our Lord today would say to us that we ought to do as she did.

As the coin could not find itself, neither will the history of your church find itself if it has become lost. Mark, please, the coin could be found. The history of your church can be recovered.

We have heard all our lives the trite, old saying: "What is everybody's business is nobody's business." That explains why we have all these lost histories. Do you have all the minute books of your church from



Dr. Norman W. Cox

the time it was organized? Have you kept the minutes and reports of your organizations?

God wants somebody in each church to realize that its history is important. He wants some members to check up to see if it has been properly developed. Whose job is it? Quickly someone answers that it is the pastor's responsibility. The average pastorate in the Southern Baptist Conven-

tion is slightly more than three years. While many people move about, each church has many permanent residents whose connection with it spans all or much of its history.

In every church there are women ideally suited to see that the history of their church, their W.M.S. and all the other auxiliaries of the church is properly preserved and utilized.

The Historical Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, Dr. Norman W. Cox, Executive Secretary, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee, is prepared to aid our people in seeking and finding their lost histories. The secretary has prepared three booklets, "The Committee for the History of a Baptist Church," "The History of a Baptist Church—How to Write It," and "How to Celebrate Church Anniversaries," that are available for free distribution, two copies of each to a church, to those who want them.

The study of these booklets by someone who is willing to do what the Lord wants done about seeking and finding the lost history of his church will bring a historical revival that will produce rewarding spiritual benefits.

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Order them from: Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham 3, Alabama

The Evil Eye

by Laura Hart Disselhoeft

"Peggy, Peggy, go answer the phone, honey. I'm feeding the baby." My oldest girl came running to do my bidding. I could hear the conversation.

"¿Quién habla?" (Who is speaking?) Peggy answered. Then she switched to English by which I gathered that whoever was speaking was either an American or English person.

"What time do the women have their meeting in the G.W.C., Mamma?" This from Peggy in a loud voice. I told her the time and then heard her hang up.

"Who was it, honey?"

"Oh, it was that missionary lady down here from Bolivia on her vacation. She wants to go with you to the W.M.S. circle this afternoon and says she'll come by for you at three o'clock."

Peggy delivered this message and hurried out to play.

As I finished feeding the baby I thought over the Bible lesson for the afternoon: the works of the flesh and the fruits of the spirit in Galatians 5:16-25. Rather an ambitious subject for our simple-hearted women of the G. W. C. in Antofagasta, Chile. I prayed silently that God would lead so that I could make it clear to them.

Promptly at three Mrs. P ——— arrived and we set off at a brisk pace not because we were late but because we both enjoy walking quickly. Three or four women were there before us. I introduced Mrs. P ——— and they expressed their joy at having a missionary visit them. While I was looking up the hymns and arranging the Bibles, I could hear them murmuring. In one corner Senora Juanita was expressing her gratitude to God and the doctor because she was feeling so much better after her illness. Senora Ana was telling Mrs. P ——— about her little boy,

Joelito, who is just two and chatters a blue streak. Senora Catia and her daughter were listening to both conversations.

Presently the rest arrived by ones and twos. About twenty minutes late, we began our meeting. I was a bit ashamed for Mrs. P ——— to hear our singing but I figured that she was probably accustomed to had singing as the Bolivians aren't musical. Most of our women do not read well and have to drag the music in order to get all the words read in time.

The woman who leads the meeting is a lovely person. She is intelligent and has grown step by step in the gospel. You can just feel her sincerity as she prays. This afternoon she asked us to do the Bible reading responsively. Two of the women didn't understand and read with her so she explained to them again what she

The women bring their sewing and their children to the meeting



The sewing machine is a popular timesaver for busy Chilean women

wanted. That time we got through all right.

I generally have a short study on the Bible reading and today was no exception. After I had explained as best I could what works of the flesh are, I went over the list that Paul gives us in Galatians 5. One of these is witchcraft. I told them that that included this "evil eye" against which they do such ridiculous things like tying a red ribbon with a cross hung on it around a baby's neck. Up spoke Senora Genova, "Senora Taly, that isn't witchcraft. That is really true. I've seen people wither plants with a look or kill animals or make babies sick. They can't help it, they are just born with thick blood."

For a moment I was stunned. I knew that the others believed this too and that it was no use telling them that it was a coincidence or that people just make up such things and tell them as the truth.

The Lord came to my rescue as he has done so many times, and I said, "Sister Genova, do you think the 'evil eye' is a good thing?" Of course she had to answer no. Then, I said, it must be of the devil and as such we should get rid of it by God's help. There was nothing she could answer to that. I could see by the smiles on the faces of the other women that they agreed with me.

But Sister Genova wasn't through yet. She said: "Senora Taly, the real witchcraft is when somebody throws dirt from the cemetery on your doorstep or sprinkles oil there." That was a new one even for me, and I thought I had heard them all. I hastened to the second part of my lesson, the fruits of the spirit and finished rather abruptly. I'm afraid.

Mrs. P ——— was welcomed and asked to say a few words. She told us about the

Superstition, temptation,
and ignorance can all be
overcome through God's love

Bolivian Indians and how the women are so backward up there. It did our women good to hear of others who are worse off than they. I could see that they were very impressed by what she said.

Our secretary then began to call the roll and each of us answered with a text as usual. One old lady always says the same thing. It isn't a text, just a sentence which she has invented, but no one laughs because she is so pleased with herself. Another member who knows dozens of texts by heart, makes a great show of finding one in her Bible and reading it. She has just learned how to read in the night classes held in the G.W.C. and she likes to show off her new skill.

The offering was extra big and I was puzzled to know why. I thought maybe the missionary who was our visitor, had been very generous. But the leader, who noticed my surprise, came over and whispered, "We saved all our January offerings as we had no meetings then and are giving them today." I felt a lump come in my throat as I thought what a triumph over temptation that represented. Only those who have been down to their last penny, can understand what a temptation it is to use any money that comes to our hands. Senora Ara told me after the meeting that she hadn't dared to trust herself but had given her offering each week to Miss Lois to save for her. So she had proudly put it in the collection plate that afternoon.

When many "hasta luego" were said, Mrs. P ——— and I started home. There was joy and gratitude in our hearts because of the chance for service but at the same time we were saddened because of the appalling ignorance which holds our women in thrall. Baptist women, will you not pray for us?

Seeking to Serve

by Crea Ridenour

CENTRAL Church W.M.U., Barranquilla (*bah-rah-keel-ya*), Colombia, was hostess this year to the third annual meeting of the Colombian Baptist Missionary Union.

A dormitory was set up on the second floor of the church for representatives from other cities, for most of our W.M.U. members had little extra room in their homes.

Out in the church patio the food committee made "stoves" of bricks set up to support big pots over open wood fires. Delicious *arroz con pollo* (a dish with a rice base, chicken, pork, potatoes, carrots, capers, raisins, etc., cut very fine and steamed for hours), potato salad, Colombian coffee, papaya (a big melon that grows on trees), and other good things were served. Each person brought his own plate, fork and glass—and washed them!

The church looked beautiful. Purple and white flowers were placed at the front of the platform, a large lavender and white Colombian W.M.U. seal at the back. Below was a table bearing an open Bible, a Colombian flag, and the globe—the Word of God for Colombia and the world.

The first session began at eleven o'clock on April 3, with Senora Carmen de Ramirez, W.M.U. president, presiding. The yearly report, given by Mrs. R. C. McGlamery, executive secretary of the Colombian Union, showed growth. The

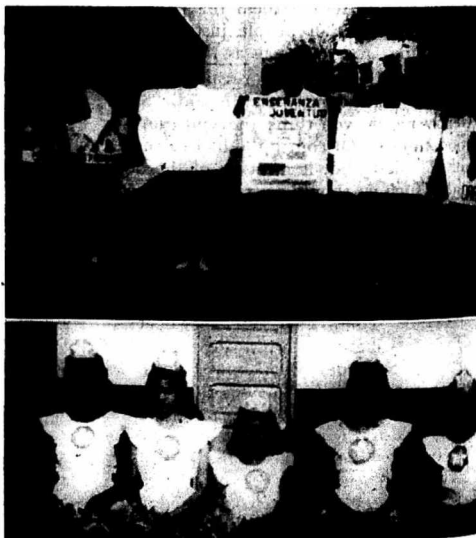
first report in 1950 mentioned six societies with ninety-seven members; this year there were thirteen societies with 426 members.

Presidents of the different societies reported on society activities: organizations for young people, visitation in homes and institutions, mission Sunday schools and preaching centers, classes for illiterate young people and adults, etc. An enrollment of more than a thousand was shown for women's societies and young people's organizations combined.

On Youth Night, a puppet show directed

Members of Central Church carrying the big posters that illustrated W.M.U. activities

G.A. Queens in Barranquilla—Eloisa Cobilla, Carmen Guzmán, Marlene Alarcón, Noris Cardozo, Fanny Zuhiga



by Mrs. A. R. Dailey presented the work of Sunbeams in different parts of the world. Eight girls were crowned in a G.A. coronation service; they looked lovely in their long white dresses and crowns as they told of what they had done to become Queens. A group of Royal Ambassadors demonstrated their ranking system. A fifty-voice Y.W.A. choir sang a hymn of the glories of God's creation. Then a group of young people gave a missionary play about the call of the Judsons. More than five hundred people witnessed this inspiring program.

On the last morning of the convention, W.M.U. activities and plans for their development were discussed.

Prayer was introduced by a big drawing of the "Praying Hands." Different women spoke briefly of answers to prayer that they had experienced and of the one o'clock prayer hour for Colombia W.M.U. members.

The poster dramatizing study showed the world, a hand holding the Bible out to it, many hands reaching up to receive the Word of God. A woman who had attended

the W.M.U. Institute for Christian Workers spoke of its practical value; another presented the W.M.U. course of study, illustrating with flannelgraph.

A society especially active in community missions presented that activity through poster and personal testimony.

A general statement of the basis of Christian giving was made by a woman holding a central poster. A group of women then took streamers attached to that poster and told of the different projects W.M.U. members are able to carry out through their combined gifts.

The organizations for the young people were presented as the "family" of the W.M.U., with their goal as personal development in Christian experience and service, and a worldwide interest. Representatives of each organization came forward with their emblems.

The 135 registered messengers and visitors carried away with them many useful ideas, and felt inspired to "Behold Christ" and seek to serve him in this new year of Colombian W.M.U. activity.

Your Circle Program

Women Missionaries
From My State

BWCs use program material starting on page 24

Devotional Scripture Reading: Acts 16: 14-15.

Your state paper, your state W.M.U. handbook, or communications from your state W.M.U. office will list the missionaries from your state. Find out all you can about them. Some states have state W.M.U. histories that include information about missionaries from that state. What does your state have? See your state W.M.U. handbook or guide book.

Sing hymns like "Serve the Lord with Gladness" and "Somebody Needs Your Love."

From this ROYAL SERVICE, page 6, "A Dream in the Making" will be a good article for one of the women to tell, as will other stories about our missionaries.

In October, 1952, *The Commission*, read and tell "Recruiters for Missions."

From October, 1952, *Southern Baptist Home Missions*, speak on "Queen Esther of Texas Mexican Baptists."

If you do not have enough missionaries from your own state or cannot find out about them, ask a circle member or invite a Y.W.A. to your meeting to tell stories from the young people's magazines as follows:

"Like a Miracle," in October, 1952, *The Window of YWA*.

"All Out for GA," in October, 1952, *World Comrades*.

"Takehara San," in September, 1952, *Ambassador Life*.

Points to Committee Chairmen

To Stewardship Chairmen

October brings the beginning of a new W.M.U. year. Are you a new chairman? Even if you have served before, you will be starting another year with new responsibilities and opportunities.

One of your first activities will be to bring your list of tithers up to date. You will use the list from last year and offer opportunity for new tithers to sign stewardship covenant cards. One stewardship chairman made a "Stewardship Book" to be used in keeping her record of tithers. She made it attractive with an appropriate picture on the cover and stewardship quotations on the inside pages. These pages were for the listing of tithers.

At the beginning of the year she passed the book around (it could be done either in general or circle meetings) asking all tithers to write their names. On the inside cover was pasted an envelope holding covenant cards. Each new tither was asked to take one of the cards to sign, and also to write her name in the book. In this way the new tithers could keep their cards and the chairman also have the record. This book was brought out from time to time during the year, offering opportunity for new tithers to add their names.

Another way to secure an accurate list of tithers is to use the membership record charts. Other officers of the W.M.S. will cooperate in using these too. There is a place where a member is to be marked as a tither, if she is one. These large wall charts may be bought for ten cents each, from Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham 3, Alabama. There should be one of these for each circle. Where a society is small, one may be used for the whole organization.

Any arrangement for keeping records of tithers requires constant vigilance to keep it up to date. Some members will always be absent when records are made, so it will be necessary to make personal contacts be-

fore the list of tithers is complete. The stewardship chairman will do her best to have her list of tithers accurate and will not be satisfied until all members of the society are tithers.

If you haven't already ordered your supplies of material for the year, do so quickly. Order Stewardship Packet of priced leaflets (15c) and plays and pageants (see list in W.M.U. YEAR BOOK) from Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham 3, Alabama. Free materials including covenant cards and leaflets are requested from your state W.M.U. office. Check with your Sunbeam leader and Junior G.A. and R.A. counselors to see that they have the stewardship booklets for this year. See that Intermediate counselors are planning to use the Stewardship program material for them in *World Comrades* and *Ambassador Life*.

Mrs. C. D. Chairman

To Community Missions Chairmen

As the new W.M.U. year begins, you are facing a most challenging task—to lead the women and young people in your organization into missionary service where they live. The job is as big as you make it. Think of your community, of all the needs there for the message of Christ and a Christian ministry. Think of your women and young people—and all the possibilities of service wrapped up in their gifted personalities. Think of the Master and the commission he has given his followers to be his witnesses. This year's work as community missions chairman demands your best.

Direction and help is as close as your desk. Get out that 1952-53 W.M.U. Year Book and study the duties of the community missions committee. Take your pen and paper and write your state W.M.U. office for sample copies of all the community missions leaflets. They suggest many

activities and plans for carrying them out. Order from Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham 3, Alabama, the *Guide For Community Missions* (25c).

Pick up your telephone and call the outgoing community missions chairman. Ask her to share with you information and plans used during the past year. Call your associational community missions chairman and see if she has any suggestions to pass on to you.

If you have not already done so, get your committee together. They are your co-workers for the year. Let them share the responsibility for studying the community in relation to its needs. Decide together what needs you will try to meet first, and outline your over-all plans for the year.

This month you should follow up some of the contacts made during "Transfer Church Membership Week" in September. Visit the new members, and also continue to visit those who have not yet placed their membership in a church in your community.

The October program emphasizes Christian citizenship. Take advantage of the interest it arouses among your members. Urge them to be prepared to express their own convictions through the ballot, and also to persuade their friends and neighbors to vote.

Keep your eyes and heart open. Opportunities unlimited are before you for making your community more Christlike.

Edith Stokely

To Mission Study Chairmen

A new year in Woman's Missionary Union may mean a new chairman of mission study. Whether you are old or brand-new, I have news for you!

First, there are two new mission study leaflets, free from your state office. *Mission Study in Woman's Missionary Union*, the general one, is a discussion of the total program of study for all of our organizations. Here you will find the new wording of the mission study point on the various Standards of Excellence; our policies about the relationship of *The World in Books* catalogue and other book lists to the Standard

of Excellence requirements, the Missionary Round Table and the Y.W.A. Book Club; the approved basic study books on the fundamentals arranged by organizations. Of special interest to you will be the Achievement Chart which is presented in a general way here as the other new leaflet deals exclusively with it.

Explaining the Achievement Chart takes up the seven categories or divisions and does just what the title says—explains in detail each activity in every category. A copy of the chart will be sent to each society. Study them together, then explain the chart to your Mission Study Committee. This will constitute your plan of work for the year.

Don't fail to "sell" the chart to the Young People's Director. You will discover that 200 out of 500 points cannot be earned without the help of the Y.W.A's., G.A's., R.A's. and Sunbeams. They can earn an additional 70 points if they, instead of the W.M.S., are represented in the Correlated Church Study Course and undertake all the projects. I hope you will not leave all these activities to the young people but they can earn them for you if the women do not.

There are other new materials for you: *The World in Books* catalogue and the Year Book. In the latter you can see mission study at a glance in the Plan of Work and more in detail on pages 46-53. The suggested duties of the mission study committee of which you are the chairman are on pages 42-43.

Bargains are always "news" if not new! However, there are new reductions on some of the older mission study books. The Sunday School Board says as long as they last you may have the following for 25c each: *Builders of A New Africa*, *Carved On Our Hearts*, *For Christ in China*, *Lamplighters Across the Sea*, *Light For the Whole World*, *Three Pairs of Hands*, *Whirligigs in China*. For 10c you may have *Neighbors Half-a-World Away*; for 50c *Torchbearers in Honan* and for 40c *White Man—Yellow Man*. (Order from your Baptist Book Store.) The China books will not give you the current news but they will provide excellent background material for use in any subsequent study we may have. The young people will like the stories.

The 1952 foreign mission graded series (Please turn to page 19)

W.M.U. Training School IN LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

Founder's Day by Emily K. Lansdell

Founders' Day will be celebrated again at the Training School on October 2, with Dr. Carrie U. Littlejohn returning to Louisville to bring the message.

Since Dr. Littlejohn retired from the presidency of the Training School in the summer of 1951, she has been living at her home in Spartanburg, South Carolina. All year she has been househunting and trying her hand at the daily domestic tasks which every housewife knows. Her pastor said that in her church she was shouldering many responsibilities and putting into action what she had taught at the Training



Miss Littlejohn

School. In addition, constant demands have been made on her time for speaking engagements in South Carolina and in neighboring states.

Dr. Littlejohn served the Training School for thirty years. She graduated from the school in 1915, and returned in 1921 as director of the Good Will Center and supervisor of field work. She was made acting principal in 1923, associate principal in 1925, and principal in 1930. The title of this office was changed to president in 1948.

Dr. Littlejohn attended Converse College and Hartford School of Religious Education where she received the B.R.E. degree. She earned from Northwestern University the Master's degree in education. In 1944

Georgetown College bestowed upon her the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.

During her administration, the school was moved to its present site adjacent to the Seminary and the Good Will Center was established in the Portland area. Those of us who studied under Dr. Littlejohn learned to appreciate her practical approach to all problems, her refreshing wit, the originality and depth of her thinking, her selflessness and devotion to duty and to the Christian cause. Dr. Carver wrote of her:

"To her I would apply the tribute of Jesus to Nathaniel, 'a genuine Israelite without trickery.' This genuineness is the central feature of the personality and a chief element in the very marked success of one of the most effective and useful servants of the Baptist cause and the Christian program of the generation through which Dr. Littlejohn has so well served."

So on Founders' Day of 1952, we pay tribute to Dr. Littlejohn as she comes to pay tribute to the "founding five."

Founders' Day at Woman's Missionary Union Training School was first observed on October 7, 1935, when Mrs. Maud Reynolds McLure gave the address. Mrs. McLure was the only living member of the "founding five"—Miss Eliza Broadus, Mrs. S. E. Woody, Mrs. George B. Eager, Miss Fannie E. S. Heck, and Mrs. McLure.

Mrs. McLure, most gracious exponent of the highest devotion of cultured Southern womanhood, caught the dreams of the other four founders, added her own glowing vision, and built them into the life of the school.

Miss Eliza Broadus, daughter of the great professor of theology and president of the Seminary, had heard Dr. E. Z. Simmons portray the need for more training for women missionaries. She became concerned about the four young women who slept, cooked and ate in one attic room while attending the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Miss Broadus invited

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Forty Years Ago by Margaret Bruce

Even before the Jubilate year of Woman's Missionary Union, the president, Miss Fannie E. S. Heck, had presented the need for a full-graded Woman's Missionary Union. Up until that time there were only Sunbeam Bands, Royal Ambassador chapters, and Young Woman's Auxiliaries. It was in the year 1913 that Junior auxiliaries were reported as a separate missionary organization just for girls. In 1914 the name, Girls' Auxiliary, was adopted. This completed the plan of having an organization for each age group.

One cannot read Miss Heck's annual messages as president without realizing her interest in the missionary education of young people and her desire for the women to work on "our unfinished task of drawing in all the young people." It was in her message of 1912 that she admonished the childless missionary societies to wake up.

The year 1953 marks the fortieth anniversary of Girls' Auxiliary. The Four Goals for Forty which have been adopted for this important year follow the pattern which Miss Heck set years ago. The goals are:

Featuring Leadership Training,
Organizing New Girls' Auxiliaries,
Using the GA Magazine,
Reaching the Standard.

It is interesting and inspiring to read the messages of Miss Heck. In one of them she said: "Efficiency is the method by which work can be done in the way which is the quickest, most effective, and least wearing . . . Just in proportion as we learn to do better work will our work accomplish its end." For this reason we continue to stress the importance of leadership training. The first of our four anniversary goals for Girls' Auxiliaries is *Featuring Leadership Training*. Officers will be urged to study their G.A. Manual and other methods materials. Counselors will be requested to attend schools of efficiency, clinics, and discussion groups and to take the G.A. Leadership Course (*one dollar from Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham 3, Ala.*)

The second goal, *Organizing New Girls' Auxiliaries*, reminds us of Miss Heck's Ju-

Our Young People

bilate message: "Among us have ever been women of far vision . . . through whose dreams have tripped in endless, glad procession a million Southern Baptist children, gladly keeping time to the onward march of the world's knowledge of a child-loving Christ. Others there have been who have seen a multitude of young women bringing to this glad march their youth, their beauty, their generosity, their knowledge." Continually this great president was urging the women to have a deeper conviction of their responsibility to place special and adequate mission training in reach of all Southern Baptist young people.

In 1911 Miss Heck said, "I wish someone would endow a missionary magazine for Southern Baptist children." It was not until 1922 that this dream was realized when *World Comrades* came into existence for Sunbeam Bands, Royal Ambassador chapters, and Girls' Auxiliaries. In 1946 *Ambassador Life* was published for Royal Ambassadors. It is hoped that beginning with May, 1953, Girls' Auxiliaries will have their own magazine. The third goal for the fortieth anniversary is *Using the G.A. Magazine*. Girls will be encouraged to subscribe to *World Comrades* now, and then to the new GA magazine.

Forty years ago the president of Woman's Missionary Union said, "From the sum of our methods we should be able to deduct a definite Standard of Missionary Efficiency," and soon afterwards a Uniform Standard of Excellence was placed before each organization. In this anniversary year of Girls' Auxiliary, their fourth goal is *Reaching the Standard of Excellence*.

In speaking of her desire for the twenty-fifth anniversary of Woman's Missionary Union, Miss Heck said: "It is that this Jubilate year shall be as great a starting point for missionary efficiency as 1888 was for missionary organization; that in 1938 we will say: 'Our wonderful growth began in 1913.' With these four important goals constantly kept before us, we will be able to say: 'Our wonderful G.A. growth began in 1953.'"



...from Joyce and Ralph Davis
Port Harcourt, Nigeria, West Africa

Last week two young boys of our high school came up to us and asked how they could become Christians. We told them and they are now studying the book, "What Baptists Believe." One small boy about twelve years of age came crying on Thursday morning after chapel, so we took him to one of the private rooms to find out what was wrong. He told us this story: "Yesterday I stayed for inquirers class because I want to be a follower of Christ. When I reached home, my guardian, who is Catholic, flogged me and told me if I ever attended the class again I would have to pack my things and go."

What would you have done? Our hearts were so full and heavy we could hardly think of what to say. We had prayer with him and asked him to see us again on Monday. Somehow we know a way will be provided for this boy to accept Christ and to continue his training.

We have two missions with our high school boys in charge, prayer meetings twice a week in our school, and hospital visitation every Saturday afternoon. The hospital visitation is one of the most important phases of our work at this time. We contact every African patient when we go, and there are usually at least a hundred in all. We read a brief Scripture passage and have prayer with each individual.

There is one small girl, about two years old, whose mother died while the child was in the hospital with some type of fever. The hospital authorities are keeping her free of charge until they can find a home for her. Several adults in the hospital have expressed a desire to know more about Jesus. What an opportunity and challenge!

Some weeks ago we were privileged to hold a service with the prisoners here in

Port Harcourt. Our hearts ached as we heard the chief warden tell us that we would be speaking to twelve hundred men and women. When we arrived, the group was out on the huge lawn. There were young boys, men, girls, and old women who had violated the laws of the country. Four of the men were condemned to die soon. We sang many of our favorite hymns and choruses, and an African pastor spoke. As we left, we were reminded that if those people knew Jesus as their Saviour there would be no need for such a place.

...from Martha Knox
Tokyo, Japan

By fall we'll have missionaries in a chain of cities from Kagoshima in the south of Kyushu to Sapporo in Hokkaido. Fifteen of the twenty-three of us who are leaving language school for permanent work will be in cities where there has not been Southern Baptist work before, so they will really be pioneering.

However, we will all be pioneering in a sense, for there will be lots involved in adjustment to a new community and deciding what of the many opportunities for witnessing in it and around it are the most important. We'll need your prayers.

...from Margie Shumate
Bangkok, Thailand

Thanks to your help in prayer, I am happy to say that our work is somewhat more encouraging now. There is an entirely new group of young people, drawn in by English classes. Some of them come to church and help us sing, and two or three have expressed themselves as being willing to become Christians. But none of them say that they pray as yet, so they have not come in vital contact with the Lord. We pray with them and try to teach them, but after all, it is the Holy Spirit only which can do this work, and I want you to pray that he may work a work of saving grace in their hearts.

The one who seems nearest to the kingdom is a twenty-year-old young man whose name is Wong Kem Seah which, being interpreted, means "Golden City Wong."



One of many temples in Bangkok

Golden City really is a dear boy, and a help and comfort to me in many ways. Do pray especially for him. Another young man, a Mr. Woo, is also interested in being a Christian. And I have hope of two young women, Wong Kim Ying and Chan Shiu Li. Please pray for them. There are really more than twenty of the group, but these seem especially interested in our message.

...from Jane McRae
Ajloun, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

With the end of Ramadan (month of strict fasting) the number of patients is increasing daily. The day of our arrival at the hospital, the doctors did some difficult work (by flashlight) on a man with a crushed skull. There is a baby with an enormous hernia, a woman rescued from the Jordan River with her abdomen slashed by a knife. There are dangerous snakebites and typhoid and all the range of types of cases. The need for equipment is urgent. Some money has been sent and the problem remains to build wisely with all the difficulties of getting materials and dealing with contractors and such—and no one to do it except the doctors. Pray that these projects may be done well—and to God's glory.

Hints to Committee Chairmen

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is both news and new! For the W.M.S. there is *Scattered Abroad*, about the new fields Southern Baptists have entered in the last twelve years.

Members of Y.W.A. will study *Rainbow South*, "the tropical gloryland" that swings like a giant rainbow between Mexico and South America.

For Intermediate G.As. and R.As. there is *Clash of Swords*, an exciting account of Moslem peoples in the Near East.

The Birthday Wish will take the Junior G.A's. and R.A's. from South America to Southern Rhodesia.

The Sunbeam children will love *A Lei for Malcolm*.

Begin the new year right. Know the mission study program of Woman's Missionary Union before your first meeting with the mission study committee.

Mrs. William M. Murray

W.M.U. Training School

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the women of the Louisville Baptist churches to meet and discuss this need.

Presiding at this meeting was Mrs. S. E. Woody from Texas, a woman of beauty and of magnetic personality. She became chairman of the committee of Louisville Baptist women, a committee charged with the responsibility of opening a home for women students, and played a leading part in the school's activities for more than twenty years.

Working along with Mrs. Woody in the struggle to have the Training School Home adopted by Woman's Missionary Union was Mrs. George B. Eager, whose husband was professor of Biblical Introduction at the Seminary. A born strategist and an attractive speaker, she was chairman and co-chairman of the local board for twenty-two years.

Miss Fannie E. S. Heck, president of Woman's Missionary Union and a woman of keen mind and unusual spiritual vision, threw herself into the movement to establish a Woman's Missionary Union Training School in Louisville.

The school owes a debt of gratitude to these four women and to the principals, Mrs. McLure, Mrs. Janie Cree Bose and Dr. Littlejohn.

Is this your question?

I am a new president and I am scared of that first meeting. I believe if I get through one I'll be able to do the others. Any suggestions?

Congratulations to you first. It is splendid to grow in your Christian experience by taking on a new task for the Lord. Pray and he will work through you. Study the *W.M.U. Year Book*, your state handbook or guide book; read carefully communications from your state W.M.U. executive secretary. Sit down calmly and think all the way through your meeting. Is it a program meeting or a business meeting, or combination? What do you need as you think it through? Jot these items down.

You want room in order? Speak to social chairman. Music? Be sure pianist and song leader will be at hand. Program ready? Check with program chairman. Be sure secretary has minutes of previous meeting to read and has picked out matters of old business to call to your attention. Have you held your W.M.S. executive committee meeting? Secretary will bring recommendations from that body.

Plan a few remarks about expecting the co-operation of all the members, committees and officers. Enter earnestly and sincerely into your responsibility and the Lord will give you joy in it. You'll see!

How can we get out women to use the W.M.U. Year Book and know the plans and policies of W.M.U.?

Have a Year Book party early this fall. Send a Year Book to each member (15c each from Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham 3, Ala.) with the party invitation, asking that she study it as much as she can before the date but be sure to bring it with her to the party.

On arrival give each a slip with half of either 1952-53 Watchword or name of hymn. Write half of these on white and half on lavender paper, then cut in two with jagged edges. Make out a list of questions on items of information from the Year Book.

Some will be What?

What is the Margaret Fund? (page 25, 79)

What is the theme for the monthly missionary topics? (page 34)

What is the 1953 emphasis for Southern Baptist Convention? (page 54)

And so on.

Some will be How Many?

How many W.M.S. members? (page 82)

How many points on Standard of Excellence is stewardship committee responsible for? (page 43)

How many Sunbeam Bands? (page 64)

And so on.

Some will be Who?

Who belongs to BWC? (page 76)

Who should go to a mission study institute? (page 43)

Who can use the Margaret Fund scholarships? (page 79)

Gather up many more questions. Mimeograph them or type up carbons. Add the page references. Give these sheets to the women as they arrive, announcing that they will be bases for a "spelling match" during the party, and that anybody can study up on answers in any free moments.

Begin the party by matching half slips on white or half slips on lavender—no combinations of colors permitted. After completing the verse or name of hymn, take a few moments to memorize these. Then call for all who had Watchword to quote it and teach the others. Similarly with name of hymn.

Divide into groups according to birth-dates. Assign each of ten months, January through October, a point on Standard of Excellence. The group is to plan how your society will reach that point, tell who is responsible, how each member shares the responsibility, etc. November group will study the Achievement Chart and be ready to explain it. December will be ready to tell the story of the hymn of the year and teach the hymn to all the women.

Each group will have three minutes to

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Missouri

At their fifth annual meeting the Missouri Federation of Baptist Business Woman's Circles decided to take on as an extra project the "Overseas Student Fund" to aid students from other lands in school in Missouri. This is to supplement the plan of the Missouri W.M.U. and B.S.U. to lead more of the Missouri people to invite overseas students into their homes. Such friendly contacts will no doubt reveal need for clothing, doctors' bills, glasses, tuition, etc.

Registration at the annual meeting showed 314 in attendance from sixty-four churches in nineteen different counties. Miss Faye Prine of St. Joseph was re-elected state BWF president and Mrs. T. W. McKee recommended as BWF representative; she has, of course, been elected by the state W.M.U. executive committee.

Georgia

The chimes in the lovely chapel at Camp Pinnacle are beautiful! BWC members of Georgia W.M.U. gave them and they were dedicated during their summer week end. Mrs. Rabun Wood is state BWC Federation president and edits *The Herald*, which is an "occasional" mimeographed sheet.

The Atlanta Federation held a supper meeting at the Baptist Stewart Good Will Center which had recently moved into a new building. It was a wonderful experience to see the building and hear the program given by children of the Center.

Five new circles! Yes, in West Central Division, where Frances Floyd is chairman.

Is this your Question?

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present its point or topic in the cleverest way possible, using all those in the group, using the Year Book pages for unison reading or for look-see reference as desired.

Then comes the "spelling match" on Year Book information. Line up in two columns—whites and lavenders. It is proper to use the Year Book but no one may spend more than forty seconds in searching.

Serve refreshments and visit merrily a little while, taking special care that newcomers feel welcomed.

Virginia

Two of the six recommendations adopted at Virginia's BWC annual meeting have convention-wide interest. Here they are.

1. That we set a goal in 1952 of fifty new BWCs and a ten per cent increase in membership. (Every state federation, every district or association federation could adopt that one!)

2. That BWCs of Virginia accept a goal of \$12,000 for the 1952 state mission offering. (How well do BWCs in your state give to your state mission offering? Is your giving a measure of your prayer interest?)

Ebenezer BWC members entertained the Y.W.A.'s with a covered dish supper and the Y.W.A.'s presented the program. The total attendance was forty-four with four new BWC members welcomed.

Alabama

The sixth annual Alabama BWC Federation meeting held at Shocco Springs this summer was the best ever. Miss Lorene Lecroy, the president, with her program committee, chose for a theme, "Go Ye Therefore." The 180 reached through the week-end camp were stirred by the missionary messages brought by Lolite Dotson, camp nurse from Southern Rhodesia, Mildred Lovegren of China, Miriam McCullough of Mexico, and Mr. Walter Jacobi, led to Christ by our missionary Albert Bagby in Brazil. It was good to meet and hear two Alabama couples recently appointed as missionaries—the Virgil McMilians to Japan and the Eugene Kratzes to Southern Rhodesia. Mrs. E. J. McAuley, Alabama BWC adviser, told of her mission tour of Alaska and Mrs. Fred Kilgore, Alabama W.M.U. president, of her trip to Cuba.

Conferences were held on Saturday morning, a missionary tea in the afternoon following the impressive installation service conducted by Mrs. William Weaver of Sylacauga, and the recreational banquet Saturday evening. Lorene Lecroy was re-elected president, with Mrs. R. A. Tuck, adviser.

It's Happening Now

by Marjorie Moore Armstrong

We still think of our nation as the one where any boy may grow up to be President, but nowadays, if a recent survey of boys clubs in Chicago is an accurate sampling, less than one third of America's boys want to be.

That is consistent with the findings of a survey conducted ten years ago. Asked "Would you like for your son to enter politics?" seven out of ten said no.

This report, published in the *Stars and Stripes*, U.S. Army newspaper, made one American so mad, he decided to enter public service for life. He was in Italy on a government mission at that time; he could see for himself what some young Americans were having to pay for the kind of government we want, and he felt that civilians back home could do far more. He became governor of his state, and last July he was nominated as the Democratic Party's choice for the thirty-fourth President of the United States.

The Republicans chose a man who has spent his life in military service, who gave up a well-earned rest on a pension, and the presidency of one of America's leading universities, to run for public office. He also enters politics with a sense of mission.

But neither man wanted to be President. The two candidates have other things in common. Both were born "out West"—one in California, the other in Texas. Both claim the midwest as home—one Illinois, the other Kansas. They both have Old Testament names: David and Adlai (add-lay).

In other respects, they are different. The Democrat nominee is the younger (fifty-two), a man of wealth, a representative of American "aristocracy." The Republican nominee is ten years older, a well-to-do man by his own earnings and savings, reared on a farm. One is his state's chief executive, a lawyer with much experience in special government service and only brief periods of military duty; the other is a career soldier, with considerable experience in international military affairs and only slight civilian service.

As to family life, the candidates are also quite different. Mr. Stevenson lost his wife by divorce three years ago, after twenty-one years of marriage, and is now reported to be considering remarriage; he has three almost grown sons. Mr. Eisenhower has been married since 1916, and his wife is his loyal partner in all his work, whether military or civilian, foreign or domestic. A Colorado girl named "Mamie" will succeed "Bess" as First Lady if Dwight Eisenhower is elected. The Eisenhowers had two sons; one is deceased; the other is married, has a family, and is now in Korea. The name Eisenhower, incidentally, means "iron-hammerer" or "iron-smith."

What about the religious life of the two candidates? We fail to find the facts in *Who's Who in America*. The news stories out of Chicago and in the national press omitted all reference to the nominees' churches. One statement in a series of stories released from Illinois' capital city is significant.

"If it's true that politics is the art of compromise," Mr. Stevenson is quoted as saying, "I've had a good start. My mother was a Republican and a Unitarian, my father was a Democrat and Presbyterian. I ended up in his party and her church." The governor maintains membership in the old home church, the Unitarian, at Bloomington, Illinois; in Springfield, where there is no Unitarian church, he attends the Presbyterian church.

At the end of his acceptance speech, Candidate Stephenson said, "In the staggering task you've assigned me, I shall always try to do justly and love mercy and walk humbly with God."

Eisenhower's forebears were German-Swiss immigrants, probably Mennonites, which traditionally oppose war, and it is said that his mother never became reconciled to her son's military career. Eisenhower himself apparently has no church affiliation, a fact which is not difficult to explain in view of his many years of life on army posts.

That he has a deep and solid faith was revealed to me a year ago. My congressman-husband visited the General at his SHAPE headquarters near Paris. The chief's standard interview is three minutes; he detained my husband for twenty. "What

on earth kept you?" I asked when he finally appeared.

"General Ike!" he said, glowing. "I asked him if there is anything we can do to help the NATO cause while we are in Germany. He gave me a regular sermon . . . about the German people being our spiritual forebears, how much of our heritage comes directly from them, and how much we owe them for stability of character and sound religious truth. I tell you, this man is a sincere Christian!"

Mind you, this was months before the General announced his candidacy for President. The interview was not on politics. The statement could hardly have been made to influence a government official for personal reasons. From that time on, our misgivings about putting a "military man" in the White House began to fade. All over Europe we heard of his success as a diplomat, his personal integrity, his ability to win co-operation even among those most hostile to American policy. By his sincerity and persistence he was able to accomplish in one year what has been tried without success for generations: a coalition of Europe. Perhaps Eisenhower could accomplish a coalition of the U.S.A!

Eisenhower's running mate, Richard M. Nixon of California, is a member of the Friends' Society (Quaker); Stevenson's running mate, John J. Sparkman of Alabama, is a Methodist.

November 4 is election day. Each political party this year offers a strong "ticket." Ours is government of, by, and for the people, and women are people, too!

God Save America

God save America! New world of glory,
Newborn to freedom and knowledge and power,
Lifting the towers of her lightning-lit cities
Where the floodtides of humanity roar!

God save America! Here may all races
Mingle together as children of God,
Pounding an empire on brotherly kindness,
Equal in liberty made of one blood!

God save America! Brotherhood banish
Wail of the worker and curse of the crushed;
Joy break in songs from her jubilant millions,
Hailing the day when all discords are hushed!

God save America! Bearing the olive,
Here be the blessing the peacemakers prove,
Calling the nations to glad federation,
Lending the world in the triumphs of love!

God save America! 'Mid all her splendors,
Save her from pride and from luxury;
Throne in her heart the Unseen and Eternal,
Right be her might and the truth make her free!

W. G. Ballantine

A Willing Worker!

One of the main reasons the four-month-old W.M.U. of Kelley Memorial Chapel Baptist Church, Shreveport, Louisiana, is growing is the consecrated and sincere life of the president, Mrs. C. C. Poulan.

Her enthusiasm has become a part of the women she works with and they have found much joy and happiness in this new organization.





Choosing the Most Excellent Way (Christian Citizenship)

Planned by Marjorie Moore Armstrong

Mrs. Armstrong is the wife of Congressman O. K. Armstrong, Missouri

Publicity

Send cards to your members, inviting them to this W.M.S. meeting. You may order the attractive invitation cards for W.M.S. from Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham 3, Alabama, price 10c a dozen, 50c for 100. A "comic" sticker 2½ by 3 inches may be ordered from the League of Women Voters, 1026 17th St., N.W., Washington, D.C., price 20c for pad of fifty; mount on post card, add time, date, place of W.M.S. meeting, and mail to members.

For Variety

A panel of experts type of program may be presented. The pamphlet, "What's the U.S. to You?—a Quiz" (10c a copy) from the League of Women Voters (address above), will be interesting; you will need also answers from your county clerk's office, the local party headquarters, or the local League of Women Voters.

The Baptist Hour sermon by Dr. J. D. Grey on July 8, 1952 is available free from The Radio Commission S.B.C., Baptist Radio Center, Atlanta, Georgia. (It will add to your program on Christian Citizenship.)

A *Christian's Primer of the United Nations* (price 25c from Woman's Division of Christian Service, 7820 Reading Road, Cincinnati 37, Ohio) will explain the work of UN to you in brief fashion.

For additional material see pamphlet, "Politics is What You Make It," price 25c, and "Loyalty in a Democracy," price 25c, from Public Affairs Pamphlets, 22 East 38th St., New York 16, N.Y., and "You Can Be the Life of the Party," price 10c from League of Women Voters. "What Can Christians Do in 1952?" is especially helpful, price 10c from Council for Social Action of the Congregational Christian Churches, 289 Fourth Ave., New York 10, N.Y.

Or have a debate. Resolved: that the United States should do as Georgia has done, and let eighteen-year-olds vote.

The Yes team would bring out such facts as:

1. Americans are drafted to fight at eighteen; if they are old enough to fight, they are old enough to vote.
2. High schools offer good courses in civics. Some teenagers are better prepared to vote than their elders.

The No team would emphasize:

1. The immaturity and irresponsibility of the average American teenager disqualifies him for citizenship.
 2. Political "machines" could easily take advantage of the teenage voting bloc.
- Visit your public library to get other arguments. Let the members join in the discussion after the debate.

There is an interesting series of posters on freedom which could be mounted and displayed at your meeting, supplied on request by Republic Steel, Cleveland 1, Ohio.

The two worship periods may be led by one woman or two, and each may read all the Scripture verses or have different women read them in the order suggested.

Program Outline

Worship Period

Discussions: Who do you want for President?

Things are in such a hideous mess!
Is there any way out?
Why put it off on the women?
Well, how do I get started?
Is that all there is to it?
Do you mean "voting is missions"?

Hymn: "America"

Prayer

Worship Period

Leader:

The early Christians were known as "followers of the Way."

I will give them one heart, and one way.
Jeremiah 32:39

I am the way, the truth, and the life.
John 14:6

Show unto us the way of salvation. Acts 16:17

Having therefore, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us. Hebrews 10:19-20

... and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way. 1 Corinthians 12:31

Prayer: That God will show us the way in Christian citizenship

Hymn: "America the Beautiful"

Leader continues: Christian women have a responsibility for this country of ours.

When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice; but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn. Proverbs 29:2

And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand and when ye turn to the left. Isaiah 30:21

Why art thou cast down, O my soul; and why art thou disquieted within me? Hope thou in God. I shall yet praise him for the help of his countenance. Psalm 42:5

And he made of one every nation of men to live on all the face of the earth. Acts 17:26

What does it profit, my brethren, if a man says he has faith but has not works? Faith by itself if it has no works is dead. James 2:14, 17

Hymn: "God Save America" (No. 387, The Broadman Hymnal) (If available for all to sing; read the words.)

"Who do you want for President?"

For weeks now Americans have been talking about what will happen November 4. The whole world is interested in America's presidential election. Last July two Americans were walking on a street in Barcelona, Spain. A workman recognized them as Americans and talked with them. He spoke of the new President to be elected in the U.S.A. Not only a President but thirty-four senators and all of the 435 members of the House of Representatives will be chosen the first Tuesday in next month.

In the last national election, only three out of every ten persons in the United States voted. The President was elected by sixteen per cent of the total population, a fourth of the adult population and slightly more than a third of the registered voters.

Our wonderful Constitution celebrated its 160th birthday on September 17. It was drafted to serve the needs of four million people in the stagecoach era. Yet it is still good enough for a nation of 150,000,000 in the jet-plane era. But it was not perfect. In Washington's day only about one out of seven could vote—and the voter had to be a white man. He had to have a certain amount of property, or of education, or membership in a state church, before he could vote. Since 1787 the Constitution has been changed to allow more citizens to vote. The 19th amendment, adopted in 1920, gives women the right to be citizens the

same as their fathers, husbands, and sons.

Women fought hard to get that right, but here thirty years later, we do not seem to care for it. This year women voters outnumber men voters by two million, yet very many women in this very country will



not bother to visit the polls. If the national average holds good in this W.M.S., half of us will not cast a ballot on this coming election day. Why? It is our privilege and our duty to vote, and to study to vote intelligently. We often quote Matthew 22:21 (read verse) to show that we should pay the tithe. Here is our direction to fulfill the obligations of citizenship and one large obligation is that of voting.

The Greeks had a word for citizens who did not vote. It is "idiotes." The English dropped the two last letters when they took the word into their language. "Idiotes" means "those citizens who did not take part in public voting." In Greece, it was because they couldn't. Here we can vote. Would it be "idiotic" not to vote?

"Things are in such a hideous mess!"

Our country is facing up to some bad situations. How did they come about? In several ways.

Political campaigns require workers and money. No candidate can win without them. How he gets his workers and his campaign funds is a good index to what kind of an official he will be.

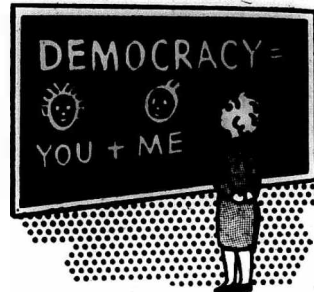
Here is John Williams of Southville. He digs into his pocket for the filing fee and announces for mayor. That same day some character stops him on the street and says, "You know me, John. I'm good for 500 votes down there in my ward. What'll you guarantee me for that much help? How about chief of police?"

The honest candidate says, "Sorry, Joe, thanks just the same. I'm not interested in getting votes that way."

Another citizen stops John in the next block. "Mr. Williams, I'm glad you're running for mayor. We need men like you in our city government. Count on my vote, and everybody's in my precinct that I can get to vote for you. I'm not asking you for a thing; I just want to do my part. I'm ready to go to work!"

The first man wants a soft job; the second wants good government for his community. Any person who has ever run for public office will tell you there are too

many of the first kind, far too few of the second. That accounts for much of the graft in government. It goes far to explain strikes, repeal of the Prohibition Amendment, the attempt to send an ambassador to the Vatican, the undeclared war in Korea, high taxes, and repeated efforts to put through peacetime conscription.



It costs money to print literature, buy advertising space, pay travel expenses, and finance radio time. The politicians say, "In politics, money doesn't talk. It screams!"

When Seagram Distillers officials, according to a radio broadcast last June, "invested" \$30,000 in the Democrats' campaign in 1948 and \$20,000 in the Republican campaign, you can be sure they wanted something!

Politics is people—in a democracy, the more people the better. When the people let a small group run the party, totalitarianism results. When the Christian citizens of this country shirk their duties of self-government and their God-given right to vote, they get corruption, graft, and extravagance, from the city hall right up to the national capitol!

"Is there any way out?"

If ever there was a "frontier of faith" for Southern Baptist W.M.S. members, politics is it.

Undoubtedly some of us have seen the exciting personal experience stories entitled "Political Pilgrim's Progress," in recent months in *Ladies' Home Journal*. The magazine combed the land for true stories of how women "got into politics." Broken

glass in the only park her year-old daughter could play in, aroused one mother to investigate the town government and find out who was neglecting his duty. Uncollected garbage throughout the city of Brownsville, Texas, when a polio epidemic was about to hit, sent a woman to the local League of Women Voters to organize the "Alley Annies" and demand better service. Firetrap schools in another town put an Illinois woman into politics. Unenforced traffic laws made a Portland, Oregon, mother run for mayor. She was elected on a platform of law enforcement. A Tennessee girl only a year out of college decided some changes ought to be made and won the seat in the state legislature which had been occupied by the same man for eighteen years.

Every one of these women had a battle to fight. They were made fun of, called names like "Dottie-Do-Good," "Mrs. Airwick," and "No-Sin Lee." And a dozen times a day, friends and enemies alike reminded them that "Woman's place is in the home."

But home is no longer a small area surrounded by four walls. Everything that affects life in the home is woman's concern. When filth, disease, and dishonesty invade the home, no woman hesitates. The neighborhood is home, too. The slot-machine in the corner drug, the overcrowded school-room, the broken sewer just outside the city limits, the hike in county taxes, the "literacy" test for voting—all are mother's business. She is learning to ask the all-important question, "Why?" When she asks it enough, she gets action.

And home has stretched to Korea, to Europe, to all the world where there are Americans—military and civilian. We must keep a world in our hearts, a lost world needing desperately to know the gospel.

A number of Americans last spring were asked what they wanted most from the man who will be elected President this year. They named three things:

Peace

Relief from financial pressure

Faith in government

Every Christian wants these things. Men and women of good will, of character, and

of rare ability will be needed to fill the offices this year. We can act together to get something done about these three common problems in 1952.

"Why put it off on the women?"

"Women's political activity goes back to Eve," says Congresswoman Katherine St. George of New York State. Whether that is true or false, women have a genius for getting their money's worth. Yet, the federal government and some state governments are spending more than they take in. Every man, woman and child in this country owes \$1,700—his share of the national debt. By voting, women can be sure their taxes are spent as they wish them to be.

Something revolutionary occurred in the business world a hundred years ago. Up to that time the men went to town in their buggies and wagons to buy provisions; their wives did the best they could with whatever the men brought home. About 1850 the women began to go to town. They did not say, "Give me some flour, enough cloth to make a dress, and a pair of brogans for my son."

They asked to see the flour, the dress goods, and the shoes; they tested the whiteness and fineness of the flour, the color, texture, and beauty of the goods, the size, shape, and quality of the shoes. They asked the prices, and said, "I'm just looking, thanks." At the next crossroads store they compared quality and prices.

Today women do ninety per cent of the retail buying in America—even to cars, life insurance, houses, and men's clothing—and the merchant knows that he must please a mighty shrewd customer.

The result: Americans enjoy the best goods at the lowest prices in the world. It is well that women started shopping. Wherever and whenever women go into politics, the result is better, cheaper government.

The crusading spirit of women is stirred by wasted human values. Women will work patiently for a desired end, believing that God's plans and purposes will be worked out if we are faithful. Women must be faithful in this important matter of citizenship.

Visual Aids for October

by Mildred Williams

The motion picture, **KENJI COMES HOME**, will show how the war affected one Japanese soldier and some of the conditions in postwar Japan. Kenji returns from the war to find his home and family gone. How he is thrown into a conflict with the Communist elements and how a Christian Japanese girl leads him to a new life make an inspiring and convincing story.

This 40-minute sound film may be rented for \$8.

CIRCLE PROGRAM

HOW MUCH is the story of Ted Miller and his discovery of the real meaning of Christian stewardship. When Ted Miller signed the pledge card during the tithes' enlistment campaign, he did not see how he could afford to tithe, but he was willing to trust God. The tithe is just the beginning for Ted, and he soon learns that the real question in stewardship is not "how much should a Christian give to the Lord, but how much can he afford to keep for himself."

It is a 15-minute, sound film and may be rented for \$1.50.

Secure these from your

Baptist Book Store

"Well, how do I get started?"

Find out now where and when to vote. Learn all you can now from the newspapers, the radio, public meetings, and group discussions, about who the candidates are and what they stand for. Talk with them personally if you can. Check them on such things as prohibition, the race question, old-age assistance, world peace, ambassador to the Vatican, and inflation. Don't believe everything you read—news-papers and magazines take sides—learn to read between the lines. Listen to the off-stage remarks as well as speeches.

When one man asked a candidate what he thought of the Taft-Hartley Act, the speaker was on the spot. He recognized in his audience some who were for it and others who were against. "I'm all right on that one," he shouted—and everybody applauded. He had not answered the question at all! It is well to judge a candidate by

his Christian loyalty and personal conduct as well as by what he says.

Be sure to vote in the Primary. The Primary election is the choice of candidates for your party. The power to nominate is as important as the power to elect. You may vote the way your husband votes, or cast your ballot for the "straight party ticket," or vote for those your own best judgment selects. But no vote counts until it is cast.

Women can do many useful things to help the cause of good citizenship. Urge the members of your family to vote, the members of your Sunday school class, of your circle, your P.T.A., the people you meet in the grocery, the dry cleaner, the postman, the clerk, everybody. Whether you know them to be for your candidate or not, the total number of votes cast is on the side of good government. Any politician will take notice when he sees how many more votes it takes than usual to elect him.

"Is that all there is to it?"

Voting is simple and it is basic, but the truly worth-while citizen in this country is the year-round citizen. We have to follow through. The machine dominated by a few has been notoriously indifferent to crusades to "clean up politics." It just waits, knowing it can beat any reform if it waits long enough.

Christian women should see through that! We must keep our eyes open for neglect of duty. We must be alert for violations of city ordinances and report them. We must read about what goes on at the city hall and the county courthouse, and sometimes drop in to the public meetings to observe and check up. We must keep informed about what is happening at the state legislature and back our county representative and our state senator up when we feel they are doing good jobs.

The state capital is much nearer than the national capital, but air mail service gets a letter to Washington practically overnight. When we read that a bill has been introduced into the House which we are especially interested in, we should let our congressman hear from us.

You may think your letter isn't important, but when it is one of many, it has

great power. Protests from all over the nation defeated the latest effort to put over Universal Military Training. The President's appointment of an ambassador to Rome brought in such a flood of telegrams, long distance calls, and mail, that Congress was buried underneath its mail.

Letters to your congressman are always welcome. No one person can possibly know all there is to know about every one of the hundreds of bills introduced in a single session of Congress. Perhaps you have made a special study of the subject of one bill, or you have had an unusual experience in that field: a letter giving your opinion on the bill's merits or flaws is quite helpful.

The single letter with many signatures does very little good; it too often suggests that a selfish group is at work trying to lobby for some pet project. The sincere, respectful letter from one person who takes the trouble to express his own views on a bill is appreciated.

This is all part of what we mean by democracy. As the word "idiot" (meaning non-voting citizen) comes from the Greek, so does the word "democracy." It means "the people's authority."

If the people are to govern themselves, through personally selected representatives chosen by secret ballot, naturally we want the highest type people to devote themselves to public service. In the days of Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin, this was an honorable career. It is today in many countries, but in America many have developed a wide-spread distrust of public servants. We need not grow cynical about democracy.

The American man or woman dedicated to public service is the hardest worker in the community, but a few politicians have given people the idea that politics is all graft.

If this nation of ours is to be saved, redeemed people must enter its service with a sense of Christian mission. It is a frontier we must challenge and possess.

Here are a few sentences from what a former congressman of California has said in his book, *The Christian in Politics*.*

*Quoted with permission from *The Christian in Politics* by Jerry Voorhis, a Haddon House Book, Association Press, 1951.

"With rare exceptions Christians have chosen to withdraw their own influence—and, what is worse, the influence of their Lord—from certain of the most vital areas of modern life. We have defaulted. We dare default no longer.

"Perhaps it is logical that it should be in our times that Christians should undertake for the first time in hundreds of years the full burden of citizenship. For now there is no other course open to us that offers hope of salvation (from atomic destruction).

"The neighborhood is the unit from which all larger societies are built. Christian citizenship must begin and will probably always find its finest expression there. But we cannot honestly say that even a telling Christian influence in thousands of neighborhoods throughout the nation would be sufficient to meet our problems and avoid our common dangers. We cannot save human liberty or prevent war by working in our neighborhood alone.

"Beyond the neighborhood and affecting it in a thousand different ways lie the community, the state, the nation, and the world.

"The challenge of the ages is before this generation of Christians. Our work begins at home. It ends only at the circumference of the globe."

Do you mean
"voting is missions?"



You are working for the Christian world mission when you vote prayerfully in a political election in the U.S.A. You work against it when you don't vote and live as a Christian citizen.

This is why: The United States is the world's only nation that is Christian from birth. The earth's two billion people believe America is Christian. They trust Americans to do what is right, because Americans believe in one God, Creator of the universe and of all mankind. When America or Americans do things which vi-

olate that faith, all the world wonders. They turn to whatever Americans they find among them, and ask, "How can this be? Your nation claims to believe one thing, yet it does another."

Missionaries are sometimes almost handicapped by actions within the U.S.A. In Japan they suffered acute embarrassment because in 1924 their country adopted the insulting Oriental Exclusion Act. In South America and the Middle East, missionaries have been taunted with questions about lynchings and race riots. In the Far East, the propaganda lie that the United Nations forces led by the U.S.A. have started germ warfare is shocking because it is so unlike the U.S.A. to be inhuman, but what answers can Christians give?—Two atomic bombs were dropped without warning on homes, schools, and churches, men, women and children, by the U.S.A. in 1945. People are afraid of us now.

One of our missionary teachers once said



by Mrs. W. B. Pittard, Jr., North Carolina

The missionaries are listed by birthdays. For detailed addresses, see directory in *Southern Baptist Home Missions* and *The Commission*

1 Wednesday "... be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might."—Eph. 6:10 *Miss Helen McCullough, ed. ev., Shanghai, China, Miss Catherine Mollohan, Rescue Home, New Orleans La.; annual meeting Italy W.M.U., Oct. 1-3

2 Thursday "... thou shalt not respect the person of the poor, nor honour the person of the mighty..."—Lev. 19:15 Mr. Donald Orr, appointee for Colombia, language study, San Jose, Costa Rica, Mrs. T. Neil Johnson, em., China, Rev. Frederick Brown, Negro ed. ev., New Orleans, La.

3 Friday "Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth..."—Eph. 6:14 Dr. W. L. Jester, ed. ev., Ogbomoso, Nigeria, David Jester, MF; annual meeting District of Columbia W.M.U., today

in confidence: "It takes so long to live down the reputation of the white man in West Africa. My white skin identifies me with the slave trader, the whisky dealer, and the bearer of venereal diseases out there."

Our 832 foreign missionaries look to missionary-minded women to save their home country from militarism, bankruptcy, and moral decay. They count on us to make America Christian that it may fulfill its destiny in a lost world.

Our Lord counts on this nation which he has so signally blessed to become a blessing to all the world's people. Christ still expects our loving response to his words in Acts 1:8 (read).

Hymn: "America," last stanza only, sung with heads bowed.

Prayer for citizens of the U.S.A. and for our country in these important fall months.

4 Saturday "But the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one born among you..."—Lev. 19:34 Mrs. Ralph Bowlin, Gatooma, Southern Rhodesia, Mrs. Moises Gonzalez, Santa Clara, Cuba, ev., Rev. Francis Cassidy, ev. among Spanish-speaking, San Marcos, Tex.; Moises Gonzalez, MF

5 Sunday "He keepeth the paths of judgment, and preserveth the way of his saints."—Prov. 2:8 Rev. Thomas Lowe, Chinese ev., Berkeley, Calif., Mrs. J. M. Sanchez, ev., Vibora, Cuba; State Mission Day in Sunday school and offering (as promoted by states)

6 Monday "... with the lowly is wisdom."—Prov. 11:2 *Mrs. W. W. Lawton, Jr., Shanghai, China, Mrs. Deaver Lawton, Bangkok, Thailand, Mrs. William McGinnis, Kumasi, Gold Coast, ed. ev., *Rev.

Gerald Riddell, ev., Bogota, Colombia, Dr. W. C. Newton, em., China

7 Tuesday "The righteousness of the upright shall deliver them..."—Prov. 11:6 Mrs. H. W. Schweinsberg, ev., Cali, Colombia, Rev. J. A. Lunsford, ed. ev., Belo Horizonte, Brazil

8 Wednesday "... put not thine hand with the wicked to be an unrighteous witness."—Ex. 23:1 *Mrs. C. E. Harris, ev., Yangchow, Dr. H. M. Harris, em., China, Mrs. John Mills, ed. ev., Ijebu-Ife, Mrs. Jack Walker, RN, Ogbomoso, Nigeria, Mrs. Robert Standley, ev., Fortaleza, Brazil, Rev. M. V. Gonnissen, Indian ev., Taos, N. Mex.

9 Thursday "These... doth the Lord hate: ... A proud look, a lying tongue... a false witness..."—Prov. 6:16, 17, 19 Mrs. Samuel Cockburn, Buenos Aires, Mrs. Jack Matthews, Cordoba, Argentina, Rev. Anibal Espinosa, Jovellanos, Cuba, ev.

10 Friday "He that is of God heareth God's words..."—John 8:47 Rev. George Hays, ev., *Mrs. W. Maxfield Garrott, ed. ev., Fukuoka, Japan, Rev. J. F. Mitchell, ed. ev., Temuco, Chile, Rev. James Moon, language study, Campinas, Brazil, Miss Lillian Thomason, em., China, Rev. F. A. R. Morgan, em., Brazil, Mrs. Enrique Vasquez, ev., Pinar del Rio, Cuba, Rev. Isaac Soria, ev. among Spanish-speaking, Brownsville, Tex., Maria Vasquez, MF

11 Saturday "... we are members one of another."—Eph. 4:25 Mrs. Robert Sherer, Kobe, Japan, Mrs. A. G. Dunaway, Shaki, Nigeria, ev., Mrs. F. J. Fowler, em., Argentina, Rev. Desiderio Calzoncit, ev. among Spanish-speaking, Las Cruces, N.M., Rev. Ewell Payne, Indian ev., Cherokee, N.C., William and Tommy Payne, MF

12 Sunday "... let not the sun go down upon your wrath."—Eph. 4:26 Mrs. Howard Shoemaker, ev., Barranquilla, Colombia, Miss Mary Page, GWC, Birmingham, Ala.; Layman's Day

13 Monday "But godliness with contentment is great gain."—1 Tim. 6:6 Miss Evelyn Schwartz, sec. ev., Java, Indonesia, Mrs. J. Quick, Taipei, Formosa, Rev. E. Car-

ter Morgan, Waimea, T.H., Rev. Eduardo Gomez, Guayos, Cuba, ev., *Mrs. B. L. Nichols, Taipei, Formosa, Miss Mary Elizabeth Truly, Idi-Aba, Nigeria, ed. ev., Miss Annie Sandlin, em., China, Mrs. J. W. Gardner, deaf ev., Little Rock, Ark., Israel Gomez, MF

14 Tuesday "... The things which are impossible with men are possible with God."—Luke 18:27 *Mrs. W. C. Hunker, ed. ev., Formosa, Mrs. Dwight Baker, ev., Nazareth, Israel; increased usefulness of ROYAL SERVICE, The Window of YWA, Ambassador Life, World Comrades

15 Wednesday "The desire of the righteous is only good..."—Prov. 11:23 *Miss Mildred Lovegren, Kweilin, *Dr. J. D. Belote, Hong Kong, China, ev., Dr. J. F. Plainfield, em., HMB

16 Thursday "There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth..."—Prov. 11:24 Mrs. W. Judson Blair, Buenos Aires, Argentina, Mrs. Glenn Bridges, Campo Grande, Brazil, Rev. C. W. McCullough, San Andres, Colombia, Rev. Hubert Hardy, Santiago, Chile, ev., Mrs. Roy Starmer, ed. ev., Rome, Italy, Mrs. Page Kelly, language study, Brazil, Rev. Willie King, Rev. C. W. Stumph, em., HMB, W. Don McCullough, MF

17 Friday "... there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty."—Prov. 11:24 Rev. Ray Shelton, Paysandu, Uruguay, Rev. Elmo Scoggin, Jerusalem, Israel, *Rev. W. A. Solesbee, Dagupan, P.I., ev., Mrs. Calvin Parker, language study, Tokyo, Japan, Mrs. Aurelio Hurtado, ev. among Spanish-speaking, Taos, N.M.

18 Saturday "The liberal soul shall be made fat..."—Prov. 11:25 Miss Eunice Fenderson, ed. ev., Jerusalem, Israel, Mrs. Carter Bearden, deaf ev., New Orleans, La.; state Baptist papers

19 Sunday "... the righteous shall flourish as a branch."—Prov. 11:28 Rev. Ronald Fuller, ev., Macao, Asia, Mrs. W. B. Sherwood, em., Brazil, Mrs. J. L. Galloway, em., China, Rev. Julian Dyess, GWC, Baltimore, Md.; larger understanding of UN in United Nations Week, Oct. 19-25

20 Monday "He that troubleth his own house shall inherit the wind..."—Prov. 11:29 Mrs. Lester Bell, Sao Paulo, Brazil,

Rev. Edgar Tharpe, Maui, T.H., ev., Mrs. James Moon, language study, Campinas, Brazil, Rev. W. L. Cooper, Buenos Aires, Argentina, Miss Doris Knight, Abeokuta, Nigeria, ed. ev., William, Davis and Annie Cooper, MF; annual meeting Texas W. M.U., Ft. Worth, Oct. 20-21

21 Tuesday "The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life . . ."—Prov. 11:30 *Mrs. Homer Brown, ed. ev., Lagos, Nigeria, Mrs. Horace Buddin, Goyania, Brazil, Miss Annie Hoover, Tokyo, Japan, Rev. Hilario Valdes, Cruces, Cuba, ev., Rev. Carlos Garcia, ev. among Spanish-speaking, Gallup, N.M., Miss Carrie Bockleman, GWC, Atlanta, Ga., Mrs. M. N. McCall, em., HMB; annual meeting Ore.-Wash. W.M.U., Portland, today

22 Wednesday "Behold, the righteous shall be recompensed . . ."—Prov. 11:31 Mrs. Vance Vernon, Belem, Brazil, Mrs. Anne Margaret, Rosario, *Mrs. Fay Askew, Parana, Argentina, ed. ev., *Rev. Hubert Tatum, Hilo, T.H., *Mrs. W. A. Solesbee, Dagupan, Mrs. S. C. Jowers, Manila, P.I., Mrs. Boyd Robertson, Mendoza, Argentina, ev., Dr. Paul Cullen, Eku, Nigeria, med. ev., Miss Nina Gillespie, Chinese ev., El Paso, Tex., Mrs. Lee Roebuck, Indian ev., Bernalillo, N.M.; annual meeting Maryland W.M.U., Cumberland, Oct. 22-24

23 Thursday " . . . He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly . . ."—2 Cor. 9:6 Rev. W. H. H. Congdon, Iwo, Nigeria, Miss Josephine Harris, Honolulu, T.H., ed. ev., Miss Bertie Kendrick, Kahului, Maui, T.H., Mrs. Ben Lawton, Torino, Italy, ev.

24 Friday " . . . he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully."—2 Cor. 9:6 Mrs. Raymon Brothers, ed. ev., Ibadan, Nigeria, Miss Addie Cox, Taichung, Formosa, Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Johnson, Bandung, Java, Rev. B. W. Orrick, Montevideo, Uruguay, Mrs. Luciano Marquez, Regla, Cuba, ev., *Rev. C. W. Dickson, field ev., Parahiba, Brazil, Mrs. D. G. Whittinghill, em., Italy, Mrs. Fred Bloomer, Indian ev., Ft. Cobb, Okla., Mrs. Jose Diaz, ev. among Spanish-speaking, San Pablo, Calif.; pray for U.N. on United Nations Day

25 Saturday " . . . God loveth a cheerful giver."—2 Cor. 9:7 Rev. John Parker, ev.,

Santiago, Chile, Miss Peggy Pemble, appointee for Brazil, Rev. Eulogio Garza, ev. among Spanish-speaking, San Antonio, Tex., Mrs. P. H. Pierson, em., HMB

26 Sunday "If ye love me, keep my commandments."—John 14:15 Mrs. John Bice, ed. ev., Pernambuco, Brazil, Rev. Worth Grant, Sendai, Japan, Miss Ruth O'Dell, Havana, Cuba, ev., Rev. Ervin Hastey, appointee for Mexico; Christian Stewardship Week, Oct. 26-Nov. 2

27 Monday "Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit."—1 John 4:13 Miss Olive Allen, ed. ev., Honolulu, T.H., Rev. Lazaro Garcia, ev. among Spanish-speaking, Alpine, Tex., Rev. Nemesio Garcia, ev., Havana, Cuba, Idida Garcia, MF

28 Tuesday "If thine enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat . . ."—Prov. 25:21 Miss Wanda Ponder, Asuncion, Paraguay, *Miss Everley Hayes, Wuchow, China, RN

29 Wednesday " . . . by love serve one another."—Gal. 5:13 Miss Josephine Ward, ed. ev., Taipei, Formosa, Rev. C. Lopez McAllister, Negro ed. ev., Selma, Ala.; annual meeting California W.M.U., San Jose, Oct. 29-31

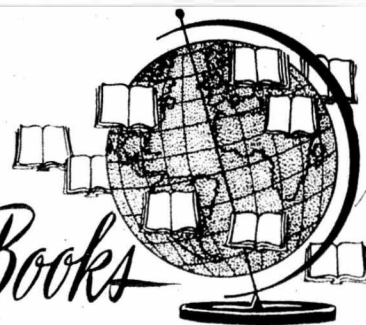
30 Thursday " . . . tribulation worketh patience";—Rom. 5:3 Miss Hannah Plowden, ed. ev., Honolulu, T.H., Dr. Margaret Richardson (Mrs. J. W. H.), med. ev., Shaki, Nigeria, Rev. J. W. McGavock, pub. ev., El Paso, Tex., Mrs. Alfred Major, language study, Brazil, Mrs. George Cole, appointee for Colombia, Rev. J. J. Rodriguez, ev., Calabazar, Cuba, Rev. J. W. Gardner, deaf ev., Little Rock, Ark.

31 Friday "Trust in the Lord, and do goods";—Ps. 37:3 *Dr. B. L. Nichols, Taipei, Formosa, Mrs. W. J. Webb, Guatemala City, Guatemala, Mrs. S. S. Stover, Belo Horizonte, Brazil, ed. ev., Mrs. Grayson Tension, Campina Grande, Mrs. A. B. Oliver, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, ev., *Miss Sophia Nichols, W.M.U. field worker, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Rev. John L. Isaacs, Indian ev., Citronelle, Ala., Buford and John Nichols, William Stover, MF

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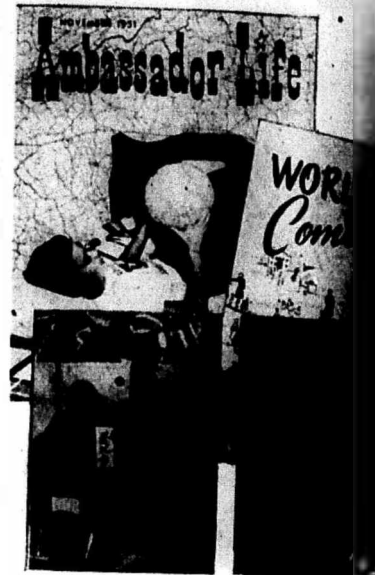
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