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PART I.

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JOURNAL OF TENTH ANNUAL MEETING.



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THE TENTH ANNUAL SESSION  
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THE call to the women of the Council to meet in Kansas City in their tenth annual session was a most welcome one, as was attested by an unusually large attendance. From the Golden Gate to the sunny slopes of the Atlantic they gathered. Every Conference in the homeland, save one, was represented. Delegates were also present from the China and Brazil Conferences and from the Workers' Conference. The large crowds seemed no tax on the hospitality of Kansas City Southern Methodism. Everything that could possibly be done for the comfort of the guests was done. Central Church was an ideal home for the Council; and from day to day and from night to night its doors were wide open, and its people, with those of other of our Churches in the city, were busy ministering to the well-being of all who came. On entering the church the eye was at once caught by the words of the motto over the pulpit: "Prayer is not preparation for the battle; prayer is the battle." This was the keynote of the entire session; a spirit of prayer and consecration pervaded all the deliberations. The beautiful messages in song which were interspersed throughout the sessions by local women carried the same inspiring thought.

Interest in the meeting was enhanced by the number of deaconesses and missionaries in attendance. About fifty were present, representing the home field and most of the foreign fields where the Council has work. This large attendance on the part of the home workers was due to the Workers' Conference (missionary), held the two days preceding the opening of the Council, and to the fact that a visit to the Council this

year meant also a visit to Scarritt, a home-coming. When the women of Southern Methodism thought of Kansas City, they also thought of Scarritt Bible and Training School. Throughout the year many who had not had a personal touch with the school had looked eagerly forward to that pleasure at this time. Nor were they disappointed. The gracious helpfulness of the students, the constant presence of the faculty, who added much in inspiring devotionals, and the genial coöperation of Dr. Ed F. Cook were great factors in the success of the meeting.

The visit to the school on Saturday afternoon will ever remain a fragrant memory. Cars furnished by the people of the city quickly carried the Council members and visitors to the beautiful, stately home of the school, which has, year after year, grown to mean more to the Church.

Greetings were extended by the faculty and students, led by Miss Gibson, whose name is synonymous with that of Scarritt and whose beneficent impress is felt wherever Council workers are found. A social hour, during which the building was viewed, was followed by tea in the spacious dining hall, the close of a delightful visit.

Another enjoyable feature of the afternoon was a visit to Spofford Receiving Home, which was given to the Church as a home for "God's little ones." Then on to the splendid Institutional Church, which was keeping open house for the Council. Here every phase of settlement work was shown—real, practical Christianity—foreign missionary work at home.

Happily the initial series of the MacDonell Lectures, established last year in connection with Scarritt Bible and Training School, were made one with the daily noon Bible lessons. These, delivered by Dr. O. E. Brown, now Dean of the School of Religion of Vanderbilt University and at one time a missionary in China, brought to the Scarritt faculty and student body, the Council members, and visitors stirring messages on "The Christianization of American Life." The daily discussion, developing the Christianization of faith, freedom, wealth, pleasure, and vocation, showed how Jesus may be carried into every phase of life.



The Council greatly appreciated the presence of Bishop Hendrix, our senior bishop, at every session, beginning with the celebration of the communion, which he conducted, assisted by the city pastors, the morning of the first day.

Dr. W. W. Alexander, representing the After-the-War Commission on Race Relationships, gave an awakening address on this subject of very keen interest. Having had a large experience during the war with black as well as white soldiers, he said that the race question is a religious problem, that it must be wrought out by the people of the South, and that the approach must be made through the local community by right-thinking people of both races.

Sunday was a day full of good things. At eleven o'clock a vast audience was assembled to hear the annual sermon by Bishop Mouzon. It was a great and stirring message on "The Authority of Jesus Christ," expressed in his personality, in his teaching, and, above these, in the fact that he is the world's Redeemer. At three o'clock a pageant, "The Spirit of Scarritt," was rendered by the students. It was a most delightful occasion and gave a vivid picture of the splendid work being done for God and the Church by this school.

At the evening hour Dr. W. W. Alexander, assisted by Rev. Kimbral and Dr. Bachelor, of the city, gave an illustrated lecture on world conditions and needs as shown by the Inter-church World Movement, pictures and statistics which revealed with startling clearness the opportunity and obligation of the Church to-day.

The consecration service is from year to year one of the most sacred events of the Council meeting. Interest in the service was increased at this time by the number of deaconesses and missionaries participating in the processional. As the long line of young women who have given themselves for definite service filed into the church singing "The Son of God goes forth to war," the six deaconesses and eight missionaries to be consecrated passed to the platform, where Bishop Hendrix, Miss Bennett, Miss Gibson, and the Administrative Secretaries were seated. After a brief recital by each one concerning her call to the work, the charge and commission were

given by Bishop Hendrix; and the congregation, thrilled with the significance of the consecration of life that can carry a young woman to the heart of the Congo or to the slums of the homeland, joined in the final commission:

Go, ye messengers of God!  
Like the beams of morning fly,  
Take the wonder-working rod,  
Wave the banner cross on high.

Perhaps the next most impressive occasion during the Council was the service in which the deaconesses and home missionaries were assigned to their places for another year. As they stood in the altar Miss Bennett addressed a few words to them about the greatness of their task and the prayerful, sympathetic spirit manifested by the Deaconess Committee in making the assignments. When the appointments were read which send them here and there, many to hard places, all to busy places in the Master's service, each seemed glad and happy to go.

Possibly the subject most often on the lips of speakers was the scarcity of workers. A hundred calls from the homeland were left unfilled.

Miss Howell, just returned from the Orient aflame with love for those lands, brought a new picture of the degradation and sufferings of the women and children, of the people blindly groping after God, "if haply they might find him." She pleaded for more missionaries to lead these people into the light.

The presentation of the work in Latin America and Africa by Miss Case and that in the homeland by Mrs. Downs and Mrs. McCoy emphasized the ever-increasing opportunity which even the gold from the Centenary is impotent to grasp without the workers.

Never can the appeal made by Miss Layona Gleun for workers for Brazil, that wonderful land south of us, be forgotten. With tears streaming down her cheeks, and voice choked with emotion, her heartbroken plea touched every heart. Prayer that our Father will thrust forth laborers into the whitened fields silently ascended, and many women determined to become real recruiting officers for God's army.

The selection of a place for the 1921 meeting was the occasion for quite a display of oratory and persuasive argument. San Antonio, Tex., Richmond, Va., and Tampa, Fla., presented invitations and rival claims. The fourteen Texas girls from Scarritt enlivened the occasion with yells and songs for Texas. Richmond won by a small majority. The vote was at once made unanimous for "Virginia in 1921," and right gladly do we set our faces toward this beautiful historic Southern city.

MRS. NAT G. ROLLINS,  
*Assistant Secretary.*

## JOURNAL.

### FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, met for its tenth annual session in the Central Methodist Church, Kansas City, Mo., at nine o'clock Thursday morning, April 15, 1920.

The meeting was opened with the singing of Hymn 135, "Majestic sweetness sits enthroned," and prayer led by Bishop Hendrix, followed by the celebration of the communion service, administered by Bishop E. R. Hendrix, assisted by Rev. B. P. Taylor, Rev. C. B. Duncan, Rev. A. N. Scales, and Rev. R. F. Campbell.

The Council hymn, No. 128, "We may not climb the heavenly steeps," was sung, and Miss Bennett gave a helpful Bible lesson stressing the need of the conscious presence of Christ and of a deepened prayer life. This service closed with a ten-minute prayer season in which petitions were offered for God's presence in the meeting.

The roll was called, and eighty-nine members responded. Five additional were seated the following day, and the alternate from the Brazil Conference reported on the fifth day.

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 Miss Eva Louise Hyde, Brazil.  
 Miss Ethel Brown, Ribeirao Preto, Brazil.  
 Miss Gertrude Kennedy, Porto Alegre, Brazil.  
 Miss Elma Morgan, Porto Alegre, Brazil.  
 Miss Eunice F. Andrew, Porto Alegre, Brazil.  
 Miss Layona Glenn, retired.  
 Miss Luida Shaffer, retired.

Miss Bennett read her annual message, calling attention to such questions demanding the Christian's thought as Sabbath



observance, racial good will, prohibition, and the Interchurch World Movement. (See message, page 54.)

The condensed minutes of Executive Committee meetings not included in the printed report were read by the Secretary and placed on record. (See report, page 63.)

Committees were announced as follows:

#### ORIENTAL FIELDS.

Miss Mabel Howell, Convener;	Miss Louise Robinson,
Mrs. Luke G. Johnson,	Mrs. W. B. Higginbotham,
Mrs. F. F. Stephens,	Mrs. T. B. King,
Mrs. S. W. Hayne,	Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson,
Mrs. J. W. Mills,	Mrs. J. D. Elliott,
Mrs. H. J. Boney,	Mrs. R. E. Dickenson,
Mrs. W. E. Vaughan,	Mrs. W. C. Urton.

#### LATIN-AMERICAN AND AFRICAN FIELDS.

Miss Esther Case, Convener;	Mrs. E. P. Peabody,
Mrs. F. H. E. Ross,	Mrs. Preston Hatcher,
Mrs. W. F. Tillett,	Mrs. Frank Bennett,
Mrs. G. A. Hanson,	Mrs. J. J. Kenny,
Mrs. M. E. Mackey,	Mrs. R. L. Kirkwood,
Mrs. J. E. Garrett,	Mrs. J. P. Harvill,
Miss Virgie Wright,	Mrs. J. I. Clapsedel.
Mrs. J. R. Lyell,	

#### HOME BASE.

Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, Convener;	Mrs. F. A. Lamb,
Mrs. R. L. Hobdy,	Mrs. L. E. Brown,
Mrs. J. H. Stewart,	Mrs. C. S. Bobo,
Mrs. E. P. Williams,	Mrs. Gabie Betts Burton,
Mrs. J. N. McEachern,	Mrs. W. H. Pemberton,
Miss Nettie Peacock,	Mrs. Ethel Eslick.
Miss Corinne Rogers,	

#### DEACONESS AND CITY MISSION WORK.

Mrs. J. H. McCoy, Convener;	Miss Belle H. Bennett,
Miss M. L. Gibson,	Mrs. Luke Johnson,
Mrs. F. H. E. Ross,	Miss Esther Case,

Miss Mabel Howell,	Mrs. J. W. Downs,
Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb,	Mrs. A. P. Holt,
Mrs. Nat Rollins,	Mrs. Lee Britt.

## HOME MISSION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND SOCIAL SERVICE.

Mrs. J. W. Downs, Convener;	Mrs. I. J. Ayers,
Mrs. J. C. Handy,	Mrs. L. A. Tynes,
Mrs. Nat Rollins,	Mrs. J. B. Cumming,
Miss Margaret Ragland,	Mrs. Frank C. Vaden,
Miss Daisy Davies,	Mrs. John A. Rice,
Mrs. D. N. Bourne,	Mrs. T. A. Brown,
Mrs. A. P. Holt,	Mrs. W. J. Piggott,
Mrs. C. M. Sinclair,	Mrs. Lee Britt.

## COMMITTEE ON MISSION STUDY AND CANDIDATE WORK.

Mrs. H. R. Steele, Convener;	Mrs. L. P. Smith,
Mrs. E. B. Chappell,	Mrs. J. A. Mercer,
Mrs. L. G. Fant,	Mrs. H. S. Shangle.
Mrs. P. L. Cobb,	

## COMMITTEE ON LITERATURE.

Miss Estelle Haskin, Convener;	Miss Ruth Blanks,
Mrs. G. R. Armstrong,	Miss Anne Alford,
Mrs. T. J. Copeland,	Mrs. A. B. Smith,
Mrs. H. A. Dunham,	Mrs. F. M. Williams.
Mrs. E. P. Williams,	

## COMMITTEE ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

Mrs. J. W. Perry, Convener;	Miss Flora Clark,
Miss Emma Pepler,	Mrs. I. C. Jenkins,
Mrs. B. M. Keith,	Mrs. John N. Steele,
Miss Edla Smith,	Mrs. W. A. Steele,
Mrs. M. L. McClesky,	Mrs. J. D. Elliott.
Mrs. H. W. Pittman,	

## COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S WORK.

Miss Althea Jones, Convener;	Mrs. J. T. Curry,
Miss Julia Durham,	Mrs. Paul Jefferson,
Mrs. C. F. Neibergall,	Mrs. E. B. Watson.
Mrs. A. L. Dowdell,	

## COMMITTEE ON PRAYER.

Mrs. E. P. Peabody, Chairman;    Mrs. H. W. Pittman,  
 Miss Mary Ora Durham,            Mrs. B. W. Lewis.  
 Miss Eugenia Smith,

## COMMITTEE TO SUPPLY VACANCIES ON STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mrs. F. S. Parker, Chairman;    Mrs. J. H. Stewart.  
 Mrs. P. L. Cobb,

## COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Mrs. J. A. Rice,                      Mrs. Nat Rollins.

## COMMITTEE ON PRESS.

Mrs. F. A. Lamb, Chairman;    Mrs. H. A. Evans.

## COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORSHIP.

Miss Flora T. Clark,                Mrs. T. J. Copeland.  
 Mrs. F. F. Stephens,

## COMMITTEE ON PLATFORM COURTESIES.

Mrs. Frank Witherspoon,        Miss Daisy Davies.  
 Mrs. J. P. Pollard,

The Calendar Rules and Rules of Order were read by the Calendar Clerk.

A letter of love and greeting from Mrs. J. H. Yarbrough, Superintendent of Supplies, who was detained at home by illness, was read by the Secretary.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to send to Mrs. Yarbrough a message of love from the body.

The report of the Vice President was made by Mrs. F. F. Stephens.

Mrs. J. W. Downs, Administrative Secretary for the Central and Western Division of the Home Work, made her report. (See report, page 87.)

Mrs. J. H. McCoy, Administrative Secretary of the Gulf States and Atlantic Division, reported the work of that section. (See report, page 87.)

Mrs. Frank Witherspoon, General Chairman of the local committee, gave a brief message of cordial greeting.

The noon devotional hour was ushered in in song when Mrs. W. F. Barnum sang "Take Time to Be Holy."

Dr. O. E. Brown, Dean of the School of Religion of Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., the MacDonell Lecturer, then spoke on the topic for the day, "The Christianization of Faith," and closed the morning session with the benediction.

#### FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The afternoon session opened with Mrs. F. F. Stephens, Vice President, in the chair. Hymn 531, "O Thou whose bounty fills my cup," was sung and was followed by prayer. Mrs. W. G. Higginbotham then read Psalm cxlv., and Miss Layona Glenn, of Brazil, led in prayer for guidance in all that should be done. After the singing of Hymn 575, "Sing to the great Jehovah's praise," the business was resumed.

At the request of the Secretary, the reading of the minutes of the morning session was deferred until the following day.

In response to the call for memorials, resolutions, etc., the following were placed on the calendar: From the Executive Committee, first, a recommendation concerning an increase in the subscription price of the *Young Christian Worker*; second, a recommendation touching the closing of work at Nogales, Ariz.; third, a recommendation that Miss Case visit Brazil.

The following papers were presented and referred to the proper committees: The Agenda for Oriental Work, referred to the Committee on Oriental Fields; the Agenda for Work in Latin-American and African Fields, referred to the Committee on Latin-American and African Fields; a paper containing plan for proposed change in City Mission Boards, referred to the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work.

On motion, the order of business was suspended, and the following reports of Standing and Special Committees were placed on the calendar: Report of the Standing Committee on Estimates for Oriental and Latin-American Fields; report of the Standing Committee on Constitution and By-Laws; report

of the Standing Committee on Estimates for Home Fields; report of the Special Committee to Outline Policy for Negro Work.

The following papers were presented and referred to the proper committees: The Agenda for Work in Educational Institutions and Social Service, referred to the committee of that name; the report of the Special Committee on Enlarged Policy for City Missions, referred to the Committee on City Missions and Deaconess Work; a memorial from the South Georgia Conference concerning the Macon Door of Hope, referred to the Committee on Educational Institutions and Social Service.

At Miss Bennett's request, Mrs. Ackermann gave a message in song which refreshed the spirits of all.

Miss Howell made her report as Secretary of Oriental Fields. (See report, page 100.)

Miss Case made her report as Secretary for Latin-American and African Fields. (See report, page 109.)

Mrs. F. H. E. Ross, Treasurer, made her report. (See report, page 117.) This was followed by the singing of the last verse of Hymn 458, "Haste thee on from grace to glory," and prayer led by Miss Bennett.

The report of the Home Base Secretary was made by Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb. (See report, page 139.)

Mrs. Hume R. Steele, Educational Secretary in charge of Mission Study and Candidate Correspondence, spoke of the missionary education and cultivation of the Church. (See report, page 130.) Her recommendations were submitted and referred to the proper committee.

Miss Estelle Haskin, Educational Secretary in charge of Literature, made a report of that work and as editor of the *Young Christian Worker*. (See report, page 136.)

The President spoke with appreciation of Mrs. W. L. Reed, so long Corresponding Secretary of the Missouri Conference, a member of the body, who but a short time ago had passed to her heavenly home, and while all stood they sang "Asleep in Jesus."

Attention was called to the continued extreme illness of Mrs. W. B. Sullins, a beloved former member of the Council.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to send letters to Mrs. Sullins, to Mrs. R. W. MacDonell, honored and beloved former General Secretary of the Board of Home Missions and later Secretary of the Home Department of the Council, absent from the Council for the first time since its organization, and to Dr. W. L. Reed. The Secretary was also instructed to send Mrs. J. C. Fowler, President of the East Oklahoma Conference, a telegram of sympathy in the loss of her husband.

Announcements were made, and the afternoon session closed with prayer.

### *SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.*

The Council met for its second day's session Friday morning, April 16, at fifteen minutes past nine. The devotional service, led by Miss Mabel Roberta Carter, teacher of English Bible in Scarritt Bible and Training School, consisted of Hymn 423, "Where cross the crowded ways of life," a lesson from the first chapter of Paul's letter to the Romans, and a prayer.

The roll was called, and five delegates who had been delayed in reaching Kansas City responded and were seated.

A call to ascertain the number of delegates who are preachers' wives showed twenty-one; preachers' daughters, eleven; twelve stewards in local Churches; twelve delegates to District Conferences; and eleven delegates to Annual Conferences.

Mrs. Evans, a former member of the body, was seated within the bar, that she might serve as a member of the Press Committee.

The minutes of Thursday's sessions were read, corrected, and approved as corrected.

The following memorials and resolutions were presented: From the Little Rock Conference, concerning personnel of Quarterly Conference. A motion was made and seconded that a Committee on General Conference Legislation be created, to which the above memorial could be referred. The motion prevailed. A memorial from the three Missouri Conferences, concerning a dormitory at the State University, sent to Committee on Educational Institutions; one from the Little Rock Con-

ference, touching rural work, sent to Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work; Agenda from Home Department concerning building in Memphis and St. Louis and new work in Arkansas, sent to Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work; from conference of deaconess and home mission workers, touching increase of workers, sent to Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work.

The following resolutions were read and, on motion, put upon passage at once:

RESOLUTIONS ON THE DEATH OF MRS. REBECCA SPARKS.

Whereas God in his infinite wisdom called to rest our beloved friend and sister, Mrs. Rebecca Sparks, on November 15, 1919, who for many years occupied a very unique place among us as the founder of our first coöperative home for working girls, in 1900, known now as Rebecca Sparks Inn, Waco, Tex.—therefore

*Be it resolved:* 1. That we, the members of the Woman's Missionary Council now in session at Kansas City, Mo., feel that we have sustained a great loss. We rejoice that our loss is her eternal gain, that she has passed from death unto life.

2. That we cherish the memory of Mrs. Rebecca Sparks, whose example we should strive to emulate and whose memory will ever be a benediction, for we can never forget her energy and her great love for the working girl and her great missionary work, which inspired others with zeal and enthusiasm.

3. That we extend to the family, who will so much miss her dear face and motherly advice, our deepest sympathy.

MRS. J. H. STEWART,

MRS. NAT G. ROLLINS.

The report of Young People's Work was made by Mrs. J. W. Perry, Superintendent, and placed on record. (See report, page 143.)

The report of Children's Work was made by Miss Althea Jones, Superintendent. (See report, page 146.)

The report of the Superintendent of Supplies, Mrs. J. H. Yarbrough, was placed on record. (See report, page 153.)

Mrs. E. B. Chappell, editor of the *Missionary Voice*, made a report of the growth of the paper. (See report, page 154.)

Miss Helen Hardy, Student Secretary, made her report, which was placed on record. (See report, page 155.)

An open forum concerning the small number of deaconesses

in our Church was held for a short time. The lack of vital religious experience in home and Church life was most stressed as the important reason for the small number.

Deaconess Hanson, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a teacher in the M. E. Church Training School, Kansas City, was presented and spoke of her work and her pleasure in meeting with the Council.

Reports Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work were read by Mrs. Nat G. Rollins and placed on the calendar.

The following were introduced to the Council: Mr. W. W. Alexander, Interchurch Movement; Dr. A. M. Trawick, Chair of Sociology at Scarritt; Rev. R. A. Campbell, Rev. Mr. McClanahan, Rev. J. H. Jackson, Rev. C. A. Bowles, Rev. C. V. Hiatt, Rev. F. M. Burton, Rev. W. C. Bewley, Dr. Ivan Lee Holt, Rev. Mr. Cameron, Dr. J. H. Hardy, Korea; Dr. Ed F. Cook, President of Scarritt Bible and Training School; Mrs. N. J. Ackerman, of Kansas City; Mrs. Hester, of Oklahoma; Miss Charlotte Dye, Superintendent of Vashti Industrial School; and Miss Young, Dean of Women, Paine College. The officers, District Secretaries, and visitors from various Conferences were also introduced.

At twelve o'clock business was put aside that all might hear the second of Dr. Brown's lectures. Mrs. Ackerman sang by request, and the beautiful message put all hearts in a receptive mood for the lecture on "The Christianization of Freedom."

#### *SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.*

The afternoon session was opened with the singing of the Council hymn, "We may not climb the heavenly steps."

Dr. J. H. Hardy, Dean of Union Theological Seminary, Seoul, Korea, led the devotional service, basing his lesson on John xiv. 1:14, a plea for faith. After prayer led by Dr. Hardy, Mrs. A. L. Scales sang "In that beautiful land on high."

Bishop Hendrix was presented and spoke of his love for Korea and his joy in the triumph of faith in that land.

The minutes of the morning session were read by Mrs. Nat Rollins and approved as read.



On motion, the order of business was suspended that Report No. 1 of the Committee to Nominate Members to Supply Vacancies on Standing Committees might be read and passed upon at once and thereby fill the vacancy on the Committee on Laws. The report was read by Mrs. P. L. Cobb, Secretary of the Committee, and adopted as read, as follows:

REPORT No. 1.

*Committee to Nominate Members to Supply Vacancies on Standing Committees.*

The committee nominates Mrs. Lee Britt to fill the vacancy on the Committee on Laws caused by Mrs. W. B. Sullins's retirement from office.

MRS. FITZGERALD S. PARKER, *Chairman*,  
MRS. P. L. COBB, *Secretary*.

The following memorials, resolutions, and recommendations were presented and referred to committees: Resolution from three members of the body concerning a book on negro work, referred to the Committee on Mission Study and Candidate Work; from the North Georgia Conference, concerning pledges, referred to Committee on Home Base; from the Northwest Conference, relating to Indian Work, referred to the Committee on Home Mission Institutions and Social Service; Agenda from Home Department, referred to Committee on Educational Institutions and Social Service; from the Workers' Conference, concerning change of name of Wesley Houses, referred to Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work; from the Council Workers' Conference, concerning literature for Day of Prayer, referred to Committee on Home Base; recommendation from Board of Managers of Scarritt Bible and Training School, concerning increase in scholarships, referred to Special Committee on Scarritt Bible and Training School.

The report of the managers of Scarritt Bible and Training School was read by Miss Gibson, accepted, and placed on record. (See report, page 165.) Miss Gibson then welcomed the Council to Kansas City and extended an invitation to the drive on Saturday afternoon, with a visit to the Institutional Church, the Spofford Home, and the Training School, with the added privilege of tea at the Training School.

Dr. Ed F. Cook, President of Scarritt Bible and Training School, made his report, which was accepted and placed on record. (See report, page 155.)

Mrs. Mary L. Hargrove, Associate Secretary of the Centenary Commission, was most cordially greeted when she stood before the Council to give her report for the year. The report was accepted and placed on record. (See report, page 166.)

Miss Eunice Andrew, of Brazil, brought greetings from the women and children of the southernmost State of Brazil, Rio Grande do Sul, and told of the great need in that priest-ridden land of the open Bible and the Christian school.

Deaconess Josephine Dryer, of Centenary Church, St. Louis, told of opportunities for mission work offered in crowded city sections as the deaconess goes about her duty of seed-sowing.

Miss Ellasue Wagner, Holston Institute, Songdo, Korea, pictured conditions in the ancient city of Songdo and the beginning of the transformation as the Word gives light throughout the old city.

Deaconess Annie Alford, of the Coöperative Home in Houston, Tex., gave a glimpse into the life and influence of the real home for the struggling city business girls of many nationalities.

Dr. R. S. Russell, Secretary of the Home Department of the Board of Missions, in charge of cotton mill, rural, sustentation, and foreign work, was introduced.

Miss Mary Hood, from China, gave the nurse's viewpoint of the Red Cross work done by the China medical force in Siberia during the war, when laurels were won by the whole force.

Deaconess Ida Stevens, from First Church, New Orleans, presented the work of a city Church deaconess.

The Committee on General Conference Legislation ordered during the morning session was appointed by the chair, as follows: Miss M. L. Gibson, Convener; Mrs. F. F. Stephens, Miss Mabel K. Howell, Mrs. J. W. Downs, Mrs. J. W. Perry, Mrs. Luke Johnson.

The appointment of a special committee requested on Scar-

ritt Bible and Training School was postponed until the next day.

The Secretary stated that during the year a letter had been received from Mrs. Vong Pau Sze, Secretary of the China Woman's Missionary Society, thanking the Council for courtesies shown Mrs. Tsiang Zak Zu Nyok while in America and for gifts sent to the society.

Committees were called.

Announcements were made, and the afternoon session closed with the benediction pronounced by Dr. Russell.

### THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The third day's session was opened with devotional service led by Miss Gilberta Harris, physical director and teacher of nurse-training at Scarritt Bible and Training School. This service consisted of Hymn 411, "O Master, let me walk with thee," a Bible lesson from 1 Corinthians xii., with comments thereon, and prayer, and closed with Hymn 647.

The minutes of Friday afternoon's session were read and approved as read.

A resolution on unification from a number of the body was presented and referred to the Committee on General Conference Legislation.

The following recommendations from the Executive Committee were taken from the calendar and accepted:

#### RECOMMENDATION FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONCERNING THE PRICE OF THE YOUNG CHRISTIAN WORKER.

The Executive Committee recommends an increase to fifty cents in the subscription price of the *Young Christian Worker*.

MISS BELLE H. BENNETT, *Chairman*;

Mrs. FITZGERALD S. PARKER, *Secretary*.

#### RECOMMENDATION FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONCERNING WORK AT NOGALES, ARIZ.

The Executive Committee recommends that the school at Nogales be discontinued.

MISS BELLE H. BENNETT, *Chairman*;

Mrs. FITZGERALD S. PARKER, *Secretary*.

The recommendation from the Executive Committee concerning Miss Case's visit to Brazil was taken from the calendar, amended by striking out the last three words, and approved as amended, as follows:

RECOMMENDATION FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONCERNING VISIT  
OF ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY TO BRAZIL.

The Executive Committee recommend that Miss Esther Case, Administrative Secretary for Latin-American and African Fields, be instructed to go to Brazil in June.

MISS BELLE H. BENNETT, *Chairman*;  
MRS. FITZGERALD S. PARKER, *Secretary*.

The estimates for the Foreign Department were taken from the calendar. The estimates for China (\$91,534) were approved as read.

Bishop and Mrs. Mouzon were introduced and welcomed by the Council.

The appropriation to Africa (\$1,500) was approved.

The appropriation for salaries and travel of missionaries to Brazil (\$4,650) was approved.

The appropriation to the Brazil Conference of \$2,700 was approved.

The following appropriations for Central Brazil, of \$1,480 for Piracicaba, \$1,240 for Ribeirao Preto, and \$1,205 for Sao Paulo, were approved.

The appropriation of \$3,015 for Porto Alegre was approved.

The total for Brazil (\$34,610) was approved.

The appropriation for Seoul District, Korea, of \$21,425 was approved.

The appropriation of \$3,770 for the Chul Won District was approved.

The appropriation of \$28,009 for the Songdo District was approved.

The appropriation for the Choon Chun District (\$9,955) was approved.

The appropriation for Wonsan District of \$8,495 was approved.

The total appropriations approved for Korea amounted to \$63,193.

Miss Layona Glenn, for many years in Brazil, pleaded for reënforcement of workers in Brazil, where seven years ago there were twenty-seven women and now the ranks are reduced to eighteen.

In grief and distress because of the powerlessness of the Council to meet the need for more workers, a season of prayer was entered upon.

Rev. W. W. Alexander, of the Interchurch World Movement, was introduced and spoke of the need of Christianizing the relations between the white and black people of this land.

On motion, the rule was suspended, and a motion signed by Mrs. Hume R. Steele and Mrs. J. H. McCoy requesting that the recommendations on negro work from Rev. W. W. Alexander be referred to the Committee on Home Educational Institutions and Social Service was passed.

Prayer was offered by Mrs. Steele, and the call for expression brought forth a pledge from the body and finally from almost every one present to do her best to bring about a better understanding between the races.

Mrs. Prescott, chairman in charge of the drive for the afternoon, was introduced.

Announcements were made, and preceding the noon service Mrs. W. F. Barnum sang "I gave my life for thee." As an introduction to the lecture for the day Dr. Brown read Matthew vi. 19-24, then spoke on "The Christianization of Wealth." He said money is the best of servants, but the worst of all masters; that money has vitiated the very standard of success.

The session closed with prayer, and the Council adjourned to meet at 9 A.M. Monday.

#### *FOURTH DAY—MORNING SESSION.*

The fourth day's session opened with a devotional service led by Miss Luida Anne Shaffer, teacher of Church history, Scarritt Bible and Training School. This consisted of Hymn 402, "Hark! the voice of Jésus calling," a Bible lesson from Matthew ix. 35-38 and John iv. 35-38, with comments thereon, prayer, and Hymn 1, "O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise!"

The minutes for Saturday morning were read and approved.

Mrs. J. H. Yarbrough's resignation as a member of the Standing Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work was read by the Secretary and accepted.

On motion, the order of business was suspended, and a memorial was presented from the St. Louis Conference concerning Kingdom House, St. Louis, and referred to the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work. A resolution concerning attendance of the General Secretary upon the Council, signed by members of the body, was read and placed on the calendar.

The motion prevailed that a committee of five to name the unnamed chair at Scarritt Bible and Training School should be appointed.

The report of the Special Committee to Name the Schools in the Foreign Fields was presented and placed on the calendar.

It was moved by Mrs. L. P. Smith and seconded that the following telegram be sent to the National Convention of the Young Women's Christian Association:

KANSAS CITY, Mo., APRIL 19, 1920.

*National Convention, Young Women's Christian Association, Cleveland, Ohio:* The Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, now in session in Kansas City, Mo., send greeting and appreciation of the work done by the Association for the women and girls of the world. May your organization be guided in its great undertakings by the Holy Spirit and your leaders kept near to our great Leader, the Lord Jesus Christ!

Report No. 1 of the Committee on Home Base was read by Mrs. L. E. Brown and placed on the calendar.

The report of the Committee on Mission Study and Candidate Preparation was read by Mrs. P. L. Cobb and placed on the calendar.

On motion, Calendar Rule 5 was suspended that Report No. 1 of the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work might be taken from the calendar and considered at once.

The motion prevailed that the above report, consisting of a number of names, be read but once and considered by sections.

The report was read, considered by sections, amended by the

addition of Miss Alethea Graham's name to the list, and adopted as a whole as amended. (See report, page 169.)

On motion, the report of the Committee on Candidates for Deaconess and Missionary Work was taken from the calendar, considered by items, and approved as read. (See report, page 228.)

When the name of Miss Cora Godat was called, the Council paused that prayer might be offered for the recovery of Miss Godat, who had just passed through a serious operation for appendicitis.

The following Special Committee on the Scarritt Bible and Training School was appointed: Mrs. L. P. Smith, Mrs. G. A. Armstrong, Miss Margaret Ragland, Mrs. R. L. Kirkwood, Mrs. F. F. Stephens, Mrs. Hume R. Steele.

The Special Committee on the Scarritt Lectureship was appointed: Mrs. W. B. Higginbotham, Mrs. P. L. Cobb, Mrs. T. A. Brown, Mrs. J. W. Perry, Miss Ruth Blanks.

It was moved and seconded that Calendar Rule 4 be suspended. The motion prevailed, and Report No. 1 of the Committee on Home Base was taken from the calendar, read, considered by items, and adopted as read. (See report, page 233.)

The consideration of the report of the Committee on Estimates for the Foreign Department was resumed.

The estimates for the Kobe District, Japan (\$14,312), Hiroshima District (\$3,932), and Matsuyama District (\$8,035) were approved, with a grand total for Japan of \$20,066.

The estimates for Cuba (\$14,757) were approved.

The estimates for Mexico (\$53,606) were approved.

Appropriation for coöperation in Latin America (\$1,300) and for literature in Latin America (\$300), a total of \$1,650, was approved.

The appropriation for Scarritt Bible and Training School (\$12,505) was approved.

The appropriation for miscellaneous expenses, \$550, was approved.

The appropriation for administration expenses, \$59,850, was approved.

On motion, Item 1 of a paper from the Workers' Conference (deaconess and missionary), referred on a previous day to the

Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work, was referred to the Committee on Mission Study and Candidate Preparation.

The following foreign missionaries present were called to the front and introduced to the body: Mrs. Campbell, Korea; Miss Mamie Myers, Seoul; Miss Lillian Nichols, Songdo; Miss Ellasue Wagner, Songdo; Miss Eva Hardy, Seoul; Miss Irene King, Sungkiang, China; Miss Mary Hood, Soochow, China; Miss Nina Stallings, Soochow; Miss Louise Robinson, Soochow; Miss Nettie Peacock, Sungkiang; Miss Sue Stanford, Soochow; Miss Ida Worth, Oita, Japan; Mrs. R. A. Hardy, Seoul, Korea; Miss Eva Louise Hyde, Brazil; Miss Ethel Brown, Ribeirao Preto; Miss Gertrude Kennedy, Porto Alegre; Miss Elma Morgan, Porto Alegre; Miss Eunice F. Andrew, Porto Alegre; Miss Glenn and Miss Shaffer, retired.

The deaconess probationers present were introduced to the body and presented with the insignia of the office, a blue band (embroidered in red, "D. P.") to be worn on the left arm. These were presented by Miss Gibson to Miss Frances Hancock and Miss Eva Selman, of the Kentucky Conference; Miss Lenora Robey, Miss Rosalie Riggan, and Miss Juanita Hill, of the Kentucky Conference; and Miss Pattie Louise Allen, of the Holston Conference.

By request, Mrs. Scales sang the "Sparrow Song." Dr. O. E. Brown read Matthew ii. 16-19, and after prayer Dr. Brown discussed "The Christianization of Pleasure."

#### *FOURTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.*

The afternoon's session opened with devotional services led by Mrs. W. H. Pemberton. The hymn, "O for a thousand tongues to sing," was sung; John xiv. was read, with comments thereon, prayer was led by Mrs. F. M. Williams, and the service closed with Hymn 489, "He leadeth me."

The minutes of the morning's session were read by Mrs. Rollins and approved as read.

The following reports of session committees were placed on the calendar: Report No. 1 of the Committee on Latin-American and African Fields, read by Miss Virgie Wright; Reports



Nos. 1 and 2 of the Committee on Oriental Fields, read by Mrs. Lee Britt; report of the Committee on Children's Work, read by Mrs. E. B. Watson; and Report No. 2 of the Committee on Home Base, read by Mrs. L. E. Brown.

It was moved by Mrs. J. N. McEachern and seconded that the order of business be suspended that a resolution concerning salaries of missionaries might be presented. The motion prevailed. The resolution was presented and sent to the Joint Committee on Foreign Work.

The report of the Session Committee on Literature, read by Mrs. A. B. Smith, and the report of the Special Committee on Opening Work in Europe, read by Miss Howell, were placed on the calendar.

The motion was carried that all totals for foreign fields be withheld until the resolution concerning salaries could come before the Council for action.

The report of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws was taken from the calendar and read.

At this point the Council was refreshed by a helpful message in song by Mrs. Willaford.

The report of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws was considered by sections.

Section 1, concerning the Standing Committee on Retirement and Relief, and Section 2, concerning the Standing Committee on Scarritt Bible and Training School, were approved.

It was moved by Mrs. L. P. Smith and seconded that the substitute to Section 3 be stricken out. The motion prevailed.

In the discussion which followed a substitute for the amendment (territorial division) was offered by Mrs. McCoy, and, on motion, the substitute was referred to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws for restatement.

The committee's substitute for Section 4, concerning election of Conference officers, was approved.

On motion, the recommendation of the committee on Section 5 was reversed, and the recommendation changing date of Treasurer's report was lost.

On motion, Section 6, concerning duties of auxiliary corresponding secretaries, was approved.

On motion, Section 7, "Articles of Organization of the Woman's Department of the China Mission," was approved.

Action on the entire report was deferred until the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws could bring in a report on the referred substitute for Item 3.

The report of the Estimates Committee on the Home Department was taken from the calendar and considered by sections.

The total for Korean Work, Pacific Coast, \$13,810, was approved.

The appropriation for English-Speaking Work, Pacific Coast, \$936, was approved.

The total for Mountain Work, \$42,354, including a bonus of \$500 for Mr. Trowbridge, was approved.

The total for Gulf Coast Work, \$14,763, was approved.

Miss Bennett announced the gift from Mrs. Kirkwood to the French Work in Louisiana of a \$2,000 tent.

Miss Dye, Superintendent of Vashti School, was introduced and spoke of the equipment, the course of study, and other items of interest concerning the school.

On motion, the request for an increase in scholarships at Vashti was referred to the Committee on Educational Institutions and Social Service.

The appropriation for Dependent Girls, \$22,915.84, was approved.

Miss Louise Young, Dean of Women at Paine College, was introduced and spoke of her work at Paine College.

The appropriation for Negro Work, \$17,207.20, was approved.

The Auditor's report of the Treasurer's books was read by the Secretary and placed on record. (See report, page 129.)

Announcements were made, and the afternoon session was dismissed.

#### *FIFTH DAY—MORNING SESSION.*

The fifth day's session opened with devotional services led by Deaconess Mary Ora Durham, teacher of Church methods, Scarritt Bible and Training School. Hymn 396, "Awake, my

soul, stretch every nerve," was sung. The lesson was taken from the fourth chapter of Paul's letter to the Philippians. After prayer, Hymn 411, "O Master, let me walk with thee," was sung.

The minutes of Monday afternoon's session were read and approved.

It was moved by Mrs. J. W. Piggott and seconded by Mrs. J. H. Stewart that the action of the body in striking out the substitute in Section 3 of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws be reconsidered.

The motion prevailed, and consideration of the substitute was deferred until the report of the committee should come up for action in regular order.

On motion, the Rules of Order were suspended that a resolution might be presented.

The resolution concerning auxiliary reporting was presented and referred to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

The report of the Committee on Young People's Work was read by Miss Emma V. Pepler and placed on the calendar.

Consideration of the report of the Estimates Committee for the Home Department was resumed.

On the request of the Secretary, action on the section for Delinquent Girls was deferred until the report of the Committee on Home Educational Institutions and Social Service could be considered.

Deaconess Berta Thomas and Mrs. G. A. Hanson spoke of the work at Ybor City, Tampa, Fla.

The appropriation for Cuban Work, \$16,461.50, was approved.

The appropriation for Holding Institute, \$27,900, was approved.

Miss Ellen Alfter spoke of the work at Los Angeles.

The appropriation for Mexican Work, \$35,722.60, was approved.

The appropriation of \$1,200 for a Bible teacher at Denton Dormitory was approved.

Deaconess Laura Harris spoke of the work in the Bluefield coal fields.

Deaconess Lillian Parker told of work among miners at Thurber, Tex.

Deaconess Frankie Miller, from the Hartshorne field, spoke of conditions there.

Appropriation of \$5,722 for Work among Miners was approved.

Appropriations of \$8,620 for Miscellaneous Items was approved.

Appropriation of \$12,500 for Scarritt Bible and Training School was approved.

Appropriation of \$3,300 for Conference Claims was approved.

Appropriation of \$8,709.75 for City Missions was approved.

Appropriation of \$30,225 for Home Administration Expense was approved.

Appropriation of \$249,626.23 for total amount of Home Department was approved.

The motion to reconsider action in approving the total appropriation for Home Department prevailed.

Appropriation of regular Centenary askings and shiftings was considered.

The appropriation of \$28,936.33—with the following exceptions: Oriental, \$3,048; Homer Toberman, \$800; Galveston, \$200, to be paid from Nogales funds; and the Virginia Johnson Home, to be appropriated from funds listed as endowment funds, to be redirected by donors—was approved.

On motion, the section on Eastern and Gulf States was amended by the addition of \$500 to the appropriation for Brevard.

The appropriation to Eastern and Gulf States, \$17,332.02, was approved.

The appropriation for section on General Items, \$55,047.67, was approved.

The total appropriation of Centenary askings, etc., \$250,126.23, was approved.

Miss Elma Morgan, the regularly appointed alternate from the Brazil Conference, was introduced and seated.

The section on Preferred Centenary Askings for 1921, \$215,110, was approved.

The report of the Special Committee to Outline Policy on Negro Work was taken from the calendar, read, and considered by items.

Item 1 was amended by the insertion of the words "of three by the Executive Committee" after the word "Committee."

The report was adopted as a whole as amended. (See report, page 245.)

The report of the Committee on Policy for an Enlarged City Mission Program was taken from the calendar, read, and considered by items.

Dr. Woodcock, former President of the Iowa Bible School and Deaconess Home, was introduced and spoke briefly of his pleasure in being present.

Item 1 of Section 2 of Report on Policy for an Enlarged City Mission Program was amended by the insertion of the words "Deaconess and" before the word "City."

Item 1 of Section 2 was amended by the insertion of the word "Sub" before "Committee" and "selected by the Deaconess Committee" after "Committee."

Item 1 of Section 3 was amended by the insertion of the words "Deaconess and" before the word "City."

The report as a whole was adopted as amended. (See report, page 243.)

On motion, the order of business was suspended that certain committee reports might be placed on the calendar. -

The following reports were then placed on the calendar: The report of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, on recommitted item; the report of the Joint Committee on Foreign Work, read by Mrs. Frank Bennett; the report of the Committee on Oriental Work, concerning Korea, read by Mrs. Lee Britt; Report No. 2 of the Committee on Mission Study and Candidate Preparation was read by Mrs. Cobb; Reports Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the Committee on Home Educational Institutions and Social Service, read by Mrs. Nat Rollins; Reports Nos. 6, 7, 8, and 9 of the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work, read by Miss M. L. Gibson; Report No. 3 of

the Committee on Home Base, read by Mrs. L. E. Brown; Report No. 2 of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, read by the Secretary; and the report of the Committee to Name Scarritt Lectureship.

On motion, the order of business was suspended that a resolution might be read and passed upon at once. The resolution was read and passed, as follows:

Whereas Dr. J. Archie Robertson, of Kansas City, Mo., has given valuable service for many years as a member of the Board of Medical Examiners and has by his skilled surgery ministered to the health and efficiency of candidates preparing for work—

*Resolved*, That the Woman's Missionary Council wishes to express its thanks and sincere appreciation of him and his unselfish and untiring service in behalf of our missionary work and workers.

BELLE H. BENNETT,  
MABEL K. HOWELL,  
MARIA LAYNG GIBSON,  
DAISY DAVIES,  
MRS. F. F. STEPHENS.

A resolution of appreciation of the work of Mrs. Hargrove was read and put upon its passage at once.

The resolution was passed, as follows:

#### RESOLUTIONS REGARDING THE ASSOCIATE CENTENARY SECRETARY.

The labors of Mrs. M. L. Hargrove as Associate Secretary of the Centenary Commission are drawing to a close. We acknowledge with gratitude the part she has played in the success which has attended the great Centenary Movement. She has entered into all its plans and details in a spirit of love and harmony. Freely and joyously has she given herself to the diversified calls on her time and strength.

We would bear testimony to the benediction of her ministry and presence among the women of the Church.

We would, therefore, express sincere and deep appreciation of her service and would pledge to her our continued love and prayers in the new field of labor to which she goes.

MRS. J. W. PERRY,  
MRS. E. B. CHAPPELL.

Mrs. Woodcock, General Secretary of Children's Work of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Mrs. O. E. Brown, and Mr. Charles Scarritt were introduced.

A message in song, "Spirit of God, descend upon my heart,"

sung by Mrs. Gorsuch, prepared the way for the noon lecture by Dr. O. E. Brown on "The Christianization of Vocation."

*FIFTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.*

The afternoon session opened with a devotional service led by Mrs. T. J. Copeland. This consisted of Hymn No. 279, "Rock of Ages," and a Scripture lesson from Revelation xxiii. as the text of her lesson on the difference between work and service which sees the finished product. After prayer, led by Mrs. Copeland, the service closed with Christopher Wordsworth's great hymn, "Father of all, from land and sea," sung by Mrs. Ackerman.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved as read.

It was moved by Mrs. Rollins and seconded that the Secretary of the Council send a note of appreciation to Captain James and Lieut. Albert Keys for arranging and escorting the drive on Saturday afternoon. The motion prevailed.

The report of the Special Committee on Survey of Educational Institutions, read by Mrs. F. F. Stephens, and Report No. 2 of the Session Committee to Nominate Members to Fill Vacancies on Standing Committees, read by Mrs. J. H. Stewart, were placed on the calendar.

The report of the Standing Committee on Literature was taken from the calendar and placed on record.

Report No. 1 of the Committee on Latin-American and African Fields was taken from the calendar, read, and considered by items. The section on Africa was approved. Item 5 of the section on Brazil was amended by the addition of the clause, "provided the appointment of an American teacher will not be necessary to carry on the school." The section on Brazil was approved as amended. The section on Cuba was approved. The section on Mexico was approved. The report as a whole was adopted as amended. (See report, page 185.)

As a relief from the afternoon's routine, a quartet sang "One sweetly solemn thought."

Report No. 1 of the Committee on Oriental Fields was taken from the calendar, read, and considered by sections. Section

I was approved. Section 2, concerning an increase in missionaries' salaries, was withdrawn. Section 3, concerning evangelistic work in Oita, was approved. Section 4 was amended by striking out the amount named and inserting the words "in excess." Section 5, concerning the Bonnell Memorial, was approved. Section 6, concerning evangelistic plants, was approved. The report as a whole was approved as amended. (See report, page 180.)

Report No. 2 of the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work was taken from the calendar, read, considered by items, and approved as read. (See report, page 170.)

Report No. 3 of the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work was taken from the calendar, read, considered by sections, and approved as read. See report, page 171.)

Report No. 4 of the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work was taken from the calendar, read, considered by sections, and approved as read. (See report, page 171.)

Report No. 5 of the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work was taken from the calendar, read, and adopted as read. (See report, page 172.)

The report of the Special Committee to Select Names for the New Schools at Havana, Cuba, and Monterrey, Mexico, were taken from the calendar, read, and adopted as read. (See report, page 247.)

Report No. 1 of the Committee on Mission Study and Candidate Preparation was taken from the calendar, read, and considered by sections. Section 3 was amended by the addition of Item 9, "Chambersburg School of Missions, Mrs. H. R. Steele." Sections 1, 2, and 3 of the report was adopted as amended. Action on the last three sections was deferred.

On motion, the time was extended in order that the missionaries on the program for the day might be heard.

Mrs. Josephine Campbell, of China and Korea, spoke of her desire to return to Korea to finish her career.

Deaconess Grace Rowland, from Rosa Valdes Settlement, Tampa, Fla., spoke of the settlement and kindergarten and the clinic.

Miss Louise Robinson, Principal of Davidson School, told



the story of Mrs. Wu's gospel bell missionary bag, made to receive the freewill offering of the third annual meeting of the China Woman's Missionary Conference. In closing she presented the bag, with the finest offering received, as a gift to the Council from the China Conference. This was enthusiastically received.

Deaconess Rosa Breeden, of the Bethlehem House, Nashville, Tenn., spoke of the work among the negroes.

Miss Nina Stallings, Head Resident of the Maria L. Gibson Settlement, Soochow, China, was introduced and gave a glimpse into this first settlement house in China and asked that the Council send to this work the finest young Chinese woman in America.

Miss Helen Gardner, from the Methodist Institute, Richmond, Va., told of the work among American people.

It was moved by Mrs. Rollins and seconded that the Secretary be instructed to send a letter of thanks to the China Conference for the gospel bag and its contents. The motion prevailed.

The Secretary read a telegram of greeting from Mrs. R. W. MacDonell and stated that Mrs. MacDonell had declined to accept a gift of a year's salary offered to her by the Executive Committee as the least that the Council could do for her when she retired from the office she had so capably filled for many years.

It was moved by Mrs. Nat Rollins and seconded by Mrs. A. B. Smith that, as a small expression of appreciation of her long and devoted service, Mrs. R. W. MacDonell be made an honorary life member of the body. The motion prevailed.

Announcements were made.

The report of the Special Committee on Scarritt Bible and Training School, read by Mrs. G. A. Armstrong, and Reports Nos. 10 and 11 of the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work, read by Miss Gibson, were placed on the calendar.

A letter of loving greeting from Mrs. W. H. Johnson, of Dallas, Tex., was read by the Secretary.

At 5:40, with prayer led by Miss Howell, the body was dismissed to meet in evening session at 8 o'clock.

*FIFTH DAY.—EVENING SESSION.*

The evening session opened with Hymn No. 419, "One more day's work for Jesus," and prayer was offered by Mrs. G. A. Armstrong.

The minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved as read.

In response to the President's question, "Where shall the Council meet next year?" cordial and insistent invitations were received to San Antonio, from Mrs. J. T. Curry, seconded by Mrs. Frank Bennett and an overwhelming host; to Richmond, from Mrs. Lee Britt, seconded by Miss Ruth Blanks and numerous sympathizers; to Tampa, Fla., from Mrs. G. A. Hanson, seconded by Mrs. I. C. Jenkins. When the vote was taken, Richmond received the largest number of votes, and the motion prevailed that the vote to accept Virginia's gracious invitation be made unanimous.

After a hymn and a chain of prayer for guidance, the pledges of the total amounts to be sent to the Council Treasurer were taken, as follows:

Conferences.	Adults.	Young People.	Juniors.	Total.
Alabama .....	\$ 28,194	\$ 1,869	\$ 2,937	\$ 33,000
Baltimore .....	24,500	3,500	2,000	30,000
Central Texas.....	26,228	824	608	27,660
Denver .....	775	.....	.....	775
East Oklahoma .....	10,200	250	450	10,900
Florida .....	19,000	400	600	20,000
Holston .....	20,600	3,325	1,715	25,640
Illinois .....	675	.....	.....	675
Kentucky .....	17,800	1,700	1,500	21,000
Little Rock.....	16,600	1,225	1,175	19,000
Los Angeles.....	3,000	125	125	3,250
Louisiana .....	20,000	600	900	21,500
Louisville .....	20,237	1,520	1,212	22,969
Memphis .....	21,500	1,500	2,000	25,000
Mississippi .....	14,850	650	500	16,000
Missouri .....	9,840	610	250	10,700
New Mexico.....	4,700	350	350	5,400
North Alabama .....	28,000	1,000	1,500	30,500
North Arkansas.....	17,100	800	800	18,700

Conferences.	Adults.	Young People.	Juniors.	Total.
North Carolina .....	36,000	3,000	6,000	45,000
North Georgia .....	48,000	7,500	7,500	63,000
North Mississippi .....	21,400	1,200	2,400	25,000
North Texas.....	25,500	1,000	500	27,000
Northwest .....	1,300	100	100	1,500
Northwest Texas.....	14,350	500	650	15,500
Pacific .....	4,500	100	100	4,700
St. Louis .....	10,000	1,200	300	11,500
South Carolina .....	31,393	1,432	2,175	35,000
South Georgia.....	60,900	1,200	2,400	64,500
Southwest Missouri .....	15,368	1,000	632	17,000
Tennessee .....	21,250	2,000	1,750	25,000
Texas .....	25,000	1,625	1,375	28,000
Upper South Carolina.....	23,769	2,216	2,015	28,000
Virginia .....	35,000	4,000	1,000	40,000
West Oklahoma.....	8,809	432	447	9,688
West Texas .....	19,300	1,000	750	21,050
Western North Carolina...	30,189	3,454	3,565	37,208
Western Virginia .....	7,400	1,400	700	9,500
Total .....	\$743,227	\$54,607	\$52,981	*\$850,815

Hymn No. 352, "Lord, in the strength of grace," was sung, and a prayer of thanksgiving was offered by Miss Bennett.

The Secretary was instructed to send a fraternal message to the National Conference of Social Work, in session for the first time in its history south of the Mason and Dixon Line, in New Orleans, La.

The body was then dismissed, to meet Wednesday morning at nine o'clock.

#### SIXTH DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The sixth day's session opened with a devotional service led by Miss Henrietta Gay, teacher of religious education in Scarritt Bible and Training School. Hymn No. 409, "Fight the good fight with all thy might," was sung. The ringing challenge of the message Miss Gay brought was based on the words

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\*Early the following morning an enthusiastic vote raised the pledge to \$1,000,000.

of Deborah found in the fourteenth verse of the fourth chapter of Judges. After singing Hymn No. 407, "Be strong," the service closed with prayer.

The President announced that a message had come to Mrs. T. A. Brown, of West Texas, telling of the going away of her brother. Several prayers were offered that God would give to her his comforting presence in this sorrow.

The minutes of the Tuesday evening session were read and approved.

Report No. 1 of the Joint Committee on Home and Foreign Work was read by Mrs. Frank Bennett and placed on the calendar.

On motion, Report No. 11 of the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work was taken from the calendar and referred back to the committee.

A report of the Committee on Home Base, concerning the total of the pledges taken Tuesday evening, more than eight hundred thousand dollars, and the request that the privilege be granted of raising the pledge to nine hundred thousand, was made by Mrs. Lipscomb. On motion of Miss Bennett, this report was amended by raising the pledge to one million dollars, and the report was accepted as amended.

The deferred portion of the report of the Committee on Mission Study and Candidate Preparation was taken up, and the seeming conflict of Item 3 of this report with Item 2 of Report No. 3 of the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work, which was passed the day before, was discussed.

It was moved by Mrs. Stephens and seconded by Miss Gibson that the paper be referred to the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work, with power to handle the question. The motion was lost. The report was then adopted as a whole as amended. (See report, page 229.)

Report No. 4 of the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work was taken from the calendar, read, and considered by items. It was moved and seconded that Item 2 of the report be referred to the Committee from which it came for reconsideration. The motion prevailed.

Report No. 2 of the Committee on Oriental Fields was taken

from the calendar and, on motion, considered seriatim. It was moved by Miss Howell and seconded that the last item be amended by the addition of the words, "We further recommend that the need of Ginling be listed with the Centenary Commission to be given consideration when a surplus accrues." The report as a whole was adopted as amended. (See report, page 182.)

Mrs. Sheets, Secretary of the Beaumont District, Texas, sang "My Father knows the way."

The report of the Committee on Children's Work was taken from the calendar, considered by items, and adopted as a whole as read. (See report, page 236.)

Report No. 2 of the Committee on Home Base was taken from the calendar and considered seriatim. It was moved and seconded that Item 4 be amended by substituting "sunset hour" for "noon hour." It was moved to amend the amendment by substituting "the first waking hour" for the "sunset hour." The amendment to the amendment prevailed, and the report as a whole was adopted as amended. (See report, page 233.)

The report of the Committee on Literature was taken from the calendar, read, considered by items, and adopted as a whole as read. (See report, page 232.)

The report of the Committee on Young People's Work was taken from the calendar, considered seriatim, and adopted as a whole as read. (See report, page 234.)

The recommitted item of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, the second amendment to the amendment calling for a secretary in charge of rural, negro, and eleemosynary work, was taken from the calendar and read. The following substitute was offered for the last paragraph of the recommitted item:

Since the Council By-Law No. 15 says, "Bureaus may be created when new lines of work develop which shall require special supervision," we recommend the creation of a Bureau of Social Service, with a woman as Superintendent who is not administering other lines of work.

MRS. T. J. COPELAND,  
MRS. W. J. PIGGOTT,  
AND 26 OTHERS.

On motion, the item was further amended by substituting the word "benevolent" for the word "eleemosynary."

Mrs. Stephens took the chair.

It was moved by Miss Bennett that a committee be appointed to select a man or woman who shall serve as Secretary of Negro Work for the Council and submit the appointment by mail to the Council for vote. The motion prevailed.

It was moved and seconded that the substitute be further amended by striking out the word "Negro."

The point was made that the three amendments to the By-Law were before the body, and it was moved and seconded that Amendments 3 and 2 be stricken out and that, with the establishment of a Bureau of Social Service and the election of a Secretary for Negro Work, Amendment 1, touching the territorial division, be adopted. The motion prevailed.

Mrs. E. R. Hendrix was introduced to the body.

The report of the Joint Committee on Foreign Fields was read and considered by items. Items 1b and 3 were amended.

It was moved and seconded to reconsider Item 1 of the report of the Committee on Latin-American Fields, which had been passed the day before and which duplicated Item C, Article V of the report just adopted. The motion prevailed. On motion, Item 1 of the Committee on Latin-American Fields was stricken from the report.

The report of the Joint Committee was then adopted as amended. (See report, page 187.)

Report No. 3 of the Committee on Oriental Fields, concerning Korea, was taken from the calendar, considered by items, and adopted as a whole as read. (See report, page 184.)

Report No. 2 of the Committee on Mission Study and Candidate Preparation was taken from the calendar and adopted as a whole as read. (See report, page 231.)

Report No. 1 of the Committee on Home Educational Institutions and Social Service was taken from the calendar, considered seriatim, and the report was adopted as a whole as amended.

The hour having arrived for the noon recess, the body adjourned to meet at two o'clock.

*SIXTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.*

The afternoon session opened with Mrs. F. F. Stephens in the chair.

The devotional service was led by Mrs. Lee Britt.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

On motion of Miss Bennett, the action of the morning concerning the appointment of a Secretary of Negro Work was reconsidered.

It was moved by Miss Bennett and seconded that a Director of Negro Work be appointed, who shall execute the policies of a Commissioner on Negro Work. The motion prevailed.

The report of the Committee on Prayer was read by Mrs. E. P. Peabody and placed on the calendar.

The President resumed the chair.

Report No. 2 of the Committee on Home Educational Institutions and Social Service was taken from the calendar, read, and adopted as read. (See report, page 178.)

Mrs. H. S. Shangle, of the Northwest Conference, stated that on the basis of the pledges made by other Conferences the pledge of the Northwest Conference should be raised to \$1,500.

Report No. 3 of the Committee on Home Educational Institutions and Social Service was taken from the calendar, considered by items, and adopted as a whole as read. (See report, page 179.)

Report No. 4 of the Committee on Educational Institutions and Social Service, concerning coöperation, was taken from the calendar, read, and adopted as a whole as read. (See report, page 180.)

Report No. 6 of the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work, concerning change of name of Wesley House, was read and adopted as read. (See report, page 172.)

Report No. 7, concerning Centenary surplus, Report No. 8, concerning field worker for rural work, and Report No. 9, concerning endowed workers, of the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work, were read, considered by items, and adopted as read. (See report, pages 172, 173.)

Report No. 3 of the Committee on Home Base was taken from the calendar, read, considered by items, and adopted as read. (See report, page 235.)

Report No. 2 of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws was taken from the calendar, read, and adopted as read. (See report, page 231.)

The report of the Special Committee to Name the Scarritt Lectureship was read and adopted as read. (See report, page 247.)

The following report of the Committee on Survey of Educational Institutions was taken from the calendar:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SURVEY OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

Your Committee on Survey begs leave to report that a thorough survey of the institutions named in the instructions given by the Executive Committee has been begun; but owing to the necessity of thorough investigation of State constitutions, types of charter, and bases of affiliation requiring legal counsel, we have not had time to complete the task.

Your committee therefore begs for extension of time, with the hope that full and accurate data may be submitted at the next annual session of the Council.

We would also respectfully request the appointment of a committee of three representatives of the Woman's Missionary Council to handle legal questions affecting titles or constitutions, this committee to deal as representatives of the Council with such legal matters as may be referred to it by the Committee on Survey, and also to act as representatives of the Council in any similar matter that may be referred from the Board of Managers of the Scarritt Bible and Training School.

Respectfully submitted.

DR. ED F. COOK, *Chairman*;  
 BELLE H. BENNETT,  
 MABEL K. HOWELL,  
 MRS. HUME R. STEELE,  
 MRS. F. F. STEPHENS,  
 MRS. J. H. MCCOY.

The foregoing report, being first duly read, was, on motion, duly seconded, adopted, and the following were appointed as the committee therein suggested—namely, Mrs. L. P. Smith, Mrs. Luke G. Johnson, and Mrs. F. F. Stephens, with power and authority to handle legal questions affecting titles or con-



stitutions and to deal as representatives of the Council with such legal matters as may be referred to them by the Committee on Survey, and also to act as representatives of the Council in any similar matter that may be referred to them from the Board of Managers of the Scarritt Bible and Training School.

Report No. 2 of the Committee to Nominate Members to Fill the Vacancies on the Standing Committees was read and adopted as read. (See report, page 241.)

The report of the Committee on Scarritt Bible and Training School was taken from the calendar, read, amended, and adopted as a whole as amended. (See report, page 246.)

Report No. 10 of the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work was taken from the calendar and read and action thereon deferred.

The President, with expressions of appreciation for services rendered during the meeting, presented to Forest and Myrtle Fields, janitors of Central Church, an offering from the Council members.

Report No. 1 of the Joint Committee on Home and Foreign Work was taken from the calendar, read, and adopted as read. (See report, page 187.)

Report No. 4 of the Home Base Committee was taken from the calendar, read, and adopted as read. (See report, page 235.)

This report named the financial goal for 1920 as one million dollars, and, when adopted, the members joined in singing "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow," after which the President led in a prayer of praise.

The report of the Committee on Promotion of Prayer was taken from the calendar, read, and adopted as read. (See report, page 242.)

Report No. 10 of the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work, action upon which had been deferred earlier in the session, was taken from the calendar, read, and considered. It was moved by Mrs. McEachern to amend by substituting the following for the recommendation of the committee: "That the

minimum annual salary for deaconesses and city missionaries shall be \$900 and lodging."

It was moved by Mrs. Johnson and seconded to amend the amendment by making the minimum salary of a deaconess or city missionary \$900 and leaving the details to be worked out by the Deaconess Committee. The amendment to the amendment prevailed, and the report was adopted as amended. (See report, page 173.)

The deferred portion of the report of the Committee on Estimates of the Home Department was taken up and approved as follows: The appropriation for Virginia K. Johnson Home, \$10,639.30; the appropriation for the Door of Hope, Macon, Ga., of \$2,934, was substituted for the amount listed, \$1,700.

The preferred Centenary askings for 1921 for the Home Department, plus adjustments to be made, \$215,110, were approved.

The deferred portion of the Committee on Estimates for Foreign Work was taken from the calendar, considered, and approved. (See page 198.)

The total of the regular estimates and Centenary askings was referred to the Executive Committee because of the increase in salaries of missionaries.

The total appropriations for Cuba, \$48,799.68, Mexico, \$540.50, Brazil, \$5,361.50, Africa, \$4,550, and Scarritt Bible and Training School, \$52,000, with a grand total of \$295,549.68, were read and approved.

After a call to quietness, before the reading of the appointment of deaconesses and city missionaries, Miss Williams sang.

Miss Gibson presented the report of the Deaconess Committee, containing the appointments, and, after prayer, with the workers standing about the altar rail, Miss Bennett read the appointments. (See appointments, page 175.)

Dr. Ed F. Cook led in prayer for the workers just appointed, a brief charge was given by Miss Bennett, and the routine work was resumed.

The Home Base Secretary announced that the leaders of the Council Workers' Conference for the past three years had at her request acted as a committee to choose a leader for the

Workers' Conference for 1921, and that Mrs. R. L. Hobdy was the choice of the committee.

Miss Ruth Blanks read a telegram from Richmond expressing joy in anticipation of the visit of the Council in April, 1921.

Miss Case requested that the appropriations of the balance of the \$304,474 of Centenary funds for Latin-American and African Fields for the year 1920 and also for 1921 be authorized in order to meet, if necessary, the increase in salaries and outfits of missionaries. On motion, the request was granted.

On motion, the rule was suspended that Report No. 3 of the Committee to Supply Vacancies on Standing Committees might be read. This report was read and placed on the calendar. It was immediately read for action, and the nominations were ratified. (See report, page 242.)

The Committee on Racial Relationship was named by the chairman and ratified, as follows: Mrs. A. B. Smith, Convener; Mrs. Luke Johnson, Mrs. J. H. Piggott, Miss Estelle Haskin, Mrs. L. P. Smith.

Report No. 11 of the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work, concerning a uniform constitution for cities and towns having City Mission Boards composed of both men and women, was read by the Calendar Clerk.

It was moved by Miss Howell to amend Item 3 by adding to the *ex officio* members of the Board all Council and Conference officers and Annual Conference secretaries residing in the city. The motion prevailed.

The item on amendments was amended by the addition of the words "and the Woman's Missionary Council," and the report was adopted as a whole as amended. (See report, page 173.)

The report of the Committee on General Conference Legislation was read by Miss Gibson and put upon its passage at once. The paper was reread and adopted as read. (See report, page 248.)

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read, amended, and adopted as amended, as follows:

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

The Woman's Missionary Council to-day closes one of the largest and most interesting sessions in its history.

Apart from the consideration of the varied and extensive work enterprised by the Council, the success of this meeting is due to many happy circumstances. Among them is the fact that we have met in Kansas City, the home of our Scarritt Bible and Training School, our Institutional Church and Spofford Home, to many of us the fulfillment of a long-time dream, and last, but not least, the home of our beloved Bishop E. R. Hendrix, who since the beginning of our work has been our trusted friend and counselor.

We would thank Central Church, with its pastor, Rev. B. P. Taylor; the Committee on Entertainment, Mrs. Frank Witherspoon and her large and most efficient committee whose delightful lunches, beautiful flowers, and other appointments have anticipated our every wish with an ease and a graciousness that we shall not soon forget; the pastors of the Churches of Kansas City, who so generously opened their pulpits to us; to Rev. Frank Bachelor, pastor of the Southern Baptist Church of Kansas City, for a most interesting illustrated lecture on the Interchurch World Movement. To the City Mission Board, under the management of Mrs. J. A. Prescott, we are indebted for the delightful automobile ride over the city, a visit to Scarritt Bible and Training School, the Spofford Receiving Home, and the Institutional Church; to Mrs. N. J. Ackermann, her choir, and others who refreshed and inspired us with song; to Dr. O. E. Brown, MacDonell lecturer, 1920, whose masterful addresses on "The Christianization of Faith, Freedom, Wealth, Pleasure, and Vocation" have given us a new understanding of the possibilities involved in the relation of Christianity to these great realities; to Bishop E. D. Mouzon, for his strong message on Sunday; to Dr. W. W. Alexander, for his frank, forceful presentation of certain social conditions in the South; to Dr. Ed F. Cook and Dr. A. M. Trawick, of the Scarritt Bible and Training School, for their presence and encouragement. We are indebted to a large number of deaconesses and missionaries who have brought with them from the fields a freshness and an earnestness that are contagious, and to an unusually large number of visitors from all over the South, including many Conference and auxiliary officers. Among our friends we would especially name one of our oldest, Mrs. G. P. Hester, of Oklahoma.

We would thank particularly the Scarritt Bible and Training School for the beautiful reception and tea tendered us.

Among the most delightful experiences in a week full of good things was the beautiful and impressive pageant, "The Spirit of Scarritt," presented by the young women of the Scarritt Bible and Training School.

We would also thank the municipal officers, Captain James and

Lieut. Albert Keys, and the escort of policemen on our drive through the city, the street car conductors, telephone operators, and others for their unfailing courtesies, and, last, the faithful janitor and his wife, who have given us such constant and courteous service.

To all who have contributed in any way toward making this Council successful and happy we extend our thanks.

Respectfully submitted.

MRS. NAT G. ROLLINS, *Chairman*;

MRS. JOHN A. RICE, *Secretary*.

It was moved and seconded that, inasmuch as for lack of time the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work had been unable to consider Item 2, Report 4, of that committee, referred to it for reconsideration, the committee report on this item at the next annual meeting. The motion prevailed.

On motion, Items 3 and 4 of Report No. 4 of the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work were also referred to this committee, with instructions to report at the next Council meeting.

The Committee on Laws reported as follows:

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAWS.

The Committee on Laws reports that all memorials and resolutions have been reported out of committees, and that all calendar reports have been acted upon.

MRS. LEE BRITT,

MRS. B. F. LEWIS,

MRS. J. H. STEWART.

The report was accepted.

Miss Durham and Mrs. McClesky were appointed distributing tellers, and Mrs. J. W. Mills and Mrs. D. N. Bourne recording tellers, and the Council proceeded with the election of a Superintendent of Social Service. The ballots were distributed and the votes cast. Mrs. W. A. Newell, of Statesville, N. C., received a majority of votes. The motion was carried that the informal vote be made a formal vote and that the Secretary be instructed to cast the vote for Mrs. W. A. Newell as Superintendent of Social Service. The vote was cast, and the Secretary was instructed to wire Mrs. Newell of her election.

Mrs. D. L. Mumpower, of Wembo-Niama, Africa, was introduced to the body.

The annual meetings of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions and the Woman's Board of Home Missions were held.

The minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved as read.

The following telegram was received:

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., April 20, 1920.

*Miss Belle H. Bennett, Baltimore Hotel, Kansas City, Mo.:* The rest and quiet have worked wonders. Deeply grateful to you. Congratulate North Georgia Juniors. We will be with them next year in September. Amalia will marry Senpoe Tores, effective Methodist layman, and establish Christian home. She is evidence that God uses money backed by prayer. (Matt. xxi. 21, 22.) ELIZABETH LAMB.

All joined in singing the Council hymn. "I may not climb the heavenly steep," Dr. Cook led them to the throne of grace with thanksgiving for God's mercies and petitions for his help and presence in the work of his children and especially for the missionaries on the outposts of the work, and the Council adjourned *sine die*.

MISS BELLE H. BENNETT, *President*;

MRS. FITZGERALD S. PARKER, *Secretary*.

# In Memoriam

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**Mrs. W. E. Reed**

*For Many Years President or Corresponding  
Secretary of the Missouri Conference*

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It singeth low in every heart,  
We hear it, each and all,  
A song of those who answer not,  
However we may call.

They throng the silence of the breast;  
We see them as of yore,  
The kind, the true, the brave, the sweet,  
Who walk with us no more.

'Tis hard to take the burdens up  
When these have laid them down;  
They brightened all the joy of life,  
They softened every frown.

But O 'tis good to think of them  
When we are troubled sore;  
Thanks be to God that such have been,  
Although they are no more.

More homelike seems the vast unknown  
Since they have entered there;  
To follow them were not so hard,  
Wherever they may fare.

They cannot be where God is not,  
On any sea or shore;  
Whate'er betides, thy love abides,  
Our God forevermore.

—John W. Chadwick.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE TO THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL, 1920.

"If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatsoever ye will, and it shall be done unto you." (John xv. 7.)

Again we close the annals of a Council year, a year in which every nation of the world has quivered from the thunderous blows of the great tidal waves of sin set in motion by the forces of the terrible world conflict. Famines and pestilence have claimed their countless multitudes, and the blind passions of ignorance and greed have provoked continuous wars more barbarous than that which is fresh in every memory.

In our own favored land lynchings, riots, rapine, murder, lawlessness in all its forms stalk abroad; men sleep and wake with the sound of revolution in their ears and the fear of revolution, with all its horrors, in their hearts. We are yet groping through the aftermath of a struggle that drenched all Christendom in blood.

But through it all the Church of Jesus Christ is getting a deepened conviction of the sin of the world and of its own sin of disobedience through neglect and a new conception of what our Lord meant when he taught his disciples to pray: "Thy kingdom come; thy will be done *on earth.*"

Through the anguished cry of a "bleeding, suffering, heartbroken, exhausted world" God's people are hearing the Divine Voice saying: "Go tell the stricken nations that sit in darkness and the shadow of death, that I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Go tell the fearful and unbelieving of all lands to come unto me, and I will give them rest." And that Voice is sounding out through all the Church of God, and many souls are answering with gladness: "Here am I; send me."

Wonderful things are coming to pass in these latter days; many of them so small in their beginnings that they are like the parabolic grain of mustard seed, known only to the eye of faith.

I ask you to bear with me while I mention only two or three of these great forward movements, calling them, if you will, social service, civic righteousness, or Christianity in action.

### I. SABBATH-BREAKING.

Less than a year ago the Old Jerusalem Conference, in session at McKendree Church, Nashville, Tenn., "unanimously adopted resolutions decrying as evil the operation and use of freight and passenger trains on Sunday; the operation on Sunday of picture shows and theaters; the printing, circulation, and sale of Sunday newspapers; the play-



ing of professional baseball on Sunday; the operation of drug stores that are also soft-drink stands and department stores; and the carrying on of any ordinary business on the Sabbath."

The desecration of the Sabbath is a national sin. Three hundred thousand men make up the working force of the passenger and freight trains alone, that carry our *religious leaders* and our educated and cultured laymen and their families on business or pleasure every Sabbath day in this land of the open Bible. Conscience no longer utters its note of warning to the Church member habitually breaking the fourth commandment of the Decalogue. Its voice has been silenced too often by the reply, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath." The so-called higher critics of God's Word meet with scathing condemnation from these same loyal Church members, who themselves are living epistles of a ruthless *destructive criticism* of that same sacred Book.

## II. RACIAL GOOD WILL.

Through the clouds of race prejudice that have so long darkened the vision of men the Church is catching again a light from the apocalyptic angel flying in mid-heaven having eternal good tidings to proclaim unto them that dwell upon the earth, unto every nation and tribe and tongue and people. In our Southern States there are approximately ten millions of resident negro American citizens. They have acquired millions of dollars' worth of property, and they and their children have gotten their education, academic and industrial, in our midst; but surest of all, through immediate and friendly contact with the white race, which has two hundred years the advantage of them, in many of the cities, towns, and counties of these States godly men and women of both races are working out plans and policies for race relationships that will bring forth a spirit of Christian brotherhood such as the world as yet has never known.

## III. PROHIBITION.

It has been well said that "the prohibition of the liquor traffic is the greatest moral victory the people of America have ever won," a victory that is even now, in the first year of its achievement, bearing glad tidings of joy to the uttermost parts of the earth, a joy that will increase and grow as other nations and peoples put away from among them the unclean thing that has so long cursed the world.

Our Federal government is making every effort to enforce the law; but here, as with the enforcement of every sumptuary law, a courageous, outspoken public opinion must sustain the appointed officers and demand the conviction of those who defy and break the law.

The women of this Council and the splendid constituency they represent will not, cannot fail to do their full duty in every State and

Conference in which Southern Methodism has planted a house of worship or erected a family altar to have this law enforced.

#### THE INTERCHURCH WORLD MOVEMENT.

The Centenary Movement of Methodism has quickened the Protestantism of the world to a new venture of faith and a renewed impulse to go forward and take the world for Christ is stirring the hearts of the people. With foundation stones of prayer, stewardship, and life service, the Centenary made its appeal for a deeper consecration and a closer walk with God, to a Church membership that belts the globe and "on which the sun never sets." The response was like a great amen from hearts over which the Holy Spirit was brooding. The nation could but see and hear, and God's far-flung battle line of Protestantism, for the first time in all its glorious history, gathered itself together for a still greater endeavor.

The Interchurch World Movement stands, not for the unification of denominations, but for a close coöperation of all of God's forces for the salvation of all mankind from sin. The threefold purpose of the Movement as officially defined is: (1) To undertake a scientific survey of the world's needs from the standpoint of the responsibility of evangelical Christianity; (2) to project a coöperative community and world program to meet the needs arising from the survey; (3) to discover and develop the resources of life, money, and prayer required by the program fixed.

The Council and all of those it represents cannot fail to be a co-operative agency in this great movement. The work is but a progressive continuation of what it has been doing for years past, and as we move forward at His command we hear one say: "I know thy works; behold, I have set before thee a door opened, which none can shut."

#### OUR ADVANCE.

One year ago, when this body met in annual session in Memphis, Tenn., recognizing the fact that for the preceding quadrennium a ten per cent advance in each year's regular collections had been necessary to maintain the established work on home and foreign fields for which the Woman's Council was wholly responsible, we knew an advance in finances and membership must be made. To many of you this fact had come on your knees, and there could be no retreat. The great Centenary campaign was on, and possibly every member of every auxiliary in the Church and pledged her quota. But when, in the quietness that followed an earnest prayer for God's guidance and help, the treasurer called the roll of the Conferences, asking for an increase of fifteen per cent, almost without exception each delegate accepted the advance without a protest, and the answers came: "We will do it, or we will try." The good hand of our God was upon us, and when the

books were closed at the end of the year the greatest increase and the largest collections in the history of the woman's missionary organization were registered.

#### OUR MEMBERSHIP.

The greatest need of evangelical Christianity to-day, the greatest need of a sin-cursed world, is a *missionary Church*. Forty-two years ago the organization of a Woman's Missionary Society was authorized by the General Conference of Southern Methodism. The truest and bravest womanhood of the Church made up the membership of the little auxiliary groups that slowly gathered in the congregations for prayer, study, and work. The years passed by. Public and private meetings to inform and interest others were held wherever pastors were willing or where women had courage to stand on their feet and tell the story of a world's need. Tons of missionary literature were prepared and sent throughout the Church. Missionaries, men and women, came home from the fields and told the painful stories of degradation and sufferings of womanhood in the heathen lands. But forty-two years passed, nearly half a century, and to-day for the first time in all these years the report of the home base Secretary will show only *one-tenth* of the women of our Church enrolled as members of the Woman's Missionary Societies. And this means all the women of the Church who are missionary in spirit and are trying to obey that last command of our Lord.

"Go forward" (Ex. xiv. 15). "And the Lord said unto Moses, Wherefore criest thou unto me? speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward."

Members of the Woman's Missionary Council, the challenge, "Go forward and make the Church to which you belong a missionary Church," rings out to you. You can do it. Will you trust God and try?

The third paragraph of the constitution of the auxiliaries that make up the total membership of the Woman's Missionary Society declares: "Any one may become a member of this auxiliary by giving prayer, service, and a contribution to the annual auxiliary budget."

In all the Church, there are few women or men, who, if rightly approached, will not make a small financial offering and promise to pray for the unredeemed world, if it be only in the words our Lord taught his disciples to pray: "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is done in heaven." Magnify these wonderful words by placard and poster as the *missionary prayer of the Church* before the Sunday school, Epworth League, and Church congregation. To further strengthen this auxiliary propaganda the Council at this session should appoint a committee to prepare a loose-leaf manual with the great facts of the world's missionary endeavor in it and an outline in detail of the work at home and abroad in which our own Church is engaged. One or more of these manuals should become the property of

every auxiliary, to be used by a few selected men and women of the Church for four-minute talks, when or where possible, and for prepared addresses by laymen, quarterly or oftener, as may be arranged by pastor and auxiliary. Investigation of many Churches has shown that every congregation has a constituency two and one-half times its number. Do we not owe a missionary education to this constituency? This is one of our great *unoccupied fields*. Shall it remain unoccupied another half century?

The hour has struck, and it is with you, the members of this Council, to make the Church a missionary Church. Will you do it?

#### OUR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

A year ago, when the financial results of the Centenary campaign were made known to us, our hearts were filled with joy and gratitude to God for his wonderful goodness to us. The future was radiant with the light of answered prayer, as we thought of all that could now be done to build up the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour in the non-Christian lands. We had a right to rejoice and to rejoice evermore. But there are yet four years before us, during which it will be necessary to conserve and to persistently encourage the conservation of every iota of the splendid pledge that was made and to secure and train a force of workers to go out and carry the gospel to these dark fields. The continents come closer and closer together every year. The World War has lifted millions of men and women to a mountain top of vision, from which they have looked down on all the nations of the earth. There are no longer any foreign lands. The bonds of economic trade and travel and the wonderful inventions of Christian civilization have eliminated space and are truly making the world a neighborhood. But the vision of the ever-increasing need of the one thousand millions of human beings without Christ and without God in the world grows more and more heartbreaking and appalling as the Church is compelled to look upon it. Preachers and teachers, schools and churches, hospitals, physicians, and nurses are the outstanding needs in our every field. The secretarial reports will put before you a few of the most imperative and immediate demands of the missions and missionaries over which the Council has given them supervision.

#### OUR HOME MISSIONS.

Our homeland, with a conglomerate population of more than one hundred and ten millions of people, representative of every race and nation on the globe, is unquestionably "the greatest mission field in the world." Sixty-five per cent of this population is non-Christian and wholly unreached by the Church. Christian civilization makes its impress upon it, but Jesus Christ as Saviour and Redeemer is unknown to this great mass of humanity.

In 1919 there were 17,003,000 foreign-born people in our country, a large body of whom knew neither our language nor our customs. Many of these were idol worshipers from pagan lands, and all need the gospel and the fostering care of the Church. These are the people who could and should be made the great missionary force of the world.

If the Church of God in this crucial hour of history would but tarry until the Holy Spirit came with Pentecostal power upon it, this land would become the *missionary training school of the world*. Multitudes would go back to all nations, speaking with tongues touched with a coal from off the altar, able to witness for Christ to their own kith and kin as no foreigner of another race and tongue could ever do.

Hear the word of the Lord, "Ask of me, and I will give you the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession." The heathen are at our doors and in our homes. Who bids them welcome with the words, "You are my brother, and a loving God is our Father"? Our eyes look out through the daily newspapers on "the uttermost parts of the earth," and our hearts and voices answer: "We do not want this inheritance for our possession."

We want their commerce and their trade, and we give them in return the debauching evils of our own land. Who compelled China to produce opium for the world and thereby corrupt her own people? Christian England! Who taught her the hideous vice of sexual prostitution? Christian America and other Western nations. Who to-day is ruining the health and morals of the young manhood of all those Oriental nations with the poisonous American cigarette? Christian America! The Church must get back to the apostolic source of power, the baptism of the Holy Ghost, if she would meet her responsibilities in giving the gospel to the people of her own land.

The field is white unto the harvest. Lift up your eyes and look at the overripe bending grain all round about you. And hear the Master say again: "The harvest is white, and the laborers are few."

Everywhere cities, towns, and villages are storm centers of illegitimacy, illiteracy, and all forms of immorality that come from poor housing and overcrowding. Yet the human tide flows on into these centers.

The Interchurch Survey is revealing to us the fact that hundreds of towns and thickly settled communities in our States are without a church building, a resident preacher, a Sunday school, a deaconess, or a Church worker.

Twenty-eight years ago God gave a little group of missionary women of the Church, a Church even then working in nearly half the States of this great Union, a vision of these growing needs and multiplying problems. The women lifted up their eyes and looked, answering, "Here am I." The result was that more parsonages were built in the five years that followed than in all the first fifty years of American Methodism, and preachers and their families found homes and preached

the gospel in these newly discovered home mission fields. The work grew as the vision widened. Schools, city missions, Wesley Houses, rescue homes, Doors of Hope, Bethlehem Houses, work in mining camps and cotton mills laid the foundation of a great home mission endeavor. But always the cry rang out: "The harvest is white, but the laborers are few." We studied the home mission work of the Wesleyan Church in England and the work of our great sister Methodism in America, and we asked our General Conference to authorize in our Church the office of deaconess. The appeal was granted, and the trained uniform woman took her place of leadership in the home mission ranks.

The horizon still widens, and as the calls come from pastors and people, from cities and rural communities we turn again in importunate prayer to the Lord of the harvest, asking that he thrust forth laborers into the vineyard.

My sisters, we have never faced a more urgent situation. Our ranks are depleted, our workers falling by the wayside, while souls are dying all around us.

The Woman's Home Mission Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church has a magnificent body of 1,865 licensed deaconesses and 132 probationers in the homeland. The German Deaconess Association, whose work is hospital service, numbers 79. In addition to these, the Church has a deaconess force of 668 in Europe, making a total of 1,744. To this total may be added 705 students in training for graduate nurse work in the eight hospitals under the Woman's Home Mission Society.

That great Church is rich in training schools for the preparation of its workers. The Woman's Home Mission Society has four national training schools and four Conference institutions for training deaconesses and missionaries. One of these national training schools is for foreign-speaking workers.

We perhaps have no greater need in our Church to-day than for a well-staffed training school for foreign-speaking women. The colonies of Mexicans, Germans, Italians, and Slavonic people in Southern California, Texas, and Louisiana, and the large groups in the cities all along our coast line are due this from us; but they have pleaded in vain for it. Is it not time we took some action to meet this great need and to answer the heart cry of these people, "Watchman, tell us of the night," by the assurance that "the morning dawneth"?

A new era is on us, and we must have power from God to meet it. Shall we not make this meeting a season of communion with him, a time of humble confession of sin and of waiting upon him for the baptism of the Holy Spirit?

"Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be the glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus unto all generations forever and ever."

BELLE H. BENNETT.

## CONDENSED REPORT OF THE AD INTERIM MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE WOM- AN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL, 1919-20.

April 11, 1919.

The motion was carried that Miss Howell be authorized to notify the Building Committee of McTyeire that the Executive Committee approves the plan for the immediate erection of the faculty residence; that the \$6,000 (Mexican) now on fixed deposit on the field be used, together with funds to be raised by the alumni, the building to cost \$25,000 (Mexican).

April 28, 1919.

1. In view of the importance of the meeting the Home Secretary was authorized to wire Mrs. Johnson, a member of the Executive Committee of the Council of Women for Home Missions, to attend the Inter-board Conference of the Interchurch Movement to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, April 30 to May 1, 1919.

2. The following motion was carried: While we recognize that a Chautauqua would be a source of inspiration to the people of the French district in Louisiana, in view of the fact that this is the Centenary year we recommend that the plan for the Chautauqua be postponed.

3. Inasmuch as the recommendation for the Week of Prayer collection from the Home Department was lost from the committee report and not read before the Council, the following motion was carried: That the collection for the Week of Prayer, 1919, for the Home Department, be directed to the Wesley House, San Francisco, Cal.

4. On motion, Miss Helen Hardy was appointed Student Secretary for the year at a salary of \$1,200.

5. Mrs. Steele was authorized to employ Miss Ruby Van Hooser in summer conference work.

May 7, 1919.

1. The motion was carried that the Executive Committee shall not make a precedent of lending Centenary money before the money is in hand.

2. It was moved and carried that the Council shall provide entertainment for missionaries, deaconesses, and the Student Secretary at the Columbus Exposition for four days at three dollars a day.

3. Inasmuch as one of the six lots to be bought by Dr. Skinner for Holding Institute is not available for purchase, the motion was carried that Dr. Skinner be authorized to lease for a term of ninety-nine years lot 5 for the payment of taxes.

May 23, 1919.

1. The motions prevailed that the Council rent two buildings selected by the committee to house the missionaries, deaconesses, etc., while in Columbus attending the great exposition; that the business management of the two houses be placed in the hands of Mrs. Ross, and that a sufficient rate be charged for lodging to pay the expenses of an assistant for Mrs. Ross.

2. \$1,005 was appropriated from the Contingent Fund to meet immediate emergencies in Chihuahua, Mexico, for repairs and running expenses of Palmore College and boys' dormitory, described in letters received from Rev. J. P. Lancaster and Miss Mary Massey.

3. On motion, the Local Executive Committee accepted the plans and recommendations of the Local Building Committee in London for the new building at Sue Bennett School.

May 30-June 7, 1919.

1. Mrs. Steele was appointed to investigate the matter of the school at St. Petersburg, Fla., and report to the committee in mid-year session.

2. A special committee to consider the Scarritt lectureship ordered by the Council was appointed as follows: Mrs. Stephens, Miss Gibson, and Miss Bennett.

3. Touching action calling for Young People's and Children's Auxiliaries in the foreign fields, Mrs. Perry was instructed to send to the fields a copy of the action of the Council in annual session in 1918 concerning the framing of the Constitution and By-Laws by missionary societies in foreign fields.

4. The Oriental Secretary was instructed to make further investigations and to prepare a medical policy for Korea to be presented to the mid-year meeting of the Executive Committee.

5. The original action of the local Executive Committee to provide entertainment for the missionaries, city missionaries, deaconesses, and accepted candidates at the Columbus celebration for four days was approved. It was further ordered that entertainment be furnished the three Chinese students in this country who will have charge of the Chinese booth at Columbus.

6. The motion was carried that the Moka Garden embroideries to be put on sale at Columbus be placed in charge of Mrs. Pulliam, assisted by Mrs. Tsiang, and that their expenses be paid during the time of their service from the proceeds of the sale.

7. It was ordered that the Council remit the loss on exchange sustained by Ginling College for the current year.

8. Since Miss Sarah Warne's health justified her return to the work, the motion was carried that she be assigned to Mexico and that she be given a summer course at the Evangelistic Institute in California.

9. The following resolution was passed:

"Whereas the alumnae of McTyeire have started a campaign to raise



\$200,000 for the school, thereby making it possible for the Woman's Missionary Council to still hold the property; therefore

*"Be it resolved, That the McTyeire property shall not be sold."*

10. The committee recommended that the strip of land now available, adjoining the Normal School in Saltillo, Mexico, be purchased for \$7,700, and that the remaining half be purchased as soon as it is available.

11. Since the Church cannot hold property in Mexico, and since no foreigner living in Mexico can hold property without renouncing certain privileges, it was ordered that the new land to be purchased in Saltillo be held by Mrs. F. H. E. Ross as trustee for the Woman's Missionary Council.

12. The Oriental Secretary was instructed to write the Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union that we will be glad to allow them to use Dr. Hattie Love in their institution until our medical work is established, and that since our entire medical force has returned from Siberia we would be glad to have them work in the Margaret William Hospital also.

13. In view of the present situation in Korea, it was recommended that the furloughs of the Korean missionaries now at home be extended for study and that Miss Turner be sent to Japan for language study.

14. Miss Howell was instructed to sail for the Orient at the earliest possible time and to remain at least six months.

15. The Latin-American Secretary was instructed to make proper acknowledgment in behalf of the Council of a gift of \$2,500 from Mr. Baehr, of Cuba, and one of \$500 from General Gonzales, of Mexico.

16. The following was adopted:

a. The Contingent Fund, which must be held for emergencies arising during the year, shall not be appropriated by the Council in annual session.

b. A bulk sum shall be set apart each year by the Estimates Committee for appropriation during the Council meeting.

17. Mrs. Ross reported the gift of \$1,000 from a friend of the Council for the establishment of a day school at Sungkiang.

18. The motion was carried that the Administrative Secretary go forward at once with the establishment of the day school at Sungkiang.

19. The motion was carried that the three members of the Special Committee on Retirement and Relief present at the meeting be empowered to fix a pension for five persons whose names were before the committee.

20. Miss Haskin was empowered to select some one to be sent to Columbus to study pageants and demonstrations which should be adapted to use in our work.

21. Mrs. Ross was instructed to borrow money from the General Fund to meet the indebtedness on the *Young Christian Worker*.

22. The following resolution was passed:

"Whereas the Woman's Missionary Council in annual session instructed the Executive Committee to provide a fund from which accepted missionary candidates may be given special technical training; therefore

*"Be it resolved,* That the Executive Committee instruct the Estimates Committee to include in the annual appropriations an amount sufficient for the expenses of students recommended by the Candidate Committee for such training."

23. The motion was carried that Miss Noyes be sent to Dr. Black, of Atlanta, for medical examination.

24. Concerning coöperation in Latin America, with especial reference to the findings of the last meeting of the Interdenominational Council on Spanish Work in the Southwest, the following action was taken:

a. That we indorse the establishment of an interdenominational paper with an editor who shall devote his whole time to the work.

b. That we heartily indorse the establishment of a book depository, to be established where the paper is published.

c. That we recognize the urgent need of a Bible Training School for the training of Spanish-speaking religious workers, but must defer recommendation of the same until more definite information concerning policy and cost is given.

d. That recommendation concerning securing a Secretary for interdenominational work be deferred, pending information concerning the functions of such an office.

25. Concerning the purchase of property and buildings, the following action was taken:

a. All property purchased or acquired must have a legal examination by a first-class lawyer. A written statement of the lawyer's opinion and the abstract of the title of the property shall be filed with the deed.

b. All plans and specifications of buildings shall be submitted to the Executive Committee.

c. A local building committee of five shall be appointed by the Resident Executive Committee; in the building of a school, the Superintendent of the school; in the building of a Wesley House, the Head Resident of the settlement; and the President of the local Board shall serve on the committee.

d. Contractors' bids for the building shall be submitted to the local committee, with the Secretary of the Council present, if possible.

e. The local committee shall forward recommendations of bids to the Executive Committee for final adoption.

f. A treasurer of the local building committee shall be appointed.

g. Money shall be forwarded to the local treasurer upon recommendation of the local building committee.

h. Biweekly reports shall be made to the Administrative Secretary of the Council.

i. Last payment shall be held until building is accepted by building committee and the Administrative Secretary of the Council.

j. Final report of committee shall include itemized receipts of contractors and subcontractors.

26. The Administrative Secretary was instructed to investigate the value of the forty acres of land near De Land, Fla., bequeathed by Mrs. Julia Moore to the Woman's Home Mission Society, and to sell the property to the best advantage.

27. In accord with the policy adopted by the Council in April, 1919, Mrs. L. P. Smith, as a representative of the Executive Committee of the Council, was elected a member of the Board of Control of the following institutions: The Methodist Dormitory of the College of Industrial Arts, Denton, Tex.; the University of Oklahoma, at Norman, Okla.; and the State University of Texas, at Austin, Tex.

28. The salary of the Bible teacher in the Methodist Dormitory of Denton, Tex., was fixed at \$1,200 for the year, and an appropriation of \$600 was made for a Christian social service worker.

29. The motion was carried that \$2,700 be released from the appropriation for St. Mark's Hall, New Orleans, from the Key West funds, to complete the purchase of lots on Rampart and Governor Nichol Street property.

30. It was ordered that questions dealing with Interdenominational Federations of Missionary Societies shall be handled from the Home Base office.

31. It was ordered that questions dealing with Indian Work shall be handled from the office of the Secretary of Home Educational Institutions and Social Service.

32. Miss Case was authorized to see Mr. Maddin and arrange for the sale of the Anadarko property.

33. The committee indorsed the appointment of Mr. Crabbe as superintendent of one of the parental schools for delinquent children.

34. The following resolution was passed:

"Whereas the work at Piedras Negras consists largely of a social center in charge of a pastor; and whereas the work consists mainly of clubs and lectures for men and boys; therefore

*"Be it resolved,* That the Woman's Missionary Council request the Board of Missions, General Work, to take over the property and work at Piedras Negras."

35. The motion was carried that Mrs. MacDonell, Mrs. McCoy, and Miss Bennett be requested to attend a meeting concerning city surveys to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, June 10-12, under the auspices of the Interchurch World Movement.

36. Mrs. MacDonell resigned as a member of the Council of Women for Home Missions, and Mrs. McCoy was nominated as a member of the Council.

37. The following statement was made in regard to annuities: The Board of Missions as yet has no definite policy as to the investment of annuities—the money is never allowed to be included in the general funds, but is invested in bonds.

38. Mrs. Downs was appointed as the Council official representative on the Council of Women for Home Missions.

39. The following resolution was passed:

"Whereas the Christian Woman's Board of Missions has school property in Monterrey that it is offering in exchange for the property owned by the Woman's Missionary Council in San Luis Potosi; therefore

*"Be it resolved.* That the Council exchange Colegio Ingles in San Luis Potosi for the Christian College in Monterrey, and that this property in Monterrey be used for a boarding and day school for girls, and that the Board of Missions, General Work, be requested to make Instituto Laurens a school for boys."

40. In pursuance of the action of the Woman's Missionary Council in the annual session at Memphis, Tenn., empowering the Executive Committee to work out, in harmony with the policy of the Council, "the basis and further details of the lectureship established by the Council for the larger missionary education and enrichment and deepening of the spiritual life of the students in the training school and other workers connected with the Council," the following was adopted:

*b.* This lectureship shall be an extension lectureship for the spiritual upbuilding of the missionaries on the foreign fields.

(1) *a.* The basis of the lectureship to be known as the MacDonell lectureship shall be \$2,500 annually—the equivalent of five per cent interest on \$50,000 given and invested in real estate for missionary work in the home field. This interest shall be paid by the Home Department annually.

*b.* From six to eight hundred dollars of this \$2,500 shall be used each year to engage the services of a godly man or woman of experience, reputation, and spiritual power, who shall give a series of religious lectures to the students of the Scarritt Bible and Training School for their spiritual upbuilding.

*c.* The remainder of the \$2,500 shall be used to provide a similar series of lectures for the benefit of the Woman's Missionary Council, Church and State schools, summer assemblies, or for such other groups of religious workers as the Board of Managers of the Training School may direct. The principal aim of these lectures shall be a call to life service.

(2) *a.* The basis of the lectureship to be known as the — lectureship shall be \$2,500 annually—the equivalent of five per cent interest on \$50,000 given and invested in real estate (McTyeire School, Shanghai, China). This interest shall be paid annually by the Foreign Department.

Men and women of marked spiritual power shall be selected for

this service and shall annually visit the different mission fields to deliver a series of gospel lectures for this purpose.

41. The motion was carried that \$352.60 be appropriated for additional equipment for the High School of Irene Toland School at Matanzas, Cuba.

42. The following resolution was passed:

"Whereas \$2,000 appropriated in 1918 for improvements at Irene Toland School remain on the Treasurer's book as an unpaid liability; and whereas Miss Toland has made request for that amount to meet pressing needs in providing for the next school term; therefore

*"Be it resolved,* That the \$2,000 be sent to Miss Toland."

43. It was ordered that \$500 of the Centenary askings for Brevard be added to the preferred list approved by the Council in session in Memphis.

44. The motion was carried that the special committee appointed by the Council to draft an enlarged program for social evangelistic work on strategic city centers be requested to act in line with the plans of the Interchurch Movement for a survey of Home Mission work.

45. The Secretary of Home Educational Institutions and Social Service was authorized to reply to the proposition for joint ownership and management of dormitories that the Council has not yet such a policy.

46. The name of Mrs. McCoy was substituted for that of Mrs. MacDonell, and the names of Miss Haskin and Mrs. Johnson were added to the Committee on Enlarged City Program.

47. On the Committee on Study Course for Probationers the name of Mrs. McCoy was submitted for that of Mrs. MacDonell, and Miss Gibson was appointed to serve on the committee in the absence of Miss Howell in the Orient.

48. Miss Howell was authorized to investigate the opportunity of working in union with the Board of Missions in Beppu, Japan, and report to the Council.

49. The motion was carried that Mrs. MacDonell should accompany Mrs. McCoy in attendance on the meeting of the Home Mission Conference of the Interchurch Movement to be held in Cleveland, Ohio.

50. Three hundred dollars was appropriated toward the expense of the administration of the Home Mission Conference.

51. On motion, the following committee of five was appointed to make a survey of educational institutions within the territory of our Church in order to ascertain their relative valuation as related to missionary training: Dr. Cook, Miss Howell, Mrs. Stephens, Miss Bennett, and Mrs. McCoy.

52. The following committee was appointed to look into the matter of filling the lectureship for Scarritt Bible and Training School for the coming year: Bishop Hendrix, Dr. Cook, Mrs. Stephens, Miss Bennett, and Miss Gibson.

The motion was carried that the expense of the lectureship be met from the general treasury.

53. The motion was carried that a paper prepared by Dr. Cook for the Detroit meeting of the Religious Education Association on missionary education be printed for general distribution.

54. Details in connection with the house in Columbus were left in the hands of Mrs. Ross and Mr. Cassetty.

55. The following was adopted:

a. That the Adjustment Committee *Ad Interim* on Centenary Askings shall consist of the full Executive Committee of the Council.

b. That the duty of the committee shall be to pass on all additions of new items of the Centenary askings and the shifting of items already authorized by the Council.

56. The motion was carried that a year's salary, beginning June 1, 1919, be granted Mrs. R. W. MacDonell.

The following resolution was passed:

"Whereas Mrs. R. W. MacDonell has been appointed by the Joint Centenary Commission as Assistant Director of the Home Mission Building at Columbus and for months has been serving in this capacity; and whereas the success of this important work would largely be imperiled were Mrs. MacDonell to cease her activity in this work at this time when the celebration is so near at hand; therefore

*"Be it resolved,* That Mrs. MacDonell be requested to continue the work at Columbus during the remainder of the period of preparation and during the celebration itself."

57. The local Executive Committee was authorized to act upon the case of Miss Carson.

58. On motion, \$25 a month sick relief was granted to Miss Hasler.

59. A committee was appointed to investigate the need of Miss Wike for sick relief, and the motion was carried that if necessary she be granted \$25 a month for six months.

60. It was moved and seconded that the desired quitclaim deed be granted the people who bought land of the Anandarko property from the Town Site Company, paying in full for the land they received, but for which the Town Site Company failed to pay the Council. The motion was carried.

61. On motion, Mrs. Downs, Mrs. Smith, and Mrs. V. K. Johnson were authorized to handle the oil property in Texas to the best advantage.

62. Recommendations from the Board of Managers of the Scarritt Bible and Training School were read, amended, and adopted as amended as follows:

The Board of Managers of the Scarritt Bible and Training School recommend to the Woman's Missionary Council as follows:

a. That the services of Prof. A. M. Trawick, which have been authorized by the action of the Council, shall begin July 1, 1919.

b. That the Executive Committee authorize an expense not to exceed

\$200 in conducting the investigation authorized by the committee, of possible bases of affiliation between Scarritt Bible and Training School and some well-established educational institution.

63. The motion was carried that the above \$200 be taken from the Scarritt Fund.

64. At her request, Mrs. McCoy was excused from the committee to make a survey of possible bases for the school, and Mrs. Steele was appointed to succeed her on the committee.

65. Miss Howell was authorized to readjust Centenary askings for Japan in order to release \$10,000 for the Evangelistic Center in Oita.

66. Miss Case was instructed to authorize Bishop Moore to investigate the state of Miss Lily Stradley's health and if necessary to send her home.

67. The motion was carried that Bishop Moore be authorized to purchase, if possible, the property examined by Misses Bennett and Gibson in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

68. Miss Howell and Mrs. Ross were authorized to arrange for the payment of duty on Moka Garden embroideries.

69. Misses Howell and Case were authorized to study the situation and determine if there are other needs greater than those at Scarritt this year, for which the Council recommended the release of \$100,000 of Centenary askings.

70. Miss Howell was authorized to request the Board of Missions to give Miss Ida Shannon to the Council for Woman's Work in Japan.

71. Mrs. Downs was authorized to shift certain Centenary askings for this year to Holding Institute and the dormitory at the Oklahoma State University.

72. The motion was carried that a committee be appointed to appraise the property at Bello Horizonte and the Mineiro that we may come to an understanding of the proposed exchange of the property.

73. The expense was authorized for another woman to accompany the deputation to Mexico.

74. The following committee of five was nominated to frame a tentative plan, to hold until the next meeting of the Council, for a territorial division of the work of the two secretaries of the Home Department, this plan to be submitted by letter, with map including division, to the members of the Council for their vote: Mesdames Lipscomb, Downs, McCoy, Parker, Chappell.

The following appropriations were made to claimants on the Retirement and Relief Funds: Miss Lamb, \$500 for one year, sick relief; Miss Glenn, \$100 quarterly; Mrs. Brown, \$300 a year.

July 16, 1919.

1. Mrs. MacDonell's report of the sale of the Ruth Hargrove Institute was read and placed on record as follows: "The final settlement

of the sale of the Ruth Hargrove Institute, Key West, Fla. The sale price to the United States government was fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000). While Congress had the matter under consideration the property was rented on November, 1917, for three thousand dollars (\$3,000) plus insurance, taxes, and agents' fees annually, with the agreement that the rental would be counted in the purchase. In April, 1919, the sale was consummated when the final check was received. The cost of the sale was as follows:

Agents' fees .....	\$ 2,500 00
Lawyers' fees for the adjustment of titles satisfactory to the government requirements .....	606 00
Abstract of titles and revenue stamps .....	90 25
Surveys required by the government .....	25 00
Signature of one Mrs. Spivey to perfect title .....	100 00
Total cost of sale .....	3,321 25
Total accruing from sale .....	46,678 75

"This amount was placed at interest immediately upon receipt.

"Respectfully submitted.

MRS. R. W. MACDONELL."

2. The Secretary reported that the committee of five had, in obedience to instructions, made a territorial division of the work of the two Home Secretaries, outlining the same on a map which had been sent to the members of the Council with the request that votes upon this as a tentative plan to hold until the next annual meeting of the Council be returned at once. A majority of affirmative votes had been received.

3. The Secretary for Latin America was authorized to borrow from the surplus of last year, which is on deposit at four per cent, the necessary \$55,000 to complete the purchase of the property in Havana, Cuba, and thereby save the difference between seven per cent, the legal interest in Cuba, and four per cent.

4. \$495 was appropriated for the renewal of insurance on the Laura Haygood School, Soochow, China.

5. \$15 was appropriated for the government tax on nonresident alien, Miss Sophia Schalch, of Brazil, employed by the Council.

6. The Administrative Secretaries were authorized to draw on the Council each month for the Council's share of the janitor's salary at the Publishing House.

7. An appropriation not to exceed \$10 was made for the caretaker and the taxes on the property at San Luis Potosi, Mexico.

8. Announcement was made that "Centro Cristiano" had been chosen as the name for the settlements in Latin America by the committee appointed to select a name.

9. Authorization was given for an advance of one-half of the 1920 appropriation for equipping and furnishing the Chihuahua settlement.



10. Appropriations were made of \$50 for the attorney's fee, of \$2 for the fee paid the Secretary of State, and of \$5 for the Mexican Ambassador's fee in connection with the purchase of the Saltillo property.

11. A refund of \$12, the amount spent for medical books on tropical diseases, was ordered sent to Miss Kathron Wilson.

12. An appropriation was made from the contingent fund of \$16 for a fan and \$8 for an awning for Miss Haskin's office and \$13 for awnings for Mrs. Steele's office.

August 4, 1919.

1. The motion was carried that the Treasurer be authorized to meet insurance due on building in Sungkiang, China.

2. The work at Houma, La., being in the preferred askings of the Centenary, the motion was carried that the Council purchase the property, including a house, described by Miss Hooper, which could be had for \$8,000 and costs, a payment of \$2,000 down and the remainder to be made in annual payments of \$2,000 each until completed.

3. It was moved and carried that an amount not exceeding \$100 be appropriated from the contingent fund for the equipping of a small playground for boys at St. Mark's Hall.

4. The Secretary read a letter from Mrs. R. W. MacDonell declining to accept the gift of a year's salary proffered by the Executive Committee on June 6, but accepting salary for the month of July, which was spent in strenuous service at the Columbus Centenary Celebration.

August 19, 1919.

1. On motion, it was ordered that when the Centenary money is not in hand the Secretaries shall be authorized to borrow the money for buildings authorized by the Council and already enterprised.

2. The motion was carried that the \$1,000 promised conditionally to the Council of Women for Home Missions for war work or reconstruction work be paid.

3. The motion was carried that Mrs. Downs be allowed to change the work at Nogales, Ariz., from a grade school to a settlement, with all its activities.

4. The motion was carried that the Executive Committee appropriate \$150 from the Relief Fund for Miss Ritter, contingent upon the approval of the Committee on Retirement and Relief.

5. The motion was carried that full salary for Miss Noyes be continued until the mid-year meeting.

6. The committee rose that a meeting of the Woman's Board of Home Missions might be held. The Secretary presented the resignation of Mrs. R. W. MacDonell as General Secretary of the Board. This was accepted. On motion, Mrs. J. H. McCoy was elected to succeed Mrs. MacDonell as Administrative Secretary of the Board. On motion, the Home Mission Board adjourned.

7. The Training School faculty was requested to add French to the curriculum for the benefit of pupils who may want work in France, Belgium, or Africa.

September 1, 1919.

1. Mrs. Steele was granted authorization for \$37.50 for office files.
2. Mrs. Lipscomb was granted an advance of an amount sufficient to pay bill for pins and pennants.
3. The motion was carried that authorization be given Mrs. Downs to allow Miss Grace Gatewood stipend and vacation fund for August, 1919.
4. On motion, the plans for the Workers' Home and Kindergarten in Oita, Japan, were approved, provided the plans meet the needs of the missionaries and the expense of the building comes within the appropriation.
5. The motion was carried that Miss Ethel Newcomb be granted an extended furlough without salary.
6. Authorization was given Miss Case to meet the expense of Miss Markey, Miss Gill, and Miss Churchill in attending the Institute in Havana.
7. On motion, Miss Toland's request to come to the States for medical treatment was granted.

8. Mrs. Downs was authorized to borrow from the general fund \$1,000 of the \$5,000 of the Centenary appropriation to that work that the Fort Worth City Board might remove the Good Cheer Cottage from the Cantonment to the Wesley House. This cottage, which cost \$4,700, had been given to the City Board.

September 11, 1919.

1. Miss Case was authorized to attend the meeting, in Mexico City on October 5, of representatives of Congregational, Presbyterian, and Methodist Boards to adjust and exchange properties.
2. The motion was carried that the sum of \$2 be appropriated from the Contingent Fund for the signatures of the Governor and the Secretary of State on the duplicate power of attorney given by Mrs. Ross to Mr. Cox in securing the purchase of property in Saltillo, the original having been lost in the mail.
3. The motion was carried that \$4 be granted for the Mexican Ambassador's fee for his seal on the above document.
4. On motion, \$148 for 1920 was granted from the Contingent Fund for the salary of the teacher at Yoshida, Japan, this item having been omitted by the missionaries from the estimates from the field.
5. The motion was carried that \$303.75 for insurance in China and \$720 for insurance in Brazil be granted from the Contingent Fund.
6. On motion, \$11.95 was authorized from the Contingent Fund for copies of Dr. Speer's address, and \$21.51 for copies of the report of the Foreign Missions Conference for 1919.
7. The motion was carried that, in view of the unsettled political

condition in Mexico, Miss Case be authorized to temporarily transfer Miss Annie Craig, new missionary under appointment to Mexico, from Mexico to Cuba, where the need at present is great.

8. The motion was carried that an amount not to exceed \$375 be appropriated for necessary repairs on Instituto MacDonell, Durango, Mexico.

September 29, 1919.

1. The motion was carried that Houma, La., property, previously considered, for which authorization was given for the payment of \$8,500, be accepted at the price of \$9,000, with the understanding that \$500 to be realized from the pecan crop be refunded to the Council.

2. Authorization was given for the payment of \$4.90 to Dr. Skinner, Holding Institute, Laredo, Tex., for telegraphic messages sent by Bishop Cannon concerning Mexican work; for the payment of \$31.78 for Bishop Cannon's expenses to Washington to secure passports for missionaries to Mexico; and for the payment of \$148.40 to meet insurance in Susan B. Wilson School, Sungkiang, China.

3. The motion was carried that \$200 be sent to Colegio Palmore, Chihuahua, Mexico, for the purchase of typewriters.

October 8, 1919.

1. In response to the request from the League to Enforce Peace the Secretary was authorized to send telegrams to the Senators urging the immediate ratification of the Peace Treaty and of the Covenant of the League of Nations.

2. The motion was carried that the \$635 requested by Miss Lelia Roberts for the purchase of a Ford car to be used in the extension of evangelistic work in the vicinity of Saltillo, Mexico, be granted.

November 4, 1919.

1. The motion was carried that an appropriation not to exceed \$750 be made to provide suitable drainage for the building at Saltillo, Mexico.

2. The motion prevailed that \$10,400 be transferred from the Centenary askings for building in Saltillo to the purchase of the second piece of property in Saltillo ordered by the Council in annual session in 1919, and that the same shall be advanced from the General Fund.

3. The motion was carried that an appropriation of \$60 from the Contingent Fund for Mexico be made for the missionaries' travel to Conference.

4. On motion, \$210 was appropriated from the same fund for the salaries of teachers at Centro Cristiano.

5. The motion was carried that \$169.73 for the cost of transfer of property in Havana, Cuba, be advanced from the Centenary Fund.

6. The following resolution was passed:

"Whereas the house in Oakland, Cal., occupied by the Oriental Mission has been placed on the market for sale at \$3,000, the owner's financial need necessitating an immediate sale at this reduced price

and causing him to give the Council representative at that place only a brief option; and whereas it seems impossible to secure another building as well located and as suitable for the work; and whereas the Oriental Church and Mission are among the Centenary askings; therefore

*"Be it resolved,* That the necessary \$3,000 for the purchase of the house shall be advanced from the General Fund."

7. The resignation of Miss Virginia Howell, missionary to Brazil, was read and accepted with regret.

8. The motion prevailed that the Council meet Miss Virginia Howell's expense in returning home and her salary for the October quarter.

9. On motion, Miss Toland was given the use of the rent from Quinta Tosca to meet the expense of installing supplementary water supply at the school in Matanzas, Cuba, the city water supply being often uncertain.

10. The motion was carried that Miss Ingram be instructed to have a corrugated roof with new frame, which will make the building cooler, put on the school in Monterrey, Mexico, the expense to be met from the appropriation made by the Council in annual session for repairs, equipment, and incidentals at Monterrey.

#### Mid-Year Meeting, December 3-6, 1919.

1. The motion was carried that the Educational Secretary in charge of candidate work take up with the Conference Secretaries the matter of sending the professional candidate students of the Council to the Student Volunteer Convention to be held in Des Moines, Iowa, in January, 1920; that if the Conferences cannot bear the expense the Council shall meet the expense of these five students. Further, inasmuch as the registration fees to the convention must be paid at once, that the Council send on the fees. The Treasurer was instructed to take the amount for the expense of the registration fees from a special sum held for the President and that for the additional expense, if it should not be met by the Conferences, from the increase in the collections.

2. On motion, Mrs. Perry, as Superintendent of Young People's Work, was delegated to attend the Student Volunteer Convention.

3. The motion was carried that the Administrative Secretary, Miss Case, enter into correspondence with the missionaries at home on furlough, urging their attendance upon the Student Volunteer Convention, and with the Conference societies, requesting them to bear the expenses of any missionary from their respective Conferences that may be at home on furlough to this Student Volunteer Convention.

4. Miss Case was appointed Federation representative to the Conference of Woman's Foreign Mission Boards.

5. The following resolution was passed: "Inasmuch as a large number of women representing several denominations winter in St. Peters-

burg, Fla.; and in view of the fact that they have planned to conduct a winter school of missions covering both home and foreign lines of work, and such a school will give information and inspiration to leaders of missionary work in many States; and in view of the fact that the missionary women of St. Petersburg have asked the indorsement of the Woman's Missionary Council, we, the members of the Executive Committee, cordially indorse the establishment of the School of Missions and will commend it to the women of our denomination living in Florida and the near-by Conferences.

6. Miss Bennett, Miss Case, and Mrs. Ross were appointed representatives to the Conference of Foreign Mission Boards to be held in New Haven, Conn., in January, 1920, and these three representatives were requested to attend the meeting of the Federation of Women's Foreign Mission Boards and the meeting on Latin America, which immediately follow the Foreign Missions Conference.

7. Mrs. Lipscomb was appointed to attend the Interboard Conference of the Interchurch World Movement at Atlantic City in January, 1920.

8. Mrs. Johnson was instructed to attend the Council of Women for Home Missions.

9. The motion was carried that Mrs. Ross be instructed to write to Dr. A. E. Cory, Interchurch World Movement, that as the Woman's Missionary Council is not a corporate unity, but a department of the General Board of Missions, the Council is unable to underwrite for the expenses of the Interchurch Movement, but must abide by the action of the Board of Missions in all matters of finance or policy, and in accordance with the action of said body will bear its proportionate part of the expense of the survey of the South.

10. On motion, Mrs. Lipscomb was appointed Council representative on the local board of the School of Missions at St. Petersburg, Fla.

11. Mrs. Lipscomb was authorized to appoint the District Secretary residing in St. Petersburg as the local representative on this board.

12. The motion was carried that Miss Brinkley be released from appointment to Africa and appointed to China.

13. On motion, Miss Eva Hyde's request for an additional term of furlough for rest was granted on the same basis as former extensions granted her.

14. On motion, the Bennett Gymnasia was selected as the name for the new school in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

15. On motion, Miss Virginia Howell was granted \$50 a quarter for three quarters, if necessary.

16. The motion was carried that the building in Havana should be remodeled and the school opened at the proper time.

17. On motion, the selection of a name for the new school in Havana was left with a committee with instructions that the committee con-

sult with the missionaries on that field. Miss Case and Mrs. Britt were named on this committee.

18. On motion, an appropriation of \$50 for the notary's fee and \$10 for the expense of Mr. Clements in taking up the matter of the purchase of the *censo* on the property in Matanzas was granted.

19. An appropriation of \$220 was made for Miss Wynn's travel as Student Secretary in Mexico.

20. The motion was carried that, in conformity with a regulation of the Board of Missions, a bonus of \$85 should be granted Rev. J. P. Lancaster, principal of the school in Chihuahua, Mexico.

21. On motion, the action of the local Executive Committee on August 22, 1918 (page 63, Annual Report, 1919), touching the policy of the school in Chihuahua, Mexico, Section II., Item 1, requiring that the principal of the school should be a man, was rescinded.

22. It was ordered that the school in Durango, Mexico, be opened in the autumn of 1920, provided workers can be secured. The balance of the Contingent Fund for Mexico for 1919 shall be used to finance the school.

23. The matter of a general policy for the day schools and settlements in Mexico was referred to a committee with Miss Case as chairman, with instructions that the committee prepare a policy to be referred to the Council in annual session. Mrs. Tillett and Miss Haskin were added to the committee.

24. A special appropriation of \$800 from the Contingent Fund for Mexico was made to meet a deficit at Colegio Palmore, Chihuahua.

25. An additional appropriation of \$650 was made for the girls' boarding department of Colegio Palmore.

26. On motion, the selection of a name for the girls' school of Monterrey was referred to the committee named to select a name for the school in Havana.

27. Dr. Cook's request that an amount of money on hand in the Scarritt treasury be used to install an oil burner in the furnace and thereby meet a critical situation at the school due to the coal shortage was granted.

28. On motion, Dr. Cook's suggestion that this year the noonday Bible lesson at the annual meeting of the Council and the MacDonell Lecture Course at the Training School be combined was indorsed.

29. Miss Case was authorized to write Miss Noyes that the committee regrets that the condition of her health is such that their opinion is that she cannot again be recommended for work in Korea, and that because of the state of her health \$50 a quarter for three quarters, if necessary, will be granted her.

30. The motion was carried that the \$1,750 requested to cover the deficit at Holston Institute, Songdo, Korea, and the \$69.15 to cover a small amount due for exchange at Wonsan, Korea, be ordered sent out at once.

31. The motion was carried that Miss Howell be authorized to proceed with plans for a Union Normal School at Laura Haygood School, Soochow, China, and send plans for consideration to the Council in annual session.

32. The motion was carried that indorsement be given the plan recommended by Miss Howell regarding the establishment of a language school in the Wu dialect in connection with the Soochow University, and that until it should be needed the temporary rental of the Mary Black Hospital as a dormitory for language students be approved.

33. The motion was carried that the Council meet its share of the expense of the language school to be established in connection with the Soochow University.

34. The renewal of the insurance policy on McTyeire School for five years was ordered.

35. The motion was carried to defer granting Miss Howell's request that Centenary money for certain work in China, Korea, and Japan be advanced at once, until the first distribution of Centenary funds.

36. On motion, the request of Miss Howell that Miss Myers and Miss Rogers be permitted to visit the large settlements in Chicago and New York before returning to the Orient was granted.

37. Allowance was granted of a donation of \$1,000 to the Wesley House work, Biloxi, Miss., for which application had been made to the Board of Church Extension.

38. Owing to an inaccuracy in appropriations an appropriation of \$60 was made for kindergartner's salary at the Rosa Valdes Settlement and of \$3 for increase in day matron's salary authorized but not appropriated.

39. The request of Miss Marie Garrett, Bethlehem House worker, Augusta, Ga., for extra pay for kindergarten work was met by the grant of \$25.

40. A letter was read from the Corresponding Secretary of the China Woman's Missionary Conference, Mrs. Vong Pau Sze, expressing the appreciation of the society for the gifts brought back to it from the Council by Mrs. Tsiang, Zak Zu Nyok.

41. The shifting of \$2,500 from the \$6,000 appropriated for the Negro Vocational School to the erection of a home for Bethlehem House workers, Augusta, Ga., was approved.

42. The resignation of Mr. E. E. Bishop, Superintendent of Vashti Industrial School, because of ill health was accepted with regret and expressions of appreciation for his long and devoted service.

43. Miss Charlotte Dye, Morganza, Pa., was elected to succeed Mr. Bishop as Superintendent of Vashti Industrial School.

44. The motion was carried that, since the increase in cost of building has made the \$10,000 authorized from the preferred list of askings from Centenary funds altogether inadequate for the type of building

required at West Tampa (Rosa Valdes Settlement), and since there is a possibility that the \$10,000 for the clinic at Wolff Settlement, Tampa, may not be needed, the \$10,000 for Wolff Settlement be transferred to Rosa Valdes Settlement; that it be placed on the preferred list and that the needs of Wolff Settlement be considered from the Centenary surplus.

45. The following resolution was passed:

"Whereas, even though the Woman's Missionary Council has never assumed responsibility regarding the support of Methodist Institute, Richmond, Va., \$50,000 for that institution has been included in the Centenary askings of the Home Department of the Council; and whereas the Board of Managers of the institute has requested that the funds it is to receive from the Centenary go through the Home Department, General Work, of the Board of Missions; therefore

*"Be it resolved,* That Mrs. McCoy be authorized to take up the matter with Dr. Goddard and, if possible, arrange for the Department of General Work to take over this Centenary item, thus leaving the \$50,000 to be shifted to other objects in the work of the Council."

46. An appropriation of \$650 from the Contingent Fund was made for repairs necessitated by the increase in attendance at the Cuban day school conducted in Wolff Settlement.

47. Mrs. McCoy was authorized to bring before the Council a plan for coöperation between public schools, Y. W. C. A., and Y. M. C. A. in the educational and social work of the settlement.

48. The Secretaries were authorized to outline the leaflet setting forth the above plans for presentation to the proper committee at the Council meeting.

49. On motion, the Treasurer was authorized to pay from the increase for the year the salaries of two workers in China, the same having been inadvertently omitted from the estimates for 1920.

50. The motion was carried that Miss Case be authorized to lend the required number of desks requested by Bishop Cannon for a small day school to be opened under the General Board in Durango, Mexico.

51. On motion, Miss Case was instructed to permit Rev. R. C. Elliott, presiding elder of the Durango District, to use one or two rooms in Colegio MacDonell.

52. An appropriation, not exceeding \$160 from the Contingent Fund for Mexico was made for repairs, in order to preserve the roof of the cottage at Monterrey.

53. An additional \$300 office expense was granted Mrs. McCoy.

54. \$200 was shifted from the appropriation to the Negro Vocational School to the office expense of Rev. J. E. Reifschneider, Port Missionary at Galveston, Tex., to make his annual income equal to that of the past three years.

55. It was ordered that the dining room at Holding Institute be en-



larged in order to accommodate the student body, and that the expense be met from the balance now in hand at Holding Institute and a portion of the appropriation to the Negro Vocational School.

56. The motion was carried that the salaries of the doctor and the domestic science teacher at Virginia K. Johnson Home and Institute be increased to \$75 and \$40, respectively, these increases to begin with December 1, 1919, and to be met from funds already in hand at that institution.

57. An appropriation of \$10 a month was made for Miss Wike during her period of nurse-training; this was made from the special fund for that purpose, and the Secretary was instructed to borrow the money until the Estimates Committee could arrange for it.

58. The opening of the Negro Vocational School being impossible, Mr. Carle R. Crabb, appointed superintendent of this institution, was thrown out of employment; therefore Mr. Crabb was appointed to a place on the Brevard faculty, his salary and other expenses being met from funds appropriated to open the Negro Vocational School.

59. An increase of not less than \$300 in office expenses was granted Mrs. Downs.

60. The motion was carried and the committee appointed as follows to consider the report of the Committee on the Relation of the Council to Interdenominational Boards and Committees, referred by the Council to the Executive Committee, and prepare the report for the Council in annual session: Miss Gibson, Mrs. Downs, Mrs. Stephens.

61. A gracious letter of invitation from Mrs. J. W. Spivey, to missionaries and deaconesses suffering from rheumatism, to come to her home in reach of treatment in the mineral baths at Marlin, Tex., was read. On motion, the Secretaries were instructed to give this invitation to the workers.

62. Plans for the annual meeting were considered. Wednesday, April 14, 1920, was fixed as the opening day of the annual meeting. The program was outlined. Mrs. Stephens was appointed timekeeper. On motion, Mrs. Luke Johnson was appointed Calender Clerk. Miss Haskin was appointed Editor in Chief and Mrs. Chappell and Deaconess Emma Olmstead Assistant Editors of the Council *Bulletin*.

63. Concerning Council specials, the following action was taken: In accordance with the Council policy of granting in occasional instances the taking of special objects of support by individuals, auxiliaries, districts, or Conferences, we recommend:

a. That all money collected for specials shall be used for those objects directly authorized by the Council. In case any individual, auxiliary, district, or Conference desires to direct an offering to some particular activity in Council work, arrangements to that end shall first be made with the Executive Secretary in charge of the field in which the activity is located.

b. That, since confusion has arisen in some places in regard to the offerings made through the Centenary, a clear statement shall be made by the Council concerning the Centenary offerings and the Council funds, as follows: Because of the absolute necessity for using all regular Council funds for the Council work, no auxiliary shall turn any of its funds to a Centenary special. Neither shall any auxiliary join with other organizations of the Church in taking a Centenary special for support.

64. The motion was carried that the Recreation Home at Lake Junaluska, for deaconesses and missionaries, shall be built if the Estimates Committee can find it possible to supply the necessary funds.

65. The following were appointed members of the Council on the Council of Women for Home Missions: Mrs. T. J. Copeland, who shall serve on the Committee on Study Book and Literature; Mrs. Luke Johnson, who shall serve on the Committee on Summer Schools; Mrs. J. W. Downs; Mrs. J. H. McCoy, who shall serve on the Committee on Interdenominational work; Miss Belle H. Bennett; Mrs. Lee Britt; Mrs. H. R. Steele, who shall serve on the Committee on Schools and Colleges; Miss Estelle Haskin, who shall serve on the Committee on Immigration; Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb.

66. On motion, a committee to draft a policy on negro work and report to the Council in annual session was appointed as follows: Miss Haskin, Mrs. McCoy, Mrs. Downs, Mrs. Tillett, Mrs. Parker.

67. The motion was carried that the Executive Committee recommend to the Council an increase to fifty cents in the subscription price of the *Young Christian Worker*.

68. The motion was carried that appropriation for the Wesley House at Fort Worth, Tex., should be increased \$200 for the present year.

69. The following resolution was passed:

"Whereas the opening of the school in Rio de Janeiro and the consequent removal of the faculty, student body, furnishings, etc., from Petropolis to Rio will incur expense for modifications in the buildings of the new school, equipment of the same, moving expenses, and increase in salaries of missionaries, for which no appropriation has been made; therefore

*Be it resolved*, That the balance in the treasury in Brazil from the sale of the Mineiro property at Juiz de Fora be applied to these expenses."

70. The motion was carried that Miss Shaffer be put on full missionary salary beginning with the December quarter.

71. The motion was carried that Mrs. Downs be added to the committee concerning an enlarged city program and that Mrs. McCoy be made the convener of the committee.

72. On motion, a committee was ordered to deal with vested funds, and the following committee was appointed: Mrs. Ross, Mrs. McCoy, Mrs. Downs, Miss Haskin, and Miss Case.

73. On motion, the request of Miss Bennett that the \$300 given several years ago by herself and now held in savings deposit be transferred to the annuity account as an annuity for a friend and the money invested in chairs for the woman's hall at Lake Junaluska was granted.

74. The matter of territorial division in the Home Department was referred to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

75. The motion was carried that Miss Billingsley's retirement stipend shall be borne jointly by the two departments of work.

January 2, 1920.

1. The motion was carried that all insurance in force be increased thirty-five per cent.

2. On motion, Miss Case was authorized to pay insurance premiums of \$394.80 on property in Huchow, China, and \$769.50 on Colegio Palmore, Chihuahua, Mexico.

3. The resignation of Miss Beverly Cain as a missionary under the Foreign Department of the Council was regretfully accepted.

4. The motion prevailed that a sufficient sum less the amount for rent, etc., be allowed for necessary repairs on Quinta Tosca, Matanzas, Cuba.

5. On motion, full travel expense for her outgoing trip to China was granted to Miss Elizabeth Love, who went out as a contract teacher, but has since become a regular missionary.

January 21, 1920.

1. The following recommendations for an increase of insurance on home mission buildings were adopted: Vashti, from \$12,200 to \$29,000; Biloxi Wesley House, from \$4,500 to \$7,000; Bethlehem House, Augusta, Ga., from \$1,200 to \$3,000; Wolff Mission, Tampa, Fla., from \$4,650 to \$7,500; Paine Annex, Augusta, Ga., from \$29,000 to \$35,000; Brevard Institute, Brevard, N. C., from \$42,000 to \$53,000.

2. The motion was carried that \$10 a month be granted to complete the stipend of Miss Womack.

February 21, 1920.

1. Mrs. McCoy was authorized to take up the option of \$4,500 on a piece of property in Key West upon which the Wesley House and Cuban school may be located. The property is 150x60 feet and includes a seven-room frame American house and a four-room Cuban house. A few minor changes will make both houses available. Provision for the purchase of property for the settlement work in Key West has been made from a portion of the proceeds of the sale of the Ruth Hargrove Institute.

2. Inasmuch as the workers at Vashti Industrial School have no means of transportation, the motion was carried that Mrs. McCoy be instructed to authorize Miss Dye, principal of the school, to purchase a Chevrolet truck for \$850, with a credit for \$100 on the old, unusable Mitchell truck, the amount to be taken in part from the unused appropriation for Vashti for 1919 and the remainder from the Vashti Repair Fund.

3. Mrs. McCoy was instructed to sell for the best possible price a small house in Thomasville, Ga., belonging to Vashti Industrial School.

4. Mrs. McCoy was given authorization for the purchase and removal of a cottage to be used for a day nursery at the work in West Tampa, and for the duplication of the open-air gymnasium now in Ybor City.

5. Mrs. McCoy was given authorization to purchase for \$200 a lot 60x80 feet adjoining the Bethlehem House property in Augusta, Ga., upon which to build the home for the workers. The building of a home was authorized by the committee in mid-year session. Since it has been impracticable to build on the Bethlehem House lot, the purchase is necessary and shall be covered by the rental money appropriated for 1919.

6. On motion, the provisional appropriation for Quinta Tosca, Matanzas, Cuba (\$40), was applied to repairs outside of the building.

7. On motion, the request of Miss Case was granted that \$900 appropriated for a new missionary to Mexico be shifted to meet the call from Miss Roberts for an additional appropriation for current expenses at Saltillo, Mexico, the appropriation for current expenses having been scaled to the limit at the time it was made.

8. On motion, Miss Norwood Wynn was allocated to the Centenary work in Mexico for the time of the campaign.

February 26, 1920.

1. The motion was carried that Miss Howell's statement of the arrangement for the settlement of the sale of two-thirds of the McTyeire property, Shanghai, China, to the Board of Missions, General Work, for \$178,441.82 (gold), that being the amount fixed by the committee of specialists appointed to appraise the property, be accepted and that Miss Howell be empowered to go forward with the settlement. That the McTyeire debt might be wiped out as soon as possible, Miss Howell was instructed to ask the Board to make an immediate settlement.

2. In view of the emergency at Holston Institute, Songdo, Korea, created by Miss Wagner's sudden call home because of illness in her home, thereby leaving the school without a principal, Miss Howell was authorized to communicate with Miss Nichols in regard to her return to Korea when her furlough is but half spent.

3. The motion was carried that Miss Murial Smith, for six years a contract teacher in charge of the music department at McTyeire School, Shanghai, China, be granted traveling expenses to America and furlough salary with the understanding that she will return to the work at McTyeire at the close of her furlough.

4. At the request of the Committee on Enlarged City Program, Miss Gibson was added to that committee.

5. The Secretary of Oriental Work was authorized to send at once as an emergency bonus \$100 to each missionary now in Japan.

6. Miss Haskin was authorized to employ an assistant at \$70 a

month to take charge of the mailing list of the *Young Christian Worker*, and until further provision could be made to finance this worker to use a portion of the unused amount granted her for posters.

7. The Administrative Secretaries of the Home Department were authorized to use unused appropriated funds in the Home Department to pay travel to and from the Workers' (Deaconess and Missionary) Conference of one worker from each mission supported by the Council.

8. The motion was carried that the necessary amount, not exceeding \$150, be transferred from an appropriation for foreign study in the Home Department to the use of two workers from Warioto Settlement, Nashville, Tenn., who wish to take up other lines of study.

9. The motion was carried that the Executive Committee recommend to the Council that the school at Nogales, Ariz., be discontinued.

10. Mrs. J. W. Downs was instructed to attend the meeting of the Permanent Interdenominational Council on Spanish-Speaking Work to be held in Los Angeles, Cal., March 11-13, 1920.

11. The motion was carried that the Executive Committee recommend that Miss Case be instructed to go to South America with Bishop Moore in June, 1920.

12. It was ordered that an appropriation be made for the necessary expense of a meeting of the Committee on Enlarged City Program.

March 24, 1920.

The motion prevailed that Miss Mary De Bardeleben be added to the editorial staff of the Council *Bulletin*.

April 5, 1920.

1. Authorization was given Mrs. McCoy for placing contract for erection of gymnasium and day nursery at Rosa Valdes Settlement, Tampa, Fla., with Valenti Brothers. Contract price, \$7,500.

2. The motion prevailed that Judge Harris be empowered to make the necessary deed for the transfer of the Warren property, Key West, Fla., the purchase of which was authorized by the Executive Committee.

April 14, 1920.

1. The plans, specifications, and contract for the Methodist Girls' Dormitory at the State University, Norman, Okla., to be erected at a cost of \$98,000, the same being in the preferred list of Centenary askings, were accepted.

2. It was ordered that an architect should be employed to supervise the building.

3. The motion was carried that Mr. J. A. Mercer, of Norman, Okla., be invited to serve as an advisory member of the local building committee of the Girls' Dormitory.

4. A committee composed of Mesdames Ross, Tillett, and Britt was

appointed to serve with Mrs. Downs in going over the plans and specifications for the above building.

5. The Administrative Secretary for Latin-American and African Fields was authorized to invite Mrs. Mumpower to attend the Council meeting and confer with the candidates appointed to Africa.

6. The resignation of Miss Elizabeth Love, missionary to China, was accepted with regret.

7. The following resolutions were passed:

"(a) Whereas the Relief and Retirement Fund has reached the amount of \$96,832.54; and whereas the gifts from the auxiliaries are adding to this fund each year—therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the interest on these funds be hereafter used for the beneficiaries and that the estimates for 1920 include this amount.

"(b) *Concerning vested funds.*

"Whereas conference and correspondence with other boards have developed the fact that these boards unanimously hold that an annuity must be held as an invested fund until the death of the annuitant, and that the use of such funds is considered financially unsound, one large board having a by-law debarring the use of the principal until the death of the annuitant; and whereas the following legal opinion was obtained:

"1. *Annuities.*—Sums arising from annuities should be kept as a separate trust fund, the corpus invested and the income collected separately from the general funds of the Board and used to pay annuities contracted for until the death of the annuitant, after which they may be converted into the general funds of the Board.

"2. *Bequests Directed to Special Objects.*—These funds should be kept separate, invested, and the income used for the purpose specified in the bequest.

"3. *Endowed Scholarship.*—This fund should be kept separate, invested, and the interest used for the purposes indicated by the donor.

"4. *Retirement and Relief Funds.*—Both of these funds are for the purpose of assisting broken-down and worn-out missionaries when they are no longer able to do active service. These funds should likewise be kept separate and the income used for the purposes for which the funds were given.

"5. *City Mission and Educational Endowment Fund.*—This fund should likewise be kept and invested as other trust funds, the income used for the purposes specified in the gifts.

"The Board should not borrow trust funds in its hands, but they should be otherwise safely invested. Therefore be it

*Resolved*, That all trust funds shall be kept separate from the general funds, invested separately, the income collected separately, and applied to the purposes for which the gifts were made.

Mrs. FITZGERALD SALE PARKER, *Secretary.*

## REPORTS.

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### DEACONESS AND CITY MISSION WORK AND HOME MISSION EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND SOCIAL SERVICE.

MRS. J. W. DOWNS AND MRS. J. H. M'COY, COÖRDINATE SECRETARIES.

In June, 1919, on the resignation of Mrs. R. W. MacDonell as one of the Secretaries of the Home Department, Mrs. J. H. McCoy was elected her successor. The work under the joint administration of Mrs. Downs and Mrs. McCoy was tentatively divided into two territorial areas, with Mrs. Downs in charge of the Western and Central Division and Mrs. McCoy in charge of the Eastern and Gulf States Division. The Executive Committee in approving the plan of division did so with the provision that it was to be presented to the Council at the next annual session to be accepted, rejected, amended, or substituted. The annual report of the Home Department, under the Territorial Plan, must be, of necessity, a joint report as the two Secretaries have each administered all the types of work under the control of the Woman's Missionary Council.

### EFFECTS OF THE CENTENARY IN THE HOMELAND.

The coming of the Centenary, with its marvelous revelation of the Church's untouched resources in sacrificial offerings of money, time, and life, has quickened into a flaming fire the zeal of those who daily labor and pray for His kingdom to come on earth. The education and self-revealing results and the increase of financial resources are multiplying the labors and responsibilities of administration, even while energizing the undertaking of new policies and enterprises. The General Survey has revealed dire need for Christian social evangelism in vast population areas. Methodism has taken an inventory of her resources and of her achievements, and the unavoidable conclusion, based upon what we have the power to do, what our responsibilities demand we should do, and what we actually have done, is not conducive to self-laudation. The Centenary offerings amounting to pledges of between forty and fifty millions of dollars might be interpreted as a step toward reparation on the part of a conscience-stricken Church beholding how far short it has fallen in doing the will of our Lord.

The askings of the Home Department, Woman's Work, amount to \$1,500,000.

### THE INTERCHURCH MOVEMENT.

The failure of the Allies to overcome the Germans under the policy of each nation working out its own plan of attack according to its

own resources and national conceptions, and the success of the unified command with complete national coöperation, has inspired the Protestant world to attempt more complete coöperation than has been heretofore undertaken. Coöperation conserves the energies and resources of the Church, and terminates the day of destructive denominational rivalries. "Competition is the life of trade" is a commercial axiom, but the altruistic enterprises of the Church die under commercial methods. Cooperation, federation, and even unification of evangelical bodies mark the great Protestant religious movements of the day. In the judgment of many Christian leaders the statesmanlike plans of the Interchurch Movement have a larger significance to the world-wide field than any movement since the Reformation.

#### BOARD COÖPERATION.

The Woman's Missionary Council is not a reactionary body. It is alive to the signs of the times. The Home Department of the Council wishes to have its part in the great coöperative movements of the day and desires to avoid wasteful competition by wise coöperation with other Christian agencies and by proper territorial assignments in our home missionary field.

In order to meet the needs of the community as a whole, we earnestly trust the City Mission Boards of the future will be instruments of Christian benevolence uniting the efforts of the strongest of the laity of both sexes. Boards of City Missions composed of women alone, or of men alone, are not competent to command the resources of both men and women in money, time, and leadership. Settlement work directed by men alone, or by women alone, is not likely to be adequately staffed to attract both men and women.

#### COÖPERATING AGENCIES.

The public school authorities are ready to help the settlement as far as fundamental limitations will permit. Where our Community Houses have playgrounds attached, in some cases the city department of education will supply and pay the salary of a playground teacher. The Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. will gladly supply volunteer instructors in athletics, when they can do so. The Red Cross is frequently in a position to render assistance in community nursing and in the clinic.

#### THE SETTLEMENT HOUSE.

The day of the small Wesley House in the large city is past. The Settlement House or Community Center of the future should certainly approximate in outlay of money and in the staff of workers the ward or district school. Substantial brick, stone, stucco, and even steel-concrete buildings should replace the shabby wooden structures of the present and past decades. Experts to work among the various classes



of boys, girls, men, women, and little children; friendly, devout, well-trained leaders are needed.

#### THE COMMUNITY CHURCH.

To conserve the spiritual resources developed through the welfare work of the Settlement House, a true place of worship of the living God must be provided, with a true pastor of the flock, himself an expert in work among the type of people with whom he labors. The staff of the Settlement Home and the Community Church pastor must work hand in hand, if the end sought is to be achieved—namely, the incarnation of Jesus Christ in the life of the individuals and of the community. The complex nature of our home mission work demands men specifically trained for pastoral work among special groups. A cotton factory pastor will not usually do his best work in a coal-mining district, nor can a city mission pastor do his best work on a rural circuit. May our leaders take thought of this proposition!

#### THE RURAL SITUATION.

Unless our two mountain schools, Brevard and Sue Bennett, and our French Mission in La Fourche and Terre Bonne Parishes can be called rural work, the Woman's Missionary Council has no missionary work among our country people.

About sixty per cent of the population of the South is rural or living in towns of less than five thousand inhabitants. More than sixty per cent of the negro population of the South still lives in the country.

Health conditions among the submerged country population are worse than in the cities, immorality prevails among the lower classes to an equal, if not greater, extent, and the country Church is failing to hold the fruits of evangelism of past days.

The English followers of John Wesley were industrial workers, resident in great cities. American Methodism has sent the circuit rider as a pioneer in education and religious awakening into the wilderness. We are the descendants of country people. The Anglo-Saxon city population in the South is largely the country transplanted.

Our country Churches are dying. The lone circuit rider is not able to hold the fort. Is it not time to think of woman's work in Home Missions as interwoven with the dying country Church and the unevangelized ones who live in the lonely isolation of the small tenant farm?

We recommend consideration of this situation by the Committee on Home Work.

#### THE PROBLEM.

Our City Mission problem, and to some degree our rural problem, may be divided into three homogeneous population groups—the negro, the native white, and the foreigner. About fifty per cent of the negroes

of the Southern States, or 4,500,000, are in desperate need of social, educational, and religious evangelism. About 1,500,000 native whites need religious and educational regeneration. Including the Mexican Border population, nearly two million foreigners are calling to Protestant agencies for the bread of life. Fully fifty per cent of this population of approximately 8,000,000 is in towns and cities of over five thousand inhabitants. The urban tendency is growing to such an extent that it looks as if in a quarter of a century our city congestion will approximate that of the Eastern States.

It is time for the South and the West to awake to the magnitude of our Home Mission task.

### Western and Central Division.

#### THE WORK OF 1919.

From June 15 to September 27 the Secretary remained in the office; from September 27 to November 27 she was in Texas with her little daughter, who was seriously ill. The work was not allowed to suffer to any great extent, however, due to the untiring efforts of Mrs. McCoy and other Secretaries.

The work of the Western and Central Division has been conducted under sixteen City and District Mission Boards in twelve Wesley Houses and four Coöperative Homes. Oriental work on the Pacific Coast has been carried on by Superintendents Rev. and Mrs. William Acton. There are eight organized Churches, seven Korean and Japanese pastors. One Bethlehem House under the supervision of deaconess and one dormitory at a State school are other institutions. Individual workers are: Nine Church deaconesses, one port missionary, one teacher in Scarritt Bible and Training School, one Bible teacher in Mexican school, one teacher at the head of the Bible Department of a State school.

The statistical report in full will be in the Annual Council Minutes.

#### *Schools.*

In this division there are seven schools with twenty-seven teachers and nine hundred and thirty-four pupils, located as follows: Sue Bennett Memorial School for Mountaineers, at London, Ky.; Holding Institute, at Laredo, Tex., and Nogales School, at Nogales, Ariz., for Mexicans; Virginia Johnson School, at Dallas, Tex., for delinquent girls; two language schools for Koreans and one for Japanese on the Pacific Coast.

#### *Coöperative Homes.*

Four Coöperative Homes, located in Houston, Tex., Waco, Tex., San Francisco, Cal., and Lexington, Ky., have been operated with six trained workers caring for five hundred and ninety-seven girls, whose

meager salaries made it impossible for them to have substantial food and a home in respectable living quarters.

#### *Wesley Houses.*

In the twelve Wesley Houses are sixty-nine trained and two hundred and twenty-seven volunteer workers. These minister to fifty-two thousand five hundred people in twelve communities. There were eighty-nine organized clubs with two thousand four hundred and eleven members, twelve clinics in which were treated seven thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven patients, five day nurseries caring for two hundred children, thirteen kindergartens with eight hundred and eighty-six pupils, five night schools with sixty pupils, four Daily Vacation Bible Schools with seven hundred and sixty pupils and one hundred and forty-five teachers.

#### *Bethlehem House.*

The Bethlehem House at Nashville, Tenn., was under the supervision of a deaconess who was assisted by five paid and fifty-four volunteer workers. There were two kindergartens with an enrollment of one hundred and thirty-two children, representing one hundred and twenty homes, eight industrial classes with an enrollment of one hundred and sixty-five and twenty-six volunteer teachers, eleven clubs with three hundred and eighty-five members and twenty-eight volunteer helpers.

#### *Church Deaconesses.*

Ten Church deaconesses served in this department. They report seven thousand one hundred and thirty-nine visits made, two thousand one hundred and one meetings attended, four hundred and ninety-one meetings conducted and addressed, with prayers held in homes four hundred and seventy-two times.

#### *Other Teachers and Workers.*

Deaconess Mary Ora Durham was added to the faculty at Scarritt Bible and Training School and has the Department of Church Method and Missionary Administration. Miss Frances Denton teaches Bible at Holding Institute. Miss Helen Stafford is head of the Bible Department at C. I. A., Denton, Tex. Mr. Reifschneider is Port Missionary at Galveston, Tex.

The story of the year's work is one of growth and enlargement.

The new building at Sue Bennett in which will be housed the high school, chapel, library, and domestic science is nearing completion. The seats for the chapel have been ordered, and the commencement exercises will be held in the auditorium.

The number of students enrolled this year almost reached the limit

set by the Council. The laws enacted by the recent session of the Kentucky Legislature make it necessary to add new teachers to the faculty. This addition meets the State requirements for issuing State and county certificates, and by the requirement of high-school attendance increases our touch with the teachers of the county. Already eighty-five per cent of the teachers of the county are Sue Bennett students, as are a large per cent of teachers in adjoining counties.

#### GENERAL STATEMENT.

The purchase of seven acres of land at Holding has added much needed room to the campus, provided for a garden, and assured the enlargement of the plant when sufficient funds are in hand to construct other buildings. We have at Holding an opportunity to train a large number of the public school teachers for the Mexican children both of Texas and Mexico proper. By training teachers for public schools and issuing certificates we will develop departments at the State University and Normals for their higher education.

As the immigrant tide from Europe ebbs and thousands return to their native lands, that from Mexico seems to be beating at its full against our Southern shores.

Recent dispatches received through the City of Mexico papers say that fully one hundred thousand Mexican laborers may be expected through the four principal border ports at an early day. The reasons assigned for this exodus are many—economic and political. Col. L. M. Maus, one of the best authorities on the immigration question, gives five hundred thousand as a safe estimate for the Mexican population of Texas. The large influx of Mexicans into the United States will necessitate enlarged plans for our Americanization work in the border States. It constitutes a challenge and an opportunity indescribable and unlimited.

The Executive Committee and the Secretary are recommending the closing of Nogales School for Mexicans. The public schools of Nogales are providing well for the Mexican children, seventy-five per cent of the student body being Mexican, which per cent corresponds exactly to the Mexican percentage of the population. A boarding school erected on the Nogales side of the line would draw its attendance from the Mexico side. This work would naturally belong to the Foreign Department and should not, in our judgment, be attempted by the Home Department.

*At Denton.*—Our Methodist Dormitory turned over to the Council by the North Texas Conference is just across the street from the campus of the College of Industrial Arts. It is a handsome three-story brick building erected on a beautiful, level tract of eight acres. The grounds are artistically arranged and well kept, and the additional land provides an orchard, a garden, pasturage for Jersey cows, a chicken yard, and space for a small apiary.

More than seven hundred Methodist girls have had the direct influence of the beautiful atmosphere that pervades the home life of the Dormitory, and the President of the college tells us that its influence has been felt throughout the student body of fourteen hundred young women.

The Bible Department was added to the school last year, and our teacher, Miss Helen Stafford, was made head of the department. She is a cultured, well-trained woman, who is capable of filling any school position.

The Methodist Dormitory at the State University of Oklahoma will be under course of construction this month. The absence of Methodist colleges in Oklahoma has caused large numbers of Southern Methodist young people to enter the State schools. More than nine hundred Methodist students are enrolled at the State University alone. The Dormitory will provide for approximately one hundred young women, and on its completion a chair of Bible will be provided, under the direction of a trained Christian woman.

The new Wesley House in San Francisco will contain recreation rooms, clubrooms, chapel, classrooms, living rooms, Sunday school rooms, and parsonage for pastor. The enlarged plant calls for an enlarged working force, and one generous member of the City Mission Board of San Francisco will pay the expense of an evangelistic worker.

Fort Worth Wesley House has almost doubled its capacity by the addition of a large glassed-in sleeping porch, library, reading rooms, day nursery, clubrooms, diet kitchen, and clinic. The purchase of a lot for a playground and a home for the janitor has given them a splendid property, where one of our best settlements is being conducted. From a small Sunday school in a rented building nine years ago the work of the Wesley House at Fort Worth has grown to extensive proportions, and from it have been developed a Mexican Church and a Bohemian Church, each employing the full time of a pastor.

The Dallas Wesley House has added a clinic, which is being conducted in a rented building and is amply provided with funds for a trained nurse and up-to-date equipment.

Homer Toberman Clinic has entirely outgrown its present quarters, and while waiting for the erection of the new building must rent a house for the overflow of the classes, clubs, and Sunday school.

Louisville and St. Louis have organized their Boards on an enlarged plan, embracing both men and women. Louisville Wesley House has enlarged its program and has included an athletic director and manual training instructor for boys and a Scoutmaster.

The City Board of St. Joseph, Mo., has bought a new lot on which to erect a large Wesley House plant which will be entered with an enlarged program.

In Waco a City Mission Board has been organized which will in-

clude all of the Methodist Churches of the city and will undertake new work.

Daily Vacation Bible Schools are conducted in many of the settlements during the summer months while other departments are suspended. Through them we are reaching large numbers of children of kindergarten and primary age.—*Mrs. J. W. Downs.*

### Gulf and Atlantic Division.

Having been in office only six months of the year, this Secretary presents a report which must be completed by reference to the reports of the workers in the Eastern and Gulf States Division and to the statistical tables which will appear in the Council Minutes.

### GENERAL STATEMENT.

Twenty-one City Mission and District Boards were at work in 1919 in the Gulf States and Eastern Division of the Home Department, three small Coöperative Homes cared for two hundred and thirty girls, forty-five deaconesses, trained workers, and city missionaries gave full time to the work and, assisted by three hundred and eighty volunteer helpers, ministered to approximately ten thousand people out of an approximate community population of eighty thousand. Six day nurseries cared for daily an average of one hundred and eighty babies and children of mothers in industry. Nine kindergartens instructed a daily average of three hundred and sixty little people. Eight night schools and two day schools for Cuban children, kept out of the public schools by crowded conditions, instructed daily an approximate average of one hundred and sixty.

Full statistics on clubs, clinics, friendly visiting, and Bible Vacation Schools have not been compiled, but will appear in the statistical table in the annual report and in the reports of the workers. \$32,606 was expended by City Boards in this Division as per vouchers filed with the Council Treasurer, and the Council expended \$25,969.96 for the maintenance of City Mission work in the Eastern and Gulf States Division.

In this division the Woman's Missionary Council conducted six schools, as follows: Brevard Institute, Brevard, N. C., for mountain boys and girls; Paine Annex, Augusta, Ga., a dormitory on the campus of Paine College, where we endeavor to develop, through the courses offered at Paine College, negro girls as leaders in the religious and educational life of their race; two schools for the children of Cuban cigar makers, one affiliated with Wolff Settlement, Tampa, Fla., and one in Key West, Fla., known as the Ruth Hargrove Cuban School; a home industrial training school for unfortunate delinquent girls at Macon, Ga., known as the Door of Hope, and the Vashti Industrial School, Thomasville, Ga., a school for homeless and dependent white

girls between the ages of ten and eighteen years. In these six schools we enrolled seven hundred and thirty-three students, employing twenty-four teachers. For the maintenance of these six schools the Council paid \$40,326.

In this division, in addition to our dormitory at Paine College for negro girls, we maintained last year one Bethlehem House at Augusta, Ga. (see Workers' Report), through which we reached a colored community of about twenty-five hundred, and to some degree the entire colored population of Augusta and the environments. Little children have been cared for in the kindergarten; mothers have been instructed, nursed in sickness, and advised in personal problems; the night school has reached the illiterate, and the sewing school the untrained girls. The Bethlehem House has been the community center, the friendly spot, the place of the kindly hand for Augusta's colored population. Three trained colored women conduct the work competently and cheerfully. The absence of race friction and the evidence of a desire for coöperation in all mutual interests of white and colored are apparent in Augusta.

Forty-five deaconesses, city missionaries, and other trained workers gave full time to the work in the Eastern and Gulf States Division and, assisted by three hundred and eighty volunteer workers, ministered to approximate community populations of eighty thousand. Six deaconesses served as pastors' assistants, ministering to the needy, visiting the sick, conducting religious services, and leading in the adult and young people's work of the Church. There has been some increase in our number of trained workers, but we are still far short of the requirements which are growing more rapidly than our numbers. While we lack in numbers, the type and qualifications of our field forces are of very superior grade. Our deaconesses and home missionaries come into the service with full consecration of all they are and have, and the *esprit de corps* is high and marked by an undying loyalty to the Great Captain in whose cause they have enlisted.

Three small Coöperative Homes are located in this division—one at Corinth, Miss., in charge of Deaconess Peeples; one in Richmond, Va., the Wilson Home, in charge of Deaconess Bryan; and one in Savannah, Ga., in charge of Mrs. A. J. Shearhouse. These three institutions provided shelter for more than two hundred girls. All three institutions are small, not much larger than a commodious residence. With our Y. W. C. A. hotels turning away thousands of girls, with safe boarding places almost impossible to secure at a moderate cost, the millions of young women in industry and in trade look to the Church to furnish them a safe and reasonably inexpensive place to live. Every town of more than ten thousand inhabitants in our territory needs a Coöperative Home under the control and supervision of the women of the Church.

## INTERESTING EVENTS IN THE EASTERN AND GULF STATES DIVISION.

The reports show the transfer of one Wesley House from City Mission direction to corporation control, the Avondale Wesley House, Birmingham, Ala. Owing to the destructive fire in Mobile, Ala., whereby the handsome structure owned and controlled by the local City Mission Board was destroyed, work at that place has been temporarily suspended.

Gadsden, Ala., Washington, D. C., and Chattanooga, Tenn., have organized City Mission Boards since the last report, and nearly a score of other cities await publication of the new policy for City Missions to organize City Boards.

Birmingham, Ala., invested \$25,000 as an initial step toward the establishment of a Coöperative Home for Working Girls. They plan for a plant to cost \$100,000.

A sixteen-acre tract of land with a valuable residence and all conveniences has been purchased at Houma, La., in the heart of our French work. The new property is known as the MacDonell Community House, in honor of Mrs. R. W. MacDonell.

A gymnasium and a neat chapel have been erected on our Wesley House property at Biloxi, Miss., the Board of Church Extension assisting the Council in the erection of the chapel by the gift of \$1,000. The Mississippi Conference has appointed a preacher in charge, and the community interest in Protestant Christianity has been greatly stimulated. The property at Houma, La., and the chapel and gymnasium at Biloxi are Centenary investments.

Plans for the reconstruction of Vashti Industrial School are ready to be presented to the proper committee, and bids for the erection of the Rosa Valdes Nursery and Gymnasium are also in hand. Both of these enterprises, made possible through the Centenary, should be well under way by the time our *Journal* goes to press.

The handsome settlement plant and church to be erected in New Orleans to serve the present St. Mark's enterprise has been delayed on account of the agreement that the final fixing of type and location should await the Interchurch Survey. The proposed New Orleans City Mission plant is a joint undertaking of the General Board and of the Woman's Missionary Council, with local direction from the New Orleans City Mission Board, a Union Board composed of both men and women.

The City Mission Board of Orangeburg, S. C., with financial assistance from the South Carolina Conference, has purchased a neat Wesley House for its cotton mill work and has so enlarged its lines of financial support that it now requests that a staff of several workers be appointed by the Council.

The Advisory Board, under whose direction the work in the coal fields of the Bluefield District of West Virginia is carried on, has



volunteered to assume the support of two Council workers in addition to the two now supported in that field by Council funds. This has heretofore been classed as work entirely dependent upon Council funds. The Advisory Board plans ultimately to support twenty women workers.

The City Mission Board of Atlanta, Ga., has correlated its work with one of the mission Churches of Atlanta and has installed workers in a comfortable residence rented for the purpose.

Plans are being drawn and money has been provided for the erection at Augusta, Ga., of a neat home adjacent to the Bethlehem House, to be occupied by our colored workers.

The City Board of Tampa has established in Ybor City, for the benefit of both the Wolff Settlement and West Tampa communities, an excellent, well-equipped clinic, very attractive in its coat of white enamel and surgically spotless in its equipment. The City Board met all of the expenses for this work, the General Board of Missions granting the use of a vacant building without rent.—*Mrs. J. H. McCoy.*

### Social Service.

To the cordial coöperation and constant effort of the Social Service Superintendent the report of 1919 is largely due. Although four Conferences—North Georgia, South Georgia, Denver, and Northwest—have not reported during the year, yet for the most part the Social Service studies have been kept before the members of auxiliaries throughout the connection with splendid results, and Social Service has been a popular topic for discussion in many clubs and classes.

In our work of Social Service there are two practical and pressing problems—one has to do with the evil which follows men without their choosing it; the other has to do with that to which they deliberately give place in their lives. The first must be met and overcome by knowledge and education; the second must be thwarted by the power of a regenerated spirit within. One is the task of the reformer, the educator; the other the task of the Spirit-filled leader, whose own life has been transformed through contact with the Divine. There can come the largest success in the world of Social Service only when these two forces are combined—the forces of education and evangelization.

Coöperation is the key word of the hour, unlocking many otherwise difficult and impossible tasks, and our Social Service Superintendents have not been unmindful of its power. Many auxiliaries have coöperation with the government in fine constructive and educational work.

More and more must we come to avail ourselves of the assistance of every ally. A number of States have Women's Departments of Labor, from which can be obtained all information known of the conditions of the women and children in industry. We suggest that the

Conference Superintendents have membership in the National Child Labor Committee, Southern Sociological Congress, Commission on the Church and Social Service, American Association for Labor Legislation, and the American Social Hygiene Association.

Our work has never been quite as essential as it is to-day. With the new impulse given to Social Service, we must keep the Christian balance, or the entire program will fail. Welfare work conducted by people of meager training and no Christian spirit will eventually fail, and with it will go the interest so manifest to-day on the part of large corporations. The Spirit of Christ must permeate and pervade all our work if it is to be of the highest value, if it is to be abiding in its influence.

The following reports have been received from the Conferences, which will show in part results of the year's work:

ALABAMA.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	61
Investigating local labor conditions .....	23
Coöperating with Civic Leagues, Federated Clubs, Social Service Federations.	
BALTIMORE.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	37
Special interest in clean politics, clean-up campaign, furnished cheer in county and city homes.	
CENTRAL TEXAS.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	40
Work at county prisons, connective homes and hospitals, work secured for unemployed, help given to helpless.	
EAST OKLAHOMA.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	54
Helped support matrons at railroad stations, helped with day nursery, coöperated with public school gardening.	
Auxiliaries located among full-blood Indians, assisted in State hospitals.	
FLORIDA.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	11
Assisted in the passage of laws .....	3
Better marriage .....	2
Compulsory school attendance .....	1
Campaign work against hookworm and tuberculosis.	
HOLSTON.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	23
Assisted in establishing night schools, in finding employment for unemployed.	
ILLINOIS.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	1
Assisted in passing ordinance .....	1
KENTUCKY.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	23
Coöperated with Parent-Teachers' and Pastors' Associations and City Mission Superintendents.	
Community Club for Immigrants .....	1
Conducted moonlight schools.	
LOUISIANA.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	18
Protective Americanization work.	
Community Club for Negroes .....	1
Community Club for Foreigners .....	1
LITTLE ROCK.—Number of committees presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	16
Coöperated with City Federation Clubs and Associated Charities.	
LOS ANGELES.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	9
Investigated dance halls, coöperated with W. C. T. U. and Welfare League, conducted boys' clubs.	
Community Clubs for Immigrants .....	3

LOUISVILLE.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	20
Coöperated with Committee of Home for Incurables, Kentucky Children's Home Campaign, Home and Welfare League, public clinic, antitubercular campaign, moonlight schools, Negro Parent-Teachers' Clubs.	
MEMPHIS.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	13
Assisted in closing street carnivals, coöperated with Children's Hospital and Orphanage Committees, visited County Home.	
MISSISSIPPI.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	6
Personal service in benevolent institutions.	
MISSOURI.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	23
Coöperated with Social Service Union, helped with Daily Vacation Bible School.	
Community Clubs for Negroes.....	2
Community Clubs for Immigrants.....	2
NEW MEXICO.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	10
Immigrant Community Clubs.....	5
NORTH ALABAMA.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	38
Coöperating with Associated Charities, Child Welfare League, civil and tubercular campaign.	
NORTH ARKANSAS.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	29
Community Clubs for Negroes.....	2
Community Club for Immigrants.....	1
Assisted in passing ordinances.....	5
NORTH CAROLINA.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	34
Auxiliaries having Social Service Committees.....	33
NORTH MISSISSIPPI.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	50
Helped to pass Sunday closing laws, inspected and improved sanitary conditions of schools, installed reading rooms for young men on Sunday afternoons, organized community clubs for immigrants.	
NORTH TEXAS.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	36
Coöperated with State schools for delinquent girls, assisted with salary of station matrons, organized negro and immigrant community clubs.	
NORTHWEST TEXAS.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	18
Did work with negroes and foreigners, coöperated with health campaign.	
PACIFIC.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly. ..	4
Assisted in passage of State laws .....	1
Assisted in Americanization work.	
SOUTH CAROLINA.—Not much social uplift work reported. Coöperated with School Improvement Association.	
SOUTHWEST MISSOURI.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	15
Coöperated with Community League in Welfare Work, distributed good literature and Testaments, helped in Daily Vacation Bible School.	
ST. LOUIS.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	20
Coöperated with Woman's Board of Religious Organization for City Social Service Work, coöperated with Kingdom House.	
TENNESSEE.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	35
Helping in school improvements.....	18
Coöperating in Sabbath observance.	
Community Clubs for Negroes.....	4
TEXAS.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly..	50
Community Clubs for Negroes.....	3
UPPER SOUTH CAROLINA.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly .....	10
Community Club for Negroes.....	1
Coöperating to enforce Sunday closing.	

VIRGINIA.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly.	50
Assisted in passing laws for prohibition, coöperated in obtaining picture censorship and other reform laws.	
WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly	75
Coöperated with the Lord's Day Alliance, Civic League Parent-Teachers' Association, furnished Christmas dinner, fruit and candy to county homes, jails, and hospitals.	
Community Clubs for Negroes.	2
WEST OKLAHOMA.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly	10
Auxiliaries having Social Service Committees.	102
Visiting sick and strangers.	
WEST TEXAS.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly	20
Coöperated with Civic League	1
Community Club for Negroes.	1
Community Club for Immigrants.	1
Assisted in passing ordinance.	
WESTERN VIRGINIA.—Number of Auxiliaries presenting Social Service topic quarterly	14
Community Clubs for Immigrants.	3
Assisted in passing ordinance.	1

## ORIENTAL FIELDS.

MABEL K. HOWELL, SECRETARY.

### VISIT TO FIELDS.

There is great joy in presenting the report of the work for the year 1919, due to the fact that during six months of the year the Secretary has had the advantage of seeing the work at first hand. Every missionary can be visualized in the setting of her own peculiar task, and every institution stands out as far more than a name. We were away from the office from July 19 to February 14. The itinerary chosen covered two visitations of each of the fields, the first in company with Bishop Lambuth and Mr. and Mrs. Rawlings and the second with Mr. Rawlings. The Annual Conferences in each field were attended, thus affording an opportunity to meet the native ministry. Two mission meetings were held in each field, the first to transact regular business and the second to deal more especially with administrative and Centenary questions. Every station was visited and as many as possible of the outstations. The missionaries, both men and women, did everything in their power to "educate" the Secretary and so to make the visitation worth while. We shall ever be grateful to them. They are a noble body of men and women.

There were special advantages in visiting the fields at this particular time:

*In the first place, it was the opportune time to go because of the Centenary Movement.* Each field had been asked to submit tentative askings as a basis for the financial drive of that Movement. The money had been pledged. We went in the interval between the pledging and the paying, when there was a chance to study over these askings with the missionaries—a chance to reconsider and

readjust in the light of the greatest needs. The missionaries constantly said: "It was one thing to ask, another to realize that our askings have been granted. We feel we must reconsider the entire situation in the light of the possibilities of realization." Closely related to this was the necessity of reaching a mutual understanding as to the relationship of the regular and the Centenary budgets, which so definitely affects the making out of the estimates during the five Centenary years. The advantage to the Council and missions of such a mutual understanding can hardly be overstated.

*In the second place, there were special advantages in being on the fields at this time because of the Interchurch Movement.* That Movement needed to be interpreted on the field in the light of our own Centenary Movement. Many of our men and women were in doubt as to the extent to which they should participate on the field. The Movement contemplates large expenditures of money for union enterprises, in some of which our Council shares. There was a responsibility—nay, even grave danger—of our being involved in plans that were larger than could be financed by our Centenary askings. Already in a number of cases the confusion was apparent. For instance, in our Centenary budget nothing was asked for Ginling College. The Interchurch budget made up on the field called for exceedingly large expenditures for Ginling, and we were one-fifth sharers in that financial responsibility. There was a similar instance in Korea, where a city-wide Union Day School program in which we were sharers called upon the Interchurch Movement for a large sum which we cannot possibly pay out of the Centenary. All of these matters require adjustment.

One very significant phase of the Interchurch Movement was the sending to the East on the part of the Federated Woman's Boards of North America of quite a large body of women to study together on the field outstanding missionary problems. To have been privileged to take an active part in this deputation work means greater appreciation of the common problems of the Boards.

Again, the Interchurch Movement, with its study of the entire field and of the work of each mission in its relation to other missions, has a tendency to promote union institutions that the field may be more adequately covered. These movements need careful attention from all Boards at this time. It is a real question as to whether we should not have an official representative on the field constantly during the next few years of change and readjustment. Some of the Boards have already instituted movements in this direction.

*In the third place, the time of visiting the East was opportune because of the nationalistic movements—such as the Student Movement in China and the Self-Determination Movement in Korea and the Democratic Movement in Japan.* It was a rare privilege to see and

feel the force of the movements at close range. It makes possible a correct interpretation of the situation in the East. All of our schools were definitely affected by them. In some cases it is difficult to determine what the final outcome will be. In other cases the results already seen are very encouraging to the work as a whole.

#### EDUCATIONAL WORK—STATUS AND OUTLOOK.

*In Japan.*—The Council's educational work in Japan consists of the Lambuth Memorial Training School for Bible Women and fifteen kindergartens. Over fifty women have graduated from Lambuth in the years of its history, many of whom are in active service in our or other missions. The kindergarten teachers for the Council's work have been trained in the Kindergarten Department of the Hiroshima Girls' School. The Japan Mission is asking that the Council take over this work, uniting it with Lambuth, and thus providing a training school for both Bible women and kindergartners in one plant. It is believed that the Bible women need to be in touch with the educational ideals of the kindergartners, and the kindergartners with the evangelistic fervor of the Bible women. The new Lambuth, for which partial provision is made in the Centenary, should be built at once. It is proposed to locate the new school in Osaka, a city near Kobe of over two million people, which will afford a large evangelistic field and center for aggressive work for years to come.

*In Korea.*—The educational work in Korea has been greatly interrupted this year by the Student Self-Determination Movement. Schools have been opened and closed again and again since the first of March, 1919, when the first outbreak came. It has been a period of very heavy strain on missionaries and teachers, and even yet the unsettled condition remains. One hardly knows what the next day will bring forth.

Holston Institute, in Songdo, with its six hundred girls before the revolution, stands at the head of the Council's educational system in Korea. It is a splendid school. As soon as possible the High School Department should be developed and possibly a normal or kindergarten training school added. Miss Wagner has been a wise leader in this work through the years. Carolina Institute, in Seoul, stands second in importance. It needs almost at once a religious work building, which should be made to serve as a community center. It needs land also. This school is specializing in the training of young women for home-making. The Lucy Cuninggim Industrial School, in Wonsan, has been closed the larger part of the year, due to the revolution and complications arising from it and other causes. There is a very great field for industrial education in Korea, and this institution needs special care. The greatest need and an immediate one is a missionary trained along textile

lines. Such a one must be found and trained, if necessary. The Frances Hitch Girls' Primary School, in Wonsan, has had a good year under Miss Buie's care.

The day schools in Korea, scattered all over the territory and often affiliated with the boarding schools, are a matter of special concern. A day school system and policy must be worked out. It would be better to have a smaller number, and those of better quality. Many of these, such as the ones in the Choon Chun District, should be made community centers, along the line of the wider use of the rural school plant in this country. This is a great unreached field as yet awaiting leadership.

The time is ripe in Korea for advancement along the line of the training of Bible women. The proposal to unite with the Methodist Episcopal Church in a Union Bible Training School in Seoul will be before the Council this year. This is a part of the Centenary program for Korea.

*In China.*—The educational work in China is more highly developed than in the other two fields. It also has been interrupted or, better, "motivated" by the Student Nationalistic Movement. Every school has felt the influence of the Movement, the students being active in it, and in every case it has resulted in a new awakening in the student body to the need for an education. The universal testimony of our missionaries is that the schools have been transformed for the better.

The Laura Haygood Normal School has come into its own and has a big future before it. The Normal, with the Department of Education of Soochow University, will probably be made the base of a large Union Normal for all missions working in Central China. Its work is already recognized by the East China Educational Association as of definite value to China.

The two high schools, McTyeire, in Shanghai, and Virginia, in Huchow, are both doing splendid work. The High School Department in the Virginia School is still small, but is steadily growing. The Virginia School needs more classroom space and better equipment. A vocational school for the China Mission could well be developed in Huchow in affiliation with the Virginia School. There is a great need for such a school in the China Mission. It is asked for in the Centenary.

McTyeire School is still the outstanding school of the Council in China. The beautiful new site for the High School and Preparatory Departments cannot be surpassed. The immediate pressing necessity is the dormitory. We must build to accommodate three hundred students. The chapel and music hall should follow at once, as the students have no gathering place. The present Chinese building purchased with the property can serve for a time as the administration and classroom building. That portion of the old McTyeire property that is to be

retained for one of the McTyeire primary schools needs to be remodeled to meet the new situation. Property should be purchased in Hongkew to house the McTyeire Primary School located there. Possibly yet a third primary school should be opened in the near future in the French-Concession.

The grammar schools, Susan B. Wilson and Davidson, are both in splendid condition. They are fine feeders for the Normal School and also for the high schools. Both need better equipment. These schools need a larger missionary force, if they are to hold their own. Unquestionably there should always be two full-time missionaries at each and probably a third community social service worker.

The Bible Teachers' Training School, in Nanking, the most highly specialized training school for women Christian workers in China and one in which the Council shares, is increasing a little in its usefulness to our mission. This year the school has thirty-eight students from fourteen denominations. There are three from our mission, one from Laura Haygood, and two from McTyeire. Three of the graduates of the Bible School are in the employ of our mission, two being Bible teachers at Hayes-Wilkins Bible School and one having charge of the evangelistic work in Changshu. There are several more from the mission planning to attend next year. Miss Brittain is doing excellent work as Dean. The building, to which each coöperating Board contributed \$5,000, will be erected in the near future.

Ginling College, in Nanking, in which the Council has a one-fifth share, is still without an appointee on the faculty from our mission. As yet few of our high-school graduates have attended the College. There were three Southern Methodists in the student body this year—one from Laura Haygood and two from Virginia School. The student body numbers fifty-two, an increase of fifty per cent over the previous year. A large building program for Ginling has been placed in the Interchurch budget.

The day schools in China are largely lower primaries and need building up on all sides. They should be better housed and better staffed and equipped. Some of them are doing splendid work. The day school policy for China is still undeveloped. An outstanding need is for adequate day school supervisors. The whole system must be standardized and correlated.

#### EVANGELISTIC WORK—STATUS AND OUTLOOK.

*In Japan.*—The opportunities for evangelistic work in Japan are as unlimited as the opportunities for educational work are restricted. This statement includes both rural and city evangelistic effort. The Council force of workers, five on duty for 1919, is entirely inadequate. The two missionaries in Lambuth School, with the aid of the students, have done splendid evangelistic work through the



Sunday school and the woman's meetings, but necessarily their main time has to be given to teaching and studying. The Oita plant is to be an evangelistic center. Already the home for missionaries has been built, and the plant itself containing the home for native workers is being built, the first Japan Centenary building. Two half-time workers (one-half time being required for language study) are all this plant has at present. Oita is a center from which can be done a very large rural evangelistic work, but as yet this has not been possible to any great extent. The workers in Oita should eventually be given a Ford, that they may cover a larger territory in their rural evangelistic program.

The Centenary askings call for thirteen evangelistic centers in Japan, in thirteen large cities, some of which, like Osaka, are very large. The greatest city mission problems in Southern Methodism are in Japan. It is a land of great industrial cities with intense problems. A definite city mission policy needs to be developed in the immediate future. The land for the plant in Osaka should be purchased at once. There is a possibility that this plant may be combined with the new Lambuth.

*In Korea.*—From the very beginning in Korea great emphasis has been placed on rural evangelistic work. The city work has not had adequate attention. The rural work is largely done on the circuit plan, each missionary having a certain number of circuits under her care. The Bible women work two and two on all the circuits under the supervision of the missionary in charge. Circuit classes for Bible study are held and even large district classes where all the circuits meet for the purpose of Bible study. These "circuit riders," as they are often called, have a very difficult work, due to the method of travel—on pack ponies. The Japanese government is building roads between the county seats, and in districts like Choon Chun even now a Ford would be a great saver of time and strength. The greatest need in rural work is more workers and the need of developing special evangelistic effort in connection with the rural schools. These schools should be made social evangelistic community centers, and the educational and evangelistic workers should work hand in hand.

In cities like Songdo, Seoul, and Wonsan there is need of an immediate forward movement in city evangelism. The proposed union evangelistic plant for women's work in Seoul that has been contemplated so long should be made possible at once through the Centenary. The land for the Songdo plant should be bought at once and the building erected in the near future. The land for the Wonsan plant should be secured at once.

Evangelistic workers should be added to the faculties of all our schools, so that the religious work buildings may become centers of definite community work. The field is ripe unto the harvest at

our very school doors and as yet is almost untouched for lack of workers.

*In China.*—In China greater emphasis has been placed upon educational work than upon evangelistic work, and the pressing needs of the educational institutions have often drained upon the evangelistic forces, leaving the evangelistic field short of workers. These schools, however, have been very definite agencies for evangelism, and there is in some of them a strong evangelistic fervor. One could hardly say that anything had been done in the line of city evangelism on any large scale by the Council in China. In Soochow, in the Gibson Settlement, we are just starting; in Changchow a splendid beginning has been made; in Huchow the workers have a plan; in Shanghai nothing has been done on an adequate scale. The need is exceedingly great. It is going to take wise planning and an increased force if these fields are won for Christ. Some advance steps have been planned in the Centenary.

#### MEDICAL WORK—STATUS AND OUTLOOK.

*In Japan.*—The Council has no medical work in Japan. The Japanese are such good doctors that almost all missions have given up the thought of medical work. Probably we will have clinics and nurses in connection with the city plants.

*In Korea.*—In Korea the medical policy of the Council has been unsettled. Our only work is in Ivey Hospital, in Songdo, where Miss May Lowder is superintendent of the Nurse-Training Department. We should do more for this work. The Centenary is calling for a home for Miss Lowder and for a second nurse to be associated with her. A dispensary and a clinic will be in the new city evangelistic plant under the direction of Dr. Reed and Miss Lowder. A plan is under way to provide country clinics to work out from the hospital in Choon Chun, these clinics to be held in our rural school buildings. A call has come for a nurse to be head of the new Centenary Hospital in Choon Chun. It is planned in the evangelistic plant in Seoul to have a baby welfare clinic. Miss Carrie Turner, R.N., who is this year studying the language, will take charge of this important phase of the work.

*In China.*—The medical work of the Council in China is in a transitional stage that is very hard on the workers and the Boards most deeply concerned. The Mary Black Hospital, which was the center of our work, both the medical school and the Nurse-Training Department, was closed when our workers went to Siberia. It had not been deemed wise to open again in Soochow since the return of the workers. The hospital property there will be used by the Laura Haygood Normal School, and our interests there will be transferred to Shanghai. It is there that we hope in time to have a Union Medical School for Women. The plans for that

school have been held back by the China Medical Missionary Association, who have feared that the medical school could not be adequately staffed and supported; and, besides, the people are paralyzed by the activities of the China Medical Board (Rockefeller) in building a great medical school plant costing \$6,000,000 in Peking and in proposing to build a second plant in Shanghai. The missions cannot compete with Rockefeller endowments. The loss of medical work as an arm of evangelism is a very serious one.

The Boards that are so deeply interested in the work in Central China will probably concentrate on hospital and nurse-training work, with public health work added, leaving the medical school for the women to be developed later. A meeting will be held in New York early in May to outline the policy for the same. There is no question that the Council will have some medical work in China. Dr. Love and Miss Pitts are eagerly using the period of waiting to study the language. Dr. Polk has been assisting in Margaret Williamson Hospital. Dr. Ingersoll has been at home, and Miss Hood has been helping in Mrs. Fearn's sanitarium in Shanghai. All are eager to get together at our task in the near future.

#### LANGUAGE STUDY ON FIELDS.

There is no more important phase of the work on the field than that of language study.

*In Japan.*—There is a well-organized and very effective language school, interdenominational, located in Tokyo. The Council's candidates for the last three years have attended this school the first year. While in attendance they have been guests in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Wainright. The introduction to mission work through these godly people has been the greatest possible blessing to our young women. The Council should take definite steps to make attendance at the language school compulsory the first year, and the course of study pursued afterwards should be the correspondence course of the school rather than the prescribed mission course. A change in methods from one to the other has been almost disastrous in the case of at least one Council Worker.

*In Korea.*—The study of the language in Korea has always been carried on with private teachers. The best that could be gotten were far from adequate. Last year the new candidate studied under the general supervision of Mr. Stokes, of our mission, who has mastered the language and is a splendid guide. This year, 1919, however, an Interdenominational Language School was opened in Seoul; and Miss Turner, the new candidate, has attended that school, having a private teacher in addition. It remains to be seen how the school will develop. If it does, it will meet a great need in the

Korean Mission. The Council workers in Korea doing educational work should also study Japanese, enough to be able to understand conversation with officials.

*In China.*—The problem of language study has always been difficult. When the language school (interdenominational) was opened in Nanking those in the Wu dialect section hoped that they too would be given a chance to study the Wu dialect. That day, however, seemed indefinitely postponed, and meanwhile our workers were struggling to learn with ill-trained teachers. Finally things came to a climax this fall, and our mission decided to open a Wu dialect school of its own in Soochow. The school opened January 19 and has already nineteen regular pupils. The Soochow University gave Mr. Nance time to act as principal, and native teachers were trained to assist as personal teachers. A number of the Boards are using the school, and next fall the attendance doubtless will be large. Our women (Council) workers live in Mary Black Home, which is now the language students' home. The old nurses' home and the oldest of the old hospital buildings are temporarily used to house the school.

#### WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

There is no more inspiring phase of the Council's work in the Orient than the Woman's Missionary Societies. Ever since Miss Bennett's and Miss Head's visit the movement has grown rapidly in all the Oriental fields. It is remarkable the place the societies have in the life of the native Church. It was most interesting to meet the women "lay delegates" at annual meetings both in Korea and in China. Just what the Woman's Missionary Societies mean to the women of America they are meaning to the women of the East and more. It is their one training school in religious life, their chance for self-expression, their place of leadership.

*In Japan.*—The women of the West Japan Conference are already organized into a Conference Society. This is the Conference in which our work is located. The district and local work is pretty well developed. The two Conferences unite their gifts in the support of a missionary, Mr. Kihara, in Siberia. The women of the two Conferences of the Japan Methodist Church are taking steps to unite organically so as to form one society for all Japan.

*In Korea.*—The women everywhere are organized into societies. The Bible women, as they itinerate from place to place, give these societies special attention. Some one is appointed at the mission meeting each year to prepare the programs and material for them. Last year Mrs. Collyer and this year Mrs. Myrtle Barker Brannon have charge of this special work. Most of the society members tithe or give systematically. In Korea one-tenth of the collection is sent to the work in Africa, and the rest supports native Bible women in heathen villages of Korea.

*In China.*—The Woman's Societies are rapidly spreading. Women come for miles to attend them. They have a fine Executive Committee of the Conference and good district secretaries. Mrs. Tsiang, the Treasurer, who was at Council last year, brought a great inspiration to them on her return. It is not uncommon to find societies of fifty or sixty members. There are Young People's Societies in most of our mission schools. The life certificates mean much to Chinese women. It is a substitute for some of the practices connected with ancestor worship. A large part of the women's money in China is raised by life certificates. The women in China give seven-tenths to support the work in the interior provinces of Yunnan and the rest to support Bible women.

#### EFFECT OF CENTENARY ON MISSION FIELDS.

It would not be possible to close a report for 1919 without speaking of the effect of the Centenary on the mission fields. Economically one wonders how we could have gotten along without it in China. Exchange has become such a problem, more than doubling the budget, that we would not have been able to take care of the year's needs without the Centenary. Then, too, the high cost of living in Japan and Korea has made the burden greater than ever before. The Centenary was divinely timed to meet an economic crisis. Spiritually the Movement has been a great blessing to the missions. It has brought courage and a forward look. It has meant much to the missionaries to feel the strong influences of the Churches at home back of them. It has made them feel a new sense of obligation to be at their best and do their best. Spiritually the Movement has also had a tremendous effect on the local Church in all mission fields. It has aroused the native Church to a new sense of obligation for the evangelization of their own lands. The putting into effect of the Centenary principles has stimulated the native Church. Revivals are springing up, and self-support movements are on foot in all parts of the mission field.

In the schools the Centenary has led to the organization of Student Volunteer Bands. There is evidence that God is working in the heart of these people and that our movement here is leading them into a forward movement. In China this awakening is seen in the "China-for-Christ" Movement.

#### LATIN-AMERICAN AND AFRICAN FIELDS.

ESTHER CASE, SECRETARY.

At the end of the year it is a joy to record a hopeful outlook for the work in Latin-American and African fields and to present encouraging reports from the missionaries in all these fields, who have been faithful, often under the most trying and discouraging circumstances.

## AFRICA.

The representatives of the Council in the Congo Belge, Africa, in 1919 were Miss Etta Lee Woolsey and Miss Kathron Wilson, located at Wembo-Niama.

The expectation that at the close of the war steamship companies would resume their former schedules has not been realized with regard to the Belgian Congo. Mail has been irregular and very much delayed, and for that reason it was necessary to compile the missionaries' reports from letters and reports for the first three quarters of the year:

Miss Woolsey has been engaged in educational and evangelistic work, and Miss Wilson, who is a trained nurse, has been in charge of the medical work in the absence of a doctor in the mission. They worked side by side during the terrible epidemic of influenza early in the year, giving their time and strength to caring for the missionaries and the natives in the mission and adjacent villages who were stricken with the disease.

The attendance has been good in day schools for boys and for girls and in classes for men and for women. Miss Woolsey gave one afternoon a week for a part of the year to a school in the village of Ekunda. Because of the custom of child marriage, it has been difficult to secure the regular attendance of little girls in school. The latest report received gave the number of girl boarding pupils as eight. One little girl was redeemed by the missionaries through payment of nine brass crosses (the common legal tender in wife-buying), which is the equivalent of \$5.40.

Early in the year a Woman's Missionary Society was organized, with the women missionaries and African women as members. The special mission study has been the condition of women in Korea, and the dues are one egg or one cent in money. The sixty-five members pay their dues regularly and support a native evangelist in the heathen village of Okita Ngandu. The spiritual life of some of the members of the Missionary Society has been deepened through participation in cottage prayer meetings, in which they have found courage to pray aloud, which is a great forward step in their development.

For eighteen months the missionaries occupied the residence of Dr. Mumpower, who is in the United States on furlough; but they are now enjoying the privilege of living in their own Council workers' home, which was completed last summer and is furnished in part with furniture made in the mission.

In October Miss Wilson was taken seriously ill, and Miss Woolsey cared for her for weeks. Before she had fully recovered, and when she had to crawl to see her patients, Miss Wilson resumed her work. These faithful missionaries have labored under many difficulties, without proper equipment and with little companionship except the

other missionaries, who have also been burdened with work, and the ignorant and superstitious natives. They bore the disappointment bravely when they learned that the two missionaries consecrated last year for Africa would not sail. For their sakes, as well as for the good of the work, it is encouraging to know that we have the prospect of four new missionaries to go out in company with Dr. and Mrs. Mumpower next summer. We expect the new recruits to reach the field a few months before the furlough time of Miss Woolsey and Miss Wilson is due.

#### BRAZIL.

The missionaries express gratitude for a year of uninterrupted school work and normal physical conditions in Brazil as compared with the broken record of 1918, when the epidemic of influenza caused the temporary closing of schools, and storms and frosts, which destroyed coffee and other crops, affected seriously the income of the different institutions from local sources; but they express deeper gratitude for new opportunities which have come to them in their work for an easier approach to the people. They attribute these favorable conditions for our work to Brazil's part in the World War as an ally of our country and to great admiration on the part of the Brazilian people for the principles which President Wilson has promulgated. Revival services in congregations and schools have resulted in many conversions, and the spiritual life of professing Christians has been deepened.

Perhaps the outstanding event in our work in Brazil which will powerfully influence the future policy of our work in that field is the purchase of a site in the city of Rio de Janeiro for a girls' school. The establishment of a large school in Rio has for years been a part of the plan of the Council. Last year Bishop Moore was instructed to select and purchase suitable property. With the help and advice of a committee on the field he secured a beautiful place, located in the most desirable section of the city, for our work, paying for it \$150,000 from the fund which has been accumulated in the treasury during a period of years for that purpose. The buildings—a handsome residence, servant's quarters, garage, and barn—can be remodeled to meet the needs of the school for the first year until plans can be made for the new administration building to be erected with funds from the Centenary.

Miss Eliza Perkinson, who has served for a number of years as secretary of our work on the field and as principal of Collegio Americano, in Petropolis, has been appointed principal of Bennett College, the new school in Rio, which is named for our beloved Council President, who saw the need for such an institution while visiting our work in Brazil and who has labored unceasingly to secure its accomplishment.

Because of its proximity to Rio de Janeiro, and because the patronage of the school at Petropolis is largely from families living in the capital city who place their daughters in Collegio Americano as boarding pupils, it will be necessary to close the school in Petropolis and sell the property when the school is opened in Rio. Therefore, when the school year begins in February or March, 1921, the faculty and boarding students will be transferred from Collégio Americano, Petropolis, to Bennett School, Rio de Janeiro, and the property owned by the Council at the former place will be put on the market.

The enrollment has increased in our schools at Bello Horizonte, Ribeirao Preto, and Piracicaba until there is no more room to accommodate pupils who apply for admission to the boarding departments. In South Brazil the building rented for Collegio Americano, Porto Alegre, is inadequate for the work. The missionaries are hoping that the funds asked for in the Centenary for the school may soon be available for the purchase of property. Our workers at Bello Horizonte are rejoicing over the addition to the Collegio Isabella Hendrix property of the parsonage property, formerly belonging to the General Department of the Board of Missions. The Council received this piece of land as part pay for the Collegio Mineiro property at Juiz de Fora, which was purchased by the General Department of the Board to enlarge the grounds of Granbery College.

The women in the Brazil Missionary Society have worked with enthusiasm. Literature for monthly programs is being prepared, and interest is increasing. One-tenth of their receipts is sent to the Council Treasurer for our work in Africa, and they support parochial schools in rural districts for their "home" work.

Mr. Clay is urgently requesting that one of the Council missionaries be appointed to supervise Brazilian young women in the preparation of Christian literature for children and for the family in Portuguese in the great new Publishing House which is being established by the Board of Missions. No need could be greater, but the demands of our Council institutions, already established, are so great that there is no missionary available for the work this year.

Miss Amelia Elerding worked with her accustomed enthusiasm in evangelistic work in Sao Paulo. The formulation of a larger program in Sao Paulo, to be effected by missionaries of both departments of the Board of Missions and by native workers, has encouraged her greatly. Early in January, 1919, she fell in the yard of the rented house in which she lives and sustained the injury of a fractured hip bone, which confined her to her room for a number of weeks. Her furlough is overdue; therefore as soon as she recovers sufficiently to undertake the journey she will return to the United States.



Miss Perkinson has resumed the work of Secretary and Treasurer of Council work in the Brazil and Central Brazil Conferences. During her absence on furlough Miss Christine rendered efficient service as Secretary, and Dr. J. W. Tarboux, of the General Department of the Board of Missions, kindly served as Treasurer. Miss Mary Jane Baxter was made Principal of Collegio Methodista. Ribeirao Preto, when Miss Jennie Stradley came home on furlough in company with Miss Ethel Brown from the same school. Miss Lily A. Stradley's furlough is due, but in view of the depletion of our missionary force she generously agreed to remain at her post as Principal of Collegio Piracicabano, Piracicaba, for another year. Unfortunately, the furlough time of the three missionaries in Porto Alegre coincides. Miss Mary Sue Brown and Miss Sarah Stout were transferred from Piracicaba to Porto Alegre. Miss Brown is principal of the school.

We face a crisis in our work in Brazil. Just as we are about to open the school in Rio de Janeiro, which should have a large faculty if it is to be developed into the great institution we need for the training of native workers, the number of our missionaries continues to decrease through absence for furlough or for health reasons and because of resignations. Five missionaries have come home, and only three were available to return. Next year five more are entitled to come home, and at least one may be forced to come for health reasons, while it seems that we cannot count on the return next year of all of the five missionaries who are at home, and another who is now on the field contemplates leaving the work under the Council. No new missionary is available for Brazil this year; and if she were, she would necessarily spend the greater portion of her time for one year in language study.

It is time to pray earnestly for workers for our work in this great mission field and to form a new policy and take definite steps in the direction of training Brazilian teachers and evangelistic workers. Otherwise we shall fail in our enterprise. We hope the Centenary at home may bring us some new missionaries within the next few years and that the Centenary campaigns on the field may result in volunteers in Brazil. Our part is to pray and to provide for training the young people when they come to us.

#### CUBA.

Colegio Eliza Bowman has had such a good year that the school-rooms and dormitories were insufficient for all the pupils who applied for admission, and Miss Moling has engaged an architect to make plans for the new building to be erected with Centenary funds on the land purchased last year. The \$27,000 asked for by the missionaries in the Centenary is not sufficient to erect the build-

ing; therefore we must try to find a way to increase the amount to be made available for this purpose, because the need is urgent.

There is a growing demand for a Christian center and evangelistic work in Cienfuegos which cannot be met until we have the new building in order to use the present school property for Centro Cristiano.

Miss Toland was forced to come to the United States last fall for medical treatment, and during the three months she was absent Miss M. Belle Markey served acceptably as principal of Colegio Irene Toland, in Matanzas. The usual complaint of lack of room for the pupils who wanted to enter school is a tribute to its success during the year.

The purchase of the splendid property situated across the street from Candler College, in Puentes Grandes, Havana, authorized by the Council in annual session in 1919, has been made, but the owner would not agree to give us possession until too late for the Girls' School to be opened last fall. Miss Markey has been appointed principal of the school by Bishop McMurry, and she is perfecting plans for the necessary modifications in the building to meet the needs of the school for the first year.

Cuba's need for more missionaries is exceeded only by her need for trained native workers. Unfortunately, we have had no well-wrought policy for our work in that field, and a fluctuation between normal training and high-school work has hindered to some extent the preparation of Cuban teachers. We have only four educational missionaries on the island to conduct the work of three schools; therefore for this year it seems that in two of our institutions there can be only one missionary each. American teachers must be engaged to meet the need. This will be preferable to closing our schools or to deferring the opening of the new school in Havana. There should be at least two missionaries in each institution, if we are to do constructive work. This year there is no new missionary who can be appointed to Cuba. One of the schools should be devoted definitely to normal and Bible training. Otherwise we need not hope for great success in the future of our work in this field. We cannot hope to secure a sufficient number of missionaries to carry out an extensive program; and if we do not adequately train Cuban workers, we shall be poor indeed.

#### MEXICO.

As a member of the Commission appointed by the Board of Missions with power to act, the Secretary made two visits to Mexico during the year in the interest of readjustments of work and exchange of property with other boards occupying that part of Mexico from which, according to the Mexico City Plan, which was indorsed by the last General Conference, we have withdrawn.

The first of these visits, in July, was made in company with representatives of the Christian Woman's Board to San Luis Potosi and Monterrey. The properties of both Boards were appraised, and a basis of exchange was worked out, which was put into effect later in the year. The Council relinquished Colegio Ingles, San Luis Potosi, to the Christian Woman's Board, and received from that Board property in Monterrey on which there are a two-story school building and a five-room cottage. In October it became necessary for the Commission to meet representatives of the Methodist Episcopal Board of Missions and those of the Northern and Southern Presbyterians in Mexico City. Satisfactory arrangements were made, but the exchanges did not affect the work of the Council. Bishop Cannon, Chairman of the Commission, made a third visit to the field and completed the agreement with the American Board of Missions, including the exchange of Instituto Colon, in Guadalajara, for the buildings we are using as the boys' dormitory for Colegio Palmore, at Chihuahua, for Centro Cristiano, in the same city, and for Colegio Progreso, in Parral, State of Chihuahua.

The different Boards concerned agreed to make the necessary exchanges and financial adjustments, leaving the transfer of titles until conditions in Mexico shall have improved sufficiently to make it advisable. When the final settlement is made, the Council will be called upon to pay a balance of about five thousand dollars.

On the first visit the members of the Commission attended the Mexico Centenary Celebration at Saltillo. The conference, or convention, was held in the auditorium of the school, and delegates were present from practically all the centers where our Board has work, except Durango and Torreon and some villages in that district, which were isolated by washouts on the railroads. The conference was a great success, and more than thirty young people responded to the call for life service. So much enthusiasm was manifested that missionaries and Mexican workers requested that Miss Norwood E. Wynn be permitted to devote a portion of her time to student cultivation. Miss Wynn's report gives an account of the Student Volunteer Bands she has organized. This is probably the most far-reaching effect of the Centenary in Mexico and should be the means of increasing the number of Mexican workers in the future. Many of these young people need training, and Miss Wynn is encouraging them and making plans to that end.

On the second journey, in company with Bishop Cannon, the Secretary visited Torreon and Durango for the first time. The Council has no work there.

The school property in Durango is in good condition, considering the length of time it has been unoccupied. The missionaries in Mexico and Mexican workers and also the former patrons of the

school urge that Instituto MacDonell be reopened next August. Our difficulty is to find missionaries to place in charge of the school.

It was the Secretary's privilege to attend the Mexico Annual Conference in Monterrey. A Conference Woman's Missionary Society was organized at that time. The constitution and by-laws have been translated into Spanish, and soon all the departments of the Conference Society will be fully organized.

The enrollment at Colegio Palmore, Chihuahua, has increased over last year. The missionaries are looking forward to the time when they can erect a new administration building with Centenary money.

Centro Cristiano is a great success. Prominent Mexicans and Americans, among them the American Consul, are interested in what Miss Fox and Miss McCaughan are doing in clubs and classes and other forms of work. A local advisory committee has made itself responsible for the funds for the day nursery. Miss Wynn has given a large part of her time to Centenary and student work and to district evangelistic work.

The school building in Parral is so much out of repair that it has been condemned by the municipal authorities. The missionaries in Chihuahua urge the necessity of a new building for the school.

Miss Dora L. Ingram and Miss Sarah E. Warne, who was formerly a missionary in Brazil, have done fine pioneer work in the Girls' School in Monterrey. The building is unsuited for a boarding school, and a dormitory for the school should be a part of our building program for Monterrey. The roof of the building was in such bad condition that work on it could not be begun until the rainy season ended, late in October.

The Normal School in Saltillo continues to receive the favor of city and State officials, who appreciate its work of preparing teachers for public schools as well as for our own institutions in Mexico. A kindergarten training department was opened last fall, in charge of Miss Charlotte C. Vimont, a trained kindergartner, to prepare teachers for our schools and Christian "Centros." Special Bible courses are to be offered next fall for training evangelistic workers. Miss Roberts has had a reliable architect to prepare plans for the administration building to be erected on the land which has been purchased for the school. A part of the necessary amount has been asked for in the Centenary, and Miss Roberts expects to secure a number of donations on the field.

Our need of missionaries to conduct the work of our institutions is quite as acute in Mexico as it is in Brazil and Cuba, and it will be impossible to extend our borders until we can find the necessary workers. There has never before been a time when the people were so willing to hear the gospel message. Let us pray without ceasing for workers, and let us not lose these wonderful opportunities through lack of faith.

## TREASURER.

## RECEIPTS FOR 1919.

CONFERENCE.	Foreign.	Home.	Scarritt.	Total.	City Mission Vouchers.
Alabama.....	\$ 13,404 88	\$ 8,959 89	\$ 468 19	\$ 22,832 46	\$ 2,740 02
Baltimore.....	15,808 14	10,674 78	363 39	26,846 31	867 35
Central Texas.....	14,754 85	9,995 76	577 00	25,327 61	2,310 45
Central Brazil.....	24 95			24 95	
China Mission.....	98 15			98 15	
Denver.....	381 55	262 04		643 59	
East Oklahoma.....	7,805 63	4,177 21	60 75	12,043 59	
Florida.....	10,306 83	6,866 35	386 50	17,559 68	
Holston.....	14,852 87	9,899 72	42 10	24,794 69	2,635 59
Illinois.....	384 68	256 65		641 33	
Kentucky.....	11,531 79	7,256 66	155 25	18,943 70	1,297 01
Little Rock.....	11,904 66	8,125 03	500 00	20,529 69	
Los Angeles.....	1,945 06	1,313 89	5 17	3,263 12	
Louisiana.....	10,140 68	6,802 41	172 92	17,116 01	2,659 74
Louisville.....	11,885 38	7,853 63	235 95	19,974 96	3,312 85
Memphis.....	13,200 43	8,852 34	109 85	22,162 62	2,467 57
Mexico.....	29 13	19 42		48 55	
Mississippi.....	8,224 41	5,519 10	226 25	13,969 76	1,383 96
Missouri.....	6,127 90	4,121 21	345 32	10,594 43	4,167 42
New Mexico.....	2,919 35	1,958 41	300 45	5,178 21	
North Alabama.....	16,330 91	10,558 54	176 85	27,066 30	5,001 27
North Arkansas.....	10,801 97	7,213 65	201 25	18,216 87	
North Carolina.....	22,572 81	15,135 68	612 48	38,320 97	
North Georgia.....	31,381 39	20,685 52	500 76	52,567 67	9,845 24
North Mississippi.....	13,257 77	8,997 06	282 77	22,537 60	
North Texas.....	14,401 44	9,837 38	385 20	24,604 02	3,597 53
Northwest.....	638 06	426 82	4 00	1,068 88	
Northwest Texas.....	8,058 93	5,267 39	69 70	13,396 02	
Pacific.....	2,014 78	1,370 07	303 76	3,688 61	1,856 87
South Carolina.....	16,223 91	10,909 16	793 08	27,926 15	708 92
South Georgia.....	31,205 27	21,567 37	1,036 86	53,809 50	1,212 96
Southwest Missouri.....	8,874 60	5,974 83	124 15	14,973 58	23,761 19
St. Louis.....	6,180 65	4,143 53	159 05	10,483 23	7,290 55
Tennessee.....	13,676 23	9,240 86	5 00	22,921 59	4,061 66
Texas.....	15,068 75	10,113 68	11 30	25,193 73	1,062 46
Upper South Carolina.....	13,614 55	9,409 39	344 36	23,368 30	1,955 62
Virginia.....	24,136 80	14,490 18	288 95	38,910 93	3,986 13
West Oklahoma.....	4,970 92	3,340 60	96 00	8,407 52	
West Texas.....	10,809 41	7,353 07	132 50	18,294 98	
Western North Carolina.....	18,603 06	12,628 49	315 98	31,547 53	734 56
Western Virginia.....	4,907 34	3,328 03	132 25	8,367 62	
Totals from Conferences.....	\$443,460 87	\$294,903 80	\$9,900 34	\$748,265 01	\$88,906 92
Other sources.....	34,637 65	91,148 33	3,092 11	128,878 09	
Total.....	\$478,098 52	\$386,052 13	\$12,992 45	\$877,143 10	\$88,906 92
Special.....				3,016 00	
Grand total.....	\$478,098 52	\$386,052 13	\$12,992 45	\$880,159 10	\$88,906 92

## SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS.

## FOREIGN WORK.

From Conferences .....		\$443,460 87	
Other sources: Annuities.....	\$ 2,000 00		
Bills receivable, Miss Stradley.....	1,105 00		
Interest .....	22,347 82		
Record books, etc., sold.....	2,174 35		
Refunds .....	2,392 17		
Specials .....	4,618 31	34,637 65	\$478,098 52

## HOME WORK.

From Conferences .....		\$294,903 80	
Other sources: Annuities.....	\$ 1,500 00		
Building fund, Sue Bennett.....	6,410 00		
Dallas Home, by Mrs. Johnson.....	660 41		
Insurance received, account of losses.	2,587 50		
Interest .....	7,883 55		
Key West property sold.....	45,750 00		
Los Angeles property sold.....	5,000 00		
Record books, etc., sold.....	2,181 22		
Refunds .....	754 97		
Rents .....	1,665 95		
Sundries .....	38 08		
Specials .....	264 50		
Board of Church Extension, for Biloxi	1,000 00		
Mrs. Spencer's daughters, in memory of			
mother, for Brevard Institute.....	1,000 00	\$ 76,696 18	\$371,599 98
Tuition (Home): Brevard Institute.....	\$ 4,580 54		
Cuban, Key West.....	364 50		
Holding Institute .....	1,500 00		
Sue Bennett Memorial .....	8,007 11		14,452 15
Scarritt Funds: From Conferences.....	\$ 9,900 34		
Other sources .....	1,592 11		
Liberty bonds, Northwest Texas, for scholarship..	1,500 00		12,992 45
Centenary: Tennessee Conference.....	5 00		
Northwest Texas Conference.....	120 00		
South Georgia .....	60 50		
Virginia .....	60 00		245 50
Special, South Carolina Conference.....			3,016 00
Total receipts .....			\$880,404 60
Notes, etc., collected: Foreign.....	\$ 75,850 00		
Home .....	86,501 86		162,351 86
			\$1,042,756 46
Cash deposited .....	\$1,040,338 38		
Interest at savings banks.....	319 09		
Bonds from Conferences.....	2,098 99		1,042,756 46

## DIVISION OF RECEIPTS.

(Not including \$245.50 Centenary money which was turned over to Centenary Treasurer.)

		\$880,159 10
Annuities .....	\$ 6,500 00	
Bills receivable .....	1,105 00	
Building fund, Sue Bennett Memorial.....	6,410 00	
Dues .....	271,260 60	
Hotchkiss Endowed Scholarship, additional.....	500 00	
Interest (sundry funds).....	16,243 91	
Insurance received on account of losses by fire and		
tornado .....	2,587 50	
Life memberships .....	1,977 30	
Mae McKenzie Endowed Scholarship, additional.....	500 00	
Pledge .....	398,266 26	

Property sold, Key West.....	\$ 45,750 00	
Property sold, Los Angeles.....	5,000 00	
Property, furniture sold in Mexico City.....	2,250 00	
Refunds .....	3,147 14	
Rents .....	1,665 95	
Retirement and relief (including interest).....	14,626 30	
Rio School (including interest).....	6,823 95	
Scarritt Funds (including interest).....	12,992 45	
Specials .....	13,169 98	
Tuition .....	14,452 15	
Week of Prayer (1918 balance).....	1,113 81	
Week of Prayer, 1919.....	40,382 02	
Woman's Medical College (including interest).....	7,431 99	
Miscellaneous .....	6,002 89	<u>\$880,159 19</u>

## GENERAL SUMMARY.

Foreign Work: Balance from 1918.....	\$103,627 50	
Transferred from Home Department.....	8 09	\$103,635 59
Cash, 1919, deposited.....	553,377 24	
Interest, savings deposit.....	21 28	
Note at bank (twelve days).....	14,000 00	
Certificates of deposit.....	96,000 00	
Rio notes sold, Home Department, for certificate of deposit.....	49,900 00	
Rio notes sold, Home Department, for cash.....	9,200 00	
Rio notes sold, "special," for cash.....	3,000 00	
Bonds .....	550 00	<u>\$829,684 11</u>
Home Work: Balance from 1918.....	\$ 53,471 42	
Less amount transferred to Foreign..	8 09	\$ 53,463 33
Amount deposited for 1919.....	472,398 64	
Interest, savings department.....	155 35	
Taken from savings department.....	15 00	526,032 32
Scarritt: Balance, 1918.....	\$ 215 01	
Cash deposited, 1919.....	11,301 00	
Interest, savings department.....	142 46	
Bonds .....	1,548 99	<u>13,207 46</u>
Specials: Balance from 1918.....	\$ 154 06	
Amount deposited .....	3,016 00	<u>3,170 06</u>
		<u>\$1,372,093 95</u>
{ Centenary funds .....	\$245 50 }	
{ Sent Centenary Treasurer.....	245 50 }	
Less disbursements (see list elsewhere).....		<u>1,099,949 07</u>
Balance from 1919.....		<u>\$ 272,144 88</u>
Divided as follows:		
Foreign Work .....	\$135,292 11	
Home Work .....	130,126 92	
Scarritt Fund .....	6,568 08	
Special Fund .....	157 77	<u>272,144 88</u>

## DISBURSEMENTS FOR 1919.

## FOREIGN WORK.

Annuity (interest) .....	\$ 879 35
Centenary loan .....	25,000 00
Expense of candidates and missionaries.....	1,917 41
Missionaries (at home).....	15,663 48
Note paid (borrowed money for twelve days).....	14,000 00
Interest on note for twelve days and war tax.....	26 14
Retirement (to missionaries).....	3,350 00
Scarritt Bible and Training School, appropriation...	10,750 00
Scarritt scholarships .....	134 00
Specials .....	4,304 69
Tax, Anadarko property.....	164 56

Travel .....	\$ 17,014 29	
Funds invested .....	46,871 28	
Miscellaneous .....	2,833 33	\$142,908 53
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Bible Women: Brazil.....	\$ 1,012 12	
China .....	13,639 94	
Cuba .....	150 00	
Japan .....	5,656 00	
Korea .....	6,107 90	
Mexico .....	337 00	26,902 96
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Buildings, Furnishings, and Land:		
Brazil: House for gardener and garden wall.....	\$ 400 00	
Rio School .....	150,000 00	
China: Church at Changchow.....	1,000 00	
Land in Sungkiang.....	350 00	
Enlargement of Science Building.....	1,000 00	
Scientific equipment .....	781 48	
Lot for Miss Rankin (special).....	500 00	
Day school building, Sungkiang (special).....	1,000 00	
Domestic science equipment, Laura Haygood....	250 00	
Normal School equipment.....	150 00	
Cuba: Havana School.....	76,169 75	
Lot .....	5,500 00	
Remodeling building .....	2,000 00	
Korea: Furniture, Wightman Humbert Home.....	1,000 00	
Land .....	289 62	
Playground .....	2,000 00	
House furnishings .....	150 00	
Equipment (day schools).....	200 00	
Mexico: Lots in Saltillo.....	22,400 00	
Drainage, Saltillo .....	650 00	
Roof on building, Monterrey.....	3,685 00	
Furniture, Monterrey .....	500 00	
Equipment for Chihuahua.....	1,000 00	
Furniture, settlement work.....	4,700 00	275,675 85
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Day Schools: Brazil.....	\$ 500 00	
China .....	4,250 00	
Korea .....	3,815 50	
Mexico .....	1,468 75	10,034 25
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Evangelistic: Brazil .....	\$ 748 75	
China .....	1,280 00	
Japan .....	1,495 50	
Korea .....	1,781 25	5,305 50
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Hospitals: China: Expense.....	\$ 750 00	
Nurse-Training School .....	225 00	
Evangelistic .....	75 00	
Repairs .....	75 00	
Korea: Ivey Hospital.....	30 00	1,155 00
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Incidentals: Brazil .....	\$ 535 34	
China .....	991 80	
Cuba .....	350 00	
Japan .....	26 25	
Korea .....	575 00	
Mexico .....	953 65	3,432 04
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Insurance: Brazil .....	\$ 745 00	
China .....	2,259 95	
Japan .....	162 50	
Korea .....	499 13	
Mexico .....	769 50	4,436 08
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Kindergarten: China .....	\$ 1,200 00	
Kindergarten Training School.....	600 00	
Cuba .....	225 00	
Japan .....	2,383 00	
Mexico .....	25 00	4,433 00
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Language Study: Brazil.....	\$ 232 90	
Japan .....	227 50	460 40



Rents: Brazil .....	\$ 1,528 75	
China .....	850 00	
Japan .....	1,795 00	\$ 4,173 75
Repairs: China .....	\$ 600 00	
Cuba .....	125 00	
Japan .....	162 50	
Korea .....	437 50	
Mexico .....	2,825 00	4,150 00
Salaries (missionaries): Africa .....	\$ 405 00	
Brazil .....	19,203 62	
China .....	31,264 36	
Cuba .....	3,757 94	
Japan .....	5,217 50	
Korea .....	9,915 25	
Mexico .....	8,991 41	78,755 08
Salaries, American teachers, Cuba .....		2,877 50
Salaries (native teachers): Brazil .....	\$ 4,850 00	
Cuba .....	3,785 00	
Japan .....	2,080 00	
Korea .....	3,711 00	
Mexico .....	5,709 50	20,135 50
Salaries (matrons): Brazil .....	\$ 750 00	
Cuba .....	300 00	1,050 00
Salaries of Japanese teachers and running expense, Korea .....		3,042 11
Scholarships: Brazil .....	\$ 748 95	
China .....	6,251 22	
Cuba .....	595 00	
Japan .....	1,373 40	
Korea .....	1,304 25	
Mexico .....	755 00	11,027 82
Specials: Brazil .....	\$ 485 00	
China: Interest on McTyeire .....	4,500 00	
Literature .....	257 69	
Practice school .....	300 00	
Sundry items .....	1,396 81	
Japan: Library .....	68 75	
Literature .....	250 00	
Native nurse .....	50 00	
Sunday schools .....	138 00	
Sundry items .....	149 68	
Korea: Literature .....	150 00	
Loan fund .....	500 00	
Raw material .....	500 00	
Sundry items .....	550 00	
Mexico .....	1,047 08	10,343 01
Special (exchange): China .....	\$ 26,348 80	
Japan .....	1,579 68	
Korea .....	411 96	
Mexico .....	129 46	28,469 90
Sundries: Africa .....	\$ 95 85	
Brazil .....	818 34	
China .....	4,100 00	
Cuba .....	710 32	
Japan .....	687 50	
Korea .....	865 66	
Mexico .....	8,300 53	15,578 20
Taxes: Brazil .....	\$ 275 00	
China .....	90 00	
Cuba .....	162 50	
Japan .....	150 00	
Personal .....	365 00	
Korea .....	332 50	
Mexico .....	87 50	1,462 50
Union Work:		
China: Bible School .....	\$ 400 00	
Salary for teacher .....	750 00	
Ginling College .....	1,500 00	

Exchange, Ginning College.....	\$	840	00	
Korea: Bible School.....		75	00	
Primary work .....		150	00	
Union building .....		5,000	00	\$ 8,715 00
Total for Foreign Work.....				\$664,523 93

## HOME WORK.

Annuities (Interest) .....	\$	675	39	
Centenary loan .....		48,000	00	
City missions .....		7,615	75	
Deaconess travel and expense.....		2,472	33	
Denton, Tex., Miss Stafford.....		533	33	
Expense selling Key West property:				
Agent's commission .....	\$	2,500	00	
Lawyer's fee .....		606	00	
Abstract .....		43	75	
Revenue stamps .....		46	50	
Survey .....		25	00	3,221 25
Furloughs .....		2,520	00	
Relief (deaconesses) .....		1,085	00	
Scarritt Bible and Training School: Appropriations..		10,916	70	
Scarritt scholarships .....		725	00	
Specials .....		1,521	03	
Trust funds invested.....		81,915	76	
Miscellaneous .....		248	56	\$161,450 10
Buildings and Equipment:				
Biloxi, for building.....	\$	2,500	00	
Farm, Sue Bennett Memorial School.....		6,500	00	
Home at Houma, La.....		9,100	00	
New Orleans, on lot.....		2,700	00	
San Francisco (for Wesley House).....		6,000	00	
San Francisco, for building for work among Jap- anese .....		3,000	00	
Sue Bennett Memorial School, on new building....		20,221	17	50,021 17
Conference Enterprises:				
Central Texas: Fort Worth.....	\$	1,200	00	
On new building.....		1,000	00	
Thurber .....		1,510	00	\$ 3,710 00
East Oklahoma: Hartshorne.....		1,710	00	
Holston: Coal Fields, West Virginia.....		1,105	00	
North Alabama: Birmingham.....		600	00	
North Mississippi: Corinth.....		660	00	
Pacific: San Francisco.....		400	00	
South Georgia: Macon Door of Hope.....		1,700	00	
Virginia: Ferrum School.....		500	00	
West Texas: San Antonio.....		2,786	30	13,171 30
Gulf Coast Work: Biloxi, Miss.....	\$	2,425	00	
Galveston, Tex .....		2,100	00	
Houma (French Work).....		2,211	50	
New Orleans: St. Mark's.....		3,990	00	
Mary Werlein Mission.....		360	00	11,086 50
Homes, Schools, and Settlements:				
Brevard Institute (salaries).....	\$	10,752	05	
Holding Institute .....		12,690	64	
Key West (Cuban work).....		910	00	
Nogales .....		1,652	05	
Pacific Coast: Los Angeles.....		4,200	00	
San Francisco .....		10,656	00	
Dinuba .....		1,400	00	
Ranger, Tex. ....		353	61	
Sue Bennett Memorial School.....		10,143	23	
Vashti Industrial Home.....		13,220	00	
Virginia Johnson Home.....		9,315	02	
West Tampa: Rosa Valdes Settlement.....		4,253	03	
Wolff Mission .....		3,954	01	83,504 64
Incidentals: Brevard Institute.....	\$	1,150	00	
Holding Institute .....		850	00	
Key West (Cuban).....		50	00	
Sue Bennett Memorial School.....		2,750	00	4,800 00

Insurance: Biloxi .....	\$ 259 01	
Brevard Institute .....	655 20	
Holding Institute .....	657 02	
Houma .....	170 00	
Key West (furniture stored).....	19 25	
Tampa .....	14 50	
Vashti .....	200 28	
Virginia Johnson Home.....	1,335 80	\$ 3,311 06
<b>Rents: Holding Institute.....</b>	<b>\$ 300 00</b>	
Key West (Cuban school).....	96 00	
Nogales .....	960 00	1,356 00
<b>Repairs: Brevard Institute.....</b>	<b>\$ 1,000 00</b>	
Holding Institute .....	1,000 00	
Sue Bennett Memorial School.....	1,250 00	
Vashti .....	2,022 71	
Virginia Johnson Home.....	1,000 00	
Wolff Mission .....	144 98	6,417 69
<b>Scholarships: Brevard Institute.....</b>	<b>\$ 493 00</b>	
Ferrum School .....	100 00	
Holding Institute .....	531 00	
Vashti .....	1,953 00	3,077 00
<b>Specials: Brevard Institute.....</b>	<b>\$ 362 35</b>	
Ferrum School .....	10 00	
Hartshorne .....	50 00	
Holding Institute .....	162 50	
Houma .....	177 50	
Los Angeles .....	83 99	
Macon Door of Hope.....	172 80	
St. Mark's, New Orleans (playground).....	100 24	
Sue Bennett Memorial School.....	1,100 00	
Vashti .....	18 25	
Virginia Johnson Home.....	300 00	2,537 63
<b>Sundries: Brevard Institute.....</b>	<b>\$ 4,485 69</b>	
Holding Institute .....	700 00	
Sue Bennett .....	4,627 71	
Key West .....	15 00	9,828 40
<b>Taxes: Houma .....</b>	<b>\$ 12 08</b>	
Pacific Coast .....	277 20	289 28
<b>Work for Negroes:</b>		
Bethlehem House, Augusta.....	\$2,718 80	
Special .....	150 00	\$ 2,868 80
Bethlehem House, Nashville.....	\$3,294 00	
Special .....	11 21	3,305 21
Paine Annex .....	\$4,278 55	
Insurance .....	378 20	
Sundries .....	1,300 00	5,956 75
Sundries .....	789 34	12,920 10
Total for Home Work.....		\$363,770 87
<b>Scarritt Funds: Scholarships.....</b>	<b>\$ 2,890 30</b>	
Specials .....	623 97	
Sundries .....	451 41	
Invested .....	2,673 70	\$ 6,639 38
<b>Special: Invested .....</b>	<b>\$ 3,000 00</b>	
Sundries .....	12 29	3,012 29
<b>Administration: Auditing Treasurer's books.....</b>	<b>\$ 45 00</b>	
Bond for Treasurer.....	50 00	
Contingent .....	2,307 60	
Expense of Board Meeting.....	556 56	
Expense of By-Laws Committee.....	114 50	
Expense of Council.....	2,842 24	
Expense of Deaconess Committee.....	77 55	

Expense of Literature Committee.....	\$ 180 40		
Expense of Mid-Year Meeting.....	606 60		
Expense of Student Workers.....	2,493 30		
Literature (Annual Reports, sundries, etc.).....	17,183 22		
Mailing literature .....	1,863 70		
Mite boxes .....	323 51		
Office expense and travel.....	8,438 72		
Salaries: Officers .....	15,575 00		
Clerical help .....	7,234 49		
Sundries .....	1,240 00		
Supply Department .....	50 00	\$ 61,246 39	
Centenary expense .....		756 16	
Total disbursements .....		\$1,099,949 07	
Foreign Work .....	\$664,523 98		
Home Work .....	363,770 87		
Scarritt .....	6,639 38		
Special .....	3,012 29		
Administration: Foreign Department.....	\$29,565 16		
Home Department .....	31,681 23	61,246 39	
Centenary Expense: Foreign Dept.....	\$ 302 86		
Home Department .....	453 30	756 16	1,099,949 07

## SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS.

## FOREIGN WORK.

Africa .....	\$ 500 85		
Brazil .....	182,833 77		
China .....	82,638 25		
Cuba .....	96,708 01		
Japan .....	22,438 08		
Korea .....	42,981 67		
Mexico .....	64,204 92	\$492,305 55	
Special for exchange.....		29,309 90	
Missionaries at home and sundries.....	\$ 19,013 48		
Travel and expense.....	18,931 70	37,945 18	
Note and interest at bank.....		14,026 14	
Scarritt .....	\$ 10,884 00		
Sundries .....	33,181 93	44,065 93	
Funds invested .....		46,871 28	
Total Foreign .....		\$664,523 98	

## HOME WORK.

Brevard Institute .....	\$ 18,898 29		
Gulf Coast Work.....	26,105 33		
Holding Institute .....	16,891 16		
Key West: Cuban School.....	1,090 25		
Nogales .....	2,612 05		
Pacific Coast .....	25,617 19		
Ranger, Tex. ....	358 61		
Sue Bennett Memorial.....	46,592 11		
Vashti Home .....	17,414 24		
Virginia Johnson Home.....	11,950 82		
West Tampa .....	4,267 53		
Wolff Mission .....	4,098 99		
Negro Work .....	12,920 10	\$188,816 67	
City missions .....	\$ 7,615 75		
Conference enterprises .....	13,394 10		
Deaconess travel and expense.....	6,077 33		
Expense selling Key West property.....	3,221 25		
Scarritt .....	11,641 70		

Sundries .....	51,088 32	\$ 93,038 44
Funds invested .....		81,915 76
Total Home .....		\$363,770 87
Scarritt funds .....		6,639 38
Special .....		3,012 29
Administration: Foreign Department.....	\$ 29,565 16	
Home Department .....	31,681 23	61,246 39
Centenary Expense: Foreign Department.....	\$ 303 86	
Home Department .....	453 30	756 16
Grand total .....		\$1,099,949 07

## RECEIPTS BY DEPARTMENTS FOR 1919.

CONFERENCE.	Adults.	Young People.	Junior Division.	Baby Division.	Total.
Alabama.....	\$ 18,824 58	\$ 1,611 02	\$ 1,932 08	\$ 464 78	\$ 22,832 40
Baltimore.....	21,610 38	3,246 26	1,675 81	313 86	26,846 36
Central Brazil.....	24 95				24 91
Central Texas.....	24,019 98	749 23	553 40	5 00	25,327 61
China.....	98 15				98 15
Denver.....	639 49	2 50	1 60		643 59
East Oklahoma.....	11,270 12	306 56	400 25	86 66	12,043 55
Florida.....	16,331 14	578 89	513 76	135 89	17,559 69
Holston.....	20,462 46	2,692 01	1,214 44	425 78	24,794 69
Illinois.....	604 98	34 85	1 50		641 38
Kentucky.....	15,792 29	1,674 39	1,253 33	223 69	18,943 73
Little Rock.....	18,261 62	1,198 08	953 95	116 04	20,529 60
Los Angeles.....	3,078 33	55 36	96 84	32 59	3,263 19
Louisiana.....	15,758 32	506 72	751 90	99 07	17,116 02
Louisville.....	17,597 61	1,322 59	839 49	215 27	19,974 91
Memphis.....	18,445 10	1,555 60	2,092 23	69 64	22,162 66
Mexico.....	48 55				48 52
Mississippi.....	12,933 55	580 99	424 69	30 53	13,969 75
Missouri.....	9,740 10	610 35	197 08	46 90	10,594 49
New Mexico.....	4,561 64	299 20	276 16	41 21	5,178 23
North Alabama.....	24,733 70	973 96	1,261 72	96 92	27,066 31
North Arkansas.....	16,626 48	632 06	844 59	113 72	18,216 87
North Carolina.....	30,681 40	2,813 20	4,507 25	319 12	38,320 97
North Georgia.....	40,055 83	6,193 76	5,660 45	657 63	52,567 67
North Mississippi.....	19,400 62	1,105 94	1,771 02	260 02	22,537 60
North Texas.....	23,340 43	789 83	396 95	76 81	24,604 02
Northwest.....	1,048 58		17 48	2 82	1,068 88
Northwest Texas.....	12,420 56	395 98	520 39	59 09	13,396 02
Pacific.....	3,558 39	70 50	48 99	10 73	3,688 61
South Carolina.....	24,814 40	1,193 40	1,812 92	105 43	27,926 15
South Georgia.....	50,756 00	1,001 20	1,839 00	213 30	53,809 50
Southwest Missouri.....	13,501 37	876 32	550 93	44 96	14,973 58
St. Louis.....	9,242 07	997 24	209 08	34 84	10,483 23
Tennessee.....	19,241 59	1,957 71	1,381 32	340 97	22,921 59
Texas.....	22,674 83	1,359 95	954 51	204 44	25,193 73
Upper South Carolina.....	19,688 72	1,927 44	1,653 95	93 19	23,368 32
Virginia.....	33,986 43	3,918 22	831 95	174 33	38,910 90
West Oklahoma.....	7,660 06	358 33	318 09	71 02	8,407 53
West Texas.....	16,801 10	860 88	543 21	89 79	18,294 98
Western North Carolina.....	25,157 85	3,148 69	3,019 80	221 19	31,547 53
Western Virginia.....	6,432 34	1,270 51	551 45	93 32	8,307 62
Total.....	\$651,946 09	\$48,869 76	\$41,873 61	\$5,575 55	\$748,265 01
Total for 1918.....	526,161 41	37,619 68	26,902 08	3,148 72	593,831 89
Increase.....	\$125,784 68	\$11,250 08	\$14,971 53	\$2,426 83	\$154,433 12

## STATEMENT OF CASH BALANCES, LIABILITIES, AND INVESTMENTS.

Balance cash, Foreign Department.....		\$135,292 11
Outstanding drafts .....	\$ 48,653 07	
Sundry items on ledger.....	10,911 62	
Special items .....	7,080 25	
Other liabilities .....	8,952 50	75,597 44
Balance .....		<u>\$ 59,694 67</u>
Invested funds at 6% : Annuities.....	\$ 13,710 00	
Bequests .....	18,850 00	
"Days of June".....	800 00	
Deering Kindergarten .....	800 00	
Hotchkiss Endowed Scholarship.....	3,500 00	
Japan Building Fund.....	1,865 00	
McTyeire .....	13,500 00	
Medical college .....	65,390 00	
Retirement .....	51,362 00	
Rio School .....	13,900 00	
Sowell Memorial .....	1,200 00	
Young J. Allen.....	7,573 00	
General Fund .....	28,450 00	\$220,900 00
Funds at 5% : Annuities.....	\$ 4,500 00	
"Days of June".....	100 00	
Medical college .....	5,000 00	
Retirement .....	3,200 00	
Young J. Allen.....	200 00	13,000 00
Liberty bonds at 4¼% : Annuity.....	\$ 800 00	
Mary Black Hospital.....	500 00	
Medical college .....	150 00	
Retirement .....	500 00	
Rio School .....	100 00	2,050 00
Funds at 4% : Bequest.....	\$ 548 38	
Medical college .....	50 00	598 38
Liberty bonds at 3½% for Rio School.....		5,000 00
Retirement (war stamps).....		100 00
Total, Foreign Department.....		<u>\$241,648 38</u>

## RECAPITULATION.

Annuities .....	\$ 19,010 00	
Bequests .....	19,398 38	
"Days of June".....	900 00	
Deering Kindergarten .....	800 00	
Hotchkiss Endowed Scholarship.....	3,500 00	
Japan Building Fund.....	1,865 00	
Mary Black Hospital.....	500 00	
McTyeire .....	13,500 00	
Medical college .....	70,590 00	
Retirement .....	55,162 00	
Rio School .....	19,000 00	
Sowell Memorial .....	1,200 00	
Young J. Allen.....	7,773 00	
General Fund .....	28,450 00	<u>241,648 38</u>

## HOME DEPARTMENT.

Balance cash .....		\$130,126 92
Less Liabilities:		
Amount due Holding Institute Building Fund.....	\$ 1,055 50	
Due Sue Bennett Building Fund.....	7,623 97	
Due Vashti Home.....	9,878 91	
Biloxi: Wesley House.....	1,000 00	
Negro farm .....	1,050 00	
Pacific Coast .....	5,000 00	
Sundry small items.....	6,042 78	31,651 16
		<u>\$ 98,475 76</u>

Invested funds at 6%: Annuities.....	\$ 11,725 00	
Requests .....	20,500 00	
Brevard special .....	2,000 00	
Endowed scholarships: Mae McKenzie. \$3,500 00		
South Georgia Conference.....	<u>3,000 00</u>	6,500 00
McEachern Fund .....	17,500 00	
Relief .....	41,612 00	
Wesley House .....	1,413 00	
Key West property.....	43,700 00	\$144,950 00
Hillman Bequest, bonds at 5%.....	\$ 5,000 00	
Hillman Bequest, Virginia K. Johnson Home.....	<u>5,000 00</u>	10,000 00
City Mission and Educational Endowment Fund		
bonds at 4¾%.....		10,000 00
McEachern Fund bonds at 4%.....		5,050 00
Virginia Johnson Home Fund Savings Department		
at 4% .....	\$ 3,648 23	
Key West property at 4%.....	<u>4,205 33</u>	7,853 56
Total Home .....		\$177,853 56
Scarritt Funds at 6%.....	\$ 24,050 00	
Bonds at 4¼%.....	1,548 99	
Savings Department at 4%.....	<u>376 71</u>	25,975 70
Special fund at 6%.....		3,000 00
Total investments .....		\$448,477 64

(Statement of investments brought up to March 20, 1920.)

Cost of administration.....		61,246 39
Less amount received for record books, etc.....	\$ 4,151 12	
Less amount received for refunds.....	<u>416 28</u>	4,567 40
Net cost .....		\$ 56,678 99

Which equals .0643+.

## PROPERTY ACCOUNT.

## FOREIGN.

Africa .....	\$ 1,100 00	
Brazil .....	482,500 00	
China .....	647,180 00	
Cuba .....	179,760 00	
Japan .....	24,565 00	
Korea .....	102,395 00	
Mexico .....	<u>334,500 00</u>	\$1,772,000 00

## HOME.

Bethlehem House, Augusta, Ga.....	\$ 5,000 00	
Brevard Institute, Brevard, N. C.....	100,000 00	
Holding Institute, Laredo, Tex.....	150,000 00	
Japanese Work, Oakland, Cal.....	\$ 3,000 00	
Keener Cottage, Seashore Camp Ground, Miss....	3,500 00	
MacDowell Community House, Houma, La.....	9,100 00	
Mary Elizabeth Inn, San Francisco, Cal.....	200,000 00	
Mary Helm Hall, Alameda, Cal.....	15,000 00	
Paine Annex, Augusta, Ga.....	60,000 00	
Rosa Valdes Settlement, Tampa, Fla.....	4,900 00	
Sue Bennett Memorial School, London, Ky.....	175,000 00	
Tucker Cottage, Nashville, Tenn.....	4,000 00	
Vashti Industrial School, Thomasville, Ga.....	50,000 00	
Virginia Johnson Home, Dallas, Tex.....	125,000 00	
Wesley House, Biloxi, Miss.....	8,000 00	
Wolff Mission, Ybor City, Tampa, Fla.....	<u>12,700 00</u>	\$ 925,200 00
Scarritt Bible and Training School.....		150,000 00
Total .....		\$2,847,200 00

## RECEIPTS SINCE ORGANIZATION.

	Foreign Work.	Home Work.	City Missions.
1878-79 .....	\$ 4,014 27	.....	.....
1879-80 .....	13,775 97	.....	.....
1880-81 .....	19,362 10	.....	.....
1881-82 .....	25,609 44	.....	.....
1882-83 .....	29,647 31	.....	.....
1883-84 .....	38,873 52	.....	.....
1884-85 .....	52,652 12	.....	.....
1885-86 .....	51,588 76	.....	.....
1886-87 .....	50,092 63	\$ 261 55	.....
1887-88 .....	69,729 65	3,837 51	.....
1888-89 .....	68,165 34	4,258 40	.....
1889-90 .....	75,476 54	2,954 88	.....
1890-91 .....	85,969 44	3,046 83	.....
1891-92 .....	66,448 59	3,727 51	.....
1892-93 .....	71,199 12	4,628 20	.....
1893-94 .....	66,377 90	4,995 37	.....
1894-95 .....	63,951 98	8,457 87	.....
1895-96 .....	74,403 16	17,533 79	.....
1896-97 .....	82,880 47	15,346 11	.....
1897-98 .....	86,418 76	18,896 43	.....
1898-99 .....	83,587 07	31,566 82	.....
			Cash.
1899-1900 .....	94,638 55	33,914 04	\$ 5,400 92
Twentieth-century offering.....	2,426 39		
1900-01 .....	82,674 22	48,249 17	6,237 76
Twentieth-century offering.....	36,135 45		Voucher.
1901-02 .....	104,017 97	46,197 27	4,186 12
1902-03 .....	112,458 78	51,799 56	6,105 50
1903-04 .....	132,143 37	59,414 98	11,110 23
1904-05 .....	146,151 51	74,574 31	19,585 64
1905-06 .....	155,951 10	79,975 74	21,587 57
1906-07 .....	174,597 82	100,996 65	22,985 27
1907-08 .....	226,192 88	118,044 64	29,864 98
1908-09 .....	235,440 97	127,093 97	40,724 53
Sale of property.....	28,737 31		
1909-10 .....	254,554 75	139,799 19	42,770 68
Sale of property.....	10,907 71		
1910-11 .....	274,355 17	151,209 39	54,303 06
Sale of property.....	5,797 90		
1911 .....	244,952 44	141,587 41	46,851 33
1912 .....	292,206 14	181,461 42	59,677 45
Sale of property.....	1,617 81		
1913 .....	282,684 75	198,277 11	69,596 19
1914 .....	276,807 52	186,362 31	81,160 91
Balance, 1914 .....	761 57	96 67	
1915 .....	292,341 20	199,231 99	76,584 95
Balance, 1915 .....	288 41	152 27	
1916 .....	318,395 94	212,314 75	69,540 54
Balance, 1914, reported in 1917.		288 70	
1917 .....	349,795 95	224,831 62	76,687 12
Transferred from united funds...	750 00	750 00	
1918 .....	409,968 25	263,896 07	81,418 77
1919 .....	478,098 52	386,052 13	88,906 92
	\$6,200,174 39	\$3,146,082 63	\$ 915,286 44

## SCARRITT FUNDS.

Balance on hand from 1915.....	\$ 2,025 40
Amount received in 1916.....	7,028 12
1917 .....	7,256 53
1918 .....	6,206 98
1919 .....	12,992 45
	\$ 35,509 48

## OTHER FUNDS.

1916 .....	\$ 515 00
1917 .....	26 00
1918 .....	77 35
1919 .....	3,016 00
	\$ 3,634 35

Grand total .....\$10,300,687 29

Respectfully submitted.

Mrs. F. H. E. Ross.



## AUDITOR'S REPORT.

Mrs. F. H. E. Ross, Treasurer, Woman's Work, Board of Missions, M. E. Church, South, Nashville, Tenn.: In accordance with our instructions, we have made a detailed examination of the cash receipts and disbursements through your office for the fiscal year of 1919, and found that the total cash receipts for the period under review, which include proceeds of a loan, certificates of deposit, and notes collected, amounted to \$1,214,625.96, and agree with the total deposits in the Fourth and First National Bank for the same period. The disbursements were verified by comparison with the canceled checks returned, paid through the above-mentioned bank, the total of said checks amounting to \$1,099,949.07. These disbursements were made in accordance with administrative secretaries' orders.

An examination was made of your account with the Fourth and First National Bank, and we satisfied ourselves as to the correctness of the balance of \$272,144.88 on deposit at the close of your fiscal year, as per Exhibit A-1.

Investments on hand, amounting to \$448,477.64 as per Exhibit A-2, were verified and found to agree with the amounts as called for by the ledger accounts, same being carefully checked in detail.

All receipts and disbursements as recorded in your office, as well as the investments and cash, as called for by the ledger accounts, were found properly accounted for; and in conclusion we desire to thank you again for intrusting this work to our care.

Respectfully submitted,

HOMER K. JONES & Co., Certified Public Accountants.

NASHVILLE, TENN., March 22, 1920.

## EXHIBIT A-1.—SUMMARY OF REPORTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR 1919 FISCAL YEAR AND CASH BALANCE.

Cash in bank at beginning of year.....	\$ 157,467 99
Add cash receipts .....	1,214,625 96
	\$1,372,093 95
Deduct cash disbursements .....	1,099,949 07
	\$ 272,144 88
Cash on deposit at end of year .....	
Above cash on hand verified as follows:	
Balance January 31, 1920, per Fourth and First National Bank pass book .....	\$ 268,128 82
Less checks outstanding .....	3,622 38
	\$ 264,506 44
Add checks issued during January, 1920.....	7,638 44
	\$ 272,144 88
Cash on deposit as above .....	\$ 272,144 88

## EXHIBIT A-2.—SUMMARY OF INVESTMENTS ON HAND AT CLOSE OF 1919 FISCAL YEAR AS CALLED FOR BY BOOKS OF WOMAN'S WORK, BOARD OF MISSIONS, M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.

*Foreign.*

Notes receivable .....	\$220,900 00
Bonds: Liberty .....	7,100 00
Cumb. Tel. & Tel. Co. ....	8,000 00
Pratt Con. Coal Co. ....	5,000 00
War Savings Certificates .....	100 00
Cloud bequest—savings account .....	548 38—\$241,648 38

*Home.*

Notes receivable .....	\$144,950 00
Bonds: Liberty .....	15,050 00
Pratt Con. Coal Co. ....	10,000 00
Key West Fund, savings account .....	4,205 33
Virginia Johnson Home, savings account .....	3,648 23— 177,853 56

*Scarritt.*

Notes receivable .....	\$ 24,050 00	
Bonds: Liberty .....	1,548 99	
Savings account .....	376 71	—\$ 25,975 70
Special loan .....		3,000 00
Total of investments .....		\$448,477 64

*Departments Combined.*

Notes receivable .....	\$389,900 00	
Bonds: Liberty .....	23,698 99	
Cumb. Tel. & Tel. Co. ....	8,000 00	
Pratt Con. Coal Co. ....	15,000 00	
War savings certificates .....	100 00	
Sundry savings accounts .....	8,778 65	
Special loan .....	3,000 00	—\$448,477 64

**MISSION STUDY AND CANDIDATE WORK.**

MRS. H. R. STEELE, CANDIDATE SECRETARY.

The report for the year in the Department of Mission Study and Candidate Work is most gratifying. The increase in the number of mission study and Bible study classes and in the number of young women interested in the work of the Church leads us to believe that the missionary enterprise has assumed a new importance and that many have realized that this work is the only answer that the Church can make to a world at war. Here is the "other way" which we have been challenged to show.

*Mission Study.*

The success of this line of work is largely due to the loyalty and enthusiasm of the Conference superintendents. The importance of mission study has been kept before the women in the local Churches, and through patient, persistent efforts reports of the work carried on in the auxiliaries have been secured. We have reason to believe that the goal to which we have been working, "A Mission Study Class in Every Auxiliary and Every Woman and Child a Member" is being realized and that there is an organized study class in every auxiliary where it is practicable for the women to come together for a meeting. In the communities where it is difficult to gather together for the study a reading circle has been organized, and the women have realized a deeper interest in missionary work.

Total number of classes reported by Conference superintendents ..... 3,656  
(An increase of 1,145 over the year 1918.)

	1919.	1918.
Adult .....	2,261	1,359
Young People .....	565	363
Juniors .....	830	519
Total number of members.....	85,436	46,949

Conferences leading in mission study as reported by superintendents: North Georgia, Central Texas, and North Alabama.

Total number of classes reported by enrollment cards, 1,795  
(An increase of 633 over the year 1918.)

	1919.	1918.
Adult .....	1,302	881
Young People .....	159	143
Juniors .....	216	89
College Girls .....	118	49

Conferences leading in mission study as reported by enrollment cards: North Georgia, Holston, and Texas.

Special mention should be made of the report of mission study in colleges. One report showed fifty classes with a membership of 986, 96 per cent of the students in school being enrolled in the classes. Reports have been secured from a larger number of institutions than ever before. Such classes have been reported to the Student Volunteer Movement and to the Young Women's Christian Association and not to the mission boards. The reports this year show a larger interest on the part of students in the work of the Church.

The leading books for the year were: Adults, "Working Women of the Orient," "Making America Safe"; Young People, "Adventures in Faith in Foreign Lands," "Making Life Count"; Juniors, "Mook," "Jack and Janet in the Philippines."

#### *Courses Recommended for 1920-21.*

The general theme for the year 1920-21 is, "The Bible and Missions." The following books are recommended for study:

*Adults.*—"The Bible and Missions," by Helen Barrett Montgomery; "The Church and the Community," by Ralph E. Diffendorfer.

*Young People.*—"A Better World," by Tyler Dennett; "Serving the Neighborhood," a book on the practical aspects of the Church in community service, by Ralph A. Felton.

*Juniors.*—"Lamplighters Across the Sea," by Margaret T. Applegarth; "Friend of Man," by Rev. Jay T. Stocking.

In addition to these books, two books on stewardship are recommended for study: "Money the Acid Test," by David McConaughy, and "The New Christian," by Ralph Cushman. The books should be studied by every woman in the Church. A new conception of stewardship and a larger sense of duty and responsibility will be created by the study of these books, and no woman can afford to lose the inspiration to be gotten from them.

It is interesting to note that the year 1920 has been designated as Bible year. It is most appropriate, and we do not believe that it was by accident that the general theme for mission study was chosen in line with the thought of the leaders who asked that this year be observed with special reference to study and distribution of the Bible

throughout the world. Valuable material on the Bible has been prepared by the American Bible Society, Bible House, Astor Place, New York, and may be had on application.

*Bible Study.*

Total number of classes reported by Conference superintendents .....1,670  
(An increase of 500 over the year 1918.)

	1919.	1918.
Adults .....	1,417	991
Young People .....	242	119
Juniors .....	7	7

Conferences leading in Bible study:  
North Alabama, Texas, and North Georgia.

*Candidate Work.*

Another year of service in the Candidate Department has passed and has been full of joy and progress. It is not difficult to count the number of young women who have expressed a desire for missionary service; it is difficult to measure the far-reaching influence of the work.

The Life Service Department of the Centenary Commission, as well as the systematic work carried on in the Church and State schools, has met with a most gratifying response; a large number of young women have heard the call for workers at home and abroad and have signified their willingness to invest their lives in service for God and humanity.

The educational standards for foreign and home workers adopted by the Council have been distributed among students and mailed to Conference officers and to interested pastors. As the standard of missionary service has been raised, letters and applications have been received from college graduates who are earnestly seeking to invest their lives where they will count for the most.

Twenty young women were accepted by the Committee on Applicants at the beginning of the school year and recommended for scholarships at the Training School. There will be twenty-one graduates from the institution and seven foreign missionaries, and six deaconesses will be consecrated for service. Six young women have been recommended as deaconess probationers. Other young women will be detained for health and family reasons.

As the wonderful possibilities of this department have been realized, the love for the work has deepened, and our hearts are filled with praise to the Father, who has led us all the way. Our files show correspondence with a large number of young women in freshman and sophomore years of college and lead us to believe that we will in a few years, through the cultivation of this department, have an ade-

quate number of well-prepared young women to man our work at home and abroad.

#### *Student Work.*

The Student Secretary will present her own report, but we are glad to bear testimony to the systematic work which has been done in the denominational schools within our territory. The reports show a larger use of the literature of our Board and larger gifts from students to the work for which we are responsible. One school reports a gift of \$10,000 for work in China.

The fact that a large number of volunteers reported by the Student Volunteer Movement have been previously reported by the Student Secretary gives evidence of the careful work that has been done in colleges under our Church. Sixty-five volunteers for foreign service were reported during the year by the Student Volunteer Movement. Forty-five volunteers for missionary work were reported by the Student Secretary. Thirty of the sixty-five reported by the Student Volunteer Movement had been previously reported by the Student Secretary. In our judgment this is proof of the fine cultivation carried on by the Student Secretary.

#### *The Evangelistic Campaign.*

The outstanding feature in student work has been the evangelistic campaign which has been conducted by the Life Service Department of the Centenary in our denominational schools. Young women who were not Christians have joined the Church. Ringing testimonies have been given that Church membership had a new meaning, and that a new sense of duty and responsibility had led to a deeper desire for a life of unselfish service.

Your Secretary conducted the services at Kidd-Key College, Sherman, Tex. Prayer circles and Bible study groups were organized in each dormitory. Four mission study classes were organized, and the support of a foreign missionary in Japan was assumed by the student body. Reports from the institution indicate a more earnest spirit among the student body and a seeking after the higher things of life. Reports from other institutions indicate a deepening of the religious life of the young people of the Church.

#### *The Student Volunteer Convention.*

Your Secretary attended the eighth Quadrennial Convention of the Student Volunteer Movement at Des Moines, December 31 to January 4. The gathering of seven thousand young men and women was in itself an inspiration. One could not fail to be thrilled by the possibilities wrapped up in such a host of young lives if only they could be vitalized and directed by the Spirit of God.

The students came from 1,000 institutions and represented the 300,-

000 members of the student bodies in the 3,000 colleges, universities, and professional schools in North America.

A most impressive sight was the gathering of young men and young women of other races from all the great mission fields, the living product of Christian missions. These included 153 Chinese, 55 Japanese, as well as 200 representatives from Korea, India, Africa, South America, and Mexico. Your Secretary had the pleasure of meeting several young women who were graduates of our mission schools.

#### *Denominational Rally.*

A denominational rally was held on Sunday afternoon and was attended by more than two hundred and fifty young men and young women, representing eighty-three institutions and coming from twenty-five States. The needs of the fields were presented, and an appeal was made for immediate reinforcements. The presence of missionaries and foreign students added to the interest of the occasion. Dr. R. H. Bennett, Dr. Ed F. Cook, Mr. A. M. Trawick, and Mr. F. P. Turner added strength to the program.

#### *Summer Conferences.*

The Summer Conferences in 1919 were attended by an unusually large number of young women and were marked by a spirit of earnestness and enthusiasm. Miss Helen Hardy, Miss Ruby Van Hoozer, and Deaconess Grace Gatewood visited the Y. W. C. A. Conference at Blue Ridge and at Hollister and attended a majority of the League Conferences held in the eastern and western sections of our territory.

Your Secretary attended the Monteagle School of Missions and taught the Crusade of Compassion. She also attended the Young People's Camp at Kavanaugh, Ky.

The Monteagle school has been reorganized and an interdenominational board of directors appointed. A strong program will be put on this summer and an opportunity given for leaders in missionary work and in mission study to study methods which will develop greater efficiency in the local Church.

Reports from the schools of missions in Dallas, Tex., and Oklahoma City show a large attendance and great enthusiasm for the work.

A school of missions was organized at St. Petersburg, Fla.; the registration showed an attendance of over six hundred. A board of managers was elected and plans made to put the school on a permanent basis. At the mid-year meeting of the Executive Committee Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb was appointed to represent the Woman's Missionary Council on the Board of Managers.

There are fifty-three Conferences and Schools of Missions in our territory. There are seven Schools of Missions, two Y. W. C. A. Student Conferences, three Interchurch World Movement Conferences; thirty-six under the auspices of the Epworth League Board, three

under the auspices of the Conference Societies, and two for negroes. The new enthusiasm and the new importance of missionary work are largely due to the systematic, intelligent work done at these centers of missionary information. As women study the needs of the various fields they become evangelists. The women and girls who gain a larger vision and a new enthusiasm at these summer conferences and the 85,000 members of mission study classes constitute a large part of the great host who publish glad tidings and who are putting new foundations under life.

#### *Interdenominational Work.*

Your Secretary has been elected a member of the Executive Committee of the Student Volunteer Movement and the Chairman of the Committee on Union Institutions in Foreign Fields, under the Federation of Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions of North America. She attended the annual meeting of the Federation of Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions in January, the World Survey Conferences at Atlantic City, the National Conference for Women in Washington, and the Interchurch World Movement Training Conferences held in Richmond, Birmingham, Orlando, and Jacksonville, Fla.

Too much cannot be said of the value of interdenominational work. A broader vision of the world's need of Jesus Christ and a larger conception of service result from fellowship with the workers of other boards. The unity of the missionary enterprise and the necessity of a proper coordination of missionary work create a new loyalty to the Church and a greater sense of responsibility for giving the program of Jesus Christ to the whole world. It has meant much to your Secretary to have opportunity at these interdenominational meetings for conference with the secretaries of other boards. There has been discussion of methods and interchange of literature, and it is with no small feeling of gratitude that we are able to report that the work in this department bears favorable comparison with that of any of the great boards.

#### *Correspondence.*

The correspondence has been unusually heavy. It has been a joy and not a burden. It is only by the personal touch that we are able to promote work in a large way. A new impetus has been put in the work by the Conference superintendents, and the fine enthusiasm in their letters gives encouragement and relieves the routine of office work.

#### *A New Day.*

A new day is upon us. If we, as Christians, believe sincerely that the missionary enterprise is the most important work in the world, it is our duty to use every effort in our power to further the interests of the Church with all the resources and knowledge and experience

we possess. It is our sacred duty to see that God's business is made as efficient as human effort, inspired by faith and prayer, can make it.

The achievements of the year give promise of the speedy realization of our goals, "A Mission Study Class in Every Auxiliary and Every Woman and Child a Member," "An Adequate Number of Well-Qualified Missionaries to Man Our Work at Home and in Foreign Fields." The day is one of destiny, and in every summons to Christian service there sounds a new note of urgency.

## DEPARTMENT OF LITERATURE AND YOUNG CHRISTIAN WORKER.

MISS ESTELLE HASKIN, SECRETARY.

The work in the office of the Educational Secretary in charge of literature has increased in volume as the weeks and months of the past year have gone by. The output of the department naturally classifies itself under four general heads: (1) Leaflets and Booklets; (2) Publicity; (3) The Periodical; (4) Permanent Literature.

*Leaflets and Booklets (Regular).*—The output of leaflets and booklets has been for the year as follows:

1. Children's leaflets, 8. (The material for the program of the third month each quarter has appeared in the *Young Christian Worker*.)

2. Young People's Leaflets, 12 (monthly).

3. Information for Leaders, 12 (monthly booklet).

4. Children's Supplement, 4 (quarterly).

*Booklets and Leaflets (Specials).*—1. Yearbooks: Adult, Young People, and Children.

2. Young People's Handbook.

3. Printed letter from Home Base Secretary.

4. Stewardship cards. (One hundred thousand were issued, to be distributed one to each member of the auxiliary.)

5. "Facts Ready for Use"—about China, Japan, Korea, and the Negro Work, revised editions of the "Nutshell Series." (These were sent out as program material and a reserve kept in the office as stock leaflets.)

6. Friendship Community Club Programs—booklet containing programs for an entire year to be used in clubs organized among foreign or negro women.

7. Week of Prayer:

(1) Prayer cards, one for each of the days set apart for the Week of Prayer. (These cards were placed in envelopes in order that they might be mailed to any shut-in members of the society who would join in the observance of the week. The sending out of these cards was a special feature, the thought being to enlist larger numbers in taking part.)



(2) Programs—printed in one leaflet containing an outline of a service for each of the five days to be observed.

(3) Leaflets: Three for Adults, one on prayer and one on each of the objects for which gifts were asked; two Young People's, one for the Foreign Week of Prayer Special and one a demonstration for the Home Special; one for Juniors, a demonstration, "Sick in China."

COST OF LEAFLET LITERATURE FOR 1919.

Adult Yearbooks .....	\$ 252 75	
Adult booklets and leaflets.....	4,777 86	
Pledge cards .....	137 75	—\$5,168 36
Young People's Yearbooks .....	\$ 211 18	
Young People's leaflets .....	861 24	
Young People's Handbook.....	168 00	— 1,240 42
Junior Yearbook .....	\$ 195 67	
Junior leaflets .....	1,036 39	
Certificates .....	14 77	— 1,246 83
Miscellaneous .....		461 70
Total .....		\$8,117 31
Sale of Yearbooks, helps, and leaflets amount-		
ing to .....		1,227 26
Reducing the cost to.....		\$6,890 05

*Publicity.*—The publicity work has been carried on through:

1. The regular monthly *Bulletin* of Missionary News.
2. Special bulletins.
3. Letters and notices to the editors of the Woman's Page in the Church organs.
4. Printed letters to Auxiliary Superintendents and typed letters to Conference Publicity Superintendents.

The *Bulletin* was placed in the office of the Secretary in charge of literature by the action of the last annual meeting of the Council. Authorization was given at the same time for special issues of the *Bulletin* denominated "Clip Sheets." In addition to the regular monthly issue there have been five extras. Three of these contained the quarterly reports of the Council Treasurer. Another gave publicity to the national campaign against social diseases and were sent to the Social Service Superintendents. A fifth set forth the position of the Federal Council of Churches on intervention in Mexico.

We have given special attention to the material published on the Woman's Page in the Conference organs. We noted that in many instances the space was well utilized. However, in a number of

cases much was published not relevant to woman's missionary work. For the most part large space was given to the news of the patronizing Conferences. In the majority of cases the editors made room for special and important Council announcements which were sent from this office from time to time. Good use of *Bulletin* material has also been made, and we noted too that an issue is occasionally given to the study of Council institutions within the bounds of the patronizing Conferences.

The most important as well as the most difficult part of our publicity work is that of getting missionary material into the secular papers. We sent out a request for clippings from local papers, and in response quite a number were received. Most of them were simply local announcements of missionary meetings. In some instances, however, splendid general material was used. We wish to mention especially the work of Mrs. R. H. Wynn, of the Louisiana Conference. She writes that the editor at Ruston gave to the Publicity Superintendent the privilege of using one entire issue of his paper. Mrs. Wynn copied whole sections of the *World Survey*, giving to the missionary cause a large publicity. Her presiding elder reported that he found papers in the adjoining district had copied freely from the Ruston paper.

The chief difficulty in the way of pushing our publicity work through the secular papers seems to be in the matter of overworking one committee. In most instances it is impossible for one woman to give attention to mission study, Bible study, and publicity. The usual consequence is that the last named in the list of duties is the one to suffer. The publicity work should be put in the hands of a woman in the auxiliary who has this one thing for her specific task.

In spite of the difficulties the reports show a marked increase in the use of the *Bulletin* and the secular press. For the first quarter of 1919 33 Conferences reported the use of 1,116 *Bulletins* and the sending of news to 420 dailies and weeklies; for the second quarter 33 Conferences reported the use of 1,361 *Bulletins* and the sending of news to 377 dailies and weeklies; for the third quarter 35 Conferences reported the using of 1,195 *Bulletins* and the sending of news to 803 dailies and weeklies; for the fourth quarter 34 Conferences reported the use of 1,156 *Bulletins* and the sending of news to 533 dailies and weeklies.

This was an increase over the report of 1918 of 241 *Bulletins* for the first quarter, 315 for the second, 395 for the third, and 403 for the fourth. The use of the secular press increased for the first quarter 67; for the second, 9; for the third, 364; and for the fourth, 198. While these figures do not show large gains, yet there is a steady increase; and with more specialized work the Publicity Department could be made vastly worth while.

*The Periodical.*—The *Young Christian Worker* has on its list of

subscribers a larger number of names than ever before. It is now mailed to sixteen thousand readers, four thousand more than last year. This might be a cause for rejoicing were it not for the fact that each new subscriber increases the debt to the Publishing House. The price of printing has nearly doubled, and in consequence it costs far more than twenty-five cents to supply twelve issues to one subscriber. Four years ago we paid to our agent, who takes care of the listing of the names and the expiration notices, one dollar per day. Now it is impossible to secure a reliable person to do this particular piece of work for less than seventy dollars per month. When we add the increased salary of this worker to the larger printing bill, it can easily be seen that there is no possible way to avoid increasing the subscription price of the *Young Christian Worker*.

*Permanent Literature.*—Authorization was given at the last meeting of the Council for the publication of one book during the ensuing year, thus adding to our permanent literature. The Standing Committee on Literature voted that the first book to be issued should be a history of the woman's missionary work. In compliance with this the Educational Secretary in charge of literature has undertaken the task. Within a month or two the book will be ready for the printer, and it is hoped that it will be off the press by early fall. Two pageants are being prepared for publication and will be for sale in the Home Base Office within a short time. A book of prayer reminders was also authorized by the Standing Committee on Literature, and an edition of 5,000 was issued from the press.

### HOME BASE.

MRS. E. W. LIPSCOMB, SECRETARY.

The year 1919 was a good year in which to live and work for missions—a good year to be a part of the great missionary force of the world. Missionary tides have run high and have lifted standards of working and giving out of the shallows and set them going upon the broad river that shall cover the earth.

We might say it has been a missionary gala day at the home base. There has been a spirit of missionary adventure in the hearts of our people, as they have undertaken tasks hitherto undreamed of and impossible. It was a joy to live through the Centenary experience. There can be no doubt that this cultivation has borne fruit in deepened spiritual lives, increased concern for humanity's needs, and in consciences quickened regarding stewardship of life and possessions.

In my own mind there is no doubt that the experiences through which we have passed have created a situation of increased responsibility for us as leaders. To take the tide at its flood, to hold the heights gained will require consecration, courage, toll beyond anything known in the past. We must gird ourselves anew for the task

and reconsecrate ourselves to Him whose we are and whom we serve. In order to hold the situations two things must be done *now*:

1. The spirit of liberality must be made permanent and the habit of large giving established. Prayerful efforts are the price we shall pay for this.

2. We must stamp indelibly upon the heart of the Church the image of world needs that has been formed by the light thrown on during the past year. We must take advantage of the present situation of the fullest. If I may so express it, we must be "profiteers" for missions. "Missionary effort of the fullest, highest, and most strenuous type is needed now."

#### A YEAR OF ACTIVITY.

Preparation for and participation in the Centenary drive made a heavy demand upon the women of the missionary societies. From every direction came reports of the splendid work done by the organized women. Our Centenary Director assures us that the part performed by the women was even greater than he had believed it would be and that they played a great part in securing the wonderful results.

The number of district, group, and auxiliary meetings usually held was in no wise diminished because of the extraordinary demands of the Centenary, and the regular routine of their work was not slackened. I have been greatly entertained recently with the thought of how many meetings are held annually in the interest of our work. A very conservative estimate is 188,400 meetings, or 516 every day; twenty-one and one-half every hour, or one every three minutes for every hour of every day and night of the year. No meeting could last longer than three minutes without infringing on the time of another meeting. To all this add the Centenary, and you have some conception of the tremendous amount of work done by our constituency during the past year. Truly our women have not been "slothful in business."

#### MEMBERSHIP AND AUXILIARY GAINS.

*Every Conference gained in membership.* Twenty-three gained 10% and over, the highest per cent of gain being made by the Northwest, 122%. Central Texas gained 39%; New Mexico, 32%; North Mississippi, 30%; South Georgia, 27%; Denver and North Carolina, 24%; Texas, 23%; Upper South Carolina and Baltimore, 22%; East Oklahoma, Little Rock, and Louisiana, 21%; North Alabama, 19%; West Texas, 18%; Tennessee, 16%; Holston, 16%; Virginia and Alabama, 15%; Los Angeles, Louisville, and Western North Carolina, 13%; North Arkansas, 10%.

The largest number of new members represented by these gains are as follows: Central Texas, 1,750; Virginia, 1,400; South Georgia, 1,300; North Carolina, 1,040.

*Twenty-one Conferences gained in number of auxiliaries, eleven of which gained more than 10%, as follows: North Mississippi, 43%; North Carolina, 19%; Alabama, 18%; Little Rock, 17%; North Alabama, 16%; Northwest and West Oklahoma, 14%; West Virginia, 11%; Louisville, Virginia, and West Texas, 10%; North Arkansas, South Georgia, and Texas, 9% (so nearly 10% as to deserve special mention).*

The largest number of auxiliaries gained are as follows: North Mississippi, 34; North Carolina, 32; Virginia, 29; Alabama, 28; North Alabama, 25; Louisville, 23; South Georgia, 22.

We are now a constituency of 131,880 adult members in 5,147 auxiliaries, 30,846 young people in 1,527 auxiliaries, 53,523 juniors in 2,069 auxiliaries—making a total of 216,249 members and 8,743 auxiliaries. Our constituency is now 14.7%, or one-seventh of the women and children of the Church.

## STATISTICS FROM CONFERENCES FOR 1919.

CONFERENCE.	Adult Auxiliaries.	Adult Members.	Young People's Auxiliaries.	Young People Members.	Junior Divisions.	Junior Members.	Baby Divisions.	Baby Members.	Week of Prayer.
1 Alabama.....	181	3,858	65	778	125	2,947	110	1,605	187
2 Baltimore.....	160	4,106	80	1,628	71	1,981	57	753	216
3 Central Texas.....	190	6,165	36	720	91	1,450	23	114	3
4 Denver.....	7	137	3	38	.....	19	.....	.....	4
5 East Oklahoma.....	128	2,833	18	230	32	772	14	128	49
6 Florida.....	131	3,385	16	400	38	847	34	418	67
7 Holston.....	151	4,330	62	1,336	53	1,389	57	966	106
8 Illinois.....	11	200	2	40	1	.....	.....	40	8
9 Kentucky.....	123	2,892	39	592	56	1,550	59	762	139
10 Little Rock.....	114	3,034	39	720	67	1,750	34	390	107
11 Los Angeles.....	21	724	5	40	7	125	12	122	16
12 Louisiana.....	120	3,177	24	497	20	494	16	208	105
13 Louisville.....	235	4,697	63	1,017	76	1,247	53	402	99
14 Memphis.....	137	3,763	41	862	58	1,212	35	584	124
15 Mississippi.....	145	2,592	26	229	50	1,160	35	194	85
16 Missouri.....	92	2,084	22	416	25	445	20	255	145
17 New Mexico.....	36	1,164	10	182	27	616	9	183	38
18 North Alabama.....	180	4,653	62	990	60	1,908	39	470	134
19 North Arkansas.....	126	3,014	16	362	58	1,083	24	393	87
20 North Carolina.....	212	5,271	71	1,232	137	4,080	61	794	124
21 North Georgia.....	286	7,856	135	2,733	205	6,812	186	2,426	210
22 North Mississippi.....	177	3,717	56	1,147	68	1,144	32	447	106
23 North Texas.....	134	3,748	26	500	19	694	12	182	110
24 Northwest.....	31	541	2	23	6	99	.....	.....	9
25 Northwest Texas.....	108	2,767	25	400	48	1,400	36	378	58
26 Pacific.....	44	1,027	5	68	11	175	18	201	22
27 St. Louis.....	81	2,390	30	898	28	708	19	264	41
28 South Carolina.....	137	3,720	28	549	74	2,050	35	359	100
29 South Georgia.....	253	6,159	22	511	34	1,871	35	512	178
30 Southwest Missouri.....	100	3,038	19	328	49	526	38	180	59
31 Tennessee.....	170	4,379	67	1,454	96	1,957	96	1,540	157
32 Texas.....	192	4,332	56	980	62	1,344	42	666	162
33 Upper South Carolina.....	169	4,018	48	1,143	78	1,671	26	287	128
34 Virginia.....	323	10,655	157	4,874	85	2,702	34	710	102
35 West Oklahoma.....	102	2,007	24	420	32	591	12	141	40
36 West Texas.....	146	3,497	18	300	41	1,134	15	294	62
37 Western North Carolina.....	146	4,240	88	1,790	108	3,321	53	974	129
38 Western Virginia.....	48	1,161	23	476	29	649	19	147	53
Total.....	5,147	131,880	1,527	30,846	2,125	53,523	1,400	18,519	3,470

## FINANCIAL INCREASES.

Even more wonderful than membership and auxiliary gains have been those in finances. *Every Conference gained ten per cent or more in finances*, and all but three gained the fifteen per cent set as the goal for the year. Denver, Illinois, Los Angeles, and North Alabama gained above 50%; Central Texas, East Oklahoma, New Mexico, and South Carolina gained 40 to 50%; Alabama, Baltimore, Northwest, Upper South Carolina, and Virginia gained 30 to 40%; Florida, Holston, Little Rock, Louisiana, Memphis, Mississippi, North Arkansas, North Georgia, North Mississippi, Pacific, West Oklahoma, West Texas, and Western Virginia gained 20 to 30%; Kentucky, Louisville, Missouri, North Carolina, North Texas, South Georgia, Southwest Missouri, St. Louis, Tennessee, Texas, and Western North Carolina gained from 10 to 20%. This is a wonderful record and is a cause for deep gratitude.

## OFFICE WORK.

This department of our work has reached the same high tides that the other departments have reached. The calls for help and supplies came thick and fast and were answered as they were received. During the month of January 3,018 letters were received and answered. The sales have been unusually large, owing to the fact that all the departments of our organization have had new record books.

## SALES REMITTED TO MRS. ROSS FOR 1919.

Maps .....	\$ 259 73
Yearbooks .....	650 08
Helps and leaflets.....	577 18
Record books .....	2,652 31
Books .....	15 95
Pins and pennants.....	396 15
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Total .....	\$4,551 40
Charts and leaflets from other boards.....	167 56
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Total .....	\$4,718 96

## WEEK OF PRAYER.

This season for 1919 was the most successful of our history and may be taken as a real indication of the spirit of our ranks. Three thousand four hundred and seventy auxiliaries reported observance of the week, with collections amounting to \$40,382.02.

## CONFERENCE PLANS.

Special seasons of various kinds have been used in many Conferences to increase interest and membership. The Rally-the-Membership plan was worked out with marked success by the Baltimore and North

Mississippi Conferences. For the present year the Conference leaders in the annual meetings are setting their own goals and laying unique plans for the advancement of the work. By the blessing of God these plans will bring yet greater victory for the cause.

### YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

MRS. J. W. PERRY, SUPERINTENDENT.

If the report which is herewith submitted is indicative of any one thing, it is that a new day is dawning in the Church—a day when many young people are coming gladly and with enthusiasm into the service of the Master. There is nothing more beautiful in the life of the Church than these bright trophies of her work. None are more devoted and faithful, none more loyal and active, when they are once aroused and enlisted. Many are turning with serious purpose to share in the task of world reconstruction and are finding the Young People's Missionary Society an efficient agency through which to enlist.

At no previous time since I have had the work have so many expressions of joy and gratitude come for the growth and advancement as have been elicited by the record of 1919. The Conference superintendents, who have labored so faithfully, are seeing the fruit of their toil and with new courage and determination are saying: "In the unfolding and ongoing of God's providence we may well expect to see by and by all our young people taught of God and rejoicing to bear the yoke of Christ in the beauty of their youth."

This will not come about in a day. The consummation of this glorious hope can be realized only by a deeper consecration on the part of older ones to the task of training and leading in Christian service the young people of our Church. There is but one discouraging or discordant note in the whole department, and that is *lack of leaders for our young people*. With all the earnestness of my heart I come to you to-day to ask you to pray daily that our Father may call women to definite work with and for our young people.

### STATUS OF THE WORK.

During the year 384 new auxiliaries have been organized, the total number being 1,524. By a comparison with the previous year a net gain of only 70 auxiliaries is shown. "Auxiliaries being transferred to the Adult Department," "Members all going away to college," "Lack of some one sufficiently interested to be their leader" are the reasons most frequently given for not having a larger increase. Twenty-one Conferences have, however, made a gratifying growth in organization. The greatest gain reported is

in North Georgia, with 43 new auxiliaries; Texas, 35; Virginia, 30; North Carolina, 26; Alabama and Louisville, 25 each.

The total membership is 30,915, which is a net gain of 2,375. The membership campaign resulted in the enrollment of 8,822 new members. Leading in the campaign is North Georgia, having added 1,539 new names to her roll. Virginia added 1,081; Texas, 455; Western North Carolina, 447; and Holston, 349.

The slogan for the year, "Each one win one," has been most helpful in the campaign, as is evidenced by the fact that 39 auxiliaries have doubled in membership during the year. The Texas Conference, with 10 auxiliaries, twice as large in membership as at the beginning of the year, stands at the head of the list. Tennessee has 6; North Georgia, 5; and Upper South Carolina, 4. In many of the Conferences no accurate account has been kept of the members transferred to the Adult Department; yet from the eleven Conferences having reported on this 509 members have thus been promoted. While these pass on to maturity, recruits are coming from the Junior Department to take their places; and the process of promotion is giving to the Church a better-trained constituency.

The young people's part on the program at the Annual Conference meetings has come to be one of the outstanding features. Their earnestness and enthusiasm find expression in many ways, and the contagion of it all has the wholesome effect of "renewing of youth" upon older ones. Songs, yells, thought-provoking speeches at the lunch hour or the young people's banquet, the frankness and candor of their discussions during the young people's institute hour, the evening service, which is varied in character and which few, if any, Conferences do not now include in the program—all speak in no uncertain tone of the "mobilizing of youth for a new crusade."

#### MISSION STUDY AND BIBLE STUDY.

There has been a gratifying increase in both mission study and Bible study classes. The 818 mission study classes and the 168 Bible study classes have been the means of strengthening the faith and stimulating the zeal of many of our young people. North Georgia reports 124 mission study classes; Alabama, 71; Texas, 47; Baltimore, 43; and Holston, 42. Texas Conference reports by far the largest number of Bible study classes, having 46. I trust that special emphasis may be given to the study of the Book of books during the year.

#### WEEK OF PRAYER.

The Week of Prayer was observed by 541 auxiliaries, which is 208 more than entered into this season of prayer and self-denial the previous year. The increase in the offering made on this occa-



sion is substantial proof of a deepening sense of obligation to the world's need. In the observance of this season North Georgia had 65 auxiliaries participating; Baltimore, 42; Virginia, 36; Texas, 31; and North Carolina, 27.

#### ROLL OF HONOR.

It is always an interesting time when the record is made up and the auxiliaries having won places of distinction for themselves are announced. When once the standard of requirements is reached, it is a rare instance that this same auxiliary is not found on the list the next year. The number reaching the goal is growing rapidly, 251 having attained this honor. The North Georgia Conference had 32 auxiliaries carrying away from the annual meeting the little ribbon fliers which told of a year of hard, faithful work. Texas had 22; Virginia, 16; Western North Carolina, 15; and Baltimore, 13.

#### SUMMER CONFERENCES.

Twelve Conference superintendents have given excellent reports of the summer conferences held or of their attendance at such assemblies with bands of their young people. So interested have some of the superintendents and the young people become and so helpful has the work been that earnest requests have been made for the preparation of certificates of credit to be given in recognition of the work done by members of the Young People's Missionary Society at these gatherings. The Conferences engaging in this work last summer are: Alabama, Central Texas, Kentucky, Louisville, Little Rock, Memphis, Missouri, North Georgia, North Texas, Northwest Texas, Tennessee, and Texas.

So vital does this work seem that I am constrained to repeat the conviction expressed in my report of a year ago—namely, that those agencies of our Church dealing with the young people can do no better thing than to come together in a united effort in providing wholesome and profitable recreation for our young people through a series of summer assemblies.

#### VOLUNTEERS.

The life enlistment program being carried forward by our Church is making a tremendous appeal to the members of the Young People's Missionary Society, and they are answering the call to service with gladness. There are 113 volunteers from our membership this year. Many others who have not made a public declaration of their purpose are seeking by private interviews and by correspondence with those in positions of leadership to know what the will of God is for their lives.

The Conference Committee designated by the Council to visit the colleges and thereby cultivate the relation of the Methodist young

women and the women of the Missionary Society have in twelve of the Conferences given good report of their work. These visits have been mutually helpful and will be far-reaching in their results, I have no doubt.

#### FINANCES.

The total offering of \$48,869.76 for missions is \$11,250.08 more than was made last year. Only three Conferences failed to make a gain in finances, and most of them went far beyond a fifteen per cent increase. Two Conferences deserve special mention. The Pacific Conference made a gain of 369 per cent, and the East Oklahoma Conference made a gain of 133 per cent. The five making the next largest per cent of gain are: Florida, 94 per cent; North Georgia, 88 per cent; South Carolina, 86 per cent; West Texas, 77 per cent; and North Mississippi, 76 per cent.

There is not a Conference which has not had some distinctive success that would be interesting to write into the record. Because they may not have a place among the Conferences making the largest gain is no indication of a lack of growing interest or of fidelity to the work committed to them. The future was never brighter for the Young People's Missionary Society.

#### STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

Auxiliaries .....	1,521
New auxiliaries .....	384
Members .....	30,437
New members .....	8,822
Members transferred to Adult Department.....	509
Mission study classes .....	818
Bible study classes .....	168
Boxes of supplies .....	373
Institutes and rallies .....	120
Colleges visited .....	13
Volunteers .....	113
Auxiliaries observing Week of Prayer .....	541
Roll of honor auxiliaries .....	251
Gifts for missions .....	\$48,869 76

#### CHILDREN'S WORK.

MISS ALTHEA JONES, SUPERINTENDENT.

For the second time I come before you to make a report of the Children's Work, and I am glad to tell you that I believe we have made very gratifying advance during the past year. I make this statement in spite of the fact that you will see some decrease in the figures of organization and membership. We show a good increase in new members and new divisions, but a net decrease in both.

The reasons for this net decrease, I believe, are as follows: The year has seen the adoption of new record and report books for both the auxiliaries and Conference superintendents, hence a change in the method of reporting, but much more accurate figures is the result; then, too, the Conference superintendents have done some heroic pruning of their lists by dropping the names of auxiliaries that have been inactive for some time. So we can now safely say that every one of the 3,445 divisions we report are active, live divisions and doing splendid work, as you will note from the figures contained in this report.

*Divisions.*—We show a ten per cent gain in new Baby Divisions and a twenty-six per cent gain in new Junior Divisions over last year, but a net loss of six per cent in Baby Divisions and fifteen per cent in Junior Divisions.

*Members.*—We have a fifty per cent gain in new Baby members and forty-seven per cent gain in new Junior members, but a net decrease of sixteen per cent in Baby and twenty per cent in Junior members. There should be many more children members of our Missionary Society; we have about three times as many adult as children members.

*Finances.*—Our showing in finances this year is splendid, the percentage of increase for the children far exceeding that of any of the other departments—in fact, our percentage of increase is more than that of the adult and young people combined. There has been an advance of fifty-five per cent in Junior and seventy-six per cent in Baby finances, sending to the Council Treasurer \$47,499.16. Besides this amount, the children's auxiliaries have contributed to local and other calls. The *per capita* gift of our Church to missions is fifty-six cents; the *per capita* gift of the Juniors for this year is eighty-seven cents; and of the Babies, thirty cents.

*Mission Study.*—The increase in mission study classes and members has been good. We have 162 more classes, a twenty-six per cent increase, and 19,296 children class members, which is an increase of fifty-five per cent. This is one of our most valuable advances; for if we can educate our children in missions through our splendid study books, the future leadership of the Church is safe.

*Stewardship and Social Service.*—Provision was made in the *Yearbook* for regular quarterly study in these subjects, hence there has been no accurate tabulation of figures in regard to them; but as a large majority of the divisions use the *Yearbook* for their meetings, we can be assured that these subjects are taken care of and that the children are being properly trained along these lines. Six hundred and thirty-three divisions report that they have social service committees.

*Literature.*—From many sources we hear commendation of the literature being furnished the Children's Department, and I desire to say that I believe our Educational Secretary and her colaborers are now furnishing us with very practical and helpful literature for the Children's Work. I had the pleasure of serving with the Committee on Literature in

preparation of the *Yearbook* and quarterly material for the children's literature.

*Mothers' Meetings.*—Interesting programs have been prepared and furnished the leaders for quarterly mothers' meetings. An increasing number of leaders are holding these meetings and are finding them very helpful in their work; for where the mother knows the plans and aims of the leader she coöperates much more heartily and intelligently.

*Mite Box Openings.*—Quarterly programs for Baby mite box openings have been furnished, and provision has been made on the *Yearbook* programs for the Junior mite box opening every quarter. I believe to this systematic arrangement is largely due our splendid increase in finances.

*Honor Roll.*—The new Standard of Excellence under which we have been working this year is much more difficult of attainment than the old one, so we show a decrease in the number of auxiliaries attaining the Honor Roll—only 345, a decrease of thirty-eight per cent over last year. We feel, however, that here honor has been bestowed where honor is due, for these 345 auxiliaries had to work to meet the standard requirements.

*Week of Prayer.*—The observance of the Week of Prayer by the children was much more general this year, 791 auxiliaries reporting observance, an increase of ninety-four per cent.

*Summer School.*—I attended the Wilson College Summer School of Missions and found the time spent there very helpful. The work they gave for the children was especially good.

*The Outlook.*—The outlook for the year 1920 in the Children's Department is very bright. We are starting the year with an active roll. The Conference superintendents are better informed than ever before. They have made systematic plans for a more thorough organization of the work and are in close personal touch with the Auxiliary and Council Superintendent. Too much cannot be said in commendation of the loyal efforts put forth by the Conference superintendents and of their hearty coöperation with your representative in all her plans.

In behalf of the children of the Church, the auxiliary and Conference superintendents, and your Council representative, I bespeak your coöperation in your local auxiliary, as well as in your official capacity, in promoting every possible way this, potentially the greatest, work under the Council.

#### STATISTICAL REPORT FOR YEAR OF 1919.

##### *Baby Divisions.*

Began year with .....	1,191
New organizations .....	452
Gain .....	10%
Dropped during year .....	323

Reported for year 1918 .....	1,400
Reported for year 1919 .....	1,320
Net loss, 6% .....	80
Largest number of divisions: North Georgia.....	186
Alabama .....	110
Largest percentage increase: Alabama .....	134%
North Georgia .....	85%

*Junior Divisions.*

Began year with .....	1,973
New organizations .....	515
Gain .....	26%
Dropped during year .....	363
Reported for year 1918 .....	2,503
Reported for year 1919 .....	2,125
Net loss, 15% .....	378
Largest number of divisions: North Georgia.....	205
North Carolina .....	137
Largest percentage increase: Alabama .....	50%
New Mexico .....	42%

Twenty-six Conferences made more than five per cent advance in organizations, as follows: Alabama, Baltimore, Denver, East Oklahoma, Florida, Holston, Kentucky, Little Rock, Los Angeles, Louisville, Mississippi, Missouri, Northwestern, North Alabama, North Arkansas, North Carolina, North Georgia, North Mississippi, South Carolina, St. Louis, Texas, Upper South Carolina, Virginia, West Oklahoma, West Texas, Western North Carolina.

*Baby Members.*

Present enrollment .....	18,549
New names in 1919 .....	6,298
Increase .....	50%
Promoted .....	978
Reported, 1918 .....	22,208
Net decrease .....	10%
Largest number of members: North Georgia.....	2,426
Alabama .....	1,605
Largest percentage increase: South Carolina .....	400%
Alabama .....	190%

*Junior Members.*

Present enrollment .....	47,723
New names in 1919 .....	15,296
Increase .....	47%
Reported, 1918 .....	60,653
Net decrease .....	20%

Largest number of members: North Georgia .....	5,412
Western North Carolina .....	3,321
Largest percentage increase: South Carolina .....	500%
Alabama .....	96%

Twenty-two Conferences made a ten per cent advance in membership, as follows: Alabama, Baltimore, Denver, East Oklahoma, Florida, Holston, Kentucky, Little Rock, Louisville, Mississippi, Missouri, Northwestern, New Mexico, North Alabama, North Carolina, North Georgia, South Carolina, Southwest Missouri, St. Louis, Texas, West Texas, Western North Carolina.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT.

##### *Baby Divisions.*

Contributed, 1919 .....	\$ 5,575 55
Contributed, 1918 .....	3,148 72
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Gain of 76% .....	\$ 2,426 83
Leading: North Georgia .....	657 63
Alabama .....	464 76
Largest percentage increase: North Texas ....	1,225%
South Carolina .....	700%

##### *Junior Divisions.*

Contributed, 1919 .....	\$41,873 61
Contributed, 1918 .....	26,902 08
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Gain of 55% .....	\$14,971 53
Leading: North Georgia.....	5,660 45
North Carolina .....	4,507 25
Largest percentage increase: East Oklahoma..	156%
Northwest Texas .....	100%

Thirty-six Conferences made more than fifteen per cent advance in finance, as follows: Alabama, Baltimore, Central Texas, Denver, East Oklahoma, Florida, Holston, Kentucky, Little Rock, Los Angeles, Louisville, Memphis, Mississippi, Missouri, Northwestern, New Mexico, North Alabama, North Arkansas, North Carolina, North Georgia, North Mississippi, North Texas, Northwest Texas, Pacific, South Carolina, South Georgia, Southwest Missouri, West Oklahoma, West Texas, Western North Carolina, St. Louis, Tennessee, Texas, Upper South Carolina, Virginia.

Total amount paid by children, 1919 .....	\$47,449 16
Total amount paid by children, 1918 .....	30,050 80
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Increase of 57% .....	\$17,398 36

Amount paid, 1919 .....	\$47,449 16
Finance goal, 1919 .....	35,000 00

Advance over goal .....\$12,449 16, or 36%

Nineteen Conferences attained the goal of five per cent increase in organizations, ten per cent increase in members, and fifteen per cent increase in finances, as follows: Alabama, Baltimore, Florida, East Oklahoma, Holston, Kentucky, Little Rock, Louisville, Memphis, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, North Georgia, South Carolina, St. Louis, Texas, Upper South Carolina, West Texas, and Western North Carolina. West Oklahoma and North Mississippi missed by only one per cent.

Auxiliaries on the Honor Roll for 1919.....	345
Auxiliaries on the Honor Roll for 1918.....	557
Decrease .....	38%
Auxiliaries observing Week of Prayer, 1919 .....	791
Auxiliaries observing Week of Prayer, 1918 .....	402
Increase .....	94%
Number of Study Classes for 1919 .....	781
Number of Study Classes for 1918 .....	619
Increase .....	26%
Members of Study Classes, 1919 .....	18,296
Members of Study Classes, 1918 .....	12,381
Increase .....	55%
Members in Junior Division .....	47,723
Members in Mission Study .....	19,296

Over forty per cent of membership are in Mission Study Classes. About forty per cent of the Junior Divisions observed Week of Prayer. Juniors paid eighty-seven cents per member in 1919. Babies paid thirty cents per member in 1919.

### BUREAU OF SUPPLIES.

MRS. J. H. YARBROUGH, SUPERINTENDENT.

We bring to you of the Council a grand report; but if we could have included the work done by the other ten Conferences not reporting, we perhaps would have reached a hundred thousand dollars. The Conference superintendents were in most cases interested, faithful, and diligent; hence this good report. The women who have done all of this wonderful work are the same ones who have given largely to the various local needs and to the Conference orphanages. Some valuable and useful donations have been sent to the foreign fields during the year, St. Louis Conference having sent to Miss Olive Lipscomb, of Soochow, China, a draft of \$95 for the purchase of a printing press. St. Louis Conference leads in donations to foreign

fields, having sent 14 donations. Many of our needy preachers and their families were made comfortable and happy in these times of strenuous circumstances by the 609 donations sent them by the various Conferences.

The Louisville Conference made a wonderful record, having sent 147 donations to preachers; and as their Superintendent of Supplies is a preacher's wife, we feel sure the donations were all they should have been. St. Louis Conference was second, having sent 74 donations to preachers. And, as has been the case for many years, St. John's Church, St. Louis, sent the largest and most valuable number sent by any one Church, having 8 donations, valued at \$1,835.35.

North Georgia Conference leads in number of donations sent to the different enterprises—420 donations. St. Louis Conference leads in value, having sent 341 donations, valued at \$8,097.28. Holston comes second in point of value, having sent donations valued at \$6,320.06.

The report as a whole is as follows:

To preachers.....	610
To mission schools, rescue homes, city mission boards, and missionaries .....	1,977
To foreign field.....	39
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Total number.....	2,626
 Total value .....	 \$76,249 97

The report by Conferences appears on the following page.



## REPORT OF SUPPLIES OF CONFERENCES.

CONFERENCES.	Donations to Preachers	Donations to Mission Schools, Missions, Rescue Homes, City Mission Boards	Donations to Foreign Fields	Total Number of Donations	Total Value of Donations
Alabama	18	76		94	\$ 2,661 48
Baltimore	36	67	4	107	1,805 96
Central Texas	1	99		100	5,879 83
Denver					
East Oklahoma	15	7		22	1,297 35
Florida*					3,991 23
Holston	7	227		234	6,320 06
Illinois					
Kentucky	18	28		46	1,040 40
Louisiana		82	1	83	3,304 05
Little Rock	11			11	1,337 98
Los Angeles					
Louisville	147	57	1	205	5,400 27
Memphis	9	42		52	1,517 20
Mississippi					
Missouri		75		75	3,406 35
New Mexico					
North Alabama	57	3	3	63	2,439 86
North Arkansas	34	1		35	746 55
North Carolina	15	8		23	530 00
North Georgia	26	387	7	420	6,084 95
North Mississippi		10		10	163 50
North Texas	4	75	3	82	2,709 50
Northwest Texas	3	13		16	554 25
Northwest					
Pacific					
South Carolina					
South Georgia	10	9	3	22	991 40
Southwest Missouri		118		118	1,856 30
St. Louis	74	253	14	341	8,097 28
Tennessee	63	147		210	6,308 49
Texas	5	125	1	131	1,923 37
Upper South Carolina					
Virginia	6	41		47	3,495 75
Western North Carolina	36	5		41	1,356 56
West Oklahoma					
West Texas	3	16	2	21	617 25
Western Virginia	12	5		17	412 75
	610	1,977	39	2,626	\$76,249 97

\*Contributed to all lines of work, donations not given.

## MISSIONARY VOICE.

MRS. E. B. CHAPPELL, EDITOR.

The year 1919 was in all respects successful for the *Missionary Voice*. Although the subscription price was doubled at the beginning of the year, new members and renewals came in freely, and the circulation not only held its own, but grew by several thousand. This, in the face of world disturbances and unsettled conditions in every department of life, spoke volumes for the esteem in which you held your missionary organ, as well as for your loyalty to its interests. It is, therefore, with gratification and appreciation that this report is made.

## OUTLOOK.

The year 1920 is well advanced, and its forecast is not hard to make. Present indications point to a growth in the number of subscribers beyond anything previously reported. Plans for stimulating this growth, of such nature as will merit your approval, will soon be made known to you through your auxiliary agents. To increase the circulation to double its present size is the goal the editors have set for the year. This is, in every sense, legitimate, thereby making possible greater improvements in the magazine as to subject matter and appearance and multiplying whatever good the paper may now accomplish.

## CHANGES.

During the past year changes have been effected in the publication of the paper, having been made necessary by unavoidable pressure and consequent delay in the printing department of the Publishing House. By reason of these changes the monthly issues have been put out on time and in the majority of cases have reached the subscribers early in the month. In some instances, however, delays occurred because of imperfect mail service before the railroads went back into private ownership and control.

Failure to receive the paper is sometimes due to the mutilation of covers in the mail bags and the consequent loss of labels. They are returned to the office minus name and address, and there is no way to tell what subscriber is missing his or her paper.

In all these cases there is just cause for complaints, and the ears of the editors are ever open to receive them, from whatever cause. The case always receives careful hearing, and restitution is made whenever possible. A diligent office force is striving to avoid even the appearance of error and to serve subscribers with accuracy and swiftness.

## UNPRECEDENTED OPPORTUNITY.

Nationalism and internationalism are to-day making a broad field for the occupancy of a great missionary literature. World conditions

have created an urgency—yea, and obligation—for sowing broadcast the world remedy. At no time in the history of nations has the place of a missionary journal, built on a generous and world-wide sympathy, been so vitally necessary. The follower of Jesus Christ has not discharged his full obligation to make known the healing, saving power inherent in that "Name above every name" until he has become a reader and a propagator of missionary literature. The Board of Missions, through its two departments, is striving to add to the sum total of information concerning world conditions and the defining of world opportunities in the publication of the *Missionary Voice*. Through its pages all nations, especially those for which the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is responsible, are brought to the readers for sympathetic and intelligent consideration. It claims and expects your cooperation and support and promises in return "the best that in us lies."

#### FINANCES.

For the second time in the life of your missionary organ there is a balance in bank to its credit. January 1, 1920 finds a balance of \$2,761.34. This is not so large a balance as that of January, 1919, current expenses having been greater in the past year than ever before. But the balance for the year is a creditable showing and will be gratifying to the Council.

#### CIRCULATION.

The average circulation for the year was 44,416. A comparison with the circulation of other periodicals of the Church will be found favorable to the *Missionary Voice*.

#### STUDENT SECRETARY.

##### HELEN HARDY.

The work of your Student Secretary may be divided into regular secretarial visits, evangelistic campaigns, and student volunteer conferences. One change in methods has been made since last year in the work in the State schools. After the Interchurch World Movement planned life service campaigns for State and nondenominational schools, it was decided that the Secretary's work should be confined to denominational schools in order to prevent duplication and to be able to care more efficiently for the Methodist colleges.

During the past seven months twenty-nine schools have been visited. Interviews with eighty-two volunteers for foreign missions and thirteen for the home field have been reported. Ten young women who were undecided as to choice of field have been interviewed. Your Secretary is in correspondence with a number of young women who are considering missionary work, but whose purpose is not firmly enough fixed for their names to be reported to the Candidate Secretary as

volunteers. Of the volunteers in this year's reports, forty-eight had been previously reported by your student secretaries. The missionary interest and information in the institutions show the fine work done by former secretaries.

There still remain fourteen colleges to be visited in this school year, and these will be covered as far as the remaining time will permit.

At the request of the Life Service Committee of the Centenary Commission, your Secretary was permitted to assist in evangelistic campaigns in Greensboro, Howard-Payne, and Central (Lexington) Colleges. The college revival has meant in every case an increase in the number and quality of volunteers for home and foreign missions, the only schools where no volunteers were found being those in which evangelistic meetings had not been held.

During March most of the work was done in State Student Volunteer Conferences, the schedule including those of Virginia in Richmond, North Carolina in Davidson, and Alabama in Marion. All of these Conferences were full of the spirit of the Des Moines Convention in their enthusiasm and vision. One of the most helpful and inspiring things in their program was the drawing up of written policies by the individual delegations. These policies, or missionary programs, included aims and plans for mission study, missionary giving, and volunteering for foreign work, and were characterized by the daring faith of the leaders in missionary thought in the colleges. In a very beautiful way they are working to carry out these plans.

Mention should be made of the things which are being done by the students. Trinity College, in North Carolina, is raising this year a missionary gift of \$2,500 instead of the two or three hundred they have been giving in previous years. Greensboro College for Women has added to its annual gift \$750 for the support of a missionary, and Randolph-Macon Woman's College, becoming interested in the work of Dr. Love, pledged \$1,000 to the Union Hospital, in addition to its annual gift of \$750. The students there also brought over and keep in college two Serbian students. Galloway College has made arrangements to have in its midst next year a foreign student supported by the girls themselves. The Student Volunteer Band in the Woman's College of Alabama has increased from one to nine within the current school year. Wesleyan College has a missionary special of \$10,000 and leads in mission study with an enrollment of 100 per cent. There are other schools which might be mentioned, but these are enough to show the work and interest of the students in our colleges.

The student work this year has been very gratifying because results have been so evident. Never have students been so open-minded, so responsive, so ready to take up any challenge, so eager to find their places in life's great plan as now. There is among the women in our colleges a beautiful new spirit of service, of the giving of time and money and self. Most of all they wish for and need the leadership of

more experienced women. In some of our colleges this is found in members of the faculty. To supplement in these and to fill the need in less fortunate schools your Student Secretary has worked with a great deal of joy these past seven months.

### SCARRITT BIBLE AND TRAINING SCHOOL.

EDMUND F. COOK, PRESIDENT.

#### AN AUSPICIOUS YEAR.

The school year of 1918-19 closed most happily with the graduation of thirteen splendid young women. The enrollment for the year reached fifty-one. As the program for the school and the personnel of the faculty were in the main new, this was a year for the determination of politics and for the adjustment of forces. We are grateful to report that the affairs of the school moved forward steadily and harmoniously and that the spirit and fellowship of both faculty and students were in every respect wholesome and delightful.

#### GREATER THINGS.

The school year 1919-20 opened with an exceptional enrollment, which soon reached seventy-five, classified as follows:

Seniors, regular .....	19
Seniors, condition .....	2
Juniors .....	46
Social courses .....	8
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Total number students.....	75

The student body is composed of young women of splendid personality, good preparation, and definite religious purpose. Consequently excellent work is being done in advanced courses in missionary preparation. The spirit of the school is buoyant, wholesome, self-expressive, and happy. A more normal or a more attractive group is hard to find.

It is interesting to note the character of the previous training of the students now enrolled. There are 27 college women. Other graduates are as follows: Normal school, 14; high school, 21; business college, 6; nurse-training school, 2; kindergarten training school, 1.

It is also interesting to note the previous practical experience of our students: Teaching, 39; professional and business experience, 21; social service and professional Christian work, 16.

The figures indicate a steady advance in the type of previous training with which students begin their specialized missionary preparation. There is also here an indication of most valuable lines of previous experience in both teaching and business affairs. Acquaintance with the present student body clearly indicates a strength and resource-

fulness in the missionary materials available to the Church. This is very encouraging.

#### CURRICULUM COMMITTEE.

Obedient to the instructions received from the Board of Managers upon assuming my duties as President, I have been endeavoring to advance the curriculum at every essential point and to offer courses adapted to the demand for highly specialized training for missionary work. In this endeavor I have been cordially supported by the Curriculum Committee of the faculty, with the result that we have re-organized the courses in Bible, sociology, and religious education, and have added a full department, with far more adequate emphasis than ever before in Church history and missions. Under this general head we have introduced the History of Religion and Comparative Religion. Our courses set forth in the catalogue, approved by the Board of Managers and already submitted to you for your approval, represent advanced courses in missionary preparation unexcelled by any institution in the country.

#### FACULTY.

This enlarged program has been made possible through the strengthening of the faculty. In addition to the force with which we opened the term of 1918-19, we have been privileged to add to our corps of teachers a group whose spirit and preparation are a guarantee of work of the highest order.

We are grateful to announce that Prof. A. M. Trawick accepted the call of the Board to the Department of Sociology. He is an outstanding authority in our Church in the field of social science. His mastery of his subject, his deep religious experience, and the charm of his personality have been elements of strength in our work for which we are profoundly grateful.

The generous response of the Council to our request for Miss Mary Ora Durham has brought into the institution a most gracious influence and a wholesome interpretation of modern Christian experience and service. Her presence is an inspiration to young womanhood. Her training and practical experience as a deaconess makes her a capable teacher, a wise counselor, and a strong leader in the field work of the students. She has entered with vigor and joy into the activities of the school and the life of the home.

Miss Gilberta Harris, as the Physical Director and Instructor in Nurse-Training, Health, and Hygiene, for whom provision was made at the last meeting of the Board, has fulfilled in every way our expectations and is doing all that is possible, with such meager equipment, to develop the physical vigor of our students. As a trained nurse she has rendered wise and skillful service, inspiring by her ability and watchful care the confidence of all.

Miss Grace M. Knowles, as secretary to the President, book-keeper for the institution, and instructor of classes in bookkeeping, has had more than her share of the work during the past term. She has, however, rendered most faithful and efficient service. In opening a new system of accounts and installing the new books Miss Knowles exhibited fine intelligence as a business woman, winning high praise from the accountants who inaugurated the system.

#### FINANCIAL POLICIES.

In acceding to the request of the Board of Managers to take over the financial details, as well as the general business management of the institution, I have come directly in touch with all the problems of our work in the school. Consolidating the financial administration and the general management, I think, is chiefly responsible for the gratifying status of affairs exhibited at the annual meeting of the Board of Managers by the auditor's report. With a limited income and an appropriation fixed to cover exact demands, and confronted as we were by constantly rising prices of all the necessities of life, we soon saw that our only hope lay in strict business organization, definition of departmental responsibility, and a thoroughly modern system of accounts. This view being indorsed by our Finance Committee, the books of the institution were closed and audited down to July 1, 1919, and a new system of bookkeeping installed. The Treasurer's report for the last fiscal year demonstrated the practical wisdom of the system of accounting which was adopted, and showed a thorough coöperation in all departments and exceptional financial management under most difficult conditions.

#### EDUCATIONAL POLICIES.

Both the Board of Missions and the Woman's Missionary Council went on record at their session of 1919 in favor of strengthening our program for missionary education and for the extension and enlargement of the work of Scarritt Bible and Training School. In harmony with these actions and the instructions of the Board of Managers, we have given no little time and attention to the task involved in promoting the program proposed. In this undertaking we have had the full sympathy and coöperation of the faculty and most valuable assistance from the Curriculum Committee. Pursuant to the policy accepted, we have announced in the new catalogue the courses which we are now actually giving, as follows:

1. A postgraduate course for foreign missionary candidates. This course is adjusted in every respect possible to the recommendations of the Board of Missionary Preparation and is based upon an academic degree from a standard college or university. We felt that the recent developments in the educational policy of the Southern Methodist Church, the splendid material from which we have a right to draw, and

the constantly advancing emphasis upon education upon the part of the young men and women of America make this the auspicious time for such an advance in the curriculum as places our courses well up to the standard set by the Board of Missionary Preparation. I am sure we speak with proper modesty and conservatism when we say that our courses now compare favorably with the very best available in this country.

2. A course for students preparing for service as deaconesses and home missionaries which is fashioned to fit into the standard now accepted by the Woman's Missionary Council. This course is therefore based on two years of college work or the equivalent and involves such subjects as are best suited to the needs of young women entering these fields of service. We are, however, offering courses in preparation for home missionary work parallel in every respect to the foreign mission course and making direct appeal to the young college women of America to prepare for home mission work. We feel that our courses for deaconesses and home missionaries are unsurpassed by any institution in the United States.

3. We are prepared to offer courses especially adapted to that great company of young women lacking early educational opportunities, but who are strong in personality, rich in personal experience, and eager to serve the Master, but who are unable through lack of previous educational preparation to register for the diploma courses. These should be given an opportunity for training for Christian service. There is also a large number of young college women who should be induced to take courses of special preparation for non-professional Christian work. The demand for trained Christian workers in the local Church and in general community service is growing more and more insistent. Outstanding missionary leaders in this country have represented to me that the biggest unworked field for a school like Scarritt Bible and Training School is found among those who do not expect to become professional workers. As has been urged by one of the best friends of the institution, if we could bring together a large body of young women who do not contemplate professional service either as foreign or home missionaries, but who want to prepare themselves to render service as Sunday school teachers, Bible teachers, superintendents of primary departments, Church visitors, and in various other forms of nonprofessional service, we may enter upon a unique field of service for the Church and one which will appeal to pastors and other Church leaders. At present, of course, we can take but few such students, as our room is nearly all occupied by candidates for home or foreign service. We should, however, in the larger program and in the building scheme which ere long must command our attention, provide for meeting this particular need.



## PROBLEMS IN MISSIONARY PREPARATION.

Careful study of the missionary on the field, of the prospective missionary in training, and the work of the Board of Missionary Preparation, together with an equally careful study of the growing demand for scientific efficiency in missionary service, lead me to believe that an early solution of the problems of the qualified candidate is in sight. In the first place, the problems are being rapidly defined and better understood. In the second place, our own educational leaders are awakening to the situation. A movement is already on foot in our own Church to correlate and coördinate the educational work of institutions offering subjects related directly to the missionary's preparation. In the third place, there is under way an effort to bring the language schools on the field to undertake a definite share of the missionaries' postgraduate preparation beyond mere language-getting.

Another important step in handling this particular problem in our own Church was taken by the Education Association of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in its session in Memphis, Tenn., March, 1919, when a committee was appointed to work out a plan of correlating with the work of the theological seminaries and the training school all the courses of special value to ministers, missionaries, and other Christian workers. There is in this movement an opportunity to distribute the work in such a way as to reduce the time required for specialized missionary preparation without impairing its value or lowering the standards.

Three of the more serious problems with which we have had to deal are in process of solution.

1. The failure heretofore of this institution to grant credit to students for work done in standard colleges or universities has been corrected by the adoption by the Board of Managers of the following recommendations of the faculty:

"Students will be given credit in Scarritt Bible and Training School for work done in standard colleges and universities, when the work offered as a substitute represents an equivalent in hours and material; provided, requests for such credit are accompanied with satisfactory statements of work done and grades attained.

"When subjects in Scarritt Bible and Training School are designed to meet the special needs of missionary preparation or the needs of special fields for which our Church is particularly responsible, students will be expected to take the classroom work in these subjects, unless these special subjects are included in the work for which credit is requested. All students excused from part- or full-time classroom work will be required to take regular assignments in field work during the period of their residence in the training school."

2. The fact is that heretofore our diploma has been based on work that has been adjusted to high-school graduates. This fact has of-

ferred a serious difficulty in our appeal to the young college women to take the specialized courses we offer. This difficulty is handled by the advanced courses now offered and by the adoption by the Board of Managers of the following recommendations of the faculty:

"Students entering Scarritt Bible and Training School will be classified as candidates for graduation in harmony with the requirements set forth by the Woman's Missionary Council.

"Graduate work: A diploma will be awarded a student-candidate for home or foreign missionary service who is a graduate of a standard college or university and who satisfactorily completes the graduate courses in home missionary preparation and gives evidence of efficiency in Christian service.

"Graduate courses are open to any student who is able to register for graduate work.

"Undergraduate work: A diploma will be awarded a student-candidate for home missionary service who has a diploma from a standard high school or its equivalent and two years of college work or its equivalent (see below for 'equivalents' accepted by the Woman's Missionary Council) and who satisfactorily completes the undergraduate courses in home missionary preparation and gives evidence of efficiency in Christian service.

"Undergraduate courses are open to any student who by virtue of having done two years of college work, or its equivalent, is able to register for undergraduate work.

"A certificate will be awarded a student who is unable to qualify as candidate for a diploma, but who desires to prepare for better Christian service and satisfactorily completes any of the courses offered by Scarritt Bible and Training School."

By this classification of our Churches and diplomas we are enabled to make a distinct appeal to college women to enter home mission work and to encourage those unprepared to register for diplomas to enter for certificate courses.

3. The fact that this institution does not give degrees has seriously handicapped our appeal to students who meet the Council educational standard. The emphasis upon the college and postgraduate degrees now being given, both in the Orient and in Latin America, has created such a demand for these tokens of advanced work that the committee of the Board of Managers on charter and constitution submitted the following recommendation, which was adopted:

"The attention of the Board of Managers is called to the fact that the standards of missionary preparation set by the Woman's Missionary Council require such type of educational work as would easily lead to the degree of Bachelor of Divinity or that of Master of Arts.

"In consequence of this fact and of the growing interest our student constituency is taking in the subject of degrees, it is hereby rec-

ommended that the Board of Managers take careful thought regarding the securing of a charter which will permit the granting of degrees.

"It is recommended that the Committee on Constitution and Charter be continued in order to further investigate the securing of a charter to be issued to the school, and that it be secured under the name "The Scarritt College of Missions."

It is quite evident that if Scarritt Bible and Training School meets the demand for missionary preparation in the new day we must either secure such-charter as is here proposed or seek such affiliation with institutions of higher learning as will admit us for interchange of work looking to the conferring of advanced academic degrees upon all of our students satisfactorily completing our graduate course. We have encountered some very great difficulties in working out a policy to meet these demands. Chief of these difficulties is the Constitution of the State of Missouri, which prohibits the issuance of charters to religious corporations except under serious limitations. We have begun, under the order of the Board, a most thorough investigation of the situation, with a view to discovering, if possible, a plan for overcoming or adequately meeting this difficulty.

#### FACING THE FUTURE.

As we confront the ever-enlarging opportunity of the future in the training of Christian workers for the greater program of the Church in the new day, we see much to encourage us. The Centenary call for life service should fill our halls to the limit. The advanced courses now offered in Scarritt should challenge the attention of the best-trained young women of the Church. The urgent call from every mission field for recruits should guarantee a larger interest in supplying the need. Unquestionably we shall need to consider early and seriously the problem of enlarging our plant and making ready to accommodate the three types of students to which we have already referred.

Our financial problem of the future is difficult to measure. Operating under fees for room, board, and laundry fixed years ago, with an advance of 131 per cent in standard articles of food and household furnishings (according to Bradstreet's official report), with most of the articles listed still advancing, we are confronted with a serious situation which no one can adequately forecast. The Board of Managers has made a small advance in fee for room, board, and laundry and are sending a request to this Council to increase the scholarships in Scarritt Bible and Training School to \$250. If this is done, and we can continue the close and sympathetic cooperation of the departments of the institution and the present strict financial administration, we may be able to weather the storm of fluctuating prices and uncertain supply. It is more taxing, more perplexing, more difficult than any one can imagine to undertake to operate an institution for advanced training with fees less than half those charged by junior colleges.

The unusual advance in the cost of living makes it difficult to organize and hold such a faculty as our work requires. Only the missionary passion makes possible the present staff.

We deem it extremely important that the Council shall keep in the foreground of its thinking the problem of meeting in an adequate sense the extraordinary demand for trained workers at home and abroad. In our judgment the maintenance of the training school at the highest point of efficiency, and with the greatest possible variety of courses to meet the diversity of demands upon our missionary force, is a preëminent necessity.

With thanksgiving to God for his blessing upon the school in the past, we look to him for guidance and strength for the future and go forward with renewed confidence that he has a great work for this institution in the future program of the Church.

#### Board of Managers.

MARIA LAYNG GIBSON, SECRETARY.

The Board of Managers of Scarritt Bible and Training School presents its annual report of business transacted by its Executive Committee and by the Board in session January 28, 1920. The Executive Committee held its meetings during the year, and its actions *ad interim* were ratified by the Board, as follows:

1. Refitting the boiler for gas and coal in preparation for winter.
2. Postponement of opening of session of 1919-20 one week on account of conflict with the session of the Southwest Missouri Conference, of which Dr. Cook is a member.
3. Approval of correspondence of Dr. Cook with the Board of Education, M. E. Church, South, in regard to the school's being included in the askings of the Board in its approaching campaign.
4. Reëlection of Miss Henrietta L. Gay as a resident member of the faculty.
5. Approval of the nomination by Dr. Cook of Miss Gilberta Harris, R.N., who had rendered efficient service in Ivey Hospital, Songdo, Korea, and who is detained at home for family reasons, for the position of Health Director and Nurse in the school for the session of 1919-20.
6. Indorsement of the application of Dr. Cook to the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work to appoint Deaconess Mary Ora Durham to a position in the faculty of the Training School to supervise the field work of the deaconess candidates and to be their adviser in preparation for their future work.
7. Approval of the introduction of French into the curriculum to prepare persons for work in France.
8. Transfer of funds to the Fidelity Trust Company in order to take advantage of interest that had been offered on current funds.
9. The resignation of Mrs. Emma Edwards as a member of the Board, to take effect at the next annual meeting.

## TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The twenty-ninth annual session of the Board of Managers was held in the parlors of the school on Wednesday, January 28, and Thursday, January 29, 1920. Twelve members were present, Bishop Eugene R. Hendrix presiding.

The resignation of Mrs. Emma Edwards, of St. Joseph, Mo., was read and accepted. Mrs. Hume R. Steele, Educational Secretary, in charge of candidate correspondence, was elected to fill the unexpired term which ends in 1921. The Managers whose terms expired in 1920—Miss Belle H. Bennett, Mrs. Henry S. Owen, Mrs. Luke G. Johnson—were reelected for a term of three years. The officers elected are as follows: President, Bishop Eugene R. Hendrix; Vice President, Miss Belle H. Bennett; Secretary, Miss Maria Layng Gibson; Treasurer, Dr. Edmund F. Cook; Chairman Auditing Committee, Mrs. Henry S. Owen.

The President gave his annual report, presenting a comprehensive review of conditions, changes in business administration, and the educational policy. He presented two recommendations submitted by the Curriculum Committee of the faculty.

The Principal presented in outline the life of the household, the gifts of money and service, the honored guests, and the distinguished lecturers that had given inspiration to faculty and students.

Dr. Cook, as Treasurer, gave the financial report for the year in two sections from January to July under the old system, and from July to December under the new system.

Mrs. Henry S. Owen, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, gave her report and presented the report of J. M. MacTaggart & Co., chartered accountants on examination of books and accounts for the period from July 1, 1919, to December 31, 1919, and testimony as to the correctness of the accounts and the advantages of the new system of bookkeeping.

The reports of the Audit Committee and Accountants were approved.

Two committees were appointed by the Chair, one to consider the reports and recommendations of the officers. Committee on Reports and Recommendations of President and Principal: Miss Belle H. Bennett, Mrs. F. F. Stephens, Mrs. Luke G. Johnston, Mrs. Hume R. Steele, Mrs. L. P. Smith. Committee on Report of Treasurer: Mrs. J. H. McCoy, Mrs. J. W. Downs, Miss Esther Case, Mr. J. C. Gant, Mrs. Henry S. Owen.

The reports of these committees were discussed, amended, and adopted. The President's recommendations were largely in regard to the curriculum and have been published in the catalogue lately issued.

The Committee on the Report of the Treasurer recommended that the Board of Managers request the Woman's Missionary Council to

increase the Training School scholarships from \$201 to \$250, to take effect at the beginning of the fall term 1920.

The expense budget for the coming year was presented by Dr. Cook. After amendment it was adopted as a recommendation to the Estimates Committee of the Woman's Missionary Council.

In response to a request from the Board of Missionary Preparation to send representatives to its conference in Pittsburgh in March, Mrs. Hume R. Steele and Dr. Edmund F. Cook were elected delegates.

Mr. Fennell P. Turner was elected a member of the Advisory Board and asked to act upon coöperative committees or boards in New York or elsewhere.

The report of the Committee on Constitution and Charters was read, discussed *seriatim*, and adopted after a few amendments.

The Executive Committee was authorized to make such repairs as the buildings owned by the school may demand, the expense to be met from the income of the vested fund.

The Executive Committee was given authority to grant diplomas to the eighteen seniors who will graduate in May, 1920.

The Board is grateful to the Woman's Missionary Council for un-falling and generous support and is gratified with the encouraging outlook.

### CENTENARY WORK.

MRS. MARY L. HARGROVE, SECRETARY.

I come before you again, after another twelve months of service as your Centenary representative, to render an account of my stewardship. Some years ago I heard these lines:

"The Time-Spirit cries from its cleft in the ages,  
Work is thy burden, O man, and more work is thy wages."

Certainly, according to this statement, my wages have been most abundant in the year just past, and I praise God for continued health and strength with which I have met these larger and more varied opportunities of service. My first work after leaving the Council meeting in Memphis last year was an endeavor to adjust a schedule of Woman's Centenary luncheons, as planned by our Centenary Commission—arrangements for places, dates, and speakers all over our Southland. About one hundred of these women's luncheons were held, nearly all of our Council leaders serving in some of them. I myself attended ten of these luncheons. Attendance upon Woman's Missionary Annual Conference meetings was also part of my schedule before the great eight-day drive. The Illinois, Alabama, Baltimore, and Florida Conference meetings were all visited and served before the Centenary drive. Just following the drive I attended the Missouri and Upper South Carolina annual meetings, going from South Carolina to the Columbus celebration for a week's visit. The month of July was

given to attending Woman's Missionary district meetings in the North Mississippi, Louisiana, and Missouri Conferences. August found me in the far West, spending a week-end in Colorado Springs, speaking twice on Sunday and meeting with the missionary women in their auxiliary on Monday afternoon. Attendance upon the Denver Conference followed, which included aiding in the annual meeting of the Conference Woman's Missionary Society which convened in Denver at the same time.

Fall Centenary work was now begun, opening with three setting-up conferences held for the leaders of our Church at Junaluska, St. Louis, and Dallas, Tex. Each of these meetings was preceded or followed by special meetings of evangelistic leaders, preparing for the great revival campaign planned for the Church at large.

Following the conservation meeting in Texas, I remained in Dallas for ten days, during which time I attended a district Woman's Missionary meeting in Coleman, Tex., and afterwards taught the Bible for a week in the Interdenominational School of Missions held annually in Dallas. My work for the next six months as planned by our Centenary Commission was along an entirely new phase of service. I was allocated from my place as Associate Secretary and loaned to the Evangelistic Centenary Committee for the holding of revival meetings in our Church colleges for girls. This new line of work began on October 8, 1919. Between this date and March 26 I held evangelistic services in ten of our Church colleges—Henderson-Brown and Galloway Colleges in Arkansas; Martha Washington in Virginia; Centenary College in Tennessee; Westmoreland College and Texas Woman's College, Texas; Columbia College, South Carolina; Virginia State Normal, East Radford, and Carolina College, North Carolina; and Lander College, South Carolina. Two other schools were on my schedule—Sue Bennett Memorial, Kentucky, and Reinhardt School, Georgia—but their evangelistic services could not be held because at the time appointed these schools were in the grip of influenza. I shall through eternity, I trust, thank God and the Centenary authorities for assigning me to this college revival service. The work was most strenuous, but none that I have ever endeavored to do for my Master has been more satisfying to the soul or more encouraging in results. Sisters, I found the need great. Our girls were allowing their minds to be absorbed in the material and intellectual, living with too low ideals of God's plan for them in this world and his Church, but I found them most responsive to the highest I could give them of the blessings, service and goal in Christ Jesus. May I give you a few figures, which only touch the rim of the work God's Spirit did in these ten colleges? Seventy-five names were given for Church membership, quite a number of these joining the Church in their own college chapel. Very few young women in our colleges were not

already members of some Church; but very, very many found Christ anew as their Saviour from sin. Fifty signed life service cards, dedicating themselves to some phase of whole-time work for Christ at home or abroad. Five hundred and seventy-five signed tithing cards, pledging God the minimum one-tenth of all the money which becomes theirs. These figures poorly tell of the uplift which came to the young women in our Church schools, and they also give small idea of the gratitude and increased faith which fills the heart of your representative as she looks back on these months spent in our colleges.

In each of these college towns, with perhaps two exceptions, opportunity was afforded me of speaking in Woman's Missionary district meetings or at the Week-of-Prayer services, at auxiliary all-day meetings, in the morning or evening services in our local churches, or visiting our Wesley Houses and speaking to clubs or classes. The first week in January, while in Nashville, I had the privilege of holding services each evening for a week in the Y. W. C. A. home, of which I was a temporary member. When I shall have completed my two years' term of work as Centenary representative, on June 28, I will have done service in every Conference of our Church, without, I think, a single exception, either in attendance upon Annual Conferences or woman's annual or district meetings or Centenary luncheons, college work, or local appointments. My schedule for the next two and one-half months is almost filled to the brim with annual and district woman's missionary meetings, but I know that strength and power will be accorded me from my Father daily to complete the task you placed in my hands two years ago. Like St. Paul, "I hold not my life dear unto myself, so that I may accomplish my course, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus to testify the gospel of the grace of God." And now in closing let me thank you from my heart that you chose and appointed me unto this Centenary task. Whatever my work may have accomplished, or wherein it has failed of the best, is in God's own keeping. He knows and he only, but for the enlargement and development of my own vision, for the joy of spirit, for the fellowship in Christ which I have found everywhere, and for the higher goal in service to which I would attain I praise God and you. I shall go back to the Bible classroom a larger woman, I trust, with more assured and tested faith, with a more steadfast determination to serve God and my Church to the extent of the power he supplies.

I turn my two years' record over to my Lord and you. "What I have written I have written." May he pardon all mistakes and establish and increase every effort of faithful service! Again let me thank him and you.



## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

### DEACONESS AND CITY MISSION WORK.

#### REPORT No. 1.

1. Your committee recommends for consecration to the office and work of deaconess the following: Miss Ruth Byerly, Shepherdstown, W. Va.; Miss Elah Cannon, Hemingway, S. C.; Miss Dorothy Dodd, Hartsville, Tenn.; Miss Cora Godat, New Orleans, La.; Miss Gaye Hoke, Second Creek, W. Va.; Miss Mary Lee, Clarksville, Tenn.

2. Your committee recommends for appointment as deaconess probationers the following: Miss Pattie Louise Allen, Miss Frances Hancock, Miss Juanita L. Hill, Miss Ida J. Moore, Miss Rosa Lee Riggin, Miss Leanora Robey, Miss Eva Sellman, Miss Birdie Bowers.

3. We recommend the following new home missionaries for appointment: Mrs. M. J. Adams, Spartanburg, S. C.; Mrs. J. C. Fields, Americus, Ga.; Miss Martha J. Lewis, Bowling Green, Ky.; Miss Agnes Stackhouse, Columbia, S. C.

4. We recommend the renewal of the certificates of the following deaconesses: Miss Annie Alford, Miss Lillie Black, Miss Florence Blackwell, Miss Cora Borchers, Miss Bertie Breeden, Miss Rosa Breeden, Mrs. Selden Bryan, Miss Josephine Burglund, Miss Emma Burton, Miss Ellen Cloud, Miss Hazel Cooper, Miss Elizabeth Cox, Miss Mattie Cunningham, Miss Mary Daniel, Miss Rhoda Dragoo, Miss Josephine Dreyer, Miss Jennie Ducker, Miss Daisy Duncan, Miss Mary Ora Durham, Miss Minnie Lee Eidson, Miss Maria Elliott, Miss Berta Ellison, Miss Connie Fagan, Miss Maude Fail, Miss Ellen Gainey, Miss Helen Gardner, Miss Grace Gatewood, Miss Helen Gibson, Miss Cornelia Godbey, Miss Aletha Graham, Miss Gertrude Grizzard, Miss Mary Hanscom, Miss Laura Harris, Miss Mary Hasler, Miss Ella Hooper, Miss Dora Hoover, Miss Ethel Jackson, Miss Mabel Kennedy, Miss Mary Kimbro, Miss Edith Leighty, Miss Sarah K. Lowder, Miss Frances Mann, Miss Frankie Miller, Miss Mary Moore, Miss Annie Mutch, Miss Emily Olmstead, Miss Constance Palmore, Miss Lillian Parker, Miss Adeline Peeples, Miss Margaret Ragland, Miss Falla Richardson, Miss Daisy Ritter, Miss Grace Rowland, Miss Alice Sheider, Miss Eugenia Smith, Miss Ida Stevens, Miss Elizabeth Taylor, Miss Berta Thomas, Miss Lois Tinsley, Miss Annie Trawick, Miss Emma Vogel, Miss Eva Waddell, Miss Wilhelmina Wahlroos, Miss Kate Walker, Miss Mattie Wike, Miss Mollie Womack, Miss Nelle Wynn, Miss Jennie Williams, Miss Mattie Wright.

5. The following deaconesses and home missionaries are recommended for appointment: Miss Annie Alford, Miss Florence Blackwell, Miss Cora Borchers, Miss Bertie Breeden, Miss Rosa Breeden, Mrs. Selden

Bryan, Miss Josephine Burglund, Miss Emma Burton, Miss Ruth Byerly, Miss Elah Cannon, Miss Ellen Cloud, Miss Elizabeth Cox, Miss Dorothy Dodd, Miss Rhoda Dragoo, Miss Josephine Dreyer, Miss Jennie Ducker, Miss Daisy Duncan, Miss Mary Ora Durham, Miss Minnie Lee Eidson, Miss Maria Elliott, Miss Berta Ellison, Miss Maude Fail, Miss Ellen Gainey, Miss Helen Gardner, Miss Grace Gatewood, Miss Helen Gibson, Miss Cora Godat, Miss Cornelia Godbey, Miss Gertrude Grizzard, Miss Aletha Graham, Miss Laura Harris, Miss Mary Hasler, Miss Gaye Hoke, Miss Ella Hooper, Miss Dora Hoover, Miss Mary Kimbro, Miss Mary Lee, Miss Sarah K. Lowder, Miss Frances Mann, Miss Frankie Miller, Miss Mary Moore, Miss Emily Olmstead, Miss Constance Palmore, Miss Lillian Parker, Miss Adeline Peeples, Miss Margaret Ragland, Miss Falla Richardson, Miss Daisy Ritter, Miss Grace Rowland, Miss Alice Sheider, Miss Eugenia Smith, Miss Ida Stevens, Miss Elizabeth Taylor, Miss Berta Thomas, Miss Lois Tinsley, Miss Annie Trawick, Miss Eva Waddell, Miss Wilhelmina Wahlroos, Miss Kate Walker, Miss Mollie Womack. Home missionaries: Mrs. Julia B. Acton, Mrs. Mary Alexander, Miss Ellen Alfter, Miss Bessie Allen, Miss Carrie Bond, Miss Bessie Brand, Miss Bessie Bunn, Miss May Coburn, Miss Sue Cole, Miss Dorothy Crim, Miss Ethel Cunningham, Miss Frances Denton, Mrs. Grace Driver, Miss Sue Ford, Miss Georgia Goldsby, Miss Elizabeth Hughes, Miss Margaret Lacy, Miss Susie Mitchell, Miss Bethiah Reed, Miss Nettie Stroup, Mrs. Laura White, Miss Florence Whiteside.

6. The resignation of Miss Mary Daniels was presented to the committee, but the action of the committee was to grant an indefinite leave of absence.

7. The following workers were granted indefinite leave of absence at their own request: Mrs. E. M. Souby, Deaconess Nelle Wynn.

8. Temporary leave of absence was granted to Deaconess Connie Fagan, Deaconess Aletha Graham, Deaconess Mabel Kennedy, and Miss Agnes Stewart (home missionary).

#### REPORT No. 2.

##### *Concerning Furloughs.*

Whereas there are twenty-two deaconesses and missionaries now entitled to furloughs, we recommend that, for health and other reasons, the following be the preferred beneficiaries of the 1920 furloughs: Deaconess Elizabeth Cox, Deaconess Rhoda Dragoo, Deaconess Daisy Duncan, Deaconess Ellen Gainey, Deaconess Helen Gibson, Deaconess Constance Palmore, Deaconess Adeline Peeples, Deaconess Elizabeth Taylor, Deaconess Aletha Graham, Deaconess Kate Walker.

##### *Concerning the Status of Retired Deaconesses.*

The committee recommends that the certificates of retired deaconesses be renewed each year and that they be allowed to wear the deaconess costume at their discretion.

## REPORT No. 3.

*Concerning Policy toward Corporations.*

Your committee on the policy of the Deaconess Committee concerning corporations met and considered the facts submitted to them; also examined the policy of the Woman's Missionary Council as set forth in the seventh annual report, and calls attention to the outstanding features of said policy—viz.:

1. It shall be the duty of workers and City Mission Boards to acquaint themselves thoroughly with existing State laws and to be intensely vigilant in the effort to secure their enforcement.

2. To give special attention this ensuing year to work for the improvement of the home and community life of the employees and to raising the standards as regards labor, wages, child labor, and accident insurance.

3. To instruct all City Boards who now have, or may have under contemplation, plans for financial coöperation with corporations in the way of rentals, buildings, or sustentation funds to submit such plans in detail to the Council for investigation and approval before entering upon an alliance which may compromise the work of the Woman's Missionary Council.

Your committee reaffirms the policy thus stated and, because of changed conditions, submits the following as additional features of our policy:

1. Whereas there is at present an appalling scarcity of workers and an increasing demand on the part of corporations to secure Council Workers; and whereas there is a growing tendency on the part of corporations to secularize Social Service activities; and whereas it is difficult for the workers so employed to maintain the standards of the Council—therefore

We recommend that under these conditions the Deaconess Committee shall not appoint workers to corporations where the Council has no control.

2. Whereas there is a realization of the marvelous service open to the Church in the cotton mill communities; and whereas there is a large number of mature women in the Church who by their experience are fitted to impart great help to the women and girls of these mill communities—therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the Council shall seek to bring these women in touch with corporations desiring such service.

## REPORT No. 4.

*Concerning Refunds.*

Your committee has carefully considered the question of refunds, referred to it by the Treasurer of the Council, and recommends:

That paragraph 2, section 6, page 456 (Council Minutes, 1919), be

amended to read as follows: "All Boards of City Missions employing one or more workers appointed by the Council, and expending \$60 or over each month for current expenses, shall be entitled to receive from the Woman's Missionary Council an appropriation of ten per cent on the amount reported by voucher to the Conference Treasurer as having been so expended the previous year. This appropriation shall be based upon funds contributed by the auxiliaries and not upon funds received from coöperating agencies."

REPORT No. 5.

*Concerning the Vacation Home at Junaluska.*

Whereas the Deaconess Committee has received a proposition from the General Secretary of the Board of Missions in regard to merging the proposed Deaconess Rest Home into the Vacation Home for home and foreign workers, to be erected at Junaluska out of the Centenary funds—

We recommend that the proposed Rest Home be merged into this Vacation Home and that the Board of Missions be requested to set apart a definite portion of the proposed plant for the use of home and foreign workers of the Woman's Missionary Council.

REPORT No. 6.

*Concerning Renaming of Wesley Houses.*

The Deaconess Committee has considered the recommendation from the President of the Council and the Conference of Deaconesses and Missionaries in regard to the change of name of the Wesley Houses, because of the fact that the name "Wesley House" is frequently confused with a boarding or rooming house. We recommend concurrence with the name proposed by the Conference of Deaconesses and Missionaries—viz., "Wesley Community Houses."

REPORT No. 7.

*Touching Centenary Appropriations.*

*Resolved*, That the request of the Kansas City Board of City Missions for Institutional Church made a year ago for Centenary appropriations be properly filed and taken up in its order at the time that the surplus is available.

Item 2. That the memorial from the St. Louis Conference and City Mission Board, touching an appropriation from the Centenary for Kingdom House, be filed with the Centenary Commission, to be taken up in its order when the surplus is available.

## REPORT No. 8.

*Memorial from the Little Rock Conference Touching a Field Worker for Rural Work.*

The committee has considered the memorial from the Little Rock Conference touching a field worker for rural work and nominating a deaconess probationer for that work. The committee offers the following recommendation:

Whereas the Council has no distinct rural policy; and whereas the regulations governing deaconess probationers require that they be placed in work already organized and under experienced leadership—therefore

We recommend nonconcurrency.

## REPORT No. 9.

*Concerning Employed Workers.*

Whereas there are many earnest Christian women throughout the connection who have gifts for definite Christian service, who are unable to meet the standard for deaconesses and missionaries set by the Woman's Missionary Council—we recommend:

That, on the nomination of the Administrative Secretary to the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work, such cases may be listed for employment as indorsed workers, provided their qualifications appear to merit such indorsement.

## REPORT No. 10.

*Concerning Increase in Stipends and Salaries.*

The Deaconess Committee has considered the recommendations in the joint report of the Secretaries and also the memorial from the Conference of Deaconesses and Home Missionaries concerning an increase in stipends and salaries and presents the following action:

That the minimum annual salary for deaconesses and home missionaries shall be \$900, the details to be worked out by the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work.

## REPORT No. 11.

*Uniform Constitution for Cities and Towns Having City Mission Boards Composed of Both Men and Women.*

The Deaconess Committee has considered the recommendation from the four Administrative Secretaries on the proposed uniform constitution for cities and towns having City Mission Boards composed of both men and women and recommend concurrence in the following:

## ORGANIZATION AND OBJECTS.

At the call of the presiding elders, district secretaries, and the presidents of the auxiliaries of a city or town having two or more auxil-

laries and congregations, at least three delegates from each auxiliary and one delegate from every one hundred members or fraction thereof of each congregation may meet and organize a Board of City Missions in accordance with this uniform constitution governing City Mission Boards composed of both men and women, provided:

That before a meeting for this purpose is called the preachers in charge of the Churches from whose membership the participating auxiliaries and congregations are composed, the presiding elders, district secretaries, and Secretaries of the Home Department of the Board of Missions have made a survey of the field and have recommended the organization of the Board and have designated the location of the work to be undertaken.

The said Board shall promote local evangelistic activities, relief work, religious educational enterprises, institutional welfare undertakings, social service and settlement work in sections of the city where there is need, except where there is work administered by the Conference Board of Missions or where it is being successfully carried on by other Protestant denominations.

#### COMPOSITION.

A Methodist Board of City Missions shall be composed of representatives from each cooperating congregation and auxiliary on the following basis: One representative from each congregation for every one hundred members or fraction thereof, and three representatives from each auxiliary, the representatives from the congregations being elected by the respective official boards and from the auxiliaries by the membership of the respective auxiliaries. No person can at the same time represent both a congregation and an auxiliary. The personnel of the Board shall be composed, as nearly as is expedient, of an equal number of men and women.

The Council or Conference officers and the Annual Conference secretaries residing in the city, the presiding elders, and district secretaries of the districts shall be *ex officio* members of the City Mission Board. All elections shall be confirmed by the Quarterly Conferences.

#### OFFICERS.

The officers of the Board shall be a president, two vice presidents, one representing the congregation and one the auxiliaries—the vice president from the auxiliaries to have direction of the work and workers for women, girls, and children, the vice president from the congregation to have direction of the work for men and boys—a corresponding secretary, a recording secretary, a treasurer, and the superintendents of the departments. These officers, with the presiding elders and the district secretaries, shall constitute the Executive Committee. The

Executive Committee, as nearly as expedient, shall be composed of an equal number of representatives from the congregation and from the auxiliaries. All action of the Executive Committee shall be submitted to the City Mission Board for approval. The officers shall be elected annually from the membership of the Board.

#### FUNCTION.

This Board shall have authority to regulate its own proceedings and to make its own by-laws; to raise and appropriate money for the conduct of the work; to employ and supervise workers; to determine the policies and departments of work to be undertaken, provided these policies conform to the laws and usages of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and in no sense contravene the laws and rules of the Board of Missions and the Woman's Missionary Council.

#### REVENUE.

The revenue for this work shall be derived from offerings from the Churches and missionary auxiliaries and may be supplemented by appropriations from the Board of Missions.

#### MEETINGS.

There shall be one or more regular meetings of the Board each month, and called meetings when necessary. The Executive Committee shall hold one or more regular monthly meetings.

#### AMENDMENTS.

This constitution may be amended at any regular meeting, after due notice has been given, by a three-fourths vote of the members present and voting and the concurrence of the Board of Missions and the Woman's Missionary Council.

#### REPORT No. 12.

##### APPOINTMENTS OF DEACONESSES AND HOME MISSIONARIES.

The Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work, having spent days in studying the situation presented, the needs of this land, and the workers required, come to present this report with a feeling of distress that forty-five places must be left without supply, thirteen that have been supplied hitherto, thirty-two new places that have made application urging their importance and their dire necessity.

This statement is made here to show to this Council the difficulties under which the committee has labored and the need for recruits.

MISS MARIA L. GIBSON, *Chairman*;

MRS. A. P. HOLT, *Secretary*.

## APPOINTMENTS FOR 1920.

- Albany, Ga.: City Missionary, Miss Elizabeth Hughes.
- Atlanta, Ga.: Wesley House, Deaconess Sarah Lowder, Deaconess Probationer Frances Howard.
- Augusta, Ga.: Bethlehem House, supplied by three colored workers.
- Baltimore, Md.: City Missionary, Deaconess Wilhelmina Wahlroos.
- Birmingham, Ala.: Avondale Wesley House, Miss Ethel Cunningim.  
Matron Coöperative Home, Mrs. J. C. Fields.  
Ensley Community House, Miss Dorothy Crim, Miss Georgia Goldsby.  
First Church, Deaconess Margaret Ragland.
- Biloxi, Miss.: Wesley House, Deaconess Lois Tinsley, Deaconess Constance Palmore.
- Bluefield District Advisory Board, Welch, W. Va.: Deaconess Probationer Juanita Hill.  
Hartshorne, Okla., Deaconess Frankie Miller, Miss Bessie Brand.  
Thurber, Tex., Deaconess Connie Fagan.
- Bristol, Va.: State Street Church, Deaconess Jennie Ducker.
- Chattanooga, Tenn.: Centenary Church, Deaconess Helen Gibson.  
City Mission Board, Deaconess Elizabeth Taylor.
- Coal Fields, Eckman, W. Va.: Deaconess Laura Harris.
- Corinth, Miss.: Coöperative Home, Deaconess Adeline Peeples.  
Hemphill, W. Va.: Deaconess Mollie Womack.
- Dallas, Tex.: Wesley Chapel, Deaconess Rhoda Drago.  
Wesley House, Deaconess Annie Trawick.
- Danville, Va.: Wesley House, Miss Sue Cole.
- Fort Worth, Tex.: Wesley House, Deaconess Eugenia Smith, Miss Susie Mitchell.
- Fort Worth, Tex.: First Church, Deaconess Frances Mann.
- Hillsboro, N. C.: Cotton Mill Work, Deaconess Eva Waddell.
- Houma, La.: French Work, Deaconess Ella Hooper, Mrs. L. White.
- Houston, Tex.: Coöperative Home, Deaconess Annie Alford, Deaconess Mattie Cunningham.
- Kansas City, Mo.: Institutional Church, Deaconess Elizabeth Cox, Deaconess Mary Moore, Deaconess Dorothy Dodd.  
Scarritt Bible and Training School, Deaconess Mary Ora Durham.  
Spofford Receiving Home, Deaconess Daisy Ritter and Deaconess Gertrude Grizzard.
- Key West, Fla.: Ruth Hargrove, Miss Sue Ford.
- Knoxville, Tenn.: Wesley House, Deaconess Falla Richardson and Deaconess Alice Sheidter.
- Lake Charles, La.: Church Deaconess, Deaconess Aletha Graham.
- Laredo, Tex.: Holding Institute, Miss Frances Denton.
- Lexington, Ky.: Coöperative Home, Deaconess Maria Elliott.



Los Angeles, Cal.: Homer Toberman Clinic, Miss Ellen Alfter, Deaconess Ellen Cloud, and Miss Margaret Lacy.

Trinity Church, Deaconess Emma Burton.

Louisville, Ky.: Wesley House, Deaconess Elah Cannon and Deaconess Probationer Cora Godat.

Memphis, Tenn.: Wesley House, Miss Florence Whiteside and Deaconess Lillian Parker.

First Church, Mrs. Grace Driver.

Meridian, Miss.: Wesley House, Deaconess Maude Fail and Miss Agnes Stackhouse.

Montgomery, Ala.: Wesley House, Deaconess Ida J. Moore

Nashville, Tenn.: Bethlehem House, Deaconess Rosa Breeden.

Warioto Settlement, Deaconess Josephine Burglund and Miss Bessie Bunn.

Wesley House, Miss Bessie Allen, Miss Nettie Stroup, and Miss May Coburn.

New Orleans, La.: St. Mark's Hall, Deaconess Berta Ellison, Deaconess Ruth Byerly, and Deaconess Bertie Breeden.

Mary Werlein Mission, Miss Bertie Bowers.

First Church, Deaconess Ida Stevens.

Orangeburg, S. C.: Wesley House, Deaconess Cora Borchers and Deaconess Daisy Duncan.

Pacific Coast: Oriental Work, Mrs. Julia Acton.

Ranger, Tex.: First Church, Deaconess Cornella Godbey.

Richmond, Ky.: City Mission Work, Deaconess Emily Olmstead.

Richmond, Va.: Centenary Church, Deaconess Helen Gardner.

Methodist Institute, Deaconess Mary Lee.

Wilson Home, Deaconess Selden Bryan.

San Antonio, Tex.: Wesley House, Deaconess Minnie Lee Eldson, Deaconess Mary Hasler, and Deaconess Probationer Rosalee Rigglin.

San Francisco, Cal.: Mary Elizabeth Inn, Deaconess Ethel Jackson and Deaconess Probationer Pattie Allen.

Wesley House, Deaconess Grace Gatewood.

Spartanburg, S. C.: Wesley House, Deaconess Florence Blackwell, Deaconess Probationer Leonora Robey, and Mrs. M. J. Adams.

Textile Institute, Deaconess Dora Hoover.

St. Louis, Mo.: Centenary Church, Deaconess Josephine Dreyer and Deaconess Gaye Hoke.

Kingdom House, Deaconess Ellen Gainey, Miss Bethiah Reed, and Deaconess Probationer Frances Hancock.

Tampa, Fla.: Rosa Valdes Settlement, Deaconess Grace Rowland, Mrs. Mary Alexander, and Deaconess Probationer Katherine Arnold.

Wolff Settlement, Deaconess Berta Thomas, Mrs. Carrie Bond, Deaconess Probationer Eva Sellman, and Miss Martha J. Lewis.

Waco, Tex.: Rebecca Sparks Home, Deaconess Mary Kimbro.

**COMMITTEE ON HOME EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND  
SOCIAL SERVICE.**

## REPORT No. 1.

*Building.*

1. Your committee considered a request from the manager of the Methodist Dormitory at Denton, Tex., for permission to erect a cottage with funds accruing from the boarding department.

Whereas the plans are very indefinite as to time required for securing the necessary amount for the building—therefore

We recommend that the Secretary of Home Educational Institutions be requested to investigate fully and report the findings to the Executive Committee of the Council.

2. Whereas the Woman's Missionary Council has no policy for endowed institutions; and whereas the financial agent of the Virginia K. Johnson Home has collected funds for the purpose of endowing that institution—therefore be it resolved that the Council request the financial agent to obtain permission from the donors to redirect the use of such funds to the amount of \$3,648.23, so that it may be used for permanent improvements.

3. We recommend that the memorial from the three Missouri Conferences asking for an appropriation for a dormitory to be erected at the State University, Columbia, Mo., be granted when the conditions are met.

4. We recommend that the Council accept the offer of the Door of Hope at Macon, Ga., made by the City Board of Missions and the South Georgia Woman's Missionary Conference, the property to be used as a Rescue Home.

5. We recommend that the scholarships in Vashti Industrial School be raised from \$110 to \$200 per year.

6. We indorse the plans of the secretary for the development of the Vashti Industrial School by the erection of a laundry and a cottage and the remodeling and reconstructing of the main building this year.

7. The request from the Northwest Woman's Missionary Conference for an appropriation for the establishment and maintenance of a school for the Nez Percé Indians of Idaho was considered. While we are in hearty sympathy with the work and earnestly desire its projection, we recommend that no appropriation be made, since the Board of Missions has entire control of Indian work.

## REPORT No. 2.

*Elections of Superintendents of Institutions.*

1. Your committee recommends the following as principals of Home Institutions:

Brevard Institute, Prof. C. H. Trowbridge.

- Vashti Industrial School, Miss Charlotte Dye.  
 Sue Bennett School, Prof. A. W. Mohn.  
 Holding Institute, Dr. J. M. Skinner.  
 Virginia K. Johnson Home and School, Mrs. M. L. Stone.  
 Pacific Coast Work, Rev. and Mrs. William Acton.  
 Port Missionary Galveston, Rev. J. E. Relfschneider.  
 Manager Denton Dormitory, Mrs. F. B. Carroll.  
 Head Bible Dept. C. I. A., Denton, Tex., Miss Helen Stafford.
2. We indorse the election of Miss Louise Young as Dean of Women, Paine College.
3. We confirm the election of Mrs. M. G. Enslie and Mrs. L. M. Shuck as members of the Board of Managers of Mary Elizabeth Inn, San Francisco, Cal.

## REPORT No. 3.

Your committee recommends:

*Concerning Coöperation.*

1. The indorsement of the findings of the National Conference of Church Women concerning the safeguarding of life, by physical care of mother and infant, by the abolition of child labor, by the suppression of unwholesome amusements, by safeguarding the welfare of young women, and by the full exercise of the responsibilities of citizenship by Christian women.

*Concerning Sabbath Observance.*

2. That our missionary women throughout the Church make a more determined effort in their homes and communities to observe the Sabbath day in accordance with God's command. That they refrain from travel and attendance on Sunday amusements and the indulgence of any forms of social life that might mislead the young people and thereby cause them to transgress this law of God.

*Concerning Federal Prohibition.*

3. That in every community our women stand courageously for the enforcement of the Federal prohibition law, that our country may be freed from the bondage of the liquor traffic.

*Concerning Creation of a Commission on Racial Relationships.*

4. In accordance with the recommendation of the President regarding the tense situation that has developed between the races, and in view of the vast stretches of need, superstition, and ignorance in our country, be it

*Resolved:* (1) That, as Christians and workers in God's kingdom, we accept this challenge to show forth his power to settle racial differences, thereby setting before the whole world an example of the power of Christianity to meet interracial crises everywhere.

(2) That we set ourselves definitely to the task by the creation of a Commission on Racial Relationships. It shall be the duty of this Commission to study the whole question of race relationships, the needs of negro women and children, and methods of coöperation by which better conditions may be brought about. The Commission shall strive to bring our women to a better understanding of the task before them. It shall coöperate with the Interchurch World Movement, the Southern Publicity Bureau, and similar agencies dealing with the race problem.

(3) That this Commission shall consist of five women nominated by the President and approved by the Woman's Missionary Council.

#### REPORT No. 4.

##### *Legislation.*

Your committee recommends:

1. The indorsement of the Sheppard-Towner bill for the public protection of maternity and infancy and asks that a telegram be sent to the Committee on Public Health and National Quarantine urging an immediate and favorable report of this bill.

2. The indorsement of the Smith-Towner bill providing for the creation of a Department of Education and asks that a telegram be sent to the committee handling the Smith-Towner bill urging a favorable report.

MRS. W. J. PIGGOTT, *Chairman*;

MRS. NAT. G. ROLLINS, *Secretary*.

### COMMITTEE ON ORIENTAL FIELDS.

#### REPORT No. 1.—JAPAN.

##### *Concerning the Proposed Lambuth Training School for Christian Workers.*

Your committee considered the request of the Japan Mission concerning the transfer of the Hiroshima Kindergarten Normal Training School to the Woman's Missionary Council, uniting this department with the Lambuth Memorial Training School, in Kobe, and the establishing of a high-grade training school for Christian workers, to be located in Osaka, and recommend:

1. That the Council accept the responsibility for the Kindergarten Normal Training School in Hiroshima, approve the plan of uniting it with the Lambuth Memorial School, and establish an enlarged school of high grade for training Christian workers.

2. That the enlarged school be located in Osaka and be known as the Lambuth Training School for Christian Workers.

3. That, as the Hiroshima Kindergarten Normal Training School is under the supervision of Miss Margaret Cook, the Council request the Board of Missions, General Work, to release Miss Margaret Cook to the

Council for the purpose of assisting in establishing the enlarged school proposed for Osaka; and that the Secretary of the Orient present this request to the Board of Missions.

4. That the \$8,000 already on the field for purchase of land for the new Lambuth Training School, the \$18,000 Centenary askings for this school, and the \$56,000 askings for the evangelistic plant in Osaka be combined into one fund, to be used for the building of the new training school.

*Concerning the Evangelistic Work Building at Oita.*

Whereas the plans for the Evangelistic Work Building in Oita were so changed as to include a home for the native workers, thus making unnecessary the purchase of land for the Workers' Home—

*Resolved*, That the emergency action of the Oriental Secretary while on the field, transferring the amount held for the land to the building fund, be indorsed by the Council.

*Concerning Shiftings of Centenary Funds.*

Whereas the increase in current expenses for 1920, due to the high cost of living, is in excess of the regular appropriations for 1920—therefore be it

*Resolved*, That this deficit be met out of the Centenary askings for 1920 and that \$927.50, necessary to make good the loss in exchange, also be paid out of the Centenary.

We further recommend that the amount in excess of the regular budget over the standard year for 1921 be charged to the Centenary Fund for that year.

*Concerning Bonnell Memorial.*

Whereas by authority of the Board of Missions, General Work, given Miss Bonnell, there has accrued on the field a fund of \$4,479.50 from the balances from the yearly budget; and whereas it is contrary to the policy of the Council to accumulate balances on the field—therefore be it

*Resolved*, That this fund be transferred to the building fund for the new Lambuth Training School and that the chapel in the proposed building be known as the "Bonnell Memorial."

*Concerning the Name of the Proposed Evangelistic Plants in Japan.*

Whereas the Centenary askings call for thirteen evangelistic plants in Japan; and whereas it is desirable that these buildings bear a name suggestive of the purpose for which they were built—therefore be it

*Resolved*, That these evangelistic plants be called "Ian-no-Ie" (House of Comfort and Peace), this being the name suggested by Dr. S. H. Wainright and Bishop Hiraiwa.

## REPORT No. 2.—CHINA.

*Concerning Communication from East China Educational Association  
Relating to Laura Haygood Normal School.*

Whereas the East China Educational Association has recommended to the missions working in East China the establishment of a Union Coeducational Normal School and has expressed a desire to have this Normal School based upon the Laura Haygood Normal and the Department of Education of Soochow University; and whereas the China Mission approves this plan and recommends it to the Council—therefore be it

*Resolved:* 1. That the Council offer the Laura Haygood as the base of the proposed Normal School.

2. That the Council agree to the basis of union as proposed by the East China Association.

*Concerning Sale of Old McTyeire.*

Your committee recommends:

1. That the Council express to the Board of Missions, General Work, its willingness to sell to the Board two-thirds of the old McTyeire property for the amount agreed upon by the appraisers.

2. That the Council place before the Board of Missions at its approaching annual session the urgency of an immediate settlement of this matter.

3. That the Board of Missions be asked to bear the expense of sale and transfer of property, also the expense of building the wall separating the property.

4. That plans be made at once for the building of a new dormitory at McTyeire and that the balance from the sale of the two-thirds of the property, after the debt is liquidated, be added to the building fund appropriated at the last session of the Council.

*Concerning Opening New Station at Changshu.*

Your committee had before it the recommendation of the China Mission for opening Changshu as a station and recommends:

1. That Changshu be opened as a station as soon as the funds are available from the Centenary askings.

2. The committee heard with gratitude of the offer of Dr. Clarence Johnson, of Atlanta, to build a school in Changshu in memory of his daughter, Faith, and recommends that the gift be accepted and that the building be erected as soon as conditions will permit.

*Concerning the Medical Work in China.*

Your committee heard the reports of the President and Administrative Secretary relative to the status of the proposed union medical work for Central China and recommends:

1. That the Council continue to seek the coöperation of other boards in the establishment of medical work for women in Central China.
2. That such a beginning be made in the immediate future as may be deemed expedient after consultation with other boards.

*Concerning Scholarships and Bible Woman's Fund in China.*

Your committee considered the memorial from the China Mission for the establishment of a scholarship and Bible woman's fund as a substitute for the support of individual scholarships and Bible women and recommends:

1. That the Woman's Missionary Council create a scholarship fund for the use of all its schools in China, this fund to be held in trust and administered by the Reference Committee of the Woman's Department of the China Mission. This fund shall supersede and replace the so-called individual scholarships, and the Reference Committee shall be responsible for an attractive yearly report as to the use to which the money has been put. This report shall be sent to the office of the Administrative Secretary to be distributed to fund contributors.

2. That the Woman's Missionary Council create a Bible woman's fund for the support of Bible women in China, this fund to be included in the regular estimates and appropriations, and its disposition shall be subject to the action of the Reference Committee. The Reference Committee shall be responsible for an attractive yearly report as to use to which the money has been put. This report shall be sent to the office of the Administrative Secretary for distribution to fund contributors.

*Concerning Ginling College.*

Your committee carefully considered the request of the Ginling College Committee, that the Council appropriate the proportionate amount required for the buildings at Ginling, and recommends that the Council continue to contribute to the sustentation fund; but as the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is not in the financial drive of the Interchurch World Movement, and Ginling is not included in the Centenary askings, therefore it will be impossible for the Council to make an appropriation to the building fund during the next five years.

We further recommend that the need of Ginling be listed with the Centenary Commission to be given consideration when a surplus accrues.

REPORT NO. 3.—KOREA MISSION.

*Concerning Financial Basis of Union with Methodist Episcopal Church in Bible School in Seoul.*

Whereas the Council in its last annual session (page 186, Annual Report) recommended approval of the general plan proposed by the

Korea Mission for the united effort of the two Methodisms in the training of Bible women; and whereas this plan as was developed calls for union on a fifty-fifty basis in both building, equipment, and workers, the amount needed from our Board being \$16,310.25—

We recommend that the Council pay its share in this Union Bible Training School in three annual payments from Centenary funds, and that the \$13,800 in the Centenary askings for this Bible school be supplemented by the shifting of Centenary askings for annexes in the city of Seoul, as recommended by the Korea Mission.

*Concerning Enlarged Plan for Evangelistic Plant in Seoul.*

Whereas the Council in its last annual session (see page 185, Annual Report) approved of the plan and recommended the release of Centenary askings and other available money for the evangelistic plant in the city of Seoul; and whereas that plan as now developed calls for a larger outlay than was at first contemplated—

We recommend that the Woman's Missionary Council approve of this larger plan, and that the additional money available for this purpose, through Miss Glide's gift, be released wherever the coöperating boards give their indorsement of the enlarged plan.

*Concerning Proposed Union College for Women in Seoul.*

The committee had before it the communication from the missionary bodies working in Seoul, Korea, relating to the establishment of a union college for women and the immediate purchase of an available site for the same.

We recommend that the Council take no steps at this time to enter such a union, inasmuch as no provision has been made for the same in Centenary askings, and inasmuch as our own Holston Institute should have its higher department developed before we would be ready for this addition to our educational system.

We recommend further that the need for this building site be listed with the Centenary Commission to have consideration whenever a surplus accrues.

*Concerning Opening of a New Station at Chul Won.*

The committee has before it the recommendation of the Korea Mission for the opening of Chul Won as a station and recommends approval. The committee further recommends that, owing to the shortage of workers, no attempt be made during 1920 or 1921 to appoint workers to this field, but that the \$2,000 required for securing the location be made available during 1920, that the Council land may be purchased at the same time as that of the Board of Missions, General Work.



*Concerning Authorization to Sell Land in Wonsan.*

Whereas the Council has two pieces of land in Wonsan which are not being used for work and which are not so located as to be desirable for the city evangelistic plant asked for in the Centenary—

We recommend that these lands be placed immediately on the market that the money acquired from the sale may be made available to supplement funds asked for in the Centenary for city evangelistic work.

*Concerning Evangelistic Plant in City of Songdo.*

Whereas the Council released at its last annual session the Centenary askings of \$2,000 for land for the evangelistic plant in the city of Songdo—

We recommend that the building fund, to the amount of \$12,000, be also made available as soon as the Centenary budget will permit.

*Concerning Medical Policy in Korea.*

The committee had before it the recommendation of the Council workers in Korea, that the Nurse-Training School in Songdo in Ivey Hospital be developed and adequately staffed as a first responsibility, and recommends that the Council approve of proposed plans also for a residence for Council nurses and of an annex for classrooms for nurses, and that such Centenary funds as can be made available by shifts for this purpose be released as soon as the Centenary budget will permit.

MRS. J. W. MILLS, *Chairman*;

MRS. LEE BRITT, *Secretary*.

**LATIN-AMERICA AND AFRICAN FIELDS.****BRAZIL.**

1. Concerning the sale of the school property at Petropolis: Whereas it is the purpose of the Council to close the school at Petropolis when the Rio school shall be opened, we recommend that Miss Case and Bishop Moore be empowered to dispose of the Petropolis property.

2. Concerning a plan for vacations for missionaries on the field, the committee recommends that a part or the whole of the proceeds of the sale of the Petropolis property be used for the purchase of a Vacation Home for the missionaries, if the Secretary deems it advisable after consulting with the missionaries.

3. Concerning the purchase of property for Collegio Americano, Porto Alegre, the committee recommends that the Secretary and Bishop Moore be authorized to purchase property for this school with Centenary funds.

4. Concerning a new building for Bennett College, we recommend that the Council authorize the erection of the administration build-

ing for Bennett College at Rio and that plans and specifications be made and submitted at an early date.

5. Since our missionaries have asked in the Centenary for a school at Villa Isabel, Rio de Janeiro, to serve as a feeder to Bennett College, we recommend the purchase of the land and the erection of the building, provided the appointment of an American teacher will not be necessary to carry on the work.

#### CUBA.

1. Concerning a plan for financing the building for the Eliza Bowman School, Cienfuegos, the committee recommends that the Centenary subcommission for Cuba be requested to recommend a possible shifting of Centenary askings in order to increase the funds available for the new building.

2. Concerning the request of the missionaries for a new building for the Havana school, the committee recommends that the granting of this request be deferred because of lack of funds and also recommends that the building be remodeled to meet the needs of the work.

3. Concerning the loan authorized by the Council for the Havana school property, we recommend that the loan of \$25,000 authorized by the Council in 1919 for the purchase of the Havana property be made a permanent appropriation.

4. Concerning the fencing of the Quinta Tosca property in Matanzas, the committee recommends that Miss Toland\* be authorized to take up the matter with the Centenary subcommission to secure, if possible, a shifting of the Centenary fund of \$1,500 for fencing and repairs.

#### MEXICO.

1. Concerning a new building for the Normal School at Saltillo, the committee recommends the erection of an administration building to cost \$150,000, to be provided from a previous appropriation of \$20,000 and from Centenary funds.

2. The committee recommends that the Centenary askings of \$31,250 for work at Piedras Negras be used for the Normal School building at Saltillo, since the work at Piedras Negras has been taken over by the department for General Work of the Board of Missions.

3. Concerning the recommendation of missionaries regarding school property at Parral, the committee recommends the shifting of \$10,000 of the Centenary askings for the administration building at Colegio Palmore, Chihuahua, and that \$5,000 of the askings for running expenses of this institution be used for the erection of a building for Colegio Progreso, at Parral, the balance of the \$25,000 necessary to be contributed by the Centenary on the field.

4. The committee recommends the granting of the request of the

missionaries in Mexico to hold annual student volunteer conventions in Saltillo during Holy Week.

5. Concerning the opening of evangelistic work in Monterrey, the committee recommends that such work be opened by Miss Sarah Warne.

MRS W. F. TILLET, *Chairman*;

MISS S. VIRGIE WRIGHT, *Secretary*.

### JOINT COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN FIELDS.

The Joint Committee on Foreign Fields, after having duly considered the resolution to make the salaries of all foreign missionaries \$900 per year, submits the following report:

I. (a) That former action of the Council in supplementing the salaries of missionaries to Oriental fields to cover the deficit caused by a low exchange be rescinded; and

(b) That the salaries of all missionaries after the first year be \$900, with the understanding that in China a bonus shall be authorized sufficient to guarantee a salary of \$1,500 (Mexican) and that the salary of missionaries in Rio de Janeiro be \$1,000.

II. That the salaries for the first year be \$750 and that all expenses of language study during the first year except board while in language schools be borne by the Woman's Missionary Council.

III. That the salaries of missionary teachers be \$750 per year and that in China exchange be paid on same ratio as in case of missionaries.

IV. That these increases in salaries become effective from January 1, 1920, the increase to be met from the Centenary Fund.

V. (a) That the salaries of missionaries to the Orient and to Brazil begin with the date of sailing rather than time of arrival on the field, as heretofore.

(b) That the salaries of all missionaries after the first year be \$900, the time of arrival on the field.

(c) That missionaries to Africa shall receive half salary from the date of sailing until arrival on the field, at which time full salary shall begin.

VI. That the amount granted for outfits of outgoing missionaries be increased \$100, making the outfits of missionaries to Africa \$350 and to all other fields \$250.

MRS. J. W. MILLS, *Chairman*;

MRS. FRANK BENNETT, *Secretary*.

### JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOME AND FOREIGN WORK.

Your Joint Committee on Home and Foreign Work recommends:

1. That the Week of Prayer offerings for 1920 for the Foreign Department be directed to the Normal School at Saltillo, Mexico, for building and equipment, and in the Home Department to Vashti School, at Thomasville, Ga.

2. Whereas, the Week of Prayer offerings for 1918 were assigned to retirement and relief on an equal basis; and whereas that year has been made the Centenary year—therefore

*Be it resolved*, That this plan be observed for the term of the Centenary.

MRS. FRED A. LAMB, *Chairman*;

MRS. FRANK BENNETT, *Secretary*.

### APPROPRIATIONS FOR HOME FIELD.

#### BASIS OF APPROPRIATION.

Dues, pledges, life membership, etc. ....	\$206,173 55
Centenary shiftings as listed on page 196 .....	55,781 67
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Basis of estimate .....	\$261,955 22

#### JAPANESE WORK.

##### *Oakland, Cal.*

Rent and care of mission .....	\$ 100 00
Salary of preacher in charge .....	900 00
Kindergarten and supplies .....	430 00
Language school .....	360 00

##### *Alameda, Cal.*

Salary of preacher in charge .....	900 00
Night school .....	430 00
Language school .....	430 00
Kindergarten and supplies .....	480 00
Care of Mary Helm Hall .....	300 00
Salary and travel of superintendents .....	1,800 00
Taxes, insurance, and incidentals .....	600 00
Dendo Dan, rent of headquarters .....	320 00

##### *Walnut Grove.*

Salary of preacher in charge .....	900 00
Rents .....	300 00

##### *Dinuba Circuit.*

Salary of preacher in charge .....	900 00
Rents, three missions .....	320 00

Total .....	<hr/>	\$ 9,550 00
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#### KOREAN WORK.

##### *San Francisco.*

Rent and care of Korean Mission .....	\$ 690 00
Salary of Korean preacher in charge .....	900 00

*Korean Circuit.*

Salary of preacher in charge .....	\$ 900 00
Rents, three missions .....	320 00
Travel, Korean preachers .....	210 00
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Total .....	\$ 3,020 00

*Sacramento, Cal.*

Salary of preacher in charge .....	900 00
Rent .....	340 00
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Total for Korean Work .....	\$ 13,810 00

## ENGLISH-SPEAKING WORK.

*San Francisco, Cal.*

Salaries .....	\$ 720 00
Taxes .....	216 00
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Total for English-Speaking Work .....	\$ 936 00

## MOUNTAIN WORK.

*Sue Bennett Memorial School, London, Ky.*

Salaries .....	\$ 14,560 00
Repairs .....	3,000 00
Janitor .....	1,500 00
Incidentals .....	2,000 00
Summer canvass, advertising, and catalogue .....	500 00
Light, power, and fuel .....	1,500 00
Insurance .....	1,200 00
Equipment of high school and chapel .....	6,659 00
Improvement of campus .....	500 00
Improvement of dairy barn .....	1,500 00
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Total .....	\$ 32,919 00
Less fees .....	7,500 00
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Total .....	\$ 25,919 00

*Brevard Institute, Brevard, N. C.*

Salaries .....	\$ 15,797 50
Repairs .....	1,500 00
Summer expense and incidentals .....	100 00
Advertising, etc. ....	1,100 00

Heat and light .....	\$ 1,100 00
Special .....	300 00
Emergency .....	1,000 00
Insurance .....	435 04
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Total .....	\$ 21,332 54
Less fees .....	5,397 50
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Total .....	\$ 15,935 04
Special study for principal .....	500 00
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Total .....	\$ 16,435 04
Total for Mountain Work .....	\$ 42,354 04

## GULF COAST WORK.

*Biloxi, Miss.*

Salaries, etc. ....	\$ 2,450 00
Household .....	400 00
Incidentals .....	150 00
Salary of nursery matron .....	300 00
Insurance .....	5 00
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Total .....	\$ 3,305 00

*New Orleans, La.*

Salaries, etc. (including 3 new workers) .....	\$ 4,740 00
Rents .....	120 00
Housekeeper (St. Mark's Hall) .....	600 00
Clinic (drugs) .....	300 00
Manual training outfit .....	200 00
Girls' department outfit .....	50 00
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Total .....	\$ 6,010 00

*Houma, La., French Work.*

Salaries, etc. (3 workers) .....	\$ 2,160 00
Incidentals .....	204 00
Upkeep of auto .....	300 00
Summer extension work .....	180 00
Farm .....	144 00
Cook and servant .....	360 00
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Total .....	\$ 3,348 00

*Immigration Work, Galveston, Tex.*

One port missionary .....	\$ 1,500 00
Rents .....	300 00
Office expenses .....	300 00
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Total .....	\$ 2,100 00
Total for Gulf Coast Work .....	\$ 14,763 00

## DEPENDENT GIRLS.

*Vashti Industrial School, Thomasville, Ga.*

Salaries .....	\$ 8,540 00
Food supplies .....	9,300 00
Clothing .....	2,140 00
Insurance .....	154 40
Incidentals and travel .....	362 00
Janitor .....	1,000 00
Fuel .....	400 00
Light and power .....	500 00
Advertising and catalogues .....	200 00
Emergency .....	200 00
Drugs .....	200 00
School supplies .....	300 00
Furnishings, repairs, etc. ....	5,500 00
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Total .....	\$ 28,798 40
Less fees .....	6,180 56
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Total for Dependent Girls .....	\$ 22,615 84

## NEGRO WORK.

*Augusta, Ga., Bethlehem House.*

Salaries, etc. (3 workers) .....	\$ 2,130 00
Rents .....	300 00
Janitor .....	84 00
Household .....	368 00
Incidentals .....	180 00
Repairs and equipment .....	300 00
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Total .....	\$ 3,362 00

*Nashville, Tenn., Bethlehem House.*

Salaries, etc. ....	\$ 2,200 00
Rents .....	480 00

Household .....	\$ 552 00
Incidentals .....	200 00
Insurance .....	52 00
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Total .....	\$ 3,484 00
Total for Bethlehem Houses, Negro Work .....	\$ 6,846 00

*Paine Annex, Augusta, Ga.*

Salaries .....	\$ 2,800 00
Light, heat, and water .....	1,400 00
Incidentals .....	1,500 00
Repairs .....	1,000 00
Insurance .....	111 20
Janitor .....	1,000 00
Industries .....	750 00
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Total .....	\$ 8,561 20
Salary of Superintendent of proposed school for negro boys.	1,800 00
Total for Negro Work .....	\$ 17,207 20

## DELINQUENT GIRLS.

*Virginia Johnson Home, Dallas, Tex.*

Salaries .....	\$ 6,350 00
Feed, live stock, etc. ....	850 00
Incidentals and emergency .....	150 00
Ice, fuel, and water .....	1,893 00
Hospital account .....	636 30
Repairs .....	450 00
Financial agent .....	300 00
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Total .....	\$ 10,629 30

*Door of Hope, Macon, Ga.*

Current expenses .....	\$ 1,700 00
Salaries of workers .....	840 00
Groceries .....	1,200 00
House expense .....	300 00
Coal for heating, cooking, and laundry .....	125 00
Drugs .....	180 00
Ice .....	50 00
Insurance .....	31 40
Plumbing .....	36 00
Light and gas .....	72 00



Dry goods .....	\$ 75 00
Incidentals .....	25 00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 2,934 40</b>
<b>Total for Delinquent Girls .....</b>	<b>\$ 13,563 70</b>

## CUBAN WORK.

*West Tampa, Fla., Rosa Valdes Settlement.*

Salaries, etc. ....	\$ 3,195 00
Incidentals .....	243 50
Household .....	555 00
Rent .....	660 00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 4,653 50</b>

*Tampa, Fla., Wolff Settlement.*

Salaries, etc. ....	\$ 3,675 00
Household .....	532 00
Janitor .....	416 00
Repairs .....	1,000 00
Incidentals .....	275 00
Playground lot .....	3,000 00
Insurance .....	133 68
Cook .....	364 00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 9,395 68</b>

*Key West, Fla., Ruth Hargrove Settlement and Cuban School.*

Salaries, etc. ....	\$ 2,500 00
Household .....	450 00
Incidentals and supplies .....	500 00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 3,450 00</b>

*Holding Institute, Laredo, Tex.*

Salaries .....	\$ 14,600 00
Rent .....	300 00
Repairs .....	500 00
Janitor .....	1,460 00
Insurance .....	2,500 00
Advertising and catalogues .....	300 00
Heat, light, and water .....	940 00
Servants .....	400 00
Draining basin .....	300 00

Heating dining room .....	\$ 100 00
Painting .....	2,500 00
Concrete porches .....	4,500 00
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Total .....	\$ 29,400 00
Less fees .....	1,500 00

*Los Angeles, Cal., Homer Toberman Clinic and Settlement.*

Salaries, etc. ....	\$ 3,120 00
Rent .....	1,160 00
Incidentals .....	720 00
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Total .....	\$ 5,000 00

*San Antonio, Tex., Wesley House.*

Salaries, etc. ....	\$ 2,027 50
Household .....	445 10
Furnishings and repairs .....	275 00
Incidentals .....	125 00
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Total .....	\$ 2,872 60

Total for City Mexican Work .....	\$ 7,872 60
Grand total for Mexican Work .....	35,772 60

*Bible Chair, Denton, Tex.*

Teacher .....	\$ 1,200 00
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WORK AMONG MINERS.

WEST VIRGINIA COAL FIELDS.

*Eckman, W. Va.*

Salary (deaconess) .....	\$ 900 00
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*Maitland, W. Va.*

Salary (deaconess) .....	900 00
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Total .....	\$ 1,800 00
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M'ALESTER, OKLA., COAL FIELDS.

*Hartshorne, Wesley House.*

Building furnished by company. Two deaconesses.

Salaries, board, etc. ....	\$ 1,260 00
Household .....	326 00
Incidentals .....	464 00
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Total .....	\$ 2,050 00

## TEXAS COAL FIELDS.

*Thurber, Tex., Marston Hall.*

Company furnishes residence, chapel light, and heat. Two trained workers.

Salaries .....	\$ 1,320 00
Household .....	386 00
Incidentals .....	166 00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 1,872 00</b>

Total Work among Miners .....\$ 5,722 00

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Deaconesses .....	\$ 3,000 00
Scholarships for studying foreign languages .....	500 00
Furlough .....	2,520 00
MacDonell Lectureship .....	2,500 00
Membership Council of Women .....	100 00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 8,620 00</b>

## SCARRITT BIBLE AND TRAINING SCHOOL.

Florine McEachern Chair .....	\$ 3,000 00
Salaries .....	4,750 00
Current expenses and household .....	2,737 50
Publicity .....	500 00
Fuel, light, and water .....	1,512 50
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 12,500 00</b>

## CONFERENCE CLAIMS.

Birmingham, Ala., Ensley Community House .....	\$ 600 00
Corinth, Miss., Coöperative Home .....	600 00
Ferrum, Va., Mountain School .....	500 00
Fort Worth, Tex., Wesley House .....	1,200 00
San Francisco, Cal., Wesley House .....	400 00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 3,300 00</b>

## CITY MISSIONS.

Atlanta, Ga. ....	\$ 521 85
Augusta, Ga. ....	462 67
Baltimore, Md. ....	86 73
Birmingham, Ala. ....	500 13

Charlotte, N. C. ....	\$ 73 46
Dallas, Tex. ....	359 75
Danville, Va. ....	223 90
Fort Worth, Tex. ....	231 04
Houston, Tex. ....	106 25
Kansas City, Mo. ....	2,376 12
Knoxville, Tenn. ....	253 45
Lexington, Ky. ....	129 70
Louisville, Ky. ....	331 27
Memphis, Tenn. ....	246 76
Meridian, Miss. ....	138 40
Montgomery, Ala. ....	174 06
Murfreesboro, Tenn. ....	113 06
Nashville, Tenn. ....	293 11
New Orleans, La. ....	265 98
Richmond, Va. ....	174 72
San Francisco, Cal. ....	185 69
Savannah, Ga. ....	121 30
Spartanburg, S. C. ....	195 56
St. Joseph, Mo. ....	415 74
St. Louis, Mo. ....	729 05
Total .....	\$ 8,709 75

## RECAPITULATION.

Oriental Missions .....	\$ 13,810 00
English-Speaking Work (San Francisco) .....	936 00
Mountain Work .....	42,354 04
Gulf Coast Work .....	14,763 00
Dependent Girls .....	22,915 84
Negro Work .....	17,207 20
Delinquent Girls .....	13,563 30
Cuban Work .....	16,641 50
Mexican Work .....	35,772 60
Miners .....	5,722 00
Miscellaneous .....	8,620 00
Scarritt .....	12,500 00
Conference Claims .....	3,300 00
City Missions .....	8,709 75
Administration .....	30,225 00
Denton Bible Chair .....	1,200 00
Total .....	\$248,240 23
Contingent .....	10,308 68
Total .....	\$258,548 91

## CENTENARY REGULAR ASKINGS AND SHIFTINGS.

*Western and Central Division.*

(1920.)

Japanese Work .....	\$ 600 00
Korean Work .....	238 00
Sue Bennett School .....	15,093 78
Galveston Port Work .....	200 00
Negro Work (Bethlehem House, Nashville) .....	52 00
Virginia Johnson School .....	852 55
Holding Institute .....	11,700 00
Homer Toberman Clinic .....	200 00
Total .....	\$ 28,936 33

*Eastern and Gulf States.*

(1920.)

Brevard Institute .....	\$ 2,457 49
Biloxi .....	715 00
New Orleans .....	1,180 00
Houma, La. ....	1,119 00
Vashti Industrial School .....	6,755 84
Paine Annex .....	1,818 20
Rosa Valdes Settlement, West Tampa, Fla. ....	266 50
Wolff Settlement, Ybor City, Tampa, Fla. ....	3,800 00
Work among Miners, Bluefield District .....	120 00
Door of Hope (salaries) .....	1,234 00
Total .....	\$ 18,566 03

*General Items.*

Miscellaneous .....	\$ 2,000 00
Conference Claims .....	200 00
City Missions .....	1,029 31
Administration .....	5,050 00
Total .....	\$ 8,279 31
Total of Western and Central Division .....	\$ 28,936 33
Total of Gulf States and Eastern Division .....	18,566 03
Total of General Items .....	8,279 31
Total .....	\$ 55,781 67

## SUMMARY.

Centenary Shiftings and Regular Askings (1920) .....	\$261,955 22
Recommended by committee .....	258,548 91
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Unappropriated margin .....	\$ 3,406 31

## PREFERRED CENTENARY ASKINGS FOR 1921.

Holding Institute .....	\$ 30,000 00
Sue Bennett School .....	15,000 00
Methodist dormitories .....	25,000 00
San Antonio Wesley House .....	15,000 00
Korean Circuit .....	130 00
Alameda .....	680 00
Scholarships for foreign study .....	300 00
Workers .....	14,000 00
Vashti Industrial School .....	60,000 00
Brevard Institute .....	40,000 00
Salaries for new workers and increases in old salaries.....	15,000 00
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Total .....	\$215,110 00

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR FOREIGN FIELD.

Basis of appropriation, dues, pledges, life members, and sun- dries .....	\$340,622 36
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## CHINA MISSION.

## SHANGHAI DISTRICT.

Total for missionaries—salaries and travel .....	\$ 23,190 00
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*Shanghai, Nanziang, and Tatsaung.*

House rent for all .....	\$ 1,150 00
Teachers (8) .....	1,700 00
Repairs .....	200 00
Boat hire .....	300 00
Institute work .....	200 00
Current expenses .....	200 00
Bible women (8 at \$120) .....	Fund
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Total for the above .....	\$ 3,750 00
Deduct receipts from patrons .....	2,000 00
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Total needed .....	\$ 1,750 00

*McTyeire School.*

Salaries of Chinese teachers .....	\$ 15,160 00
Current expenses .....	22,570 00
Balance on faculty residence .....	7,270 00
Interest at 5 per cent on \$50,000 loan of Extension Lec- tureship .....	2,500 00
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Total for McTyeire School .....	\$ 47,500 00
Deduct receipts from patrons .....	45,000 00
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Total needed .....	\$ 2,500 00
Total for Shanghai District .....	\$ 27,440 00

## SUNGKIANG DISTRICT.

Total for missionaries—salaries and travel .....	\$ 9,380 00
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*Susan B. Wilson School.*

Salaries of Chinese teachers (10) .....	\$ 2,240 00
Current expenses .....	2,978 00
Cistern .....	500 00
Remaking piano .....	200 00
Repairs .....	400 00
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Total .....	\$ 6,318 00
Deduct receipts from patrons .....	2,700 00
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Total needed .....	\$ 3,618 00
From Scholarship Fund (20 at \$80) .....	1,600 00
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Total needed for Susan B. Wilson School .....	\$ 2,018 00

*Hayes-Wilkins Bible School.*

Salaries of teachers (7) .....	\$ 2,414 00
Current expenses .....	1,400 00
Playground director (half time) .....	150 00
Repairs .....	200 00
District nurse .....	240 00
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Total .....	\$ 4,404 00
Deduct receipts from patrons .....	800 00
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Total needed .....	\$ 3,604 00

From Scholarship Fund (25 at \$60) .....	\$ 1,500 00
Total for Hayes-Wilkins School .....	\$ 2,104 00

*Evangelistic Work (Sungkiang).*

City Bible women (5 at \$120) .....	Fund
Secretary for Miss White .....	\$ 350 00
Total for Evangelistic Work .....	\$ 350 00

*Outstation Schools and Woman's Work.*

Rent for all .....	\$ 506 00
Boat hire .....	336 00
Teachers' salaries (4) .....	720 00
Current expenses .....	400 00
Bible women (9 at \$120) .....	Fund
Total for Outstation Work .....	\$ 1,962 00
Deduct receipts from patrons .....	150 00
Total needed for Outstation Work .....	\$ 1,812 00
Total for Sungkiang District .....	\$ 15,314 00

## HUCHOW DISTRICT.

Total for missionaries—salaries and travel .....	\$ 17,640 00
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*Virginia School.*

Salaries of Chinese teachers (6) .....	\$ 2,880 00
Matron .....	200 00
Current expenses (food, fuel, etc.) .....	2,390 00
Wages .....	900 00
Incidentals .....	160 00
Repairs .....	200 00
Total for Virginia School .....	\$ 6,730 00
Deduct fees from patrons .....	3,550 00
Total needed .....	\$ 3,180 00
From Scholarship Fund (16 at \$80) .....	1,280 00
Total needed for Virginia School .....	\$ 1,900 00

*Virginia School Kindergarten.*

Salary of teacher .....	\$ 300 00
Salary of assistant .....	180 00



Current expenses .....	\$	100 00
Supplies, etc. ....		50 00
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Total for Virginia School Kindergarten .....	\$	630 00

*City Day Schools.*

Virginia Primary No. 1 (North Gate):		
Salary of teacher .....	\$	180 00
Salary of assistant .....		72 00
Current expenses .....		100 00
Rent and repairs .....		60 00
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Total for Virginia Primary No. 1.....	\$	412 00
Deduct receipts from patrons .....		50 00
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Total needed for Virginia Primary No. 1 .....	\$	362 00

Virginia Primary No. 2 (1-Zaung Ka):		
Salary of teacher .....	\$	180 00
Salary of assistant .....		72 00
Current expenses .....		100 00
Rent and repairs .....		120 00
Desks (20) .....		50 00
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Total for Virginia Primary No. 2 .....	\$	522 00
Deduct receipts from patrons .....		50 00
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Total needed for Virginia Primary No. 2 .....	\$	472 00

Memphis Boys' School:		
Salary of teacher .....	\$	300 00
Current expenses .....		100 00
Repairs and equipment .....		50 00
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Total for Memphis School .....	\$	450 00
Deduct receipts from patrons .....		56 00
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Total needed for Memphis School .....	\$	394 00

*Outstation Day Schools.*

Hutsun Girls' School:		
Salaries of teachers (3) .....	\$	768 00
Salary of assistant .....		72 00
Current expenses .....		100 00
Rent and repairs .....		60 00
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Total for Hutsun School .....	\$	1,000 00

Deduct receipts from patrons .....	\$	80 00
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Total needed for Hutsun School .....	\$	900 00
Village Schools for Girls:		
Saungling Circuit (2) .....	\$	250 00
Zanghsing Circuit (2) .....		250 00
Hutsun Circuit (2) .....		250 00
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Total needed for Village Schools .....	\$	750 00

*Huchow City Evangelistic Work.*

Bible School:		
Teacher .....	\$	240 00
Matron .....		120 00
Gateman .....		96 00
Current expenses (food, fuel, etc.) .....		500 00
Wages .....		144 00
Bible woman (1 at \$120) .....		Fund
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Total for Bible School .....	\$	1,100 00
Deduct receipts from patrons .....		503 00
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Total needed for Bible School .....	\$	597 00

## Bible Woman's Work (City):

Current expenses .....	\$	144 00
Literature .....		25 00
Incidentals .....		50 00
Bible women (4 at \$120) .....		Fund
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Total for Bible Woman's Work .....	\$	219 00

*Outstation Evangelistic Work.*

House boat rent for Bible women .....	\$	320 00
House boat rent for Miss Blller .....		360 00
District institutes .....		100 00
Current expenses .....		72 00
Literature .....		50 00
Incidentals .....		50 00
Bible women (3 at \$120) .....		Fund
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Total for Outstation Work .....	\$	952 00

*Miscellaneous.*

Wire screens for Ivey Home .....	\$ 150 00
Wire screens for Miss Bliler's room .....	50 00
<b>Total for Miscellaneous .....</b>	<b>\$ 200 00</b>
<b>Total for Huchow District .....</b>	<b>\$ 25,036 00</b>

## SOOCHOW DISTRICT.

<b>Total for missionaries—salaries and travel .....</b>	<b>\$ 26,640 00</b>
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*Laura Haygood Normal School.*

Salaries of teachers (17) .....	\$ 7,890 00
Matron .....	300 00
Secretary and helper .....	300 00
Nurse .....	240 00
Wages .....	554 00
Current expenses .....	4,320 00
Books and magazines .....	100 00
Repairs and equipment .....	750 00
<b>Total for Laura Haygood School .....</b>	<b>\$ 14,454 00</b>
Deduct receipts from patrons .....	2,000 00
<b>Total needed .....</b>	<b>\$ 12,454 00</b>
From Scholarship Fund (15 at \$80) .....	1,200 00
<b>Total needed for Laura Haygood School .....</b>	<b>\$ 11,254 00</b>

*Davidson School.*

Salaries of teachers (11) .....	\$ 3,376 00
Wages .....	500 00
Nurse .....	240 00
Current expenses .....	3,500 00
Repairs .....	400 00
Kindergarten teacher .....	360 00
Kindergarten current expenses .....	50 00
<b>Total for Davidson School .....</b>	<b>\$ 8,600 00</b>
Deduct receipts from patrons .....	3,600 00
<b>Total needed .....</b>	<b>\$ 5,000 00</b>
From Scholarship Fund (30 at \$80) .....	2,400 00
<b>Total needed for Davidson School .....</b>	<b>\$ 2,600 00</b>

*Maria L. Gibson Settlement.*

## Women's Evangelistic Work:

District nurse .....	\$ 240 00
Social Service Secretary .....	420 00
Current expenses .....	300 00
Equipment .....	150 00
Repairs .....	300 00
Bible women (4 at \$120) .....	Fund

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Total for Women's Work .....\$ 1,410 00

## Day School (45 pupils):

Salaries of teachers (2) .....	\$ 600 00
Current expenses .....	75 00
Equipment .....	50 00

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Total for Day School .....\$ 725 00

## Kindergarten (40 pupils):

Salaries of teachers .....	\$ 540 00
Current expenses .....	75 00
Equipment .....	25 00

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Total for Kindergarten .....\$ 640 00

Total for Gibson Settlement .....\$ 2,775 00

Deduct receipts from patrons ..... 300 00

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Total needed for Gibson Settlement .....\$ 2,475 00

*West Soochow Day School.*

Teachers' salaries (11) .....	\$ 3,500 00
Rent (conditional) .....	432 00
Current expenses .....	300 00
Equipment .....	100 00

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Total for West Soochow Day School .....\$ 4,332 00

Deduct receipts from patrons ..... 1,500 00

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Total needed .....\$ 2,832 00

From Scholarship Fund (20 at \$80) ..... 1,600 00

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Total for West Soochow Day School .....\$ 1,232 00

*West Soochow Woman's Work.*

Rent .....	\$	85 00
Literature .....		25 00
Bible women (4 at \$120) .....		Fund
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Total for West Soochow Woman's Work .....	\$	110 00

*Moka Garden Embroidery Mission.*

Salary of teacher .....	\$	240 00
Repairs .....		350 00
Bible woman (1 at \$120) .....		Fund
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Total for Moka Garden Embroidery Mission .....	\$	590 00

*Changchow.*

## North Gate (235 pupils):

Salaries of teachers .....	\$	1,500 00
Rent .....		600 00
Current expenses .....		250 00
Repairs .....		50 00
Equipment .....		100 00
Bible women (3 at \$120) .....		Fund
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Total for North Gate .....\$ 2,500 00

Deduct receipts from patrons ..... 450 00

Total needed for North Gate .....\$ 2,050 00

## East Gate:

Salaries of teachers (5) .....	\$	800 00
Kindergarten teachers (2) .....		400 00
Evangelistic worker for girls .....		300 00
Rent .....		190 00
Current expenses .....		250 00
Piano .....		300 00
Bible women (3 at \$120) .....		Fund
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Total for East Gate .....\$ 2,240 00

Deduct receipts from patrons ..... 300 00

Total needed for East Gate .....\$ 1,940 00

*Wusih, South Gate (67 pupils).*

Salaries of teachers (5) .....	\$	800 00
Rent .....		100 00
Current expenses .....		200 00

Itineration .....	\$	50 00
Bible women (2 at \$120) .....		Fund
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Total for Wushih, South Gate .....	\$	1,150 00
Deduct receipts from patrons .....		300 00
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Total needed for Wushih, South Gate .....	\$	850 00

*Nyishing Work.*

Salaries of teachers (3) .....	\$	600 00
Rent .....		162 00
Current expenses .....		200 00
Itineration .....		150 00
Repairs .....		100 00
Bible women (2 at \$120) .....		Fund
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Total for Nyishing Work .....	\$	1,212 00
Deduct receipts from patrons .....		80 00
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Total needed for Nyishing Work .....	\$	1,132 00

*Changshu.*

Salaries of teachers (4) .....	\$	700 00
Salary of assistant .....		240 00
Kindergarten teacher .....		300 00
Kindergarten equipment .....		50 00
Day school equipment .....		75 00
Rent for all .....		180 00
Current expenses for school work .....		200 00
Current expenses for woman's work .....		45 00
Bible women (2 at \$120) .....		Fund
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Total for Changshu .....	\$	1,790 00
Deduct receipts from patrons .....		100 00
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Total needed for Changshu .....	\$	1,690 00

*Bahmau.*

Salaries of teachers (2) .....	\$	300 00
Rent .....		60 00
Current expenses .....		100 00
Equipment .....		150 00
Bible woman (1 at \$120) .....		Fund
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Total or Bahmau .....	\$	610 00

Deduct receipts from patrons .....	\$	40 00
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Total needed for Bahmau .....	\$	570 00
<i>Sien Sang Jau.</i>		
Salaries of teachers (2) .....	\$	300 00
Rent .....		25 00
Current expenses .....		80 00
Bible woman (1 at \$120) .....		Fund
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Total for Sien Sang Jau .....	\$	405 00
Deduct receipts from patrons .....		40 00
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Total needed for Sien Sang Jau .....	\$	365 00
<i>Foo Mung (East Soochow Circuit).</i>		
Rent .....	\$	100 00
Current expenses .....		50 00
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Total needed for Foo Mung .....	\$	150 00
<i>St. John's Church (Woman's Work).</i>		
Rent .....	\$	100 00
Current expenses .....		75 00
Bible women (4) .....		Fund
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Total for St. John's Church .....	\$	175 00
<i>General Outstation Work.</i>		
Itineration .....	\$	200 00
Boat and repairs on boat .....		450 00
District institute work .....		150 00
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Total for General Outstation Work .....	\$	800 00
Screening Trueheart Home .....	\$	250 00
<i>Nanking.</i>		
Bible Teachers' Training School:		
Current expenses .....	\$	700 00
Teacher's salary .....		150 00
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Total for Bible Teachers' Training School .....	\$	850 00
Ginling College:		
Share in running expenses .....	\$	1,500 00
Exchange on Ginling College .....		840 00
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Total for Ginling College .....	\$	2,340 00
Grand total for Soochow District .....	\$	58,063 00

## GENERAL WORK.

Office expenses .....	\$ 75 00
Literature for entire mission .....	250 00
Emergency travel, China Mission .....	2,500 00
Public health work .....	2,053 00
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Total for General Work .....	\$ 4,878 00

*Scholarship Fund.*

Shanghai and Sunkiang Districts .....	\$ 3,100 00
Huchow District .....	1,280 00
Soochow District .....	5,200 00
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Total for Scholarship Fund .....	\$ 9,580 00

*Bible Woman's Fund.*

Shanghai and Sungkiang Districts .....	\$ 2,640 00
Huchow District .....	960 00
Soochow District .....	3,240 00
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Total for Bible Woman's Fund .....	\$ 6,840 00

*Repairs and Taxes.*

Shanghai and Sungkiang Districts .....	\$ 100 00
Huchow District .....	324 00
Soochow District .....	300 00
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Total for Repairs and Taxes .....	\$ 724 00

*Contingent Fund.*

Shanghai and Sungkiang Districts .....	\$ 350 00
Huchow District .....	400 00
Soochow District .....	460 00
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Total for Contingent Fund .....	\$ 1,210 00

Grand total for General Work .....

	\$ 23,232 00
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*Summary for China.*

Shanghai District .....	\$ 27,440 00
Sungkiang District .....	15,314 00
Huchow District .....	25,036 00
Soochow District .....	58,063 00
General Work .....	23,232 00
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Estimates approved for China .....	\$149,085 00



To be charged to Centenary .....	\$ 57,551 00
(See Centenary Estimates, 1921.)	
Total appropriation for China .....	\$ 91,534 00

## KOREA MISSION.

## SEOUL DISTRICT.

Total for missionaries, including taxes and helpers.....	\$ 4,710 00
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*Evangelistic Work.*

Itineration .....	\$ 350 00
Evangelistic Fund .....	300 00
Union Bible Institute .....	75 00
Running expenses for classes .....	100 00
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Bible women (12) .....	\$ 1,440 00
Total for Evangelistic Work .....	\$ 2,265 00

*Educational Work.*

Missionaries .....	\$ 3,950 00
Teachers' salaries .....	3,000 00
Running expenses .....	2,000 00
Teachers' Training Fund .....	420 00
Kindergarten Training Fund .....	200 00
Scholarships (40) .....	1,600 00
Library Fund .....	35 00
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Total for Carolina Institute .....	\$ 10,905 00

*Primary Schools.*

Water Mark Union School (Central Texas):	
Share in running expenses .....	\$ 150 00
West Gate School (Mary Wikle):	
Teachers' salaries .....	875 00
Running expenses .....	200 00
Water Gate School:	
Teachers' salaries .....	540 00
Running expenses .....	125 00
Yong San Kol School:	
Teacher's salary .....	250 00
Union Primary, West Gate (Munger):	
Running expenses .....	250 00
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Total for Primary Schools .....	\$ 2,390 00

<i>Miscellaneous.</i>	
Chinese work .....	\$ 75 00
Printing minutes for mission .....	150 00
Taxes .....	100 00
Repairs .....	250 00
Incidentals .....	300 00
Secretary for government reports .....	80 00
Bible Women's Conference .....	200 00
Literature for entire mission .....	150 00
<b>Total for Miscellaneous .....</b>	<b>\$ 1,405 00</b>
<b>Grand total for Seoul District .....</b>	<b>\$ 21,675 00</b>

## CHUL WON DISTRICT.

Missionaries' salaries .....	\$ 1,170 00
<i>Evangelistic Work.</i>	
Itineration .....	\$ 350 00
Bible women (10) .....	1,200 00
<b>Total for Evangelistic Work .....</b>	<b>\$ 1,550 00</b>

*Educational Work.*

Chul Won Primary School (76 pupils):	
Teachers' salaries .....	\$ 250 00
Running expenses .....	150 00
Pyung Kang Primary School (25 pupils):	
Teachers' salaries .....	250 00
Running expenses .....	100 00
Kim Wha Primary School (26 pupils):	
Teachers' salaries .....	250 00
Running expenses .....	100 00
<b>Total for Educational Work .....</b>	<b>\$ 1,100 00</b>
<b>Grand total for Chul Won District .....</b>	<b>\$ 3,820 00</b>

## SONGDO DISTRICT.

Missionaries' salaries and helpers .....	\$ 8,570 00
<i>Evangelistic Work.</i>	
Itineration .....	\$ 500 00
Evangelistic Fund .....	300 00
Joy Hardie Bible Institute .....	200 00
City Bible women (4) .....	480 00

Circuit Bible women (18)	\$ 2,160 00
Itinerating teachers (2)	180 00
Incidentals	100 00
Repairs	150 00
<b>Total for Evangelistic Work</b>	<b>\$ 4,070 00</b>

*Medical Work (Ivey Hospital).*

Hospital incidentals	\$ 100 00
Bible woman for out-patient work	120 00
<b>Total for Medical Work</b>	<b>\$ 220 00</b>

*Educational Work.*

<b>Holston Institute System:</b>	
Teachers for ten district Kul Pangs	\$ 900 00
<b>Kindergartens (Holston, Cordelia Erwin, and Ruby Kendrick):</b>	
Teachers (6)	720 00
Supplies	150 00
Equipment	200 00
Fuel and incidentals	220 00
<b>Holston Primary:</b>	
Teachers' salaries	1,700 00
General running expenses	250 00
Fuel and incidentals	400 00
<b>Mary Helm Industrial Department:</b>	
Teachers' salaries	900 00
Matron, servant, and janitor	217 00
Equipment	75 00
Running expenses	700 00
<b>Wightman-Humbert Memorial:</b>	
Janitor, fuel, and lights	400 00
Bible woman	120 00
<b>Holston Higher Common School:</b>	
<b>Japanese Teachers:</b>	
Head teacher	600 00
Two lady teachers	700 00
<b>Korean Teachers:</b>	
Men teachers (2)	840 00
Lady teachers (2)	472 00
Secretary and bookkeeper	480 00
Scholarships (50)	2,000 00
<b>Running Expenses:</b>	
Matron, gateman, and cook	280 00
Fuel and lights	2,000 00

Office expenses and printing .....	\$ 250 00
Incidentals .....	250 00
Repairs .....	250 00
Taxes .....	100 00

Total for Holston Institute System .....\$ 15,124 00

*Miscellaneous.*

Repairs .....	\$ 125 00
Taxes .....	100 00
Incidentals .....	150 00

Total for Miscellaneous .....\$ 375 00

Grand total for Songdo District .....\$ 28,359 00

CHOONCHUN DISTRICT.

Missionaries' salaries and helpers .....\$ 2,340 00

*Evangelistic Work.*

Itineration .....	\$ 775 00
Evangelistic Fund .....	300 00
Bible women (18) .....	2,160 00

Total for Evangelistic Work .....\$ 3,235 00

*Educational Work.*

Primary Schools in County Seats:

Choon Chun Primary School:

Teachers' salaries (2) .....	\$ 450 00
Running expenses .....	100 00
Equipment .....	40 00

Hong Chun Primary School:

Teachers' salaries (2) .....	450 00
Running expenses .....	100 00
Equipment .....	40 00

Ka Pyung Primary School:

Teachers' salaries (2) .....	450 00
Running expenses .....	100 00
Equipment .....	40 00

Wha Chung Primary School:

Teachers' salaries (2) .....	450 00
Running expenses .....	100 00
Equipment .....	40 00

In Jay Primary School:

Teachers' salaries (2) .....	450 00
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Running expenses .....	\$ 100 00
Equipment .....	40 00
Repairs and improvement .....	500 00
Country day schools (Kul Pang) .....	540 00
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Total for Educational Work .....	\$ 3,990 00

*Miscellaneous.*

Repairs, Workers' Home .....	\$ 100 00
Improvement of compound grounds .....	250 00
Taxes .....	40 00
Incidentals for district .....	100 00
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Total for Miscellaneous .....	\$ 490 00
Grand total for Choon Chun District .....	\$ 10,055 00

## WONSAN DISTRICT.

Missionaries' salaries and helpers .....	\$ 2,720 00
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*Evangelistic Work.*

Itineration .....	\$ 500 00
Evangelistic Fund .....	300 00
Alice Cobb Bible Institute:	
Running expenses .....	75 00
Teacher .....	240 00
City Bible women (5) .....	600 00
Sangni Church, Chungni Church, Wonsan Hospital, women's night school, visiting nurse.	
Circuit Bible women (14) .....	1,680 00
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Total for Evangelistic Work .....	\$ 3,395 00

*Educational Work.*

Lucy Cuninggim (temporarily closed) .....	
Kindergarten:	
Teachers' salaries .....	\$ 240 00
Running expenses .....	200 00
Scholarships in Kindergarten T. S. ....	80 00
Frances Hitch Primary School:	
Teachers' salaries .....	600 00
Running expenses .....	200 00
Country Primary Schools:	
Sung Book Primary .....	300 00

Tsunami Primary .....	\$124 240 00
Chû Dong Primary .....	120 00
<b>Total for Educational Work .....</b>	<b>\$ 1,980 00</b>

*Miscellaneous.*

Repairs .....	\$ 200 00
Taxes .....	100 00
Incidentals .....	150 00
Upkeep of foreign cemetery .....	50 00
<b>Total for Miscellaneous .....</b>	<b>\$ 500 00</b>

**Grand total for Wonsan District .....** \$ 18,595 00

SUMMARY FOR KOREA MISSION.

Seoul District .....	\$ 21,675 00
Chul Won District .....	3,820 00
Songdo District .....	28,359 00
Choon Chun District .....	10,055 00
Wonsan District .....	8,595 00
<b>Estimates approved for Korea .....</b>	<b>\$ 72,504 00</b>
To be charged to Centenary .....	9,310 00
(See Centenary Estimates for 1921.)	
<b>Total appropriation for Korea .....</b>	<b>\$ 63,193 00</b>

JAPAN MISSION.

KOBE DISTRICT.

Missionaries—salaries, helpers, and taxes .....

\$ 3,380 00

*Bible Women.*

Salaries for ten .....	\$ 1,872 00
Rent for same .....	180 00
Itineration for same .....	60 00
Christian literature for same .....	90 00
<b>Total for Bible women .....</b>	<b>\$ 2,202 00</b>

*Kindergartens.*

Kyoto:

Salary and rent for teacher .....	\$ 210 00
Salary of assistant .....	108 00
Rent of building .....	200 00

## Osaka No. 1:

Salary and rent for teacher .....	\$ 210 00
Salary of assistant .....	108 00
Rent of building .....	240 00

## Osaka No. 2 ("Frances-Virginia"):

Salary and rent for teacher .....	210 00
Salary of assistant .....	108 00

## Kobe (Lambuth Memorial):

Salary of teacher .....	180 00
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Total for Kindergartens ..... \$ 1,610 00

*Lambuth Memorial Training School*

(Founded in 1900.)

Salaries (native teachers) .....	\$ 2,154 00
Scholarships for students (15) .....	1,800 00
Medical help for students .....	75 00
Three Sunday schools at Ishimura, Morimura, and Sumi- yoshi .....	150 00
Sunday school at Yumeno .....	36 00
Bible school extension .....	60 00
Itineration .....	100 00
Current expenses (outside of fees) .....	350 00
Bible Woman's Conference .....	120 00
Library books .....	75 00
Rent for grounds .....	48 00
Insurance, taxes, and repairs .....	150 00
Contingent fund for school .....	300 00

Total for Lambuth School ..... \$ 5,850 00

*General Expenses (All Districts).*

Rev. James S. Oxford .....	\$ 30 00
Travel, Board of Managers .....	50 00
Annual Meeting expenses .....	150 00
General—Christian literature .....	250 00
Literature—evangelistic workers .....	180 00
Literature—school workers .....	30 00
Printing Yearbook—Council share .....	100 00
Contingent Fund—three districts .....	300 00
Conference of Federated Missions .....	30 00

Total for General Expenses ..... \$ 1,120 00

Grand total for Kobe District ..... \$ 14,162 00

## HIROSHIMA DISTRICT.

Missionaries' salaries .....\$ 1,165 00

*Bible Women.*

Salaries for six .....\$ 1,248 00

Rent for same ..... 126 00

Itineration for same ..... 104 00

Christian literature for same ..... 60 00

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Total for Bible Women .....\$ 1,538 00

*Kindergartens.*

Okayama ("Kate Hall"):

Salary of teacher .....\$ 210 00

Salary of assistant ..... 108 00

Rent of kindergarten ..... 120 00

Kure:

Salary of teacher ..... 180 00

Salary of assistant ..... 108 00

Rent ..... 30 00

Iwakuni:

Salary of teacher ..... 180 00

Tokuyama:

Salary of teacher ..... 168 00

Equipment ..... 75 00

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Total for Kindergartens .....\$ 1,179 00

Grand total for Hiroshima District .....\$ 3,882 00

## MATSUYAMA DISTRICT.

Missionaries, helpers, and taxes .....\$ 3,740 00

*Bible Women.*

Salaries for five .....\$ 1,044 00

Rent for same ..... 106 00

Itineration for same ..... 96 00

Christian literature for same ..... 50 00

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Total for Bible Women .....\$ 1,296 00

*Kindergartens.*

Matsuyama:

Salary of teacher .....\$ 180 00

Salary of assistant ..... 108 00

Oita:

Salary of teacher ..... 330 00



Beppu:	
Salary of teacher .....	\$ 198 00
Salary of assistant .....	108 00
Rent .....	60 00
Uwajima:	
Salary of teacher .....	216 00
Salary of assistant .....	108 00
Rent .....	30 00
Yoshida:	
Salary of teacher .....	192 00
Salary of assistant .....	108 00
Rent .....	30 00
Gotoji:	
Salary of teacher .....	180 00
Salary of assistant .....	108 00
Rent .....	32 00
Kantan:	
Salary of teacher .....	180 00
Salary of assistant .....	108 00
Rent .....	40 00
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Total for Kindergartens .....	\$ 2,364 00

*General Running Expenses.*

General repairs and insurance .....	\$ 75 00
Chapel readjustment .....	75 00
Screening Oita residence .....	125 00
Sunday schools and evangelism .....	150 00
Workers' Institute .....	60 00
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Total for General Running Expenses .....	\$ 485 00
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Grand total for Matsuyama District .....	\$ 7,885 00

## SUMMARY FOR JAPAN MISSION.

Kobe District .....	\$ 14,312 00
Hiroshima District .....	3,932 00
Matsuyama District .....	8,035 00
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Estimates approved for Japan .....	\$ 26,279 00
To be charged to Centenary .....	6,213 00
(See Centenary Estimates for 1921.)	
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Total appropriation for Japan .....	\$ 20,066 00

## LATIN AMERICA AND AFRICA.

## AFRICA MISSION.

Missionaries' salaries .....	\$ 1,500 00
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## BRAZIL MISSION.

Missionaries' salaries .....	\$ 18,750 00
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Travel .....	4,650 00
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Total .....	\$ 23,400 00
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## BRAZIL CONFERENCE.

## RIO DE JANEIRO.

*Bennett College.*

One teacher (formerly Petropolis) .....	\$ 740 00
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One Bible woman (formerly Petropolis) .....	120 00
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Two scholarships (formerly Petropolis) .....	80 00
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Total .....	\$ 940 00
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*People's Central Institute.*

Evangelistic work .....	\$ 150 00
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Four Bible women .....	480 00
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Total .....	\$ 630 00
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## BELLO HORIZONTE.

*Collegio Isabella Hendrix.*

Teacher's salary (9 in 1919) .....	\$ 600 00
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Housekeeper's salary .....	300 00
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Incidentals .....	200 00
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Taxes .....	100 00
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Two Bible women (1 in 1920) .....	240 00
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Five scholarships .....	200 00
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One scholarship .....	60 00
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Painting building .....	1,000 00
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Total .....	\$ 2,700 00
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## CENTRAL BRAZIL CONFERENCE.

## PIRACICABA.

*Collegio Piracicabano.*

Incidentals .....	\$ 200 00
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Taxes .....	200 00
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Housekeeper's salary .....	\$ 300 00
Four scholarships .....	280 00
Library Fund .....	590 00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$ 1,480.00</b>

## RIBEIRAO PRETO.

*Collegio Methodistista.*

Brazilian teachers' salaries (15 in 1919) .....	\$ 1,000 00
Four scholarships (4 in 1920) .....	240 00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$ 1,240 00</b>

## SAO PAULO.

*Evangelistic Work.*

Evangelistic helper .....	\$ 375 00
Four Bible women (3 in 1920) .....	480 00
Room rent .....	225 00
Woman's work and car fare .....	125 00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$ 1,205 00</b>

## SOUTH BRAZIL CONFERENCE.

## PORTO ALEGRE.

*Collegio Americano.*

Teachers' salaries .....	\$ 1,000 00
Rent .....	1,000 00
Incidentals .....	250 00
Insurance .....	25 00
Six scholarships .....	240 00
Institutional Church .....	500 00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$ 3,015 00</b>

Grand total for Brazil .....

<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$ 34,610 00</b>
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## CUBA MISSION.

Missionaries' salaries .....	\$ 3,250 00
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## HAVANA.

*Collegio Buenavista.*

Three scholarships .....	\$ 120 00
Travel to Conference .....	100 00
<b>Total, exclusive of missionaries' salaries</b> .....	<b>\$ 220 00</b>

## CIENFUEGOS.

*Colegio Eliza Bowman.*

Teachers' salaries .....	\$ 4,000 00
Taxes .....	130 00
Incidentals .....	150 00
Furniture and kindergarten supplies .....	150 00
Five scholarships at \$40 (4 in 1920) .....	200 00
Bible woman .....	120 00
Travel to meetings .....	100 00
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Total .....	\$ 4,850 00

## MATANZAS.

*Colegio Irene Toland.*

Teachers' salaries .....	\$ 4,375 00
Matron .....	300 00
Taxes .....	90 00
Incidentals .....	200 00
Advertising .....	100 00
Telephone .....	72 00
Thirteen scholarships (12 in 1920) .....	520 00
One scholarship .....	60 00
Bible woman .....	120 00
Repairs .....	500 00
Travel to Conference .....	100 00
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Total .....	\$ 6,437 00
 Grand total for Cuba .....	 \$ 14,757 00

## MEXICO MISSION.

Missionaries' salaries .....	\$ 8,650 00
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*Travel.*

Miss Wynn's student travel .....	\$ 225 00
Moving missionaries and travel .....	500 00
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Total .....	\$ 725 00

## CHIHUAHUA DISTRICT.

*Centro Cristiano, Chihuahua.*

Teachers' salaries .....	\$ 1,900 00
Two Bible women .....	240 00
Taxes .....	96 00

Insurance .....	\$ 15 00
Repairs .....	300 00
Total .....	\$ 2,551 00.

*Colegio Palmore, Chihuahua.*

Teachers' salaries .....	\$ 5,460 00
Janitors .....	360 00
Water, light, and taxes .....	750 00
Advertising and incidentals .....	500 00
School equipment .....	1,000 00
Finishing boys' dormitory .....	2,000 00
Furnishing boys' dormitory .....	2,000 00
Twelve scholarships at \$40 .....	480 00
Total .....	\$ 12,550 00

*Colegio Progreso, Parral.*

Teachers .....	\$ 2,000 00
Taxes .....	250 00
Equipment .....	500 00
Advertising .....	50 00
Total .....	\$ 2,800 00

## DURANGO DISTRICT.

*Instituto MacDonell.*

Teachers' salaries .....	\$ 3,480 00
Taxes .....	350 00
Repairs .....	1,000 00
Equipment .....	500 00
Running expenses .....	1,000 00
Six scholarships .....	240 00
Two Bible women .....	240 00
Total .....	\$ 6,810 00

*Torreón.*

One Bible woman .....	\$ 120 00
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## MONTERREY DISTRICT.

*Instituto Inglés y Español, Monterrey.*

Teachers' salaries .....	\$ 4,425 00
Janitor .....	270 00
Housekeeper .....	180 00

Two Bible women .....	\$ 240 00
Seven scholarships .....	280 00
Taxes .....	60 00
Insurance .....	50 00
Water and lights .....	300 00
Telephone .....	50 00
Advertising, including catalogue .....	200 00
Incidentals .....	500 00
Piano .....	500 00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$ 7,055 00</b>

## SALTILLO.

*Methodist Normal School.*

Missionaries' salaries .....	\$ 7,330 00
Oak Cliff Day School .....	175 00
General expenses .....	4,000 00
Fifteen scholarships .....	600 00
Two Bible women .....	240 00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$ 12,345 00</b>

Grand total for Mexico .....

\$ 53,606 00

## GENERAL.

Coöperation in Latin America .....	\$ 1,300 00
Literature .....	350 00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$ 1,650 00</b>

Scarritt Bible and Training School .....

\$ 12,500 00

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Membership dues, Federation of Woman's Foreign Mission Boards of North America .....	\$ 100 00
Literature, Federation of Woman's Foreign Mission Boards of North America .....	150 00
Foreign Mission Boards of North America .....	300 00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$ 550 00</b>

## RECAPITULATION.

Africa .....	\$ 1,500 00
Brazil .....	34,610 00
China .....	91,534 00

Cuba .....	\$14,757 00
Japan .....	20,066 00
Korea .....	163,193 00
Mexico .....	53,606 00
Administration .....	29,625 00
Contingent .....	17,031 00
General for Latin America .....	1,650 00
Interdenominational work (dues on literature) .....	550 00
Scarritt Bible and Training School .....	12,500 00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$340,622 00</b>

JOINT HOME AND FOREIGN APPROPRIATIONS. ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES  
FOR 1920.

Office expense of President .....	\$ 1,000 00
Office expense of Vice President .....	200 00
Salaries of Secretaries and Treasurer .....	14,400 00
Office expense of Secretaries .....	5,000 00
Office expense of Recording Secretary .....	200 00
Office expense of Treasurer .....	400 00
Salary of Student Secretary .....	1,200 00
Travel and office expense of Student Secretary .....	1,000 00
Remuneration and office expense of Superintendents of Young People and Children .....	1,200 00
Travel of Superintendents of Young People and Children .....	1,000 00
Office expense of Superintendent of Supplies .....	100 00
Clerical help .....	10,400 00
Expense of Council, Board, and Committee meetings .....	5,000 00
Literature .....	14,000 00
Posters and paid articles .....	400 00
Mailing literature .....	2,150 00
Home Base sundries .....	1,500 00
Summer conferences .....	300 00
Janitors .....	400 00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 59,850 00</b>

CENTENARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1921.

ORIENTAL FIELDS.

BASIS OF APPROPRIATION.

*Centenary Askings for Five Years.*

China Mission .....	\$ 482,566 00
Korea Mission .....	459,195 00

Japan Mission .....	\$ 332,992 00
Total for five years .....	\$1,274,753 00
Basis for one year (one-fifth) .....	\$ 254,950 00

## CHINA MISSION.

Excess of regular budget of 1921 .....	\$ 57,551 00
China's share in Scarritt Bible and Training School (conditional) .....	18,000 00
Missionaries' salaries:	
Miss Alma McLain .....	750 00
Miss Sarah Brinkley .....	900 00
Miss Clara Chalmers .....	900 00
Miss Floss McKnight .....	900 00
Miss Janie Watkins (salary and travel) .....	1,280 00
Five new missionaries:	
Salary, outfit, travel, and Language School .....	7,650 00
Exchange on salaries of Centenary missionaries .....	6,000 00
Susan B. Wilson:	
Kindergarten building .....	\$1,500 00
Piano .....	350 00— 1,850 00
Laura Haygood Normal School:	
Music Department .....	\$ 900 00
Reference library .....	200 00
Science Department .....	500 00
Dormitory and classroom equipment .....	1,500 00
Manual art and economics .....	566 00— 3,666 00
Changchow East Gate—land .....	2,000 00
Changchow North Gate—land .....	3,500 00
Virginia School:	
Science equipment .....	\$ 600 00
Home economics .....	100 00
Pianos .....	750 00
Library .....	100 00— 1,550 00
Huchow Electric Light Plant .....	5,000 00
Hutsun Community Center .....	1,700 00
Davidson School:	
Furnishings for dormitory .....	\$ 350 00
Alterations and repairs .....	750 00
Gymnasium and playground .....	150 00
Louise Home, kitchen and cistern .....	1,500 00
Grace Church, Sungkiang:	
Gymnasium and playground .....	\$ 150 00
Rent .....	300 00— 450 00



Changshu, rent of missionary home .....	\$ 600 00
Union Medical College (conditional) .....	20,000 00
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Total release for China for 1921 .....	\$136,947 00

## KOREA MISSION.

Excess of regular budget of 1921 .....	\$ 9,311 00
Korea's share in Scarritt Bible and Training School (conditional) .....	15,000 00
Salary of Miss Carrie Turner .....	900 00
Four new missionaries, salary, travel, outfit, and language study .....	6,240 00
Union Bible Training School, Seoul .....	5,500 00
City Evangelistic Plant, Seoul .....	8,333 00
Carolina Institute, Seoul:	
Dormitory equipment .....	\$1,750 00
Frontage on property and road .....	3,500 00
Religious work building .....	9,500 00—
	14,750 00
Choon Chun City Evangelistic Plant, including kindergarten and dormitory for Bible Institute .....	10,000 00
Holston Institute, Songdo:	
Kindergarten Training School .....	\$10,000 00
Equipment for Industrial Department .....	400 00
Science Laboratory .....	500 00
Mary Helm Dormitory Building .....	4,800 00—
	15,700 00
Unassigned margin .....	3,211 00
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Total release for Korea 1921 .....	\$ 88,945 00

## JAPAN MISSION.

Excess of regular budget of 1921 .....	\$ 5,863 00
Salary of Miss Blanche Hager .....	900 00
Salary of Miss Ruby Van Hooser .....	900 00
Salary of Miss Mary Gertrude Searcy .....	900 00
Salary of Miss Jean Callahan .....	900 00
Personal helpers for four missionaries .....	540 00
Personal taxes for four missionaries .....	120 00
Japan's share in Scarritt Bible and Training School (conditional) .....	15,000 00
Unassigned margin .....	3,935 00
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Total release for Japan for 1921 .....	\$ 29,058 00

## RECAPITULATION OF CENTENARY ESTIMATES FOR ORIENTAL FIELDS FOR 1921.

China Mission .....	\$136,947 00
Korea Mission .....	88,945 00

Japan Mission .....	\$ 29,058 00
Total release for 1921 .....	\$254 950 00
Basis for one year .....	\$254,950 00

## LATIN-AMERICAN AND AFRICAN FIELDS.

## BASIS OF APPROPRIATION.

*Centenary Askings for Five Years.*

Africa Mission .....	\$ 70,600 00
Brazil Mission .....	765,500 00
Cuba Mission .....	254,400 00
Mexico Mission .....	431,870 00
Total for five years .....	\$1,522,370 00
Basis for one year (one-fifth) .....	\$ 304,474 00

## AFRICA MISSION.

Miss Eliza Iles's salary .....	\$ 900 00
Miss Ruth Henderson's salary .....	900 00
Miss Ella M. Hall's salary .....	900 00
Miss Flora Foreman's salary .....	900 00
Conditional for emergencies .....	650 00
Total release for Africa for 1921 .....	\$ 4,250 00

## BRAZIL MISSION.

Increase in missionaries' salaries .....	\$ 3,350 00
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## RIO DE JANEIRO.

*Bennett College.*

Teachers' salaries, running expenses, etc. ....	\$ 10,000 00
New building .....	91,000 00
Total .....	\$101,000 00
Day School, Villa Isabel .....	20,000 00

## PORTO ALEGRE.

*Collegio Americano.*

Equipment and running expenses .....	\$ 11,800 00
Total release for Brazil for 1921 .....	\$136,150 00

## CUBA MISSION.

Increase in missionaries' salaries .....	\$	600 00
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## CIENFUEGOS.

*Colegio Eliza Bowman, Day School.*

Rent .....	\$	750 00
Equipment .....		200 00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>950 00</b>

## HAVANA

*Colegio Buenavista.*

Balance on building .....	\$	8,328 00
Running expenses .....		5,046 00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>13,374 00</b>

## MATANZAS.

*Irene Toland School.*

Building and equipment .....	\$	25,500 00
Native workers, Matanzas and Cienfuegos .....		7,050 00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>32,550 00</b>
<b>Total release for Cuba 1921 .....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>47,474 00</b>

## MEXICO MISSION.

Increase in missionaries' salaries .....	\$	1,320 00
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## CHIHUAHUA.

*Centro Cristiano.*

Missionary .....	\$	900 00
Kindergartner .....		900 00
Physical director .....		900 00
Mexican evangelistic workers (2) .....		310 00
Musician .....		600 00
Day nursery assistants (2) .....		250 00
Nurses, clinic (2) .....		690 00
Equipment .....		500 00
Running expenses .....		1,922 00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,972 00</b>

*Colegio Palmore.*

Kindergartner .....	\$	750 00
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## PARRAL.

*Colegio Progreso.*

Released from Colegio Palmore .....\$ 13,878 00

## MONTERREY.

*Instituto Inglés y Español.*

Miss Ingram's salary .....\$ 900 00

Miss Darwin's salary ..... 900 00

Total .....\$ 1,800 00

*Evangelistic Work.*

Miss Warne .....\$ 900 00

## SALTILLO.

*Methodist Normal School.*

Kindergartner .....\$ 750 00

New building (to be shifted from Piedras Negras) ..... 31,250 00

Total .....\$ 32,000 00

Total release for Mexico for 1921 .....\$ 57,670 00

Scarritt Bible and Training School ..... 52,000 00

RECAPITULATION OF CENTENARY ESTIMATES FOR LATIN AMERICA AND  
AFRICA FOR 1921.

Africa Mission .....\$ 4,250 00

Brazil Mission ..... 136,150 00

Cuba Mission ..... 47,474 00

Mexico Mission ..... 57,670 00

Scarritt Bible and Training School ..... 52,000 00

Unassigned ..... 6,930 00

Total release for 1921 .....\$304,474 00

Basis for one year .....\$304,474 00

COMMITTEE ON CANDIDATES FOR DEACONESS AND MIS-  
SIONARY WORK.

1. Your Committee on Candidates for Deaconess and Missionary Work recommend the following candidates for consecration and appointment to the fields named:

## FOREIGN WORK.

*China.*—Miss Floss Duchesne McKnight, St. Louis Conference.

*Japan.*—Miss Jean Alice Callahan, Japan Mission; Miss Ruby Van

Hooser, Florida Conference; Miss Mary Gertrude Searcy, Missouri Conference.

*Africa.*—Miss Eliza Iles, Louisiana Conference; Miss Ruth Henderson, Virginia Conference; Miss Marzla Hall, Mississippi Conference; Miss Flora Foreman, Northwest Texas Conference.

#### HOME WORK.

##### *Deaconess Probationers for Consecration to Office of Deaconess.*

Miss Ruth Byerly, Baltimore Conference; Miss Mary Lee, Tennessee Conference; Miss Gaye Hoke, Baltimore Conference; Miss Elah Cannon, Virginia Conference; Miss Cora Godat, Louisiana Conference; Miss Dorothy Dodd, South Georgia Conference.

2. We further recommend for appointment:

##### *As Deaconess Probationers.*

Miss Pattie Louise Allen, Holston Conference; Miss Bertie Bowers, Memphis Conference; Miss Frances Louise Hancock, Kentucky Conference; Miss Rosalee Riggan, Little Rock Conference; Miss Eva Sellman, Louisville Conference; Miss Ida Jane Moore, North Alabama Conference; Miss Leanora Robey, West Oklahoma Conference; Miss Juanita Hill, Kentucky Conference.

##### *As City Missionaries.*

Mrs. J. C. Field, South Georgia Conference; Miss Martha J. Lewis, Kentucky Conference; Miss Agnes Stackhouse, Upper South Carolina Conference; Mrs. Minnie Johns Adams, Florida Conference.

MRS. E. B. CHAPPELL, *Chairman*;

MRS. F. S. PARKER, *Secretary*.

### COMMITTEE ON MISSION STUDY AND CANDIDATE PREPARATION.

#### REPORT No. 1.

1. Your Committee on Mission Study and Candidate Preparation recommend the indorsement of the policy of the Educational Secretary in charge of this department in regard to mission study books for 1920-21, as follows:

*General Theme for the Year.*—"The Bible and Missions."

*Adult.*—"The Bible and Missions," Helen Barrett Montgomery; "The Church and the Community," Ralph E. Diffendorfer.

*Young People.*—"A Better World," Tyler Dennett; "Serving the Neighborhood," Ralph A. Felton.

*Juniors.*—"Lamplighters Across the Sea," Margaret T. Applegarth; "Mr. Friend o' Man of the City That Is to Be," Jay T. Stocking.

Two books on stewardship for both adult and young people: "Money

the Acid Test," David McConaughy; "The New Christian," Ralph Cushman.

2. Your committee considered the following resolution:

"The war has brought a new interest in the negro in America, it has given the negro a place of greater importance in our life, it has wrought changes in the thinking and aspiration of thousands of these people; therefore be it

*Resolved*, That this Council request the Missionary Education Movement to publish a new book on this subject to be used throughout the Church in mission study classes."

The committee recommend concurrence.

3. Members appointed on Boards of Managers of

(1) North Texas School of Missions, Mrs. L. P. Smith, Mrs. J. H. Stewart, and Mrs. J. S. Turner.

(2) Oklahoma City School of Missions: From West Oklahoma Conference, Mrs. S. T. King, Mrs. C. S. Bobo. From East Oklahoma Conference, Mrs. J. C. Fowler and Mrs. M. E. Mackey.

(3) Los Angeles School of Missions, Mrs. Q. J. Rowley and Miss Elizabeth McMillian.

(4) De Land School of Missions, Mrs. H. R. Steele.

(5) St. Petersburg School of Missions, Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb.

(6) Montegale School of Missions, Mrs. F. S. Parker.

(7) Baltimore School of Missions, Mrs. T. J. Copeland and Mrs. C. H. Kirk.

(8) Blue Ridge Interchurch World Conference, Mrs. H. R. Steele.

(9) Chambersburg School of Missions, Mrs. H. R. Steele.

4. The committee recommend the following minimum educational standards for home missionary candidates:

(1) A candidate for home mission work must have a diploma from and accredited high school, or its equivalent, and two years of college work, or its equivalent. The equivalent of the two years shall be one of the following:

(a) A diploma from a standard nurse training school.

(b) A diploma from a standard kindergarten training school.

(c) Three years of work in an accredited normal school.

(d) Four years of successful experience as a teacher.

A young woman with marked business or administrative ability will be eligible for home mission work if she presents a diploma from a standard high school and a diploma from an accredited business college and has had three years of successful business experience.

In addition to the above requirements, all candidates desiring to engage in any line of missionary work in the home field under the Woman's Missionary Council must present a diploma from an accredited missionary training school, after which they must have the recommendation of its faculty and the Council Board of Medical Examiners before acceptance by the Council.

(2) Young women holding certificates from an accredited missionary training school may apply for service in the Home Department, and if recommended by the Committee on Candidates may be recommended for employment by local boards.

(3) Young women showing fitness for missionary work, recommended by the Quarterly Conference of local Churches and the District Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society may apply to the Administrative Secretaries of the Home Department of the Woman's Missionary Council, and if indorsed by the Committee on Candidates may be registered in the Home Department of the Council and may be recommended for employment by local boards.

These last two classes will be recorded as "Indorsed Workers" and will be on file in the offices of the Home Department.

Should a woman in either class of "Indorsed Workers" desire to become a deaconess or home missionary, she shall be required to meet the standards adopted by the Council.

5. We further recommend that the requirements for deaconess work be amended by striking out "(3)" under "Article 5" and renumbering so that equivalents shall read:

"(1) A diploma from a standard nurse training school.

"(2) A diploma from a standard kindergarten training school.

"(3) Three years of work in an accredited normal school.

"(4) Four years of successful experience as a teacher."

And further amend by adding the sentence, "A young woman with marked business or administrative ability will be eligible for deaconess work if she presents a diploma from an accredited high school and a diploma from a standard business college and has had three years of successful business experience."

#### REPORT No. 2.

Your committee had before it the resolution from the Conference of Deaconess and Home Missionaries as follows:

"Whereas there is great need of increase in the force of workers, and many young people who volunteer are lost to the work before they can attain the Council standard—therefore we suggest that action be taken to provide the necessary encouragement and opportunities, educational and otherwise, to enable these volunteers to enter the work."

We report in regard to it that, whereas we are keenly interested in the desire of young women for larger preparation for life, and whereas we have no funds in the Woman's Missionary Council available for college education, we recommend that Conference officers seek to interest individuals in providing the means for such college education as preparation for later service.

MRS. E. B. CHAPPELL, *Chairman*;

MRS. P. L. COBB, *Secretary*.

### STANDING COMMITTEE ON LITERATURE.

The *ad interim* meeting of the Committee on Literature was held at the Publishing House May 13 and 14. The following were present: Mrs. R. W. MacDonell, Mrs. J. W. Downs, Miss Mabel Howell, Mrs. W. H. Pemberton, Mrs. J. W. Perry, Mrs. J. A. Rice, Miss Althea Jones, Mrs. E. B. Chappell, Miss Esther Case, Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, Mrs. W. L. Reed, and Miss Estelle Haskin.

The general topics selected for the *Yearbooks* were: Adults, "The Christward Movement of the World"; Young People, "Movements Toward World Friendship"; Juniors, "Friends Around the World."

Special plans were made for the Week of Prayer literature: (1) For a joint program to be published which should include three days for adults, one for young people, and one for children, thus making the observance of the week a united effort. (2) For emphasis upon prayer by giving one day exclusively to the subject of prayer and by the publication of prayer cards to be placed in the hands of each auxiliary member.

Authorization was given for the publication of a sufficient number of leaflets on stewardship for distribution in the auxiliaries.

A program for Friendship Community Clubs was also authorized.

In accordance with the previous action of the Council, it was decided that the Secretary in charge of literature should proceed with the publication of a history of our Woman's Missionary Work, and the following committee was appointed to read the manuscript: Mrs. W. L. Reed, Mrs. E. B. Chappell, and Mrs. R. W. MacDonell.

MRS. W. H. PEMBERTON, *Chairman*;  
MRS. W. L. REED, *Secretary*.

### SESSIONS COMMITTEE ON LITERATURE.

We, your Sessions Committee on Literature, recommend:

1. The indorsement of the following recommendation from the report of the Educational Secretary in charge of literature, that the Secretary in charge of literature be authorized to proceed with the publication of a book for children as soon as the sales of the "History of the Woman's Missionary Work" will justify, the nature of the book to be determined by the Standing Committee on Literature.

2. That the Department of Literature prepare a pamphlet of "Helps for the Bible Lessons," outlined in the *Yearbook*, for use in auxiliaries.

3. That the Standing Committee on Literature take under consideration the preparation of a booklet which shall contain suggestions for daily devotions and prayer reminders for our missions and missionaries.

4. That, in accordance with the recommendation in the President's message, a loose-leaf manual containing world missionary facts and



an outline of the work of our Church be published for the use of laymen and women in preparing missionary talks, and that a committee of two be appointed to cooperate with the Secretary in charge of literature in its preparation.

MRS. C. R. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman*;

MRS. A. B. SMITH, *Secretary*.

### COMMITTEE ON HOME BASE.

#### REPORT No. 1.

1. The Home Base Committee considered the following recommendation from the Council Workers' Conference: "That the Home Base Secretary be authorized to distribute literature for the United Day of Prayer, appointed by the Federation of the Council of Women for Home Missions."

The committee recommends concurrence.

2. The committee considered the following resolution from two members of the body: "That the pledges taken hereafter at the Council meeting shall include all funds to be sent by the Conference Treasurer to the Treasurer of the Woman's Missionary Council.

#### REPORT No. 2.

Your committee considered the following:

1. Whereas the Interchurch World Movement stands for the cooperation of all of God's forces for the salvation of all mankind; and whereas our Board of Missions has indorsed its program and provided for cooperation in the survey—therefore we recommend that the Woman's Missionary Society utilize to the fullest the program of the Interchurch World Movement as we continue to teach God's revealed will concerning prayer, stewardship, and life service, and that we give active assistance in carrying out the official surveys required by the program.

2. Whereas God has so richly crowned the Centenary Movement with success, both in the spiritual uplift of the entire Church by the quickening of the prayer life and the consecration of material possessions and in the resources made available for the work of the kingdom by the large subscription of money; and whereas the future spiritual life of the Church and the growth and maintenance of the work enterprised by the Board of Missions and the Woman's Missionary Council depend to such a large extent upon the full payment of the Centenary pledges—therefore be it

*Resolved:* (1) That we acknowledge our gratitude to God for his blessings and pledge our heartiest endeavors to make permanent in the life of the Church the spiritual benefits secured.

(2) That to the limit of our ability and opportunity we participate actively in the plans for the collection of the money, thereby helping

to make the conservation slogan of the commission, "No shrinkage, but an increase," a splendid reality.

3. Your committee has considered the following recommendation from the Workers' Conference: "In order to conserve the spiritual results of the Centenary we recommend that one quarter of the year be devoted to the cultivation of our membership for family altars; and inasmuch as the Week of Prayer falls within the fourth quarter, we suggest that period appropriate for the undertaking." The committee recommends concurrence.

The committee recommend, in accordance with the President's message, that the Woman's Missionary Society become an organized circle of prayer, having the first waking hour each day as a definite time for communion with God, praying that the Holy Spirit may be poured out on the Church and that every member may be filled with the desire to win the world for Christ.

4. The committee recommends that a vigorous campaign for new members be conducted during October in connection with the Mission Study Rally and that the Home Base Secretary and Educational Secretary in charge of mission study prepare plans and literature for the joint campaign.

As a special feature of this campaign we recommend the following items from the message of the President:

Believing that the greatest need of evangelical Christianity to-day is a missionary Church and that the believing membership of the Church is ready as never before in its history to give expression to its faith by obeying our Lord's last command—

*Resolved:* (1) That the members of the Woman's Missionary Societies pledge themselves to a united endeavor, under God's guidance, to win every member of the Church to a belief in and obedience to his command to make disciples of all nations.

(2) That every auxiliary appoint a standing committee, which shall so group the Church membership that every member may be reached and asked to contribute to the missionary society by praying for the unsaved world and by making a contribution of money for the maintenance of the work and workers in the home and foreign fields.

5. That adult auxiliaries attaining the Roll of Honor be given recognition at annual meetings by the presentation of a token to be agreed upon by Home Base and Conference Secretaries; that the Conference having the largest number of auxiliaries reaching the standard receive recognition at the Council meeting.

6. That the Council provide transfer cards for the use of the members of the Missionary Society moving from one church to another.

7. That the cultivation of the auxiliaries for stewardship take the form of a reading contest to be conducted under the leadership of the Corresponding Secretaries in all the auxiliaries during the month of

September, material for the contests to be selected by the Home Base Secretary.

8. Whereas the financial increase in the majority of Conferences has so far surpassed the minimum goal set by the Council for the quadrennium, we recommend that each Conference be left free to set its own minimum goal for 1920.

#### REPORT No. 3.

Your committee has considered the following resolutions from four members of the body:

"Inasmuch as the Woman's Missionary Council is an integral part of the Board of Missions and reports annually to it; and whereas the General Secretary of the Board is *ex officio* a member of the Council—we therefore respectfully request that he be invited to attend the meetings of the Council and to make a brief report of the work of the Board of Missions."

The committee recommends concurrence.

#### REPORT No. 4.

"Whereas the total pledge made on the Council floor amounted to \$847,565—therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the financial goal for the present year be set at \$1,000,000."

MRS. J. H. STEWART, *Chairman*;  
MRS. L. E. BROWN, *Secretary*.

### COMMITTEE ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

We recommend:

1. That the following item, No. 7, of the Report on Young People's Work, 1919, page 221, shall become a standing rule:

"The Conference President, Superintendent of Young People's Work, and Corresponding Secretary shall constitute a committee whose duty it is to keep in touch with the Methodist college students within the Conference, that a list of the volunteers in these colleges shall be furnished this committee, and that they shall pray for them daily by name."

2. That Items 4 and 5 be stricken out of the Young People's Standard of excellence and that instead there be inserted the following items:

Representation at annual meeting.....	5 credits
Representation at district meeting.....	5 credits
Observance of Week of Prayer.....	5 credits
Quarterly presentation of the Social Service topic.	5 credits

3. Whereas a better-equipped leadership is vital to the success of our Young People's Work, we recommend that Conference Superintendents of Young People shall at some time during the year hold in

each district a conference with Auxiliary Superintendents of Young People's Work.

4. Whereas gigantic tasks are being accomplished through denominational coöperation; and whereas there are young people's organizations within our own Church in some of whose activities coöperation is most desirable—we recommend coöperation between the Epworth Leagues and the Young People's Missionary Societies in summer conference work.

5. That the Council authorize certificates of credit to be issued for use at the summer conferences.

6. That a presentation of Scarritt be made a feature of the Day of Prayer for Volunteers, which is observed on Good Friday.

7. That we combine a young people's campaign for organizations and members with the October mission study campaign.

8. That each Conference set its own goal of increase in organizations, members, and finances.

9. That the young people take as their specials for 1921 the Vashti Industrial School, Thomasville, Ga., in the home field, and the Laura Haygood Normal School, Soochow, China, in the foreign field.

MRS. H. W. PITTMAN, *Chairman*;

EMMA V. PEPLER, *Secretary*.

### COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S WORK.

We recommend:

1. That each Superintendent of Children's Work endeavor to have her Children's Auxiliary give a demonstration of its work before the Adult Society once during the year, and that a committee from the adults be appointed quarterly to visit the meetings of the Junior Society.

2. That the children use as their slogan for the year, "Each One Win One."

3. That the children's financial goal for the year be \$60,000, which is an increase of more than twenty-five per cent.

4. That the support of kindergartens in the home and foreign fields be assigned to the Baby Division.

5. That the special for the Junior Division for the year be the Cuban work in the home and foreign fields.

6. That Conference Superintendents secure the help of District Secretaries in the appointment of Superintendents of Children's Work in each charge where there is no Adult Auxiliary.

7. That the Standing Committee on Literature be requested to provide a handbook for Superintendents of Junior and Baby Divisions, as authorized by the Council at the 1915-16 session. (See "Minutes," Sixth Annual Report, page 177.)

## CONCERNING THE YOUNG CHRISTIAN WORKER.

Whereas the *Young Christian Worker* is the only missionary publication for children in our Church; and whereas this ably edited magazine will be an invaluable aid in reaching the child life of the Church—therefore

We recommend that the Auxiliary Superintendents of Children's Work make definite plans for placing the *Young Christian Worker* in every Methodist home where there is a child.

JULIA DURHAM, *Chairman*;  
MRS. E. B. WATSON, *Secretary*.

## COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

## REPORT No. 1.

Your Committee on Constitution and By-Laws met at the Publishing House in Nashville, Tenn., Friday, February 27, 1920, and considered all changes submitted.

A report, including the proposed amendments, together with the recommendations of the committee, was submitted to the members of the Woman's Missionary Council.

(NOTE.—Page numbers refer to Annual Report of the Council for 1919.)

## TOUCHING BY-LAWS OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL.

*Standing Committee.*

1. See page 232 of the Annual Report for 1919 for authorization of a Standing Committee on Retirement and Relief.

Page 435.—Amend Council By-Law 22 by the addition of a section entitled "Committee on Retirement and Relief," to read as follows:

*Committee on Retirement and Relief.*

"(1) There shall be a Committee on Retirement and Relief composed of five members.

"(2) It shall be the duty of this committee to increase the interest in this fund by keeping the subject before the Woman's Missionary Societies and before the men and women of the Church. It shall also decide what home and foreign workers shall have the benefit of the retirement and relief fund and to what extent."

The committee recommend concurrence.

2. For authorization of a Standing Committee on Scarritt Bible and Training School see page 233, Annual Report for 1919.

Page 435.—Amend By-Law 22 of the Woman's Missionary Council by the addition of a section entitled "Committee on the Scarritt Bible and Training School," to read as follows:

*Committee on Scarritt Bible and Training School.*

"(1) There shall be a Standing Committee on the Scarritt Bible and Training School consisting of the elected members of the Board of Managers who are also members of the Council and an equal number of the Conference Council members.

"(2) It shall be the duty of this committee to consider and report all matters relating to the Scarritt Bible and Training School requiring action by the Council."

The committee recommend concurrence.

3. In accordance with the action of the Council taken by mail in June, 1919, dividing the duties of the Home Administrative Secretaries territorially the following amendments to the Council By-Laws became necessary:

*Page 433.*—Strike out paragraphs (1) and (2) under By-Law 3, page 433, and substitute for them the following paragraphs:

"(1) The Secretary in charge of the Gulf States and Eastern Division shall have supervision of home mission work in the Conferences in all States bordering on the Gulf of Mexico except Texas, the Conferences in all States bordering on the Atlantic Ocean, and the Western Virginia and Holston Conferences.

"(2) The Secretary in charge of the Western and Central Division shall have supervision of home mission work in the Conferences in all States west of the Mississippi River except Louisiana, and in all Conferences in Tennessee and Kentucky except Holston."

Amend the titles of the Secretaries, first sentence of By-Law 3, page 433.

4. *Page 435.*—Amend by inserting after By-Law 13 the following: "(14) There shall be a Bureau of Social Service. This Bureau shall be in charge of a superintendent."

Further amend by changing numbers of succeeding By-Laws.

*Touching By-Laws for Conference Societies.*

5. *Page 439.*—Amend By-Law 2 by striking out the first sentence, "Conference officers shall be nominated and elected by ballot at an annual meeting," and substituting a new sentence which shall read: "The Conference officers shall be nominated and elected by ballot at an annual meeting. The election shall take place annually, biennially, or quadrennially, as the Conference shall decide."

The remainder of the By-Law shall not be changed.

*TOUCHING BY-LAWS OF ADULT AUXILIARIES.*

6. *Page 441.*—By-Law 2.

Amend By-Law 2 of Constitution for Adult Auxiliaries by striking out the word "also" between the words "shall" and "send" in line 4 and inserting the word "also" between the words "shall" and "send" in line 6, and also inserting between the words "send" and "her" in line 6 the words "to the Conference Superintendents the names and addresses of their corresponding auxiliary superintendents," so that the By-Laws shall read: "The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the auxiliary and promote Christian stewardship. She shall send to the District Secretary full reports by the first of January, April, July, and October. She shall send to the District Secretary and Conference Corresponding Secretary the names and addresses of all newly elected officers of the auxiliary. She shall also send to the Conference Superintendents the names and addresses of their corresponding auxiliary superintendents. She shall send her books to the district meeting for examination."

The committee recommend concurrence.

7. Recommendations from the Department of Woman's Work, China Mission:

*Articles of Organization of the Woman's Department of the China Mission, Methodist Episcopal Church, South.*

I. NAME AND OBJECT.

This body shall be the Woman's Department of the China Mission of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, hereafter called the Woman's Department. It shall be the authorized agency in China of the Woman's Missionary Council. Its object shall be to promote unity of action among its members in their work on the field and in their presentation of the work to the Woman's Missionary Council.

II. MEMBERSHIP.

All missionaries of the Woman's Missionary Council in China shall be members of the Woman's Department, with the right to vote after one year of residence on the field.

III. OFFICERS.

The officers shall be a Chairman and a Recording Secretary.

The Chairman of the Reference Committee as hereinafter provided for shall be the Chairman of the regular and called meetings of the Woman's Department, with the usual duties pertaining to the office of Chairman.

The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings of the Woman's Department and shall turn over this record in shape for publication to the Corresponding Secretary of the Reference Committee. She shall be elected annually at the beginning of the regular session and shall take office immediately upon election.

IV. MEETING.

A regular annual meeting shall be held, the time and place to accord with the time and place of the annual mission meeting.

Special meetings shall be called at any time by the Reference Committee at their own discretion or at the written request of any ten members of the Woman's Department, *provided* one-half of the whole membership consent in writing.

One-half of the members on the field of the Woman's Department shall constitute a quorum.

V. COMMITTEES.

1. There shall be a Reference Committee of six members nominated and elected by ballot annually at the regular session of the Woman's Department. The four members receiving the largest number of votes shall be members of the Executive Committee of the mission. The two remaining members, together with two others to be elected by the Woman's Department, shall act as their alternates. Each ballot shall indicate the vote for officers of the Reference Committee. Council representatives on official visits to the field shall be members of this committee.

The committee shall begin to serve immediately upon adjournment of the session at which they are elected and shall serve until adjournment of the session at which their successors are elected, except in case of recall.

The Woman's Department may at any time during the year by a majority vote recall any or all members of the Reference Committee.

The Woman's Department may by a majority vote of the membership nullify any action of the Reference Committee.

The duties of the Reference Committee shall be:

(1) To be the medium of official communication between the Woman's Department and the Woman's Missionary Council.

(2) To attend to and care for all matters of interest of the Wom-

an's Department and of the Woman's Missionary Council in China *ad interim* the meetings of the Woman's Department.

(3) To carry out the action and enforce the rulings of the Woman's Department.

(4) To confer with the bishop in charge regarding appointments and all other necessary matters pertaining to the Woman's Department.

(5) To defer action upon any matters, including appointments, where circumstances require it.

(6) To make emergency appointments, to make out estimates for the work, to make recommendations to the Woman's Missionary Council as to new workers needed, return to China of missionaries on furlough, furloughs out of time, sick leave, leave for special study, and retirement of workers.

(7) To make semiannual and other necessary reports of the work of the committee to the Woman's Department.

(8) To prepare agenda for the annual meeting, it being understood that the meeting may set aside the prepared program at will and adopt another program.

(9) To call a special meeting of the Woman's Department.

(10) To nominate all other committees of the Woman's Department unless otherwise provided for.

(11) To provide for an official visit to every station by two or more members of the committee at least once in a year.

The Reference Committee shall be the only authorized body to order the expenditure of funds not specifically ordered by the Woman's Missionary Council, it being understood that this does not include the balances.

The officers of the Reference Committee shall be a Chairman, Corresponding Secretary, and a Treasurer. The last two offices may be held by the same person.

The Chairman shall call and shall preside at all meetings of the Reference Committee and shall sign all orders on the Treasurer.

The Corresponding Secretary shall receive and disburse all funds from the Woman's Missionary Council, and shall report receipts and disbursements to the Woman's Department and to the Woman's Missionary Council. The Treasurer shall live in Shanghai.

The Reference Committee shall hold regular semiannual meetings. Special meetings of the committee shall be held at the call of the Chairman. The Chairman shall call special meetings of the Reference Committee upon the request of any six members of the Woman's Department.

Five shall constitute a quorum of the Reference Committee.

All powers herein given to the Reference Committee are powers primarily given to the Woman's Department, the Reference Committee being only a duly constituted arm of the Woman's Department.

2. There shall be such standing, session, and special committees as the work of the Woman's Department may require, the number of members on each committee being as small as is compatible with adequate representation and counsel. These committees shall be nominated by the Reference Committee and elected by the Woman's Department in annual session. Each standing committee shall have one member of the Reference Committee as an *ex officio* member.

The Reference Committee shall post nominations for committees at least two days before the time for election. Any other nominations



made by five members of the Woman's Department shall be added to the list, provided the nomination is handed to the Reference Committee not later than noon of the day preceding the election.

#### VI. AMENDMENTS.

These Articles of Organization may be amended by a two-thirds vote in regular annual meeting, provided a statement of the proposed amendment has been sent to every member at least six months before the session during which the vote is taken.

#### *Standing Rules.*

1. All rulings of this body prior to organization which do not conflict with these Articles of Organization shall hold unless rescinded.

2. Representatives on union boards and committees shall be nominated and elected in regular annual meeting.

3. Expenses of all committees shall be met by the Contingent Fund.

4. No communications between the Woman's Department and the Woman's Missionary Society shall be official unless made through the Reference Committee.

5. Three months previous to the annual meeting prior to the departure of any member on furlough each member of the Woman's Department shall send a signed ballot to the Reference Committee as to the desirability of that member's return to the field.

A member shall vote "Yes" if she considers the return desirable; "I do not know" if she is not sufficiently acquainted with the missionary and her work to form an opinion; "No" if she considers the return undesirable; "Yes, conditionally" (in these last two cases the reasons or conditions shall be handed in on a separate sheet) or "Doubtful" if she is not convinced that certain alleged reasons against the return are true, or, if true, that they outweigh the reasons for the return.

The Reference Committee shall collect the vote, investigate all objections and conditions made, and report the vote and the result of their investigation to the Mission Executive Committee.

6. While in session this body shall be governed by "Roberts's Rules of Order."

The committee recommend concurrence.

#### REPORT No. 2.

Your committee considered the resolution offered by two members of the body asking that reports of all auxiliary officers be made the 15th day of the report month, and that the Conference officers report not later than the 25th of the month.

Inasmuch as the body has already voted in this meeting against a similar amendment concerning the reports of treasurers, your committee consider that negative vote as final for this Council meeting.

MRS. F. F. STEPHENS, *Chairman*  
MRS. F. S. PARKER, *Secretary.*

### COMMITTEE TO SUPPLY VACANCIES ON STANDING COMMITTEES.

#### REPORT No. 1.

The committee recommend that Mrs. Lee Britt fill the vacancy on the Committee on Laws caused by the retirement of Mrs. W. B. Sullins.

## REPORT No. 2.

The committee recommend that on the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work Mrs. H. R. Steele fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Mrs. J. H. Yarbrough, and Mrs. J. B. Cumming that caused by the retirement of Mrs. Maud Henderson; on the Committee on Literature, that Mrs. W. J. Piggott fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mrs. W. L. Reed; on the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, that Mrs. P. L. Cobb fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Mrs. W. B. Sullins.

## REPORT No. 3.

The committee recommend the following:

*Committee on Retirement and Relief.*—Miss Belle H. Bennett, Mrs. F. H. E. Ross, Mrs. E. B. Chappell, Mrs. R. O. Kirkwood, Mrs. T. A. Brown.

*Committee on Scarritt Bible and Training School (Ex Officio Members).*—Miss Belle H. Bennett, Mrs. F. F. Stephens, Mrs. H. R. Steele, Mrs. Luke Johnson, Mrs. L. P. Smith

*Members at Large.*—Mrs. J. C. Handy, Mrs. Fred Lamb, Mrs. R. L. Hobdy, Mrs. C. S. Bobo, Mrs. H. A. Dunham.

MRS. F. S. PARKER, *Chairman*;

MRS. P. L. COBB, *Secretary*;

MRS. J. H. STEWART.

## COMMITTEE ON PROMOTION OF PRAYER.

"Thus saith the Lord, the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker, Ask me of the things that are to come; concerning my sons, and concerning the work of my hands, command ye me."

Whereas "Prayer is not preparation for the battle; prayer is the battle"—

*Resolved:* 1. That whatever a woman may contribute of money or service, she has not exercised her highest influence, performed her highest duty, nor enjoyed her highest privilege until she has made definite, believing prayer for missions a part of her daily life.

2. As we believe that prayer should be made a working force in the life of the auxiliary, we recommend that the Conference Vice President give special attention to the work of placing prayer specials in the auxiliaries.

3. As Christ said, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly," we recommend that the adult prayer special for the Council be the Interchurch World Movement. As Christ also said, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth laborers into his harvest," we recommend that the prayer special of the Council for the young people be for volunteers. For the Juniors of the Council we recommend as a prayer special the orphan children of the world, for our God has ever been the helper of the fatherless.

4. That requests for prayer and testimonies of God's faithfulness be sent to the *Missionary Voice*.

5. As the unnumbered distractions of modern life reach out eager hands for our children, we realize that the family altar is the first line of defense, and we recommend that in the thousands of homes where our members dwell the family altar be raised as a bulwark of our nation in this time of pressing need.

6. Realizing that the work of the Prayer Committee is of vital importance, we suggest that the committee be appointed at the mid-year meeting of the Council.

MRS. E. P. PEABODY, *Chairman*;

MRS. B. F. LEWIS, *Secretary*.

## SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

### POLICY FOR AN ENLARGED CITY MISSION PROGRAM.

Following the recommendation of the Woman's Missionary Council to the committee appointed at the last annual session on Policy for Enlarged City Mission Program, we, the members of the Committee, recommend as follows:

#### PART I.

##### *Section 1.*

That we indorse territorial division and coöperation with other denominations and benevolent agencies in city mission work. When the needs of a neighborhood can be met by a denominational body or agency already established, it shall be against our policy to enter the field.

We recommend the adoption of a policy for developing city mission boards composed of both men and women, constituted on an equitable basis. We trust this body will give careful consideration to the Uniform Constitution for City Mission Boards composed of both men and women recommended to the Woman's Missionary Council by the four Administrative Secretaries of the Home Department, Board of Missions.

We recommend that, where desirable and expedient, new and existing mission boards be organized in large city centers, under the Uniform Constitution referred to in the last article or under such instrument to accomplish the same end as may be accepted by this body.

##### *Section 2.*

In order that our city mission policy may be not only enlarged, but made to meet adequately the needs of the city, we recommend:

1. That the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work select certain centers in which to test methods of work. These centers are to serve a twofold purpose: First, as laboratories of experiment for students in training; secondly, as models for other communities.

2. That a subcommittee selected by the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work shall be appointed to study methods used in other Churches and philanthropic organizations and to guide and advise in the development of the work in these experiment stations.

3. That types of work undertaken in these centers shall be based upon a careful survey and shall be projected with reference to the needs and wishes of the people who live in the communities.

4. That, in so far as practicable, workers who are specialists along the lines of service demanded by community needs shall be employed to carry out the plans of the committee.

#### *Section 3.*

Whereas the enlarged program for city mission work is creating an increasing demand for specialists in certain lines such as domestic science, religious education, etc., we recommend that the Council Committee on Scarritt Bible and Training School take this need under consideration and that special study be given by the faculty as to how this end may best be accomplished. We request that a report on the same be made to the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work at its next annual meeting preliminary to the Council meeting.

#### *Section 4.*

We recommend that the Council employ a specialist in religious education, who, under the supervision of the Home Department, shall assist our workers in developing programs of religious education in all of our settlements and other institutions.

### PART II.

In order that the above policy may eventuate in the same definite achievements we have heretofore endeavored to attain, we submit the following general outline of program for City Mission Work.

#### *Section 1.*

Overlapping of benevolences instituted by our City Mission Boards and other agencies should be avoided, and there should be coöperation in our clinics with the Red Cross and the city, State, and county health service where practicable.

In athletics and in the organization of national associations, clubs, or troops of young people, such as the Camp Fire Girls, Boy Scouts, etc., that we coöperate with the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. and with the national and local organizations.

In all educational work conducted in our settlements, such as night schools, domestic science and manual training classes, playground supervision, etc., that we coöperate with the public school system.

## POINTS OF CONTACT WITH THE FIELD.

*Section 2.*

An enlarged city mission program must take into consideration the whole field as it relates to one given typical Southern city, where all three problems—the negro, the native white, and the foreigner—are presented. The specific objects to achieve by contact between the agency and the people are that they may know and reflect Christ Jesus as he is known and reflected in the life of the ideal Christian. As to methods, we have no other guidance than that given us in the methods of Jesus Christ himself—namely, by socializing, by teaching or preaching, by healing.

The City Mission Board working to execute an adequate program for the field of its own responsibility will establish in line with established policy a strong community center where the social needs of the community as a whole may be met. This presupposes an adequate investment—for a city of the first class, from fifty to one hundred thousand dollars—for minor cities, from five to fifteen thousand dollars. This center must be adequately staffed with competent men and women workers.

Where hospitals and clinical facilities are not otherwise provided, a clinic with one or more well-trained graduate nurses in charge should be maintained where minor operations not requiring hospital treatment may be performed. The clinic and the visiting nurse, the healing agency, the social center with its many activities, the place of Christian contact with the social instincts are the avenues through which the community may be led to the church, the place of spiritual regeneration.

That the Word may be preached, the gospel of good tidings proclaimed, and the spiritual results conserved, there should be an adequate house of worship, a live Church conveniently located with regard to the settlement.

MRS. W. F. TILLET, *Chairman*;

MRS. J. H. MCCOY, *Secretary*.

**COMMITTEE TO OUTLINE POLICY FOR NEGRO WORK.**

The Committee to Outline a Policy for Negro Work, appointed by the Executive Committee in mid-year session to report to the Council in annual session, recommend that

1. Whereas the Centenary Asking for the Bethlehem House, Nashville, Tenn., includes \$68,000 for a social and religious training center for negro students and leaders; and whereas the Interchurch World Movement contemplates the establishment of similar institutions on a coöperative basis—therefore be it

*Resolved*, That we recommend the appointment of a committee of three by the Executive Committee to keep in touch with this In-

terchurch World Movement plan and other movements with the same object in view and to make recommendation for the establishment of a center for the social and religious training of negro students and leaders.

We further recommend:

1. That we encourage the establishment as rapidly as possible of Bethlehem Houses in all large cities.

2. That rest rooms be established in market towns for negro girls and women from the country, to give a center from which the country life can be quickly touched.

3. That the Woman's Missionary Council establish social religious centers in rural districts among the negroes, and that one such center be opened this year.

4. That the delayed parental school for negro boys, already a part of the Council policy, be opened this year if possible.

ESTELLE HASKIN, *Chairman*;

MRS. FITZGERALD S. PARKER, *Secretary*.

### SCARRITT BIBLE AND TRAINING SCHOOL.

Your committee had before it the following recommendation from the Board of Managers of the Scarritt Bible and Training School: "The Board of Managers of the Scarritt Bible and Training School request the Woman's Missionary Council to increase the Training School scholarships from \$201 to \$250, to take effect at the beginning of the fall term, 1920.

The committee recommend concurrence.

Miss Case, representing the Administrative Secretaries of the Board, appeared before the committee and presented a recommendation to the effect that two scholarships in Scarritt Bible and Training School and one loan fund, the three aggregating about \$9,000, be accepted by the Council and charged to the Centenary offerings in the department for which the scholarships or loan fund may be specially designated, or if available for either department that they be divided half and half.

This recommendation was made because these offerings were given in the great Centenary drive and directed to scholarships in Scarritt. As a matter of policy, however, the Centenary Commission discourages the diversion of funds from the specified askings published in connection with the Centenary drive. To meet exigencies, however, in this case they have agreed to allow the scholarships to be established, provided the Council will approve the charge against the Council's share in the Centenary offerings.

After discussion the committee adopted the following recommendations:

1. That we recommend that these scholarships be accepted and

charged to the Centenary Fund which has been directed to the Scarritt Bible and Training School for buildings, etc.

2. That this action is recommended because these offerings were made before the policy of the Centenary Commission was generally known and the functions of the Bureau of Specials were fully understood, and our recommendation does not involve the approval of the policy of directing Centenary offerings to scholarship funds.

3. The Council hereby express appreciation of the interest of the donors of this fund in the Scarritt Bible and Training School and express regret at the delay and discomfort of the necessary adjustment of this matter.

4. The committee further recommend that the Council request the Centenary Commission to reimburse the Centenary Building Fund of Scarritt Bible and Training School by appropriating thereto from the surpluses in Centenary collections a sum equal to the total of these three scholarships.

MRS. L. P. SMITH, *Chairman*;

MRS. G. R. ARMSTRONG, *Secretary*.

#### TO NAME THE SCARRITT LECTURESHIP.

The committee appointed to consider a name for the Foreign Extension Lectureship in connection with the Scarritt Bible and Training School recommend that the name Bennett-Gibson be given to this lectureship.

Respectfully submitted. MRS. W. B. HIGGINBOTHAM, *Chairman*;

RUTH W. BLANKS, *Secretary*.

#### TO SELECT NAMES FOR THE NEW SCHOOLS AT HAVANA, CUBA, AND MONTERREY, MEXICO.

The committee recommend that the Havana school be named "Colegio Buenavista" and that the school in Monterrey be known as "Instituto Inglés y Español."

MISS ESTHER CASE, *Chairman*;

MRS. LEE BRITT, *Secretary*.

#### EUROPEAN WORK.

Whereas the Council in its session in Memphis, Tenn., April, 1919, appointed a committee consisting of the women members of the Board of Missions to act for it in every detail in the plan of coöperation with the Board in the European work, including the appropriation of such part of its quota of the \$5,000,000 Centenary War Fund as should be deemed necessary; and whereas the issues involved in the entrance of the Council into the European work may be brought up for consideration at the approaching meeting of the Board of Missions; we recommend that this committee be continued to act for the Council in every detail that may arise concerning this entire matter.

MABEL K. HOWELL, *Chairman*;

MARIA L. GIBSON, *Secretary*.

## GENERAL CONFERENCE LEGISLATION.

The Committee on General Conference Legislation has considered the paper referred to it by the Woman's Missionary Council and present action as follows:

## I. RESOLUTION ON UNIFICATION.

Whereas we have come upon a time when it is imperative that we present a strong line of defense before the organized forces of evil if we would hold our nation true to American principles and demonstrate the power of Christianity to save the world; and whereas to do this we believe the coöperation of all evangelical Churches and the elimination of all waste and overlapping of effort and misdirection of energy is essential—therefore be it

*Resolved:* 1. That we heartily indorse the unification of our two great Methodisms and pray that they may be guided by the Holy Spirit and that the union may be speedily and truly effected.

2. That in the event that a special session of our General Conference be called, the Committee on General Conference Legislation shall prepare a memorial expressing the desire of this body for unification.

Whereas this resolution bears sixty-three signatures of members of the Council, it has already received a majority of votes. The committee vote concurrence.

## II. RESOLUTION SIGNED BY TWO OFFICERS OF THE LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE SOCIETY.

Whereas the women of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, have been granted laity rights and have a large part in the work of the Church—therefore be it

*Resolved,* That the Woman's Missionary Council memorialize the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to so amend paragraph 98 in the Methodist Discipline concerning Quarterly Conferences that it shall include presidents of woman's missionary auxiliaries in the personnel of the membership composing the Quarterly Conference.

The committee recommend concurrence.

MARIA L. GIBSON,  
*Chairman pro tem.*



PART II  
—  
REPORTS FROM FIELDS



# HOME DEPARTMENT.

## COUNCIL INSTITUTIONS.

### PACIFIC COAST ORIENTAL MISSIONS.

REV. AND MRS. WILLIAM ACTON, SUPERINTENDENTS.

(Work on the Pacific Coast begun in 1897.)

We have perhaps had more difficult problems to face in our Oriental work on the Pacific Coast in 1919 than in any previous year. The general unrest has affected the Oriental population as much as the others, and the race prejudice, which always comes to the front when a national political contest is approaching, is perhaps more marked at this time than at any other period. The influenza epidemic turned our missions into "flu" hospitals; many were afflicted, and a number died. The increasing cost of the necessaries of life also had its effect. But in spite of these serious obstacles we can still report progress.

The annual session of the Pacific Oriental Mission Conference was held in Berkeley October 3, 1919, Bishop H. M. Du Bose presiding. The Conference was divided into two sections, because of difference in language. In the Japanese section Rev. K. Osaki was elected secretary. The preachers all reported, and their characters were passed. The license of Rev. K. Imai was renewed. In the Korean section Rev. C. K. Yim was elected secretary and Rev. David Lee interpreter. The preachers reported, and their characters were passed. The licenses of ten local preachers were renewed. The Annual Conference was requested to recognize the credentials of Rev. Y. H. Kim, elder, from the Korean Presbyterian Church. Rev. C. K. Yim was also recommended for ordination as local deacon.

One of the special features of the year was our exhibit at the Centennial Missionary Exposition at Columbus, Ohio. In connection with the Japanese and Chinese missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we filled all the space allotted us in one of the sections of American Building No. 2, known as the American Oriental Exhibit. A large percentage of the thousands that thronged the Exposition seemed to be interested in our photographic display. We were accompanied by Rev. C. K. Yim, our Korean evangelist; Prof. K. S. Inui, of Los Angeles, a graduate of our Kwansai Gakuin (Western College), Kobe, Japan; Rev. T. Komero, of Seattle, Japanese; and Rev. Chang Lok Chan, of Oakland, Chinese. These assisted the three superintendents in explaining our work and were centers of great interest to many of the Eastern visitors, most of whom had never come in contact with Orientals.

Seven of the pupils of our Oakland Japanese kindergarten, under the care of Rev. K. Osaki, at the request of Mrs. F. C. McCauley and Miss Ida M. Shannon, represented our kindergarten at Hiroshima, Japan, in the foreign exhibit. Mrs. K. Murikama, a graduate of the institution, accompanied them as teacher. A sad incident in connection with this was the death of Kensuke Osaki, son of the pastor, by falling from a window at the Y. W. C. A. His remains were interred in Columbus, and a tiny stone marks his resting place.

All the expenses connected with our exhibits were met by the Ex position.

## JAPANESE.

The purchase of the Oakland Mission property by the Council in October has given stability to our pioneer Oriental mission, and it is in better condition than ever before. It was the only Christian Oriental mission in Oakland that occupied rented quarters. We are planning to transform the building so as to provide a larger auditorium needed for evangelistic work and also a more commodious room for the kindergarten and language school. The attendance in every department is increasing, and the type of the newcomers is of the more influential class. The activities are: Evangelistic services, Sunday school, Epworth League, kindergarten, and language school. The sum of \$181.95 has been contributed toward current expenses; Centenary pledges, \$250, of which \$62.10 has been paid. Rev. Kazuo Osaki is pastor, and Mrs. Ken Osaki is kindergarten and language school teacher.

Mary Helm Hall, Alameda, has had an encouraging year. The regular evangelistic services on Sundays have been well attended. The weekly meetings for prayer (two at the homes), the largest and most completely equipped Japanese Sunday school in continental United States, an active Epworth League, kindergarten, language school, Boy Scouts, Silver Link Club (girls), woman's Bible study class have all been maintained, and the interest in all is excellent. A Junior League is being organized.

On November 20, while on her way to instruct some probationers, Mrs. Tsune Akagi, the first woman converted at Alameda, was struck by an electric train and killed. In less than nine years of Christian life she has been instrumental in bringing many of her associates to Christ. We miss her greatly.

Rev. Shigeji Oishi is pastor; Prof. and Mrs. I. Nakajima are in charge of the language school (most of their salary is paid by the parents); Mrs. E. G. Smith is kindergarten, assisted by Mrs. Oishi. Mrs. Smith also has a class of girls in instrumental music. We are training them for future leaders. One of the little girls when we came here over nine years ago is now organist for all the services, secretary of the Sunday school, and an active Christian worker. Her brother is Sunday school superintendent, and her mother is an active worker. Miss Gladys Arnold assists in Americanization in the Silver Link Club. Contributions to current expenses, \$560.80; Sunday school, \$105.74; Centenary pledges, \$1,160.50; paid on same, \$324.20. (Kindly note that we do not include these sums contributed in our financial report, as the official boards handle them. We find this plan conduces to greater giving.)

Walnut Grove Circuit has had a severe test this year. The influenza carried away the most active and consecrated female member, and recently the continued illness of the pastor has hindered his activity. Regular services have been maintained at two points, and the Sunday schools at both Walnut Grove and Isleton are in excellent condition. Of the fifty-nine children enrolled in these schools, not one comes from a Christian home, yet they are very regular in attendance and enthusiastic in their studies and singing. The debt on the mission building, erected by the Japanese at a cost of \$2,600, amounting to \$229.40, has been paid; Centenary pledges, \$190, of which \$50 has been paid; raised for current expenses, \$347.76. There are twelve members and sixteen probationers. Rev. Kiichi Imai is the preacher in charge. There are from 6,000 to 10,000 Japanese on this circuit. At Walnut Grove, quite a flourishing town, our Japanese Mission is the only Christian organization in the community.

In Dinuba the situation is unchanged. We have not been able to secure a Japanese pastor. There is a prospect of one coming from Japan. The Council owns a very suitable and convenient lot 150 by 100 and has \$1,775 in the building fund, but at the present prices for labor and material this fund is hardly a beginning. We are hoping that we will have a better report to make soon.

The total membership in our Japanese missions is 135, with 53 probationers—that is, those studying the New Testament. We do not baptize an adult until he or she has read the New Testament through.

#### KOREA.

The situation in Korea has engaged the attention of all Koreans, and every possible effort has been put forth in the interest of their country. While there are less than three thousand Koreans in continental United States, about \$2,500 has been raised and forwarded to aid the suffering Christians in Korea, and funds are being systematically raised for the purpose. The Koreans claim that ninety-five per cent of the Koreans in this country are baptized before leaving home.

San Francisco Mission, 1053 Oak Street, is still the leading Korean mission in North America. Rev. David Lee is still the pastor and port missionary. Evangelistic and Epworth League services have been regularly maintained. The Sunday school has been suspended from lack of pupils. (Of all the Koreans in America, only eight per cent are women and fifteen per cent children.) The sum of \$207 has been raised for current expenses; Centenary pledges, \$421, of which \$85 has been paid.

Manteca Circuit has included Manteca, Oakland, Stockton, Tracy, Willow, and Maxwell. Rev. Chung Koo Yim has maintained regular services at these points, besides visiting isolated camps in rice and beet fields. There are eight local preachers (Koreans) on this circuit and several licensed exhorters, and these maintain Sunday services in the absence of the circuit preacher. Sunday schools are maintained at Manteca and Oakland, and an Epworth League has been in existence at Manteca. The sum of \$90 has been raised for current expenses; Centenary pledges, \$320, of which \$30 has been paid. The indebtedness on the Manteca church has been reduced to \$35 by the payment of \$460. Rev. C. K. Yim was ordained a local deacon by Bishop Du Bose at the San Francisco Mission December 21.

On July 1, 1919, the Korean Mission at Sacramento, the capital of California, became a station, with Rev. Young Hoon Kim preacher in charge. This appointment has been needed for a long time, so that he could devote all his time to the work. The mission has been removed to 322 O Street and the building fitted up with an auditorium and also as a home for the preachers, the members raising \$529.33 for this purpose. Preaching, Sunday school, and Epworth League constitute the evangelistic services. The sum of \$190 has been raised for current expenses; Centenary pledges, \$250.

The total membership in our Korean missions is 244 and 31 probationers.

This field with the two nationalities is extensive. The outlook is very encouraging. The most discouraging feature lies in not being able to conserve the results, as both nationalities move from place to place, taking their membership with them.

In the matter of giving to the cause of religion a brief résumé of the amounts reported from each charge will show that the Japanese have paid for current expenses \$1,092.51; Centenary pledges, \$436.30; Church debt, \$229.40; Sunday schools, \$105.74; total, \$1,863.95. The Koreans have paid for current expenses \$487; fitting up the Sacra-

mento Mission, \$529.33; Centenary pledges, \$85; Church debt, \$460; total, \$1,561.33. The entire contribution for 1919 is \$3,425.28, an average of \$7.73 *per capita* for 443 members and probationers. Making allowance for children on the rolls and remembering that under the terms of the alien land law in force against Orientals in California, which prohibits aliens not eligible to citizenship from purchasing real estate or renting the same tract of farming land for a longer period than three years, and that seventy per cent of the Orientals are agriculturists—further, that this same act does not permit alien Orientals to will their property to their heirs, but all of their belongings at their demise pass into the hands of the public administrator to be disposed of by him, and after all expenses are paid the residue is given to the heirs—we must acknowledge that this is liberal giving. The Centenary pledges amount to: Japanese, \$1,600.50; Koreans, \$881—a total of \$2,591.50.

## IMMIGRANT PORT WORK.

### Galveston, Tex.—Immigrant Work.

REV. J. F. REIFSCHNEIDER, PORT MISSIONARY.

The time has come for another annual report. I am glad to be able to say that the past year has been one of blessings manifold. The work varied but little from that of last year. There has been enough variety in the year's work to keep away monotony.

This is my twelfth year as port and immigrant missionary at Galveston, Tex. Immigration ceased at this port in 1914. I was then called to assist the Department of Justice and Naval Intelligence as interpreter and translator of letters and documents for our government, which position I still hold. During the past year I gave as much time as possible to charity and social service work among the foreigners, but because of the many "warrant cases" and radical aliens in our country much of my time was given to our government as interpreter and in making investigations, etc. We are living in a day of political and social unrest. The future danger of this republic is from within and not from the invasion of a foreign foe. Patriotism and love of country must be taught in the home, in the schoolroom—yes, wherever people assemble—as never before. The great work of the Church is to continue to preach (and teach) the gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to the unsaved here in the homeland and abroad.

My statistical report for 1919 is as follows: Visitors called at office, 285; calls made at office by appointment, 237; calls for work, 59; work found, 19; visits and calls to the United States Employment Bureau, 20; visits and calls to the Department of Justice, 21; visits and calls to the Sea Service Bureau, 10; visits to the United States marshal's office, 6; visits to the police station, 10; visits to the county jail, 9; visits and calls to United Charities, 70; investigations, 30; charity cases, special, 10; called in on juvenile cases, 6; translated documents for the United States government, 26; phone calls, information, etc., 180; visits to sick families, 12; marriage, 1; baptized, 1; burials, 5.

But figures cannot tell the story. Much of the bread cast upon these waters can be gathered only after many days. This has been a busy year. God has been good to me and mine. We are looking forward into the new year hoping to attempt greater things for God and expecting greater things from him.

## CUBAN WORK.

Wolff Settlement, Tampa, Fla.

DEACONESS BERTA THOMAS; MISS MARY LEE, CITY MISSIONARY; MISS MARTHA LEWIS, KINDERGARTNER; MRS. CARRIE L. BOND, NURSE; MRS. MARY BALMACEDA, MATRON OF DAY NURSERY.

This has been a very full year, yet one full of joy as we have worked with the Cuban people day after day. Some of us were here without any knowledge of Spanish and felt very much handicapped in trying to deal directly with the people; but our love for the work and the people inspired us to do our best with the language study, and now after some months of study we are able to enter into the work with greater confidence.

The new feature of work of this year is the day nursery, which was opened in February. It is a very necessary work in a community of this kind, where the mothers work in the factories with their husbands and have little time to give to their children. A matron who combines all the necessary qualities for such a responsible position and also understands Spanish is a difficult person to find, and so we consider ourselves most fortunate in having Mrs. Balmaceda as one of our coworkers. She knows how to mother the little ones, to direct them in wholesome and happy play, and never forgets that she has a splendid opportunity to train the little ones for God. We have not as much room for the nursery as we need, and the equipment is very inadequate, but we are thankful for the opportunity of ministering to the need of our community even in this small way.

In May Mrs. Bond took up her work as nurse here. She felt rather panic-stricken at first when she realized that she was expected to work with people with whom she could not speak a word. She immediately took up the study of Spanish, determined to do her best with God's help, and she has been rejoiced to see the clinic work growing perceptibly, while much good is being accomplished. The clinic work was carried on in the settlement most of the year, but has now been moved into the building recently equipped by the City Mission Board for the central clinic. Some of the best doctors of the city give their services in this work, and we expect greater results now than have been gained in the old quarters.

We have been glad to coöperate with other agencies for community betterment, such as the examination of small children during "Better Baby Days," physical examination of kindergarten and school children, and following up cases reported. A course in home-nursing was conducted by the Red Cross Society, and a number of our women took advantage of it.

The Girls' Department has gone forward with a steady interest. In the sewing school Miss Lee has enrolled one hundred and thirty-five girls, but because of the lack of teachers has not been able to hold all of them. The Bungalow Maids and Housekeeping Girls have received good training in housework, and they find sufficient opportunity to put into practice the lessons learned, because they have to care for the house as well as the little sisters and brothers. The domestic science classes are most efficiently taught by the County Demonstrator of Home Economics and the gymnasium class by one of our Methodist young women.

The Boys' Department has not fared so well. The head resident has to take the responsibility of this department, and therefore the department work was retarded when the change in head residents was made, and so many new things were to be taken in hand at once. Men volunteers are more difficult to find than women, and it was after

several efforts that we found two splendid young men to take charge of our two gymnasium classes for boys and young men. The carpentry and other manual work has been taught by women as a rule, but we think the Boys' Club has been well worth while.

A Mothers' Club was organized in the fall, with Mrs. Bond as President. The women are very enthusiastic about it and attend regularly. All of the workers help in the club from time to time, as our particular ability is needed. In this way we are able to come into closer contact with the mothers of the children we are dealing with in the other departments.

After the passing of the law providing for compulsory education, the children flocked to the schools in such great numbers that they could not be accommodated. We offered our schoolroom to the Board of Education, and they gladly accepted it and filled it with fifty-five children of the chart class. The arrangement has proved quite satisfactory.

Miss Lewis says of her work as kindergartner: "The thing that gratifies me most about our work is that the people are coming to us. Heretofore we have invited and urged them to attend our clubs and classes, but since they know us better they come to us in such numbers that every department is overrun. Every available chair in the kindergarten is filled. I do not need to make any visits to keep up attendance. Our new Mothers' Club, the Boys' Club, friendly visiting, and the kindergarten work use up my time and strength; but it is a joyous service, and I am thankful for strength and opportunity to help in this needy field."

We all are glad to work in the Church of this neighborhood as officers and teachers in Sunday school, stewards, officers in the Junior and Senior Leagues, missionary society, and choir leaders.

#### **West Tampa, Fla.—Rosa Valdes Settlement.**

GRACE G. ROWLAND, KATHERINE S. ARNOLD, ANNIE R. PEAVY,  
MRS. MARY BRUCE ALEXANDER.

Miss Rowland reports:

"Our faith has been strengthened this year because we have had proved to us that the work of the Lord will prosper. Since the fire nearly two years ago the work at Rosa Valdes Settlement has been seriously handicapped on account of inadequate housing. For this reason sometimes it has seemed impossible to attempt great things or expect great things. While we have been unable to undertake an enlarged program, we have held our own with an increase.

"The day nursery meets a great need in this industrial community, where a large percentage of the mothers work. With very limited equipment, we have cared for forty children and have access to thirty homes. We have endeavored to impress upon the mothers the absolute necessity of sending their children to school regularly and on time.

"We have had for the first time a story hour. Bible stories are used, also ethical and historical stories. I have been much interested in this, as it is the only thing that we have to offer the small boy.

"The Mothers' Club carries largely the recreational feature. For these women who know little else but work we try to make a bright, happy time every week where they may forget their cares and responsibilities for a time. We have had brought to them messages which would uplift and instruct. They are also learning Bible verses which will be strength and comfort to them from day to day. I love it.

"Our Missionary Society has a membership of twenty-five. It is a



fine thing—their interest in missions—and they pay their dues regularly and with real pleasure.

“Because of the fact that the men are remaining practically untouched in our community it was my desire to have a class of boys in the Sunday school. It is not large; but if I can help a few to accept Jesus as their Saviour and crown him Lord, they will be men soon, and their lives will bear testimony in this place where indifference to spiritual things is so great.

“Our people and the resident workers of the settlement have been blessed by the presence of Mrs. Mary Bruce Alexander. She is unable to live in the settlement, but has served faithfully in interpreting in the clinic and visiting clinic patients. To this has been added the teaching of English in night classes. One of our young men has volunteered for the ministry, and she is doing much to help him gain a knowledge of the English language so that he may enter school next fall. She has been a wonderful help in playing the piano at all of our Church services. Mrs. Alexander has the confidence and the hearts of the Cuban people, and her personal touch bears much fruit.”

Miss Arnold reports:

“The past few months spent in this little American-Cuban city have been full of interest and joy. Not being able to speak Spanish, my work has been done mostly with the girls who speak English. We have had very happy times together in our cooking, sewing, and house-keeping classes and Girl Scout Troop. The housekeeping class and the Girl Scout Troop for the younger girls have been organized this year. The girls are very enthusiastic little housekeepers and Scouts. In the housekeeping class it was interesting to find the dish-washing lesson the most popular and the one most often called for in review.

“We were fortunate in securing the services of the County Home Demonstrator to teach the cooking classes. The girls are learning to prepare American dishes. Samples taken home have many times found favor with their mothers, and the girls have been encouraged by them to make these things at home.

“The sewing school is graded. There are classes for the little tots just learning to hold the needle up to the machine class, where the girls learn to cut out and make their own clothes. Several volunteer teachers assist in this work.”

Miss Peavy reports:

“I have enrolled in the kindergarten this year fifty-two children, representing thirty-six different homes. One of my chief aims this year has been to teach the children to speak and understand English. While we all know that this is not quickly done, it is really surprising how quickly these little foreign children learn to understand it. The mothers are continually telling me how the children come home from kindergarten and try to speak English to them, even when the mothers cannot understand English. I have found it a real joy to work with them, since they, both children and mothers, have seemed so grateful for all that has been done for them.

“Besides the kindergarten, I assist in the Mothers' Club. I also have charge of the Beginners' Department in the Sunday school and the beginners' class in the sewing school.”

#### **Key West, Fla.—Ruth Hargrove Mission School.**

MISS SUE T. FORD, TEACHER.

Ruth Hargrove Day School closed May 30, after a full year's work on the part of both pupils and teacher. The final examinations were well attended by the patrons of the school and proved a help to the

same, for they returned their children, without an exception, to the school this year. The twenty-three candidates were all received into the Church, much to the joy of their teacher and parents.

School opened September 2 with a full attendance, sixty-six being enrolled that month. We had been in operation just one week when the worst hurricane on record struck the island, completely destroying the little school building. Fortunately, our beloved Secretary, Mrs. J. H. McCoy, was here at the time and gave permission to remove the salvaged school furniture to the Epworth League hall, so that we only lost four days. The work I did in those four days would really have had to be seen to have been believed. Not one pupil was lost by the change.

I can truly say that no teacher has taught under more trying circumstances than has the writer since then; but God has been good in granting patience, good results from the work, and as fine a little student body as one could desire.

At present there are sixty pupils in daily attendance, making a very crowded condition; but I am still holding on to these fine children for our larger work, when the Board will have fulfilled its promise.

I am superintendent of the Cuban Sunday school, play for the Church services, teach in the Sunday school, and have five grades in the day school, and I am still waiting for the Board to do something to relieve the terrible situation in Key West.

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## ITALIAN AND FRENCH WORK.

### Birmingham, Ensley, Ala.—Community House.

MISS DOROTHY L. CRIM, HEAD RESIDENT; MISS CARABELL HOLLINGSWORTH, KINDERGARTEN TEACHER; MISS RUTH M'KIBBEN, DOMESTIC ECONOMICS TEACHER.

From the beginning our plan was a community center, and this year we have reached that goal to a marked degree. Men, as well as the women of the community, have planned things for the community at the House. Community organizations have met here. Large and small groups have used the House. There have been clubs and classes for all ages and both sexes.

Special celebrations, such as Mardi Gras, Anniversary of the Community House, Play Festival, Fourth of July, Thanksgiving, and the Christmas program are now anticipated features of the settlement, and the community enters into the same with an enthusiasm that is genuine and gratifying.

The weekly community singings under the war camp community work and a reorganization of the baby clinic and a girls' gym class have been the new activities added this year. Space for a club or class is now often at a premium. We need more room.

Since each year we strive to do more efficient work, and as the days of the resident workers were already too full, four nonresident partially paid workers giving part of their time have been added, two night school teachers, a girls' physical director, an additional assistant in kindergarten to the boys' physical director, and kindergarten assistant formally employed.

All the clubs and classes raised \$323.25. The enrollment of the clubs and classes for the year, not including clinic, playground, attendance at parties, etc., is six hundred and forty-five.

During the summer the city placed a playground director upon the playground. The lights on the playground at night gave the older members of the family a place for recreation.

The baby clinic has done great work in training the mothers how to feed, clothe, and take care of their babies. Follow-up work is done. District nursing is a large part of the work and a department which offers great opportunity.

Men have been aided in securing their citizenship papers, but this we would not brand as Americanization work, but the work of the Community House at large is Americanization work, and we realize that this foreign group, which could so easily become isolated, needs urgent and intensive Americanization work.

This year, most especially the spring term, closed our best night school both from point of attendance and efficiency. During the year eighty men have been enrolled.

The Mothers' Club stands back of the settlement; it seems ready to push any program the settlement may suggest. These women, the greater per cent of whom are foreigners, have certainly gone forward. Some have attended English classes held for them in the mornings.

No better work has been done in any class than at the Happy Sunday Afternoon, where the everlasting truths are especially taught and where Bibles have been given to many asking for them.

Mr. John Akens, the physical director, reports: "The group of young men in the Athletic Senior Club have been very loyal under trying circumstances and have truly developed in the process. They have assisted the settlement in giving socials and parties. The Athletic Junior never had a more glorious club from every standpoint."

Miss Harrel, girls' physical director, says: "In my work among the girls I find that there are great possibilities for future physical development. The interest and the enthusiasm the children have for the work indicates that it is decidedly worth while."

Other boys' clubs have done good work. The Little Citizen Club stands out in this group, while we would honor the Garden Boys.

Miss McKibben reports: "Much interest is shown in the systematic course offered in the sewing school by the faithful attendance of a large per cent of the one hundred and twenty-three girls enrolled. To be a member of the cooking school you must pay fifteen cents a month dues and attend regularly. The responsibility of housework falls on the children when very young, and they enjoy the lessons in housekeeping and making wholesome things to eat."

Miss Hollingsworth says: "This has been a fine year at the Community House. The place has meant so much to these foreigners. I feel that the kindergarten has been more far-reaching in its effects. We have stressed the education of these little folks, realizing that some day they will be American citizens, and the interpretation of American ways and customs cannot begin too soon if they are to mean what they may to this country."

### Houma, La.—French Work.

ELLA K. HOOPER AND LAURA M. WHITE.

The greatest single event in our department of the French work in 1919 was the purchase of the beautiful home place and the formal establishment of the MacDonell Wesley House. This was in October, but I am beginning at the wrong end of the story.

The work here is in two main divisions, one centering in the activities made possible by the Ford and the other centering in the home. The two are closely related and correlated; each making possible the other and adding to its effectiveness.

The Ford story comes first. There are regular and irregular activities connected with it. The regular ones begin about 8:30 on Sunday

mornings. If a mission box has been received during the week, there are numerous packages of various shapes and sizes to be deposited on the back seat ready for distribution down the bayou; there are books, magazines, and papers to be taken, materials for the various classes of the day, and a few simple remedies, bandages, and like supplies, some for emergency use on the Ford, others for sick folk. Usually there are "guests" ready to occupy the extra space in the Ford, and if not there are always some picked up on the way.

The Bayou Blue Church, eleven miles down, is the first destination. Here the writer teaches a class of young people and conducts a teachers' training class. After the morning services an hour of social intercourse and a good dinner are enjoyed, then the Ford is again filled, this time with volunteer helpers from the Bayou Blue Sunday School, and goes on to a point fifteen miles farther, where another mission Sunday school is conducted. The return to Houma is made in time for the young people's meeting and the evening preaching service, but after so much fresh air and exercise the chauffeur often finds it difficult to stay awake through the latter.

Thursdays and Fridays are also regular days for the Ford. Missionary auxiliary meetings, Americanization classes, and friendly visiting at points distant from Houma occupy these days. Splendid volunteer helpers are always ready for duty on these trips, where a knowledge of the Creole French language is a necessity.

The irregular activities are too numerous to be mentioned, but the summer work is perhaps the most important. Summer is the opportune time for intensive evangelistic and educational work in the country communities. Last summer we were able to try out two long-cherished plans for the field work. The first was a two weeks' period spent in one country section, teaching every morning from 8 to 12 and spending the afternoons and evenings in friendly visiting, conducting cottage prayer meetings, and in social and missionary meetings. It proved to be a successful scheme, and we hope that more of this work can be undertaken next summer. The second was an itinerating evangelistic tour occupying three days. This latter was in a section where the church has a splendid French preacher, but which we are unable to visit regularly. Gospel meetings and personal work in the homes were the chief features. There are great opportunities in this kind of work, and here again we are praying for better things in the future.

The second great division of the woman's work in the French field might be designated home activities. They are difficult to tabulate or classify, but are powerful and far-reaching. During the past year there were 1,447 visits received in the home, many guests spending one or more nights, and 802 extra meals were served. There have been six girls during the year who lived in the home and attended the public school. We believe that the work with them has been very fruitful.

During the summer months and Christmas holidays "house parties" are popular and profitable. Groups of from six to ten girls are invited to spend a week at the Wesley House. Housework, singing periods, Bible study, sewing, and plays occupy the mornings. In the afternoons the town girls of corresponding ages meet with them for a story hour and sewing school. More of these "parties" are planned for next summer and one at least for the little boys.

The year has been a full one, but only a beginning has been made. The French field is the opportunity of the Southern Methodist Church to make the "Church the center" and to establish a real rural Church program. May the year 1920 see great things undertaken to the honor

and glory of God and the uplift of humanity in the French field of Louisiana!

Mrs. Laura M. White reports: "The writer's work for the first quarter of 1919 was so broken by an enforced leave of absence that it fell behind and took many weeks to 'piece it together' again. It has been impossible to do very much outside work during the entire year on account of household duties to be met. To have managed to keep the household fairly well fed and healthy has required the exercise of considerable 'gray matter' with even more 'grace' on \$13 per month *per capita*, with only occasional, more or less fitful domestic help. Thanks to the gifts from various missionary societies, the above amount has been somewhat 'eked out.' In this household ministry God has been good enough to use your worker in his own way and has made it possible for her to 'lend a hand' in some of the field work, especially the summer extension work. I have kept up the work in connection with the Houma Sunday School and in the two women's Bible classes started in the previous year, all of which God has richly blessed."

#### New Orleans, La.—St. Mark's Hall.

DEACONESS HELEN GIBSON, HEAD RESIDENT; MISS RUTH BYERLY, GIRLS' DEPARTMENT; DEACONESS BERTIE BREENEN, BOYS' DEPARTMENT; MISS LYDIA REIKIE, NURSE.

St. Mark's Hall, located in the center of the foreign quarter, is the only institution of the city that is doing Americanization work. With this we combine Christianization. We are reminded of the quotation: "If we do not Christianize and Americanize the foreigner, he will heathenize and foreignize us." We find a tendency to a continental Sabbath. Gambling even among children is quite common. They have absolutely no conscience on the subject. The fields are so white and there is so much to be done that it almost staggers a Christian worker. We are glad that our Church permits us to live among these people, which gives us an opportunity to set a new pace more in accordance with that set us by the greatest of all social teachers.

An appropriation from Centenary funds has been made for a new building in which our work may be properly housed. New Orleans is the largest city of the South and has the largest foreign population. The work of the year has been encouraging. One of the outstanding features was the summer school, with an enrollment of one hundred and forty-five. It was put over with splendid enthusiasm, and the response of the community was gratifying. Through our Christmas celebration we reached about eight hundred persons. We believe there have been permanent results. A group of carol singers carried a joyous message to the people of the community early Christmas morning. Many came to tell us of their gratitude.

New Orleans has the distinction of being the first city of our Church to have a Board of City Missions composed of both men and women. It is still in a formative state, but we predict that it will be a successful solving of city missions. We daily approach our manifold tasks in God's strength, knowing our need of his wisdom.

Miss Byerly submits the following report: "The Girls' Department, while not recording a great increase in enrollment, has had a steady growth in scope of work. A number of new families of widely varying types have been reached. Many of these were first attracted to the settlement activities during our vacation school. Two cooking classes under a volunteer meet weekly. They are an earnest group. The Kitchen Garden Club offers unlimited opportunities for actual work as well as theoretical training. We are to add to our equipment from

time to time. The sewing school is our largest feature. In connection with the class work we have a Bible memory passage, story hour, and singing. The voices of these music-loving lassies swell out in the sweet gospel hymns, patriotic songs, or their very own:

“Stitch away briskly and neatly;  
 For if we are careful in sewing  
 And try all our teachers to please,  
 We'll grow to be neat little maidens,  
 Not lazy ones, working at ease.”

A night class in sewing under a competent volunteer is filling a long-felt want. The Camp Fire Girls enjoyed their second annual camping trip—one week spent in God's great out-of-doors, where some unusual lessons were learned and out-of-the-ordinary traits developed. At Christmas, to 'give service,' they baked and sent to Vashti a large box of cookies. We are placing a growing emphasis on the Camp Fire health program and the personal religious life of each girl. After all, the most precious part of my work is the time spent in the Beginners' Department at Sunday school, the weekly meeting of the Junior Missionary Society, the visits to the people, the hour of prayer and Bible-reading in the homes of the needy and ignorant, and the various Church services, especially the Italian ones, where we see some 'won by the fragrance of prayer.' How grateful I am for a place where opportunities abound and where my bit can count mightily in bringing in the kingdom!”

Miss Bertie Breeden reports as follows: “‘Make the world safe for boyhood’ is the beginning of the program to ‘make the world safe for democracy.’ Aristippus, being asked what were the most necessary things for a boy to learn, said: ‘Those things which they will put in practice when they become men. In all our work and play we have tried to instill in their young hearts and minds the great Christian principles which should govern their future lives. The activities through which we have been able to reach the boys are: Scouting, game room, woodwork, reading room, and athletics. During the summer our Scouts joined other troops of the city on a two weeks’ camping trip, at which time they received intensive Scout training. Our equipment for woodwork is very simple; but with a piece of wood, a coping saw, sandpaper, brads, and a hammer the boys can work wonders. *They like it.* The St. Mark's Athletic Association has been organized. We became members of the Amateur Athletic Union of New Orleans and entered a team in the Junior Basketball League. The *Times-Picayune* reported of the opening game: ‘St. Mark's made a splendid showing. As newcomers they seem to be winners.’ The fact is, we won second place in the League. We did not expect this victory, because we were competing with such old and experienced organizations as the Y. M. C. A., Y. M. H. A., and Tulane University. St. Mark's has won forever her right to a creditable standing with other institutions of this city. After one of the games the manager of the opposing team said to me: ‘Well, you beat us, but your boys played a good, clean game. They were just too much for us.’ That statement was worth more to me than the victory. I am convinced that there is nothing that makes a boy stronger in mind, body, and spirit and helps him to learn the game of life better than teamwork in *clean athletics*”

**MEXICAN WORK.****Dallas, Tex.—Wesley Chapel.**

DEACONESS RHODA DRAGOO, HEAD RESIDENT.

Our work has made progress during the past year. We have had hard problems to solve, and some are yet to be solved. Our chief aim is to make American citizens. A man cannot be an ideal American without the love of God in his heart. We are giving the Mexicans the Word of God.

We have a mission where all Protestant Mexicans in Dallas come to worship and study the Bible. The services are usually well attended. In our Sunday school we have two Bible classes, one for men and the other for women, taught in the Spanish language. All other classes are taught in English except the teachers' training class, which meets during the week. The gospel has been carried into many homes in distant parts of the city through the cottage prayer meetings.

Every effort has been made to teach the people the English language. All the children of school age have been kept in the public schools and our kindergarten. Many adults attended the city night school. A class of Mexican mothers meets in the chapel once a week. They are in the first reader, trying to keep up with their little ones in school.

The Infant Welfare Association has maintained a baby clinic in the chapel during the past year (weekly). One hundred and fifty babies have been examined and weighed. The mothers are taught English at these clinics.

The Dallas Tuberculosis Association has also held a weekly clinic, because so many of these people have this disease. A clinic for adults has been recently started to treat these over five years of age.

Volunteer workers from the Southern Methodist University have given great assistance to the Mexican work. Young women students have had charge of the Home Builders and the Girls' Club, and the young men have worked with the boys in the Boys' Club and have directed the weekly "sing song."

The city play park for the Mexicans joins the chapel play park and is under the direction of the chapel. This means much to the work.

The year has been a happy one, and we are grateful to the Master for the privilege of serving in this field.

**Los Angeles, Cal.—Homer Toberman Clinic and Wesley House.**

MISS HELEN ALFTER, HEAD RESIDENT; DEACONESS ELLEN CLOUD, REGISTERED NURSE; DEACONESS MARY HANSCOM AND MISS LACY, CLUBS AND CLASSES.

Miss Alfter reports:

"Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him"—for them that wait for him.' These words hold a new meaning as we stand at the brink of the new year and, looking back, remember the victories, joy, and peace given to his servants laboring at Homer Toberman Mission the past year. Words fail to express our gratitude to our Heavenly Father for his bountiful care over his work and workers at this place, for his love which has bound us as one in purpose and effort. O that we could share our joy with every empty-handed, lonely soul in this great, needy world!

"We are happy to say that every department of the work has fed the Church. The Sunday school has had a steady growth, closing the year with twenty well-organized classes, each provided with a devoted

Christian teacher. It was necessary, as our attendance grew, to resort to neighboring homes for class study. Seven such Mexican homes were opened to us; but as our average passed two hundred, it became impossible to assemble our entire school in our small mission. So we removed our Primary Department of six classes to the home of one of our candidates for Church membership, a block from the mission. This plan worked fine until Sister Juana's operation was over and she was ready to come home from the hospital. The only vacant room available was an old winery, so at the present time eighty of our little ones make the walls of that building ring with their joyful praises. Miss Cloud, our nurse-deaconess, has charge of this department, ably assisted by our beloved pastor's wife, Mrs. Miguel Narro, and four other teachers who appreciate the value of planting his word in the tender hearts of his little ones. At the same hour, three o'clock each Sunday afternoon, the other one hundred and fifty of our school make every room in the clinic, mission, and some of the neighbors' homes hum with the earnest voices of those who are seeking to know Him whom to know is life everlasting.

"Fifty-six new members have been received on profession of faith and twenty-seven infants baptized. The results from the Tuesday and Friday night cottage prayer meetings have been most wonderful. New faces appear at nearly every meeting, friends or loved ones of the family in whose home we are worshipping. Our little Mexican Church has rented a four-room cottage in an adjoining district, in answer to the call of some living in that district, and are holding a Sunday morning Sunday school, whose average has been twelve new members, and a Friday evening prayer meeting, with an average of thirty-eight. How happy we are to see one after the other of our own answering his call, 'Son, go work to-day in my vineyard!' We are praising our Father for our two boys, Joe and Tony, who entered Lydia Patterson Institute this year to study for the ministry, and for their fathers and mothers, sisters and brothers, and friends who are willingly working for him here. Miss Lacy's devoted, earnest Christian life and untiring efforts with the young people this year are bearing fruit.

"Our Woman's Missionary Society, organized this year, is composed of a band of nineteen faithful mothers who are ready and anxious to do his will. They are willing and glad to give their Monday afternoons to visiting the sick and absent members and friends.

"The coöperation of the various Churches of our Conference has been splendid the past year. Fruit, clothing, and various love gifts have been received and made many a suffering one comfortable. The girls and boys of our Choral Club have visited a number of our Churches throughout the Conference and have received a great blessing from those who so faithfully stand back of us. Ten of our girls are studying piano under competent volunteer teachers.

"Our club work has been most gratifying this year. The one hundred and thirty-five boys and girls enrolled in our clubs have attended our Sunday school, since the privileges of the clubs are granted only to the Mexican boys and girls who attend our Sunday services.

"One of the largest and most fruitful undertakings of the year was our summer camp. Over two hundred of our fathers, mothers, young people, and little ones enjoyed the privilege of spending five days and nights at Manhattan Beach. It was a body- and soul-refreshing time, wonderful hours of getting acquainted with each other and with our God 'who hath measured the waters in the hollow of his hand.' Some of our mothers tell us their little ones still insist on clean hands before coming to the table and returning thanks before eating, as well as nightly to sleep in, just as they had at the beach.



"A special patriotic program was given by our people in the mission on September 16, and on Halloween eve our boys and girls gave a program to the public at the City Play Grounds of our district. We were thankful for their success. Our Christmas program was not only a joy, but the love offerings of friends provided fifteen Christmas baskets and one hundred and seventeen Bibles for the members of our Sunday school who did not have a Bible and some religious book for those who did. The girls who are studying piano received Spanish Hymnals; then there was a doll for each of our baby girls and a toy for the little boys and candy and fruit for every child present.

"The crowning time of the year was our watch night service. Twenty-five candidates were received into the Church on profession of faith, and nine infants were baptized. The Spirit of the living God was felt as each of the members of the Church announced his desire to renew his covenant with God, praising him for his manifold blessings received. As the year closed more than one hundred of our dear people were on their knees partaking of the elements in memory of the One who loved us and gave himself for us."

Miss Lacy reports:

"The work of the Young People's Department is just a year old and is doing fairly well.

"Feeling that an Epworth League, if all departments were worked, would answer the purpose of clubs for young men and women, we proceeded to organize with one Mexican Christian, a young man twenty years of age. He was made President, and the other offices were filled with our American volunteer helpers, because an officer in the Epworth League must be a member of some evangelical Church. We hold our devotional meetings every Wednesday night and then have an hour and a quarter of social time afterwards. All enjoy the social time, and especially those who are not yet interested in the devotional part of the program. During the week's services before Easter a number of the young men and women accepted Christ and joined the Church; then we dismissed our American officers, who willingly gave their places to the newly elected officers from our own Mexican young people.

"We organized with twelve on February 16, 1919. We now have thirty-one members, twenty-three active and eighteen associate. Since our organization our President and another young man who came into the Church at Easter time have entered the Lydia Patterson Institute, at El Paso, Tex., to prepare themselves for the ministry. They were given a half scholarship each by the Los Angeles Epworth League Conference. The teachers of this Institute write us favorable reports concerning each of them. Two of our young girls are also missionary volunteers. One of them entered high school on January 26, 1920—a very promising young girl. There is an average of six young people taking part in each devotional service. Of course their talks all have to be prepared for them, as most of them are not capable, as some of them knew nothing of the Bible nor had ever read it for themselves until they came to the League. Now some of them that are still Catholics will read a Scripture verse when it is selected for them.

"Our League has been invited several times to have charge of American Leagues, and on one occasion twenty-one of them sang at Rev. John Brown's tabernacle meeting at Long Beach. We feel so helpless sometimes with this great opportunity; then we are assured that 'it is not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord.' They love the games at the mission. Picnics and hikes are also given. They visit Mexican people in hospitals, distributing tracts and flowers.

They have pledged a definite amount monthly on the rent of the mission just started by the official members of our Mexican Church. As yet we have not had to face the problem, 'How to raise money for our League.' They insist on having a collection every Wednesday night, besides paying their monthly dues. The average collection is seventy-eight cents per week. We are leading up to a mission study class in connection with the devotional.

"It has been my privilege to represent the work at several American Churches in the Conference and to have charge of Trinity's Junior Church three Sundays. One Sunday we took our Mexican Juniors to help in the service.

"The sewing class is under my supervision. It is composed of girls of from seven to fourteen years of age. This is fairly well attended considering that most of them get sewing in their school work.

"The Boys and Girls' Club, age nine to twelve, is also under my direction. I have a Sunday school class of young men composed mostly of the group attending Epworth League."

Miss Cloud reports:

"The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad.' How to report the year's work I do not know, for, in spite of our many problems and difficulties, there is too much good to report in one short statement.

"To begin with, our summer camp was our great preventive effort of the year. Planned for and carried on by faith, it was far better than we have even hoped for. Besides the pleasure and varied entertainment afforded at the beach, we had the splendid opportunity for so much instruction in hygiene and regular habits, with obedience and orderliness thrown in. It was amazing to see what five days could accomplish for a family—three regular meals of wholesome food instead of the irregular, poorly selected, poorly prepared food most poor people have. The change was so noticeable in all. One sick mother and little ones have been well ever since and regular attendants at Sunday school, though members of the Catholic Church. Of course the family altar was the best of all; the eager interest in the Bible stories never failed. The Ford was the means of transportation which made it possible, going to and fro every day shifting the families, as we had two hundred people in all in camp, and we carried sixteen and their baggage as one load. And with the responsibility, hard work (for we workers did the work, cooking, cleaning, etc., with the help of the children), and driving the auto forty miles a day my health improved.

"Through the year we have had two doctors who have been most faithful and helpful. Their clinics were always good, gaining satisfactory confidence from the people, city nurses, and Associated Charities. Other doctors changed, but we have been greatly blessed through the splendid men who have helped. A group of student volunteers are coming to our clinics to learn as much first aid as possible. We do not have any class work; it is only practical experience.

"As I have had charge of the Girls' Club (age twelve to fifteen) through the year, my work has been a bit varied, and we have had great times. Though difficult work, it is most gratifying to see these girls eagerly learning the better things. And as I have assisted with the boys of the same age, I find it the same with them. For more than a year I have had these girls in a Sunday school, and it has been a great inspiration to watch them passing through the adolescent age improving so steadily. In the club of sixteen girls ten are members of the Church. The boys have had a splendid student volunteer as director, and ten of them are also members of the Church, their lives counting

for much in the district. As these boys and girls have had a club together, they have had valuable training, besides being greatly interested in Bible study. One boy of eleven years when asked what he had enjoyed most at the mission, thinking he would mention some hike, party, etc., astonished us by answering like a flash, 'My Bible.'

"Christmas we had a new experience—coöperating with the newspaper here that gives baskets to the poor. These baskets are valued at two dollars and a half each and are distributed all over the city. We delivered two hundred to the Mexican people of our district.

"We shall continue in far greater faith to hold to our old motto: 'My soul, wait thou only upon God; my expectation is from him.'"

### San Antonio, Tex.—Wesley House.

MISS MINNIE LEE EIDSON, HEAD RESIDENT; MISS ESTHER DRAKE, KINDERGARTNER; MISS NETTIE STROUP, CLUB WORKER.

In at least three ways the work of the Wesley House has been enlarged during the past twelve months. The first of these new features was a children's clinic, brought about through coöperation with the city nurses. Physicians have given their services twice a week to hold the clinic, and one of the Red Cross nurses, who speaks Spanish fluently, has assisted and followed up the cases in the homes. Because of the rain and muddy streets a large portion of the time, it was sometimes impossible to hold clinic; but during the six months it has been open thirty-five sessions have been held and two hundred and one different patients treated. Although it was established for children under school age, the mothers have also received some attention. They were all invited in for a social time one evening, and the clinic doctor spoke to them in a very simple and interesting way about caring for their babies and answered questions they wished to ask. Again, at Christmas they were invited to the party given for the clinic children, and they enjoyed the program quite as much as the children, also the refreshments served to them later.

The second feature, which largely grew out of the first, was a free milk station. A campaign for free-milk funds was carried on by one of the daily papers, and the first of the new stations was opened at the Wesley House. For five months milk was given out daily to about ninety-five families, and when, because of lack of funds, it became necessary to close the station, enough skimmed milk was given to supply a few very needy homes and also enough for the kindergarten children every day.

The third feature was a daily vacation Bible school, which was considered very successful. There were some difficulties, of course, such as our Spanish-speaking Bible teacher being unable to come at the last minute, and we were limited as to space and equipment; but taken all in all, it was very satisfactory. This was something new in a largely Catholic community, so when our school opened on a rainy day with sixty-seven boys and girls present we felt very happy. By the end of the week one hundred and seventeen were attending, and the second week it became necessary to turn away all newcomers, our enrollment having reached one hundred and seventy-four. Volunteer teachers were secured largely through the efforts of our Board members, and the entire expense of the school was paid by the gifts of Sunday school classes, missionary societies, and individuals. The Friday picnics were a big part of the school. These were provided by the different auxiliaries of the city and included a trolley ride through the parks, programs and ice cream at the Wesley House, and two mornings spent in the park with games, stories, and plenty of sandwiches

and lemonade all around. On the closing day the mothers and friends of the children were invited in to see a program which the children had prepared and the work they had completed. Prizes were given to the boys and girls who had learned all the Bible memory verses given during the month. It is interesting to know that out of the five who received prizes three came from Catholic homes.

Miss Drake reports: "As far as materials are concerned, the kindergarten has been almost an independent phase of the work at the Wesley House. This year, as last year, the children have brought pennies, nickels, and dimes each week to the kindergarten, and with these we have been able to buy the materials that have been needed. Children from every direction flock to the kindergarten, and for a while the enrollment was necessarily limited until there was an average daily attendance of forty. At Christmas we had a delightful time with Santa Claus at our Christmas tree. Presents for all, including a practical gift, a toy, and fruit, nuts, and candy, were furnished by the Primary Department of one of the large Sunday schools of the city. Little Romanita, one of our favorites in the kindergarten, was burned severely at her home a short time before Christmas. While she was suffering so intensely at first and for days afterwards she begged to be brought to the kindergarten at the Wesley House to be cared for. This little incident is only one of many showing the love the children have for our place here. Our basketball boys grow more enthusiastic all the time. The first team is very proud of new sweaters, which have a large 'W. C. H.' across the front. The second team, the Wesley Juniors, are fighting for the championship. They have bought and paid for a new ball out of their own treasury. A third team for the younger boys is being organized."

Miss Stroup reports: "The past year has been one of interest in the club department. A splendid volunteer worker organized the Junior boys into a Seeten Indian Club. Each boy was admitted on probation one month, during which time he was a papoose; at the end of the month, if deportment had been good, he arose to the position of brave. These twelve-year-old boys are very fond of basketball and have been called to play matched games with other boys their age. After the first call came we rallied our boys together, and after an hour's practice they declared they were ready to meet any team their age. I have thirty-five girls in the younger girls' sewing class, many of whom are doing splendid work. The girls twelve to fourteen years are making dresses. These girls are also members of our volley ball team and are very enthusiastic players. On Halloween we gave two socials for the boys and girls. The girls met in the afternoon. Games such as broomstick, pinning the tail on the cat, etc., were the main features of the social. A witch and ghost figured largely in the fun of the afternoon. There were seventeen boys here early in the evening for their party: bobbing for apples was their favorite game. Pop corn and candy were served, and all pronounced the evening one of much pleasure. At our Christmas party there were about eighty boys and girls, several Christmas stories were told, Christmas songs sung, and 'True Giving' was presented to the children in dialogue form, also the Bible verse, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive,' impressed upon their minds. When the Christmas presents were distributed one little fellow (repeating the Bible verse) refused to accept any; another took the gifts offered him, but passed them on to some one else. I have been very much pleased since to hear this passage of Scripture repeated several times by the children on the playground and am hoping they get the right meaning. My Junior League gave a program to the members of the Senior League one Sunday. We gave a review of the past few months' work, showing what had been accomplished by the children.

One special number on the program was 'solving a Bible problem,' in which we used the figures representing the number of letters in Bible cities, number of disciples Jesus had, etc., bringing out what the children had learned in the Bible stories that had been told them in League."

## WORK AMONG MINERS.

Coal Fields, Eckman, W. Va.

DEACONESS LAURA HARRIS.

As I had my furlough this year, I have only the work of eight months to report, but they have been busy months and, I trust, profitable ones. Our work is very much like the work of the Church deaconess. We help with the work of the Church, teach in the Sunday school, care for the sick, visit in the homes of the people, and do anything else that needs to be done and is in our power to do.

We had some right serious cases of influenza here the first of the year which we helped to nurse. And since my return from my vacation quite a bit of my time has been spent in the sick room. For several months, in the spring and early summer, one day of each week was given to sewing for the Red Cross.

Some of our Hungarian people were very much distressed because they had not heard from their loved ones in the old country for three or four years. It was a joy to be able to help them by directing them to the Red Cross agency, but a greater joy when they told us that the message had come back saying that all were safe and well. One of these women rarely ever fails to thank me for coming to see her and has often told me that she loves me. She is a lovable woman, as are a number of others whom I know.

We have quite a number of children of the foreigners in our Sunday school. Their parents seem glad to have them go. One little girl told me she liked to go because she liked the singing.

The latter part of November we organized a Woman's Missionary Society with twenty-one charter members. A few names have been added to the roll since the organization.

Coal Fields, Hemphill, W. Va.

DEACONESS MOLLIE WOMACK.

From October 7 to January 7 my work covered Maitland, Superior, and Hemphill. For some time the Advisory Board had thought it would be wisest to concentrate the work; so with the consent of Mrs. McCoy, the Advisory Board decided to locate the deaconess at Hemphill. Hemphill is a mining camp of about eight hundred people. There is not a single Church organization here of any denomination, though we have a good Sunday school which is held in the school building.

The Solvay Colliery Company owns four mining operations at this place. This company has on a big building program which, if carried out, will make this one of the best-equipped as well as one of the most important camps in the district. It will also considerably increase the population of the place, as many more men are needed, but there are no houses for them.

My work so far has consisted of friendly visiting, looking after the sick, and working in the Sunday school. We are hoping before the end of the year to have a Community House where the deaconess will have a chance to really help the people.

**Coal Fields, Thurber, Tex.—Wesley Community House.**

DEACONESS LILLIAN PARKER, HEAD RESIDENT; MISS ELIZABETH EDWARDS,  
KINDERGARTNER.

This has been a year of many trials and discouragements, yet one of wonderful spiritual encouragement. The opening of the way to return to the "old country," the closing of two mines permanently, the strike, and the general labor unrest have caused a great decrease in the foreign population. The coal strike caused no real hardship, for there was so much work in the oil field and the cotton patch. The strike caused no fuel and light inconvenience, as there was plenty of oil, coal, and gas.

Living right among the people has been a blessing to them and to us. In spite of the few people now in our district, the kindergarten attendance has been one of the largest in the history of the work. At the beginning of the year we divided the kindergarten into two groups, according to age. The older group is given primary instruction. Miss Edwards, the teacher, is taking great interest in the development of the children. She is an able assistant in the activities with the older boys and girls.

The two outstanding features of our work this year are the parties for the young people and the Daily Vacation Bible School. There are a number of young men, but the girls marry so young that they grow from girls to young married women. When they are about fourteen years of age they feel too old for most of the activities, as their attention is turned toward marrying. So the parties each month have been a means of touching their lives.

The Vacation School put us in touch with most of the children of the Catholic school. Their school was out, and the nuns were away, so they were glad of an opportunity to be with us. It was a great joy to teach the Bible to a large group of children every day for six weeks. The handwork was a great attraction, and we had more children than we two could manage easily. We are not able to get volunteer nor paid help here. Even in the kindergarten we have had no help all this fall, and Miss Edwards has been doing the work alone.

The boys have insisted on coming with their sisters to the sewing school. They will sew or do anything that we give them to do for the privilege of playing the victrola. They take a lively interest in helping us with our gardening.

There is so little social life for the children that they enjoy games with us each week. At their suggestion we have a program twice a month prepared by one of themselves. They never grow tired of taking part nor of giving their attention to the parts of the others.

To the older boys and girls of the Sunday school we gave Bibles and Bible stories at Christmas time. They were delighted. One little girl told us that she got up earlier that she might have time to read her Bible before school. The great interest the children are taking in the study of their Bibles makes me realize in a measure how much God is blessing our part in trying to bring in the kingdom.

**Hartshorne, Okla.—Wesley House.**

DEACONESSSES FRANK MILLER AND CONNIE FAGAN AND MISS BESSIE BRAND.

We have not had organized clubs this year, but our boys have stayed with us and brought many new ones to enjoy the playground, game and reading room, and the library. One of the most important features of our work and one that has the widest influence is the library. We have loaned 1,726 books, not only in this town, but in thre or

four small towns near us. Many of these books have been read by three or four people before being returned. See what an influence for good they can be if we can get the right books.

The Sunday school attendance and interest have been encouraging, especially as we have had two big hindrances. First, the Russian children who had attended so faithfully have had to stop. Their priest has been changed. They like the new priest and respect his wishes; so they stay away from the Wesley House. Children of other nationalities have taken their places, however, and our average attendance has been good even during the hot summer months.

Many of our members live at Dow and were kept away during the strike because they did not have car fare. During the spring and summer we had a class of about twelve or fifteen adult Mexicans, taught by the deaconess with the help of an interpreter or by an old Mexican man who says that he has been a Christian for forty-six years. Because of the liberal contributions of this class, our school has been practically self-supporting for a year or two.

The secretary of our Sunday school is a little Hungarian girl thirteen years old. She is very bright and attractive and says that she means to be a missionary in China some day. She had been reading "The Chinese Slave Girl" from our library.

We have had a very successful sewing school with four faithful volunteer teachers. This school gave an entertainment for the parents and friends last spring, and the house could not hold the audience. We own forty-eight chairs, but we counted one hundred and fifty people. At least fifty were outside trying to see and hear at the doors and windows. The work of the school was exhibited, and diplomas were given three Italian girls who had finished the course. These girls began the work with Miss Willena Henry five years ago, but the work and the workers have changed several times since then.

Though we have not been able to have much organized work this year, we are reaching many more people than ever before; so we divided our crowds and had three Christmas entertainments this year. A tree for the Sunday school and for the boys was given Christmas night and one for the sewing school Friday afternoon. But the most interesting entertainment, always, is the one given the mothers and babies of the Cradle Roll. This was given Sunday afternoon before Christmas. Seventy-five were present, representing five or six nationalities. One Mexican baby was baptized.

Many were hindered from coming to this entertainment by the death, on that day, of one of our Mexican members. He died, after an illness of two months, in the hospital at McAlester. He was an earnest Christian, the first Mexican to put his letter into our Church here.

We have had three Spanish services during the year. Seventeen Mexicans have been taken into the Church, either by letter or on profession of faith, and eight children have been baptized.

We are looking forward to having a new building which has been promised us by the Centenary Commission.

Miss Brand reports:

"I have most certainly been 'busy here and there,' and upon looking back I find I learned to love those whom I might have helped but for the fact that I was so soon parted from them. The first five months of 1919 were spent at the Community House, Ensley, Ala. Here I gave instruction to four classes of teen-age girls in domestic science and housekeeping each week. These girls were most enthusiastic and responsive. I had charge of the buying, cutting, and general preparation incident to a big and well-graded sewing school. The work done by these children amply repaid all efforts.

"I also conducted an Italian Girls' Knitting Club. The girls of this club turned over to the Red Cross eleven pairs of socks for 'our boys.'

"Each Sunday afternoon I told a Bible story to a group of Italian and American children. In addition I rendered some assistance with the night school, game and reading room, and playground.

"I am very grateful to our Father for the privilege of living and working here.

"I arrived at the Wesley House, Fort Worth, Tex., June 6, 1919. At once I began visiting in the community, and during the four and a half months spent here I made one thousand and twenty-two visits. I also taught a Mexican Sunday school class and enrolled thirty Mexican babies for the Cradle Roll Department.

"Each Sunday morning I taught an American Sunday school class of teen-age girls in a near-by church. During my stay here thirty patients received free medical attention.

"As I visited in the poor, dingy homes (many of them tents) I felt grateful to God for having been permitted to help here, and I realized more fully than ever the truth of God's word: 'My people perish for lack of knowledge.'"

## POLYGLOT WORK.

Biloxi, Miss.—Wesley House.

LOIS TINSLEY, DEACONESS; EMMA VOGEL, NURSE-DEACONESS; ANNIE CHAPMAN, MISSIONARY.

There have been so many changes in the people of the district, buildings, workers, and preachers that it is difficult to tell the progress of the work as a whole.

Miss Hasler's moving in January left the Wesley House without a kindergarten. Misses Grizzard and Vogel carried on the work through the spring, with Miss Chapman as nursery matron and pianist. They gave a splendid program Easter, which was well attended. I was sent to take Miss Grizzard's place the first of May. Of all my seven years' work, this has been the most interesting. I find that there are even more privileges than a foreign missionary has; for here one can help Americanize and Christianize at the same time. Every denomination and nationality has been made to feel that the Wesley House is for them.

As the nursery and clubs closed in April, we divided the district, and Misses Vogel, Chapman, and I made a house-to-house visitation to five hundred homes to get acquainted with the people and take a religious census. At least three-fourths of the people had been christened Catholic, but only a few have kept up their religion. Many of them are now asking for Bibles in their own language. The American Bible Society has furnished these and a number of English Bibles for the Sunday school pupils and their mothers.

The Sunday school has kept up in interest and attendance the whole year through. It is nothing unusual to have a hundred present. Neither rain nor storm keeps the faithful away. In June friends from uptown furnished autos and trucks to take our Sunday school to a beautiful place about five miles in the country for an afternoon picnic which every one enjoyed to the fullest.

The corner stone was laid for a church on the northeast corner of our lot on September 10, and services were conducted in it the first Sunday in November.

A large gymnasium enables us to shelter from rain and cold the boys with whom the playground was teeming during the summer



months. The tourists made it possible for us to fix a smaller playground with sand pile and swings for the nursery children.

Miss Priscilla Freeland opened the day nursery the first week in October. We feel that it has done the best work ever—both intensive and extensive. It has outgrown its present quarters and had to spread into the old chapel. We have had as many as thirty-three one day, between twenty and thirty almost every day.

Although the Polish people did not come down from Baltimore this fall as usual, we have five nationalities members of all our clubs and classes. The social activities the past three months have been three boys' clubs, little housekeepers, and a sewing school.

Receiving and distributing old clothes has taken up a great deal of my time, as 1,657 garments have passed through my hands to the people. This itself has caused a spirit of fellowship to prevail and enabled us to reach those we could not otherwise. One Catholic woman after coming to two or three sales sent five of her children to Sunday school and has kept them there regularly. The money received from the sales has kept up the sewing school, paid the nursery assistant, and bought fruit and presents for the two hundred and seventy-nine children who attended our Christmas program on December 22.

In sickness, sorrow, and joy the people of all nationalities and denominations welcome us to their homes and thank us for visiting them. We two, however, cannot begin to do all that is needed to be done.

#### Fort Worth, Tex.—Wesley House.

DEACONESS EUGENIA SMITH, HEAD RESIDENT; MISS EDNA EVANS, KINDERGARTNER; MISS SUSIE MITCHELL.

"The kingdom is the Lord's, and he is the governor among the nations," and yet it has been our blessed privilege to live, love, and serve the stranger within our gates.

My report this year is limited because of four months of furlough for rest and strength for better service.

Miss Brand did excellent work while I was away, but it was such a joy to me to return to my work.

There have been many experiences, and our Wesley House is the center for our people, with all their joys and all their sorrows. One young man came and said: "I want to get married, please help me." I said: "What can I do?" Of course he did not know, neither did I, for he had never seen the young woman, she had no relatives in this country, and under the immigration laws the young woman could not come to the man, so we went to the immigration officer. After telling him of my place among the foreigners and of my knowledge of the man, he said he would help her to secure a passport. She could come direct to us and live in our settlement and we would be responsible until they were married. Well, she came, and they were married and are "supremely happy."

We never know what we will be asked to do next, but every day is full. We take them to the clinic, to the doctors, to the hospitals, and seek employment for them, and in every way try to enter into their lives and be real friends to them.

We have had the coöperation of Federated Missionary Societies, Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., W. C. T. U., and schools and colleges, and the Conference Missionary Societies too have been so good to us.

We have a wonderful Conference (Central Texas), also our other Texas Conferences have shown their interest by sending boxes and help.

For one term one room of our house was rented to the public school.

because they were overcrowded, and we have worked hand in hand with them.

We induce many to attend school, and they have a splendid night school for our people, and it is not necessary for us to keep it up.

We have two regular Sunday schools in the Wesley House. The Bohemian, with an enrollment of about fifty, meets Sunday morning after our Bohemian pastor preaches in his own language. Then in the afternoon our other Sunday school of all nationalities with an enrollment of about three hundred. We are a self-supporting Sunday school, and the last Sunday in each month is our missionary Sunday, and our offerings amounted to nearly \$25. We believe that some day we will also have missionaries from these whose young lives are unfolding.

We have a regular ordained Mexican pastor, who came in November. We are to have a new Mexican church, also a new Bohemian church; when these two congregations and Sunday schools move to their own buildings we will have a Sunday school for the Greek, Roumanian, and Polish children.

The carpenters are busy building our "Good Cheer Annex," which will furnish us room for clinic, day nursery, library, and club rooms.

The Texas Woman's College young ladies gave our two Sunday schools such a happy Christmas, one young lady providing for one child. They have done this two years in succession. We appreciate the help they give in sewing school and gymnasium too. The two young ladies, Misses Lucy and Etta Boyd, have been excellent help in the work.

"It is good to be here," and we are in the midst of the people to serve and feel that our Father is guiding, and the outlook for the work is the best we have ever had.

Miss Edna Evans, kindergartner, writes: "The kindergarten has been especially interesting to me this year. We have sixty-six enrolled, and the daily attendance has been between thirty-seven and forty a greater part of the time. We have two tables full of little tots not over four years of age and most of them under four. Nearly all of these are little Greeks, and they are very interesting and attractive. We have three other tables full of children of different nationalities, but the majority are Mexicans, and in my experience of many years' work with American children I have never worked with brighter or more lovable children. The kindergarten has been so large this year that Miss Mitchell has had to assist me. We have been very much pleased with the progress of the little folks in all their work, and especially in how they pick up English and how they learn the songs, as very few could speak or understand English at first. The ladies of the different Methodist Churches here have been especially nice to the kindergarten. On Easter the Texas Woman's College girls invited us to an Easter egg hunt on the college campus. We took special cars and went out there. After each child had found a little basket of Easter eggs the girls served them with ice cream cones, and the children came home very happy. Another great time they had was a trip to Forest Park. The children were certainly delighted with seeing the birds, animals of so many kinds, etc., and the amusing things they said and did were very interesting. On our way home we stopped at the Baby Hospital, and the children rolled on the grass, watched the goldfish, and had a good time for an hour. I wish you could have seen how thoroughly they enjoyed it all. This Christmas we had a little tree for them on Tuesday morning when we dismissed for holidays. The children put the little gifts they had made in kindergarten on the tree for their parents. Quite a number of their

parents were here and seemed to enjoy their songs, games, etc., very much. Their holiday festivities closed with a party given for them at Mulkey Memorial Church, December 26. We took a special car and went out there. The children sang and recited for the crowd; after this they treated them to hot chocolate and cakes, then gave each child a sack of candy, a pair of mittens, and a little whistling balloon. I think the children had the time of their lives, especially when forty-three of them got to blowing up their whistling balloons at the same time. Miss Smith, Miss Mitchell, and I, who took them out there, enjoyed it as well as the children."

Miss Susie Mitchell writes: "After spending over three years in cotton mill work I am glad to be in the work among foreigners again. I began work here January 6, and my work has been so varied it is rather difficult to write a concise report. Miss Smith, being one of the workers for the Centenary Campaign, was away much of the time, and I had to look after the work during her absence. Then on June 17, she went away for a four months' vacation, and Miss Brand came to assist me with the work. We had a very busy summer, as there was so much sickness, especially among the children. Much time was spent in taking our children to the city, to the children's clinic, and many patients to the venereal clinic. One of our pretty little kindergarten children, whose parents are faithful members of our Mexican congregation, had her tonsils and adenoids removed, also an operation on her eyes for trachoma. I was with her during the operation and kept her here with us for three days. In September she went with the family to the country to pick cotton. In a few days the father came and said: 'Olivia sick, every day too much fever, and no eat.' We went with them to see the doctor, and he said the child had bronchitis and perhaps tuberculosis. The father returned to the country, leaving Olivia with an aunt, and we took her to the doctor twice a week, but she did not seem to improve much; so we brought her to the Wesley House and moved a child's bed out on our sleeping porch and put her to bed and gave her medicines regularly, also saw that she had milk, eggs, and plenty of nourishing food and warm baths. In two weeks the doctor said she looked like a different child. The last of January we organized a club for young men with Mr. Samm (physical director of the Y. M. C. A.) in charge, which continued until April. There were thirty-three enrolled, and they seemed to enjoy the work very much. This fall, as we have no equipment and so little room, we did not think it wise to attempt to organize any clubs until the new building was completed. We have a good sewing school with five classes, also a kitchen garden class."

#### Kansas City, Mo.—Institutional Church.

DEACONESS ELIZABETH COX, HEAD RESIDENT; DEACONESS MARY MOORE, IN CHARGE OF WORK FOR AMERICANS; MISS DOROTHY DODD, WORK FOR ITALIANS; MRS. JEANETTE CAVANAUGH, SECRETARY; MISS MARY WOLFF, BABY WELFARE WORK.

The year 1919 has been one of the busiest I have ever known. All departments have had splendid average attendance. The heads of the departments for the American and the Italian work have been most excellent in their plans and have met with unusual success in carrying them out.

The Adult Department has shown some increase. Especially are we glad for the work of the Missionary Society. There has not been such a great increase in numbers, but it is wonderful the way the women have developed. As the study of the various mission fields has been

carried on through the Mission Study Class taught by Mrs. Cameron and the regular programs led by the women themselves, they have become more and more interested and are glad to belong to an organization that is world-wide in its scope. Mrs. Cameron is now giving a most splendid course of lectures on the Gospels. The pledge of forty-five dollars for last year was met in full and raised to fifty dollars for this year. The responsibility of the schooling of one Chinese girl has been assumed and five dollars given to the sewing school fund. The Week of Prayer offering was twelve dollars and fifty cents. One of our members, a dear little Englishwoman who makes her support by darning, working buttonholes, and fancywork, was very much worried over the Centenary pledge made by one of our members who recently died. Through earnest efforts she had paid her five years' subscription, and because there was no one to look after the amount subscribed by her deceased friend she felt it was her responsibility. One Sunday morning she came to me with a dollar bill to pay on it and said she would get the other some way. Her daughter gave fifty cents, and the rest was easily gotten when the story was told to a few of our friends.

The work with the Italian Mothers' Club has been very gratifying. We have been able to give them Bible stories and feel that we have made decided advance along religious training.

Work with the nursery mothers has been a great joy. A number of times they have come to us with special request for prayers.

Miss Moore reports: "I want to speak briefly of our new work for the year, our Friday and Saturday afternoon Bible schools. In our Friday afternoon school we have our American boys and girls organized into Camp Fire, Bluebirds, and boys' clubs, with a splendid volunteer worker in charge of each group. At the close of the work period these groups assemble for devotional, Bible memory work, and a Bible story well told. On Saturday afternoon we have an average attendance of one hundred and fifty-six Italian children, and our program is practically the same as that of our Friday school; instead of Camp Fire and Bluebirds and clubs, we have sewing for the girls and carpentry and basketry for the boys. The efficiency and interest of our splendid paid and volunteer workers has insured the success of this work. Our Community Evenings for American Young People have been very gratifying, with an attendance of from thirty-five to one hundred and forty. We feel very grateful indeed for help from such men as Mr. Charles Howard Mills and other noted community leaders. Through these Community Evenings many young people have been brought into our Sunday school."

Miss Dodd reports: "During the past year new lines of work have been developed with the Italian Junior Girls' Club. Especially did the white gifts at Christmas mean much to them, as also will the Daughters of the Republic which the D. A. R. has organized among the girls of the club. The Italian Senior Girls' Club, with its membership of twenty-three, meets every other week, while the Italian Junior Girls' Club, with a membership of thirty-five, and the Italian Junior Boys' Club, with a membership of twenty-five, meets once a week. The Thanksgiving banquet for the members of the boys' club was one of the important events of the fall. Our pastor, Mr. Cameron, presided, and we had some of the influential men of the city to speak to the boys at this time. A knitting club was started among the young Italian matrons in the fall. These women contributed various articles for the Christmas bazaar which Miss Cox had with her Missionary Society of American Women. The kitchen garden for the children is in charge of two of the Scarritt girls, and they are so interested and enthusiastic, and are doing such good work. The Italian basketball team has

won every match game played this season. The story hour has been a source of profit and pleasure. However, the greatest joy has come from the personal touch. This cannot be reduced to figures; it is too big and too sacred for that. As we have knelt for prayer with our different Italian friends, we have often found a large response and sometimes an expression for the spiritual things. So as we enter upon the new year it is with longing especially for the Italian people, that we may become all things to all, if by all means we may save some."

Mrs. Cavanaugh reports: "The work in the office is only the same routine of keeping files, records, writing letters, the same as any office, but the work and workers have meant more to me than any thing else, for everything that is done is for service and for the glory of the kingdom. One afternoon, after the Saturday Afternoon School, a new nursery boy was in the office with his father, and he said he had been to Sunday school. His father told him, 'No, not Sunday school on Saturday,' and the boy said: 'Well, anyway, it was just like it.' That is just the spirit here all the time: the teachings of Christ are lived and taught in all classes. It is a great privilege to be one of the workers of an institution that does such wonderful work for God and man. Indeed, I consider myself fortunate in being able to enjoy the many blessings that come to us every day."

#### Kansas City, Mo.—Thomas M. Spofford Receiving Home for Children.

DEACONESS DAISY RITTER.

During this year one hundred and ten different children between the ages of two and twelve years have been received and cared for. The average number in the home has been fifty. It grieved us to have to turn away an average of forty-two children a month for lack of room to care for them.

As usual, the children who came have given Spofford Home the opportunity of exemplifying a truly Christian democracy, children to whom a kind word is almost unknown and children who, because of death or other misfortune, are for the first time away from their own home and loved ones. Russian, Scandinavian, Syrian, Jew, Italian, and American have daily gone to school and played together, and daily in the dining room with bowed heads and little chubby hands folded have reverently repeated:

"Father, up in heaven above,  
We thank thee for this token of love.  
May our lives show forth thy praise  
On this and all our days  
For Jesus' sake. Amen."

The children all love to sing and greatly enjoy the evening vesper service around the piano in the music room. To watch the change in health, disposition, and character that even a few months in a different environment often shows is a continual delight.

Coöperation has been maintained with the following city agencies: Social Service Exchange, Provident Association, Juvenile Court, Board of Public Welfare, Red Cross, Jewish Educational Institute, and Mercy and General Hospital. The work of the institution was praised this year as well as heartily indorsed by the Chamber of Commerce. The missionary auxiliaries and several clubs have been a great help not only in the lovely donations of clothing, fruit, toys, and books sent, but also in helping with the weekly mending and darning. Several of the

auxiliaries "adopted" a child to clothe and care for as long as the child is with us. Groups of high-school girls have often spent one afternoon a week with the children on the playground.

During the summer a long-felt need was realized in securing a worker to take charge of the children on the playground, teaching them new games and supervising all their play. Also a fund for playground equipment was started, and a real beginning was made this Christmas when we were able to secure a lovely slide for the children. By next summer we hope to have a good sand pile, swings, etc.

Another feature of the summer was a cooking class which was organized among the older girls and met in the large kitchen on the cook's afternoon out. Proud indeed were these little ten- and eleven-year-old girls when, as they expressed it, they had "cooked supper for all the children and the deaconesses too." They begged us to dismiss the cook and let them do it all.

Among the pleasurable outings given the children this year were a visit to see "Daddy Long Legs" on the screen, a number of picnics in the parks, a boat ride on the Missouri River, and a trip to the circus and to several patriotic parades in the city. Friends with machines often stop to take a whole carload of children out riding. Thanksgiving and Christmas were memorable occasions. Santa Claus was very generous to us and brought us a lovely tree besides filling our stockings. The bountiful Christmas dinner (also a gift), with the tables arranged in the shape of a cross and prettily decorated, will probably never be forgotten by the children who were with us for the first time.

The work has been much interrupted this year because of several epidemics of contagious diseases among the children and also because of sickness among the workers. But although it has been a year of stress and strain, it has also been a new revelation of how many loyal friends we have and of how wonderfully and never-faillingly God always provides strength and help sufficient unto our need.

### St. Joseph, Mo.—Wesley House Social Settlement.

DEACONESS BERTA ELLISON, HEAD RESIDENT; DEACONESS GERTRUDE GRIZZARD, HOUSEKEEPING AND DAY NURSERY; MISS MAY COBURN, KINDERGARTNER.

Inasmuch as this is not an article, but a brief report, suppose we imagine ourselves in an airship for convenience named "Memory" starting in the spring of 1919 for a sail over the field of achievement in St. Joseph. Rise to an altitude sufficiently high, so that only mountain peaks will be visible and small things, although necessary, annoyances, petty failures, unsightly mistakes—in other words, "tin can alley"—lost to sight.

We notice first of all on a rainy night in the early part of June a crowd of people going into Gooding Church—an unusual occurrence, a crowd. Why this crowd on a rainy night? Wesley House kindergarten is giving a Tom Thumb wedding there. The bridal party enters to the strains of a familiar march, and all goes well—for a time. Pretty soon one of the bridesmaids, unused to a long skirt, trips as she tries to step up on the platform, and, wedding or no wedding, it is too much, and she cries. The best man comes gallantly forward and assists her this time safely to her place. The ceremony begins; now we can listen and look too. What a profusion of flowers! How nice the children look! Boys in dress suits and girls in evening dresses. Now the ceremony is over, and the party retires to the Sunday school room for the reception. They are seated around a big table, the groom cuts the cake, and ice cream is served. This room is decorated beautifully too.

Why so much time and energy spent in this way? Well, it was an object lesson, besides the pleasure derived from it by the children. Many of our foreign friends were there, and they had never seen a church wedding in America. It was beautiful; they said so.

Another rainy time, but early morning in June. About a dozen girls on Wesley House porch. All kinds of bundles and bags, anxious faces watching the clouds. Rain continues, faces brighten because Captain says: "We are going anyway; get ready." This is a group of Girl Scouts going for an outing to Sugar Lake. Four glorious days spent in fishing, rowing, hiking, and trying to learn to swim. But it rained every day!

Here they come from North and South, from East and West, two hundred strong in all, to Daily Vacation Bible School. It is July and very, very hot weather, so you see one group on the side porch, another on the front porch, two more out under the trees, some more in the house; but they are boys working with tools, and the weather does not matter with them. This is the work period, and as we go from group to group we see rug-making, basket-making, sewing, carpentry work, and kindergarten handwork for the little folks. There is an opening and a closing exercise, the work period and a play period. And once a week an outing, but it was a Vacation Bible School.

"Mexican men! My! aren't you afraid of them?" some one said when told about our night school. We used to be, but now they seem very nice to us, because we are interested in them, we said. They come three nights a week and are reading in the first and second readers.

Little housekeepers! Here they go learning to sweep and dust, set a table, wash clothes, iron, and do all sorts of things about the house, even to washing dishes properly. These ordinary tasks are much more interesting to little girls in white caps and aprons, especially with music and songs appropriate to each one.

My! here we are at Christmas time, almost the last of the year. And it is Christmas with a sure-enough Santa Claus, Christmas tree, gifts for everybody, games, and music galore,

But we have saved the highest peak for the last, the purchase of property by the City Mission Board on the corner of Cherokee and Pryor Avenues. There is a twelve-room house that is to be remodeled as a temporary home for the work till a new building can be put up. When the new building is ready the other house will be moved away, giving in all one hundred and seventy-five foot frontage on Cherokee Street.

### St. Louis, Mo.—Kingdom House.

DEACONESS ELLEN D. GAINNEY, HEAD RESIDENT; DEACONESS CORA BORCHERS,  
MISS BITHIAH REED, MISS PEARL BRIDGES.

While there have been handicaps and some discouraging facts to face, we know the work at Kingdom House is in better condition at the close than at the beginning of the year, and we are looking forward to a greater day yet for this important field.

There has been a very evident increase of interest in several of our Churches here in the city, and, through the Conference officers, the outside auxiliaries have been enlisted in a beautiful way. The Conference Superintendent of Supplies asked for a "Harvest Home Donation" of fruits, vegetables, etc., from the out-of-town auxiliaries, and the response was truly wonderful.

Our Sunday school is well organized and is using the graded literature with good effect. On Decision Day quite a number of the Sunday school children took a stand for Christ and united with the Church on Easter Day. A recent innovation for us is a mixed class of young

men and young ladies, with Deaconess Borchers as teacher. In a month's time this class enrolled over thirty members and continued to grow rapidly.

For almost the entire year we had no pastor for our Church, but some of the faithful members helped the deaconesses to "hold the fort," and the Conference year closed with thirty-three additions to the Church, with every Conference claim met in full, and our Centenary quota was more than tripled by pledge.

During the year some splendid entertainments have been given by Kingdom House talent, and some have been brought to us by friends. Notable among the social events of the House were the "Welcome Home" reception to our returned soldiers given under the auspices of the Epworth League and the farewell reception to Miss Lowder. Upon this latter occasion one hundred or more came in the rain to do honor to this deaconess who had served them so faithfully for nine years.

The Council appointee for our Girls' Department could not come to us, and for several months the work of the department was divided between the Head Resident and the Boys' Worker. On December 1 Deaconess Borchers was assigned to us, and she has taken up her work with characteristic zeal.

The Clinic Department, under Miss Bridges's capable supervision, is doing excellent work. In addition to the clinics of former years, we now have a nose and throat clinic and are just opening an eye clinic. Our corps of physicians and surgeons rank among the very best in the city.

Miss Reed submits the following report: "Surely one's appreciation of Christian service grows with the increasing sense of the need for it. There are many things that I ought to have done and not have left others undone, but this year has been of great strengthening value to me. The Boy Scout troop is still the most important group of boys. In May we gave a joint banquet for Girl and Boy Scouts. Mr. Wolf, Y. M. C. A. Director of the City-Wide Boys' Commission, gave an inspiring talk. The girls sang 'Troop Seventy-Eight Never Late,' and the boys responded with 'Good Evening, Little Wild Rose Troop with Your Khaki Just as Brown as Mine.' It was a great occasion for our boys and girls. The Indian Scouts enjoyed several outings in the spring. A hike to Shaw's Garden and a rabbit chase in Forest Park were among them. They also had a camping trip on Merrimac River. The 'Little Braves,' a younger group of Indian Scouts, enjoyed hero stories, games, and songs each week. Four boys from my Sunday school class united with the Church on Easter Day. I had charge of the Girl Scouts for some time until relieved by Miss Borchers. The Junior Girl Scouts, or Brownies, are still under my supervision. They are taking the kitchen garden course, alternating the weeks with work and play. They were made very happy at Christmas time by a party given by a group of St. John's Sunday School girls. My Syrian cooking class is quite interesting. Their mothers want them to cook anything that is American. Our large group of Christmas hymns were greatly enjoyed by the neighbors, and the offering secured wherever the 'candle was lit in the window' went to the Children's Aid Society."



**NEGRO WORK.****Augusta, Ga.—Bethlehem House.**

MRS. JENNIE W. WHITE, HEAD RESIDENT; MISS SETTLES, KINDERGARTNER; MISS MARIAN DE JARNETTE GARROTT, GIRLS' CLUBS; MR. ALLEN CLARK, BOYS' CLUBS AND NIGHT SCHOOL.

Mrs. Jennie White, the consecrated Head Resident of the Bethlehem House, Augusta, Ga., was the beneficiary of the Florine McEachern Extension Scholarship, by which she had the advantage of study for the summer of 1919 in the School of Social Science, New York. Mrs. White's efficiency has been greatly increased by the opportunities thus enjoyed, and the work of the Bethlehem House, though pursued under great difficulties, has gone forward harmoniously and efficiently.

The two well-trained young women, Misses Garrott and Settles, with Mr. Clark, a student from Paine College, have been able to come into very close touch with the community, and the Bethlehem House workers were veritable angels of mercy in the dreadful influenza epidemic which again raged among the destitute colored people of Augusta.

As a result of the tempting prices offered for homes among all races and classes, the comfortable cottage rented for our workers was sold in the fall, and the Bethlehem House staff had to seek other quarters. The younger ones found accommodation at Paine College, and Mrs. White boarded in a private home. This was a great inconvenience to all, and necessitated much loss of time and additional labor.

We have secured authority for the erection of a Workers' Home, which will be completed, we trust, before midsummer.

Mrs. White reports: "The religious work in the form of Vesper Services under my care in the Y. W. C. A. building has been wonderfully successful. I have found much to do among the poor of our community. One week ago to-day I sent five orphan children to our local orphanage; not one of them had ever gone to school a day. I cannot tell you how dark a picture they made. Our Women's Club aided me in providing three dozen garments for the five. The oldest boy remains at home with his father; I have his promise to come to night school. The girls of our sewing school have made three quilts this winter; the last one we are finishing up for these children. We are looking after a poor sick mother who has been ill since October 1. Her only helper in the home is a small boy who has been without shoes all winter until two weeks ago, when Mrs. George Walker gave me a pair for him. I could tell you of other cases similar. The night school is still at work. Mr. Clark has a club of young boys all above seventeen years, twenty-three in number. I am real happy over these, with what we are doing for them. The object of the club is their moral, intellectual, and physical growth. Miss Garrott has a large club of little boys present while I am writing to you. She told them a good story; now they are block-building. We have had five new children to come to the kindergarten this week and ten visitors."

**Nashville, Tenn.—Bethlehem House.**

DEACONESS ROSA BEARDEN, SUPERVISOR; MISSES LILLIAN HARRISON AND ESSIE JOHNSON, KINDERGARTNERS; MISS ANNIE COMPTON, CLUB DIRECTOR; MISS MOTTA SIMS, ASSISTANT CLUB DIRECTOR; MRS. BEULAH SIMS, HOUSE-MOTHER; THIRTY-SIX STUDENT HELPERS; TWENTY OTHER VOLUNTEERS.

As the year 1919 passes into history we, the Bethlehem House workers, turn the pages of our life book to see what is recorded there. We find the prose of good hard work, with a beauty written into it, however, which comes from an earnestness of purpose and a deep

desire to be of service in our Lord's kingdom. We do not find that sufficient preparation was gained for the writing by the study of the Bible and by communion with the great Master Writer, nor do we find enough of the poetry of love. Again we make the resolution that we will live closer to Him, who alone can fit us to do his holy work. The record, however, stands as written. Parts of it we present for your perusal. As nearly as we can estimate, 621 homes were reached during the year; 3,287 visits were made and 3,463 received; 1,783 business visits were made. Even the telephone calls mount up to 4,073.

#### NEW WORK.

First comes our new kindergarten. It has been the dream of workers and of friends of the Bethlehem House extension to open a kindergarten in South Nashville. In September the dream came true. The enrollment and splendid attendance are proofs that we had cause for our faith. Miss Harrison, an Atlanta University graduate, who is with us for the third year, was asked to take charge.

Also two boys' clubs have been opened at the extension, one a hand-work club for small boys and one an athletic club for twelve- to sixteen-year-old boys. An athletic club for Bethlehem House boys has been opened at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium. An evening game room for boys was opened in December, with Miss Sims in charge. Choral clubs for both girls and boys are doing splendid work under the new kindergartner, Miss Johnson. They contribute a great deal to entertainments. Again we have an ideal which we hope to attain, and that is a uniformed boys' chorus, the like of which is not in the bounds of our city.

We hungered last year to touch in a more definite way the young people of the community. In November Miss De Bardeleben was instrumental in bringing together some lonely Methodist students one Sunday afternoon. Since that time we have opened a monthly students' social and a monthly young people's social.

The supply store as such was opened in October; 778 garments were sold. Cash receipts are \$58.05.

One phase of the work we have given up. When the colored Y. W. C. A. was opened, under the supervision of the same splendid young woman, who had charge of our girls' work, it was our clear duty to the Y. W. C. A. and to Miss Hadley to release five circles of the Forward Quest Girls' Club. One was our own juniors. This we converted into a corps of the Girls' Reserve of the Y. W. C. A. The Big Sister Circle of the Forward Quest, though now independent, still makes its headquarters at the Bethlehem House.

#### REGULAR ACTIVITIES.

The regular work of the settlement has moved along smoothly, except for a change last February, when our fine club worker, Miss Butler, left us to go into War Camp Community Service. Miss Lewis, also a Fisk graduate, filled her place until June, when Miss Compton, a beautiful Christian young woman, was elected to fill this position. Miss Compton graduated with honors from Fisk in May.

The spring closing was given in the form of a May festival. This was followed by the annual picnic, which Mrs. Robert Moore and her Nashville District made possible by their lovely sandwiches, fruit, cream, and cake.

The Daily Vacation Bible School and the city playground, which is conducted on our yard, were the main features of the summer work. The Bible school, we consider one of the most important phases of the whole year's work. The enrollment was sixty-five and the average

attendance thirty-five. We were fortunate in securing the playground supervisor's position for Miss Sims, the daughter of our housemother, thereby having some one who knew and loved them over our children. It was open one hundred and seventeen days, with an average attendance of eighty.

The Sally Hill Sawyer Memorial Fund Committee has done splendid work through 1919. In February this Finance Committee gave a musical which netted \$75. In June it organized the Sally Hill Sawyer Association, with contributing memberships \$1 and sustaining memberships \$5 annually. Immediately it put on a drive for \$1,200, the necessary amount to finance the two kindergartens for the year. The Big Brothers gave \$100 to be applied on equipment. In October the committee collected \$251 from the annual Tag Day. During the year the committee has raised about \$1,000. The annual reception for this association in November was spoiled by a very heavy rain.

Christmas was, as usual, a most happy and beautiful occasion. There were thirteen parties and special affairs. A picture show opened the festivities on December 18. The two kindergarten parties followed. Oranges were then distributed to the Sunday story hour and the factory meeting group. Two Mothers' Club dinners were occasions for good eats and fine programs. A young people's social was a happy occasion. The children's Christmas tree was the largest affair of them all. To the workers the times of deepest joy were the filling and distribution of the Christmas baskets to the very poor, lonely, and old people and the singing of Christmas carols, with the children and young people, in hospitals, homes, etc. We sang at the governor's mansion. We joined with the Y. W. C. A. in this. Many other phases of the work deserve special mention, but time and space will not permit.

One of the sources of greatest joy is our Board, which is composed of both men and women, white and colored. Our President, Mrs. A. B. Smith, says: "We are not disturbed by any racial differences, but we meet at the Bethlehem House on a common ground to do what we can for humanity and for our Christ." Another member, Dr. Fisher, one of the professors of Fisk University, says: "This thing which you splendid Southern women are doing is one of the hopeful signs in these troublous times and gives us great encouragement." A former member (white) of the Board is now beginning a far-reaching work for better race relationship in our beloved Southland. Dr. W. W. Alexander says he has found the Bethlehem House one of the best agencies for the prevention of race riots and begs that we multiply the work. We quote him as follows: "We certainly are indebted to the Methodist women for instituting these houses, and we get on our knees to you to multiply them. It is the best thing now for race interpretation and coöperation that I know anything about."

And thus we leave with you this glimpse of our Nashville work. In closing we plead with you, dear missionary women everywhere, to open your hearts anew to the American negro. Go to them in love; do not go in a condescending attitude. Christ did not come to us in a patronizing manner. Let us remember the supreme value of the human soul, whether that life be under a black or a white skin. Nothing else compares as to real worth. We are our brother's keeper, and when we go to the Father we must answer when asked what we did for these black brothers who lived so long beside us.

**COTTON MILL WORK.****Atlanta, Ga.—Wesley House.**

DEACONESS SARAH LOWDER, HEAD RESIDENT; MISS FRANCES HOWARD,  
GIRLS' WORK.

The year 1919 has been a year of blessed service and varied experiences. On September 1 I entered upon my work at the Atlanta Wesley House. During the summer many of the activities had been suspended, so that one of my first duties was to reorganize the various departments of work.

The day nursery was maintained throughout the year and is a very necessary part of the work, since so many of our mothers are either widows or deserted women and are forced to support their children and homes. The Fulton Bag and Cotton Mills repainted two of our rooms this fall, and College Park League gave us a lovely donation of porcelain ware for the day nursery dining room.

The kindergarten was well patronized, notwithstanding several changes in teachers, due principally to sickness. On Thanksgiving Day the children entertained their mothers with games and songs, and on two other occasions they sang for special programs in the city.

The Epworth League Union gave us a gymnasium instructor for the Boys' Club Department during the fall, and much interest was shown in this feature of work. The game room was patronized two nights per week by the teen-age boys.

The Mothers' Club was reorganized with twenty members, and several interesting programs were given by them.

The supply department has met a real need. Generous donations from the city and Conference auxiliaries have been received.

We have tried to cooperate with the social service agencies of the city in our social service work and with the St. Luke's Methodist Church in doing the religious work for the community. St. Luke is the only organized Church in this community and ministers to seven thousand factory people. We have been identified with all departments of the Church and are enjoying the privilege of serving as stewards.

I have a Sunday school class of young women whom I am trying to build up in Christ so that they may become leaders for the community and the Church.

Miss Howard reports the girls' work as follows: "I became a member of the Wesley House family last September, and, as this was my first work, there were many things for me to learn. All the month of September found me busy visiting toward organization of class and club work. I found most of the children enthusiastic over the idea of returning to our different activities. I have a wide-awake kitchen garden class and was very proud of them when we had a review of the first three months. The children in the cooking class are doing splendid work, and many of them tell of how they go home from class and cook that particular dish for dinner or supper, as the case may be. The sewing class consists of three departments, beginners', doll garment, and the advanced class of girls, who make their own garments. These three groups meet together for the opening and are very responsive to the Bible verses and the singing. I made an effort to organize the Girl Scouts, but, as the organization in Atlanta is almost dead, was unable to do anything. However, I am going to make another effort. Owing to certain conditions regarding the running of the mill, I was unable to organize the young girls' work until November. While the number was not very large,

they were enthusiastic and regular three times each week. I was able to reach them first only by making an appeal to them in a social way. I was told that these girls like to take part in plays, etc.; in other words, they like to do things that attract attention. So with the assistance of an expression teacher a club was organized, its purpose expressed in the name, "Right-the-Wrong Club," with dramatics as a side issue. These girls gave a pantomime Christmas entitled "The Shepherds and the Angels," which was a great success. Through this club I was able to reach and instruct them in domestic science and dress-making once each week. Several of the girls are quite efficient in cutting and designing. I have, through my department, come in contact with between seventy-five and eighty children and young girls. While there has been no Sunday school in connection with our work here, I have influenced many of these children to attend our St. Luke's Sunday School, with which we are affiliated."

### Augusta, Ga.—King Mill Settlement House.

MISS MARGARET URQUHART.

In beginning this summary of the past year's work I should like to acknowledge the loving care of the Heavenly Father over all the workers of the home. We have all been kept safely for service and have been enabled to continue an uninterrupted program throughout the year.

We have had this past year (1919) an average of one hundred and seventy-eight children and adults in attendance on Church services every Sunday, with thirteen conversions and nine children baptized.

In our day school we have averaged ninety-six children a day during the school year. That means that we have been enabled to assemble ninety-six children every day except Saturday and Sunday during the nine months' school year in our chapel every morning for Bible instruction, besides their regular school work.

Our nursery matron, Miss Janie Caple, has lovingly cared for an average of twenty-nine children daily, except on Sunday, the whole year through. Every one of these little people, from two-year-old tots to the oldest, assemble around Miss Janie at seven o'clock every morning for prayers and Bible instruction.

The total number of persons happily entertained through clubs and social life at the Settlement House this year is eight hundred and ninety-eight.

Our night school this past year was more encouraging than for years, with an enrollment of fifty-three, averaging thirty-six, and having had sixty-four sessions.

In our Relief Department we have been allowed to care for seventy-one individual babies. These babies have been constant visitors at the Welfare, and through the Welfare we have been enabled to have many helpful hours with the mothers of these dear little children.

Out of the ninety-eight individual city clinic patients, conducted through the Settlement House, we have had thirty-eight successful operations, fifteen eye patients cured, and ten obstetrical patients successfully cared for.

There are endless things to do for our dear people, so we concentrate on looking after health, teaching them to read, and giving them the Bible.

Our Bible verse for the Settlement House, repeated in all classes and services, is: "Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation

of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my redeemer." (Ps. xix. 14.)

The motto for the day school is: "Be strong—good courage; one man with God is stronger than a thousand men without God."

### **Birmingham, Ala.—Avondale Wesley House Day Nursery.**

MISS ETHEL CUNNINGHAM, NURSERY MATRON.

Although our work has been taken over by the company, the management of affairs has been left with us.

I have more help in the nursery, which enables me to give more individual care and to go into the homes more. During the holidays I especially enjoyed visiting. Many of the lonely mothers seemed longing for companionship.

We were proud of the fact that only two families in our village considered themselves "Birmingham's poor" and visited the Elks' Christmas tree. There is a very encouraging spirit of helpfulness in the village for those less fortunate.

We are so glad to see some of those with whom we have worked active in Church work. A former nursery mother is now president of our missionary society.

Our Get-Together Club for the young people is quite a success.

### **Charlotte, N. C.—City Mission Work.**

MISS AGNES STEWART.

This is a new work, having been under the Council only one year. We are glad to have a work in Charlotte, for the field is ripe unto the harvest. The Board of City Missions was organized about three years ago and was cautiously feeling its way along with some very efficient workers when I came into the field just two years ago.

Then for one year I studied the field, took the census, and worked for one year learning conditions, after which we decided to connect up with the Council and have a permanent work for the training of the children and the advancement of God's kingdom in our midst.

The work has grown steadily till the Board is all aglow with enthusiasm, and we are having to tighten up the holding-back strap to keep them from running away with the work.

We have organized work with the children and the young people, but are very much handicapped for lack of a house in which to carry on our work, for the church is not a suitable place for the club and class work. The Board is now trying to locate a house, and we are hoping soon to have a house of our own rented and equipped, where we can organize a number of different classes and carry on our work in a more satisfactory way.

One of the most successful features of the work is the summer activities, where we can have the children and the young people in the open, outdoor air for games and recreation.

Then, too, the night school, conducted by volunteer workers, with Miss Mattie McNinch as head of the department, is doing a great work. Numbers of young men have learned to read and write, while others have advanced to higher grades.

Another important feature of the work is the friendly visiting, through which we keep in touch with the people and give them much friendly advice.

The morality of the community has been improved to a marked degree, and we are trusting that much more may be accomplished along this line as well as many others. We need a purer atmos-

phere in which to train our children and young people for a higher life.

We are praying that God will lead us in a plain path and that this work will grow and develop till we will take this whole community for Christ.

### **Columbus, Ga.—Mary L. Cook Kindergarten and Welfare Work.**

MISS ELOISE BAXTER, MISSIONARY KINDERGARTNER.

This work is supported and directed by the Kindergarten Association of Columbus, a board of women interested in civic betterment. It consists of a Kindergarten, Sewing School, Mothers' Club, Boy Scout Troop, Children's Clinic, and Young Woman's Cooking Class.

At Christmas Miss Mary Cook, the donor of the lot on which the kindergarten building stands, gave to the kindergarten department a check for fifty dollars, which was used for equipment and the children's Christmas treat. At the kindergarten entertainment nearly every mother was present, and each went home feeling that she had an exceedingly bright child and quite proud of the little gift he had made for her.

The sewing school, combined with a first-aid class, conducted by one of the public health nurses, and had a Christmas party. About seventy girls were present. They played games, sang songs, had a Christmas story and refreshments. After the party several of the first-aid girls enrolled in the sewing classes.

The Rotary Club of Columbus is backing the Boy Scout movement in the city and has, accordingly, lent us valuable assistance in the organization of our Scout troop.

Mr. Holden, the superintendent of the largest cotton mill in our district, has provided us with a Scoutmaster and is aiding in the support of the kindergarten and young woman's cooking class.

The Public Health Nurse Association is maintaining the clinic.

The Kindergarten Association is also supporting a similar work in another part of the city.

### **Dallas, Tex.—Dallas Wesley House.**

DEACONESS ANNIE L. TRAWICK.

That "they also serve who stand and wait" is true. Still, we deaconesses who have been "on the firing line do not always find it an easy thing to do when we think of the whitened fields and the great need of workers. I have served my waiting time and am so thankful to be once more engaged in the activities of a Wesley House.

My report is a meager one, as I have been in Dallas only a few months, just long enough to find out the needs of this congested district and to feel my heart throbbing again with the joy of service.

### **Danville, Va.—Wesley House.**

MISS SUE ELIZABETH COLE, HEAD RESIDENT.

After two years' service in the Coöperative Home in Houston it was with regret that I gave it up, but I find Wesley House work just as interesting. I am delighted with the work and find no end to the pleasure derived from seeing the gladdened hearts of all those with whom we come in contact.

Last spring at the close of the year's work a regular commencement, with awarding of diplomas, was held. This was pronounced

a marked success by the board members and people of the community.

Through the generosity of the mill quite a lot of improvement has been made on our Wesley House, such as closets for the bedrooms, china presses for the kitchen, and linen closets for the resident workers. The board has furnished us with beautiful silver and china, both for our private use and for use in community entertaining. They also gave us several much-needed seats for our playgrounds.

Our crowds on the playgrounds exceeded all expectations. More than one thousand children came each month until the weather was too cold to permit.

Our enrollment in every department this year has exceeded any previous record. We have our Mothers' Club, Young Girls' Club, Little Housekeepers, sewing school, junior and senior domestic science classes, and the Junior Boys' Club, which is one of the most enthusiastic groups we have. They are being taught woodwork. The Senior Boys' Club is directed by a competent young man of our city. The Girls' Missionary Society is another feature of our work.

There are two hundred and seventy-nine homes in our vicinity, and we have come in personal contact with two hundred and thirty-seven of them.

We hope to raise funds to erect a new building in the near future. We are working toward that goal.

Last fall we had Miss Catherine James, whose home is in Danville, as kindergarten assistant and domestic science instructor. She did excellent work, and we hated to give her up at Thanksgiving time. We labored without a third worker from then until January because we had secured Miss Virginia Hicks, of Plano, Tex., and she could not come to us until the first of this year.

At Christmas time we remembered one hundred and eight individuals of our neighborhood and gave nineteen beautiful baskets. Miss Weatherford and I took charge of the Christmas program at our church. It was impressive and seemed to leave the true Christmas spirit with our people.

God has been wonderfully good to us, and through ministering to these people materially we hope to give them that spiritual uplift that is the aim of all this work.

Miss Weatherford reports as follows: "Our kindergarten has outgrown all available quarters, and we are laboring under hardships because of that fact. We were assisted until Thanksgiving by Miss Catherine James, an accomplished young lady of Danville. She did much to make our work intensely interesting with her wonderful musical talent. The children learned many little character songs under her direction. Each holiday has had its special observation, with appropriate songs and drills. The room is always decorated, usually with the handwork of the children. At Christmas they made match scratchers for their fathers and needle books for their mothers. Our Christmas party was attended by forty children, although it was the worst morning of the year, the ground being covered with sleet, making it almost impossible to stand erect. Each little girl received a doll dressed by the Young Girls' Club, and each little boy received a toy. Last spring we had nine graduates from the kindergarten. These all entered public school. In a letter from the city superintendent of public schools in Danville, he tells us that there have been more children from this district to enter public school since we have had kindergarten than ever before. The Little Housekeepers are enthusiastic over their work, and in the homes we can see that their training has not been in vain. The Young Girls' Club is always an evening of en-



joyment. Sometimes we make candy, sometimes sew, and sometimes go out to a good entertainment. This club is for young girls who work in factories and mills, and we strive to make it as attractive as possible for them. I have one of the most important and enjoyable places of the Church in the Sunday school, being superintendent of the Primary Department. These little sunbeams are surely shining for the glory of their Creator and are bright rays in the homes of our people."

### Knoxville, Tenn.—Wesley House.

DEACONESS FALLA RICHARDSON.

The last week in June I came to the Knoxville Wesley House. The summer months were spent in getting acquainted with the people of the community and in planning good times for the children and young people.

The Epworth Leagues of the city Churches gave several very enjoyable entertainments at the Wesley House.

The Boys' and Girls' Garden Clubs gave us many fresh vegetables.

The weekly story hour for the children has been most popular. The winsomeness and enthusiasm of the volunteer story teller have made her a great favorite with the children.

In September the regular clubs and classes were reorganized. With a song in their hearts, the Little Housekeepers delight in sweeping, dusting, dishwashing, etc.

The junior girls' cooking classes have been crowded. They enjoy practicing at home what they learn at class. Some of them have also taught their neighbors how to prepare special dishes.

The sewing school has done good work. The volunteer teachers have been faithful and have rendered valuable assistance. The mothers say that they are glad to send their children to the Wesley House because they learn Bible verses and good songs as well as sewing. Their favorite song is "Help Somebody To-day."

One evening a week a very attractive high school girl reads or tells stories to our Senior Girls' Sewing Club. They made pretty and useful gifts for their mothers and friends.

The Girls' Supper Class has been learning the proper combinations of food and how to properly prepare and serve a meal in the home.

The book of Genesis has proved a very interesting and helpful study for the Girls' Friday Night Bible Class. One girl said: "I did not know the Bible could be so interesting." Another said: "I wish we could have Bible class two nights a week instead of one."

More than two hundred books and many magazines have been added to our library by friends. These are eagerly read by our young people and children.

During the revival services in September seven of my Sunday school class of teen-age girls were converted. There are others yet unsaved whom we earnestly desire to bring to the Master.

The young people have thoroughly enjoyed the monthly social, which they have planned with our assistance. The older boys' and girls' clubs take turns entertaining.

The Thanksgiving and Christmas entertainments were unique and very much enjoyed by large audiences.

The missionary societies and other friends have been very good to the Wesley House this year. Showers of fresh and canned goods have helped to bring down the high cost of living and have given much pleasure to our family.

Rummage sales have helped to clothe the poor. Old clothes sent us have been a blessing to the widows and orphans.

## WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL.

The work has been made easier and happier because of the interest, loyalty, and splendid coöperation of our City Mission Board. Our prayer has been:

"That God may give us skill in comfort's art;  
That we may consecrated be and set apart  
Unto a life of sympathy,  
For heavy is the weight of ill in every heart,  
And comforters are needed much of Christlike touch."

Deaconess Waddell reports:

"While my appointment was changed the past year, there was very little change in the work, as I was in the same community and boarded at the Wesley House.

"I was very much pleased with the change, as it was what I had been wishing for for a long time, as there was such a great need for more workers and well-organized departments. We were able to have these, as the Wesley House deaconesses had charge of all the club work, leaving me in charge of the clinic work and home nursing. I have made six hundred and three visits to the sick and treated three hundred clinic patients. I have assisted the doctors with several operative cases, doing the dressing and taking care of the patients after operations. Practically all have been major operations, and it would have been almost impossible for them to have gotten the care and treatment otherwise.

"I have also nursed quite a number of medical and obstetrical cases in the homes. This is a department of the work that I love very much, and I was so glad to be able to devote all my time to it. By prayer and the coöperation of some of our best surgeons and physicians in the city we have been able to see some splendid results from this department.

"Much of the success of the work at the Wesley House this year has been due largely to the splendid assistance of our volunteer workers. And I make special mention of Misses Beatrice and Lucy Bourne, Miss Katherine Goddard, Mrs. F. B. Morgan, and Mr. Ray Crittendon."

### Meridian, Miss.—Wesley House.

V. MAUD FAIL, DEACONESS.

This has truly been a year of varied experiences. When I made my report last year I had just returned to my work in Mobile from an absence of three months. After an attack of "flu," with Miss Stella Womack retiring from the work, I tried to hold the fort alone in Mobile until Council.

Just one week before I was to leave Mobile for my new appointment, Meridian, a terrible fire swept over that portion of the city, destroying forty blocks. The Settlement House, being in the center of the fire, was completely destroyed with all furnishing and personal belongings. It was necessary for me to stay on in Mobile until the first of August to help handle the fire relief fund.

After a six weeks' rest I came to my new appointment, reaching here the middle of September.

The kindergartner's illness prevented her from coming. So we have not had a kindergarten here this year.

We have a nice sewing school, with a splendid corps of teachers. The girls are enthusiastic and faithful.

Eighteen girls are enrolled in cooking classes. Twenty-one girls

form the Girls' Reserves, and twelve small girls are enrolled in the Embroidery Club.

We have a splendid troop of Boy Scouts, the Scoutmaster being a ministerial student from Meridian College.

The younger boys are organized into a club that also has as its director a college student.

It has been difficult to reach mothers and young women at their work in the factory from early morn until late at night, but three parties have brought the young people to the Wesley House. We hope soon to organize them into a club.

The Woman's Missiionary Society of the Mississippi Conference has sent wonderful boxes of supplies, and the weekly sale of second-hand clothing has become a popular phase of our work.

I have a Sunday school class of teen-age girls in the Seventh Avenue M. E. Church.

I must speak of the good work done by the volunteer workers. Sixteen college students have gladly given of their time and talent, besides the splendid women who teach in the sewing school.

A new basket ball court has brought much pleasure to the girls and boys. The playground has proved very popular with the small children.

Our Christmas entertainments and Christmas tree were a great success, the college students furnishing a lovely program. More than one hundred children received presents and fruits.

The girls in the cooking school are doing good work. The County Demonstrator and a senior from the college teach the girls.

#### Nashville, Tenn.—Warioto Settlement.

DEACONESS JOSEPHINE BERGLUND, HEAD RESIDENT; BESSIE BUNN, CLUB DIRECTOR; SARA RYLEY, KINDERGARTNER.

Deaconess Josephine Burgland reports: "We have all enjoyed this our second year at Warioto. Being better acquainted with our community, we have been able to reach many more people and to meet them more nearly on their own ground. One joy in our work this year has been our definite relation to Monroe Street Church and Sunday School. Our workers have served as superintendents of the Intermediate and Junior Departments, chairman of the Sunday School Missionary Committee, teachers and members of the Evangelistic Committee, and have helped in several of the Centenary campaigns. My class of twelve girls, just stepping into womanhood, are a constant joy. Two have joined the Church this year, and now only two are out of the Church. I hope they will decide for Christ before Easter. Our Warioto Sunday School has an average attendance of eighty-five, and last year we gave \$50 for a baby organ for a kindergarten in China. This year we have pledged \$75 to the war orphans. Our Mothers' Club has grown in quality this year, if not in quantity. The mothers are spending one afternoon in the month sewing for the children in one of our orphanages; in addition they are taking great joy in buying and making clothes for a little girl there. They also give their own Bible lessons and spend one afternoon in the month studying community problems. We trust, with the loving guidance in sewing, cooking, and home-making lessons as well as through the Sunday school, that our little girls will grow into intelligent, efficient Christian mothers. Our loyal Epworth Leaguers enabled us to give all of our children, as well as many who are not in our clubs, real joy at Christmas time. Five separate groups had a Christmas tree, seven groups had parties, and the older girls had a banquet. Our expression and

millinery classes have added variety to the program. A gift from the Parent Teachers' Association of equipment for dental work and eye, ear, nose, and throat operations have made it possible to add these features to the already strong clinic. Twenty-five hundred patients have come for conference with the nurse, and four splendid physicians have given their services at the clinic weekly. Seven hundred and seventy patients have received treatment. Friends of the settlement have sent us second-hand clothing and have enabled us to sell very reasonably about one thousand garments, thus enabling many children to attend school, Sunday school, and the classes here who otherwise would have been unable to do so. At the close of the work in May our library looked like a corner of the State Fair as we displayed the work of the sewing school and kindergarten; and as the 'Butterflies' and 'Bluebirds' led you to see the dainties of the Domestic Science Department, they proved to all

"That children, though small,  
Can soon learn to do things right."

"It has been our pleasure this year to convince the County Board of Education that a little settlement of children in a river bottom section deserved a school and to see one established for them."

Miss Bunn reports: "The work that has come under my supervision has been the domestic science classes, Girl Scout Club, and gospel service. I have had from four to six classes in domestic science, with a total enrollment of about one hundred and fifty. Each class is learning a psalm, one having undertaken Psalm cxix. Special holidays are observed by letting the children decorate and set the table and serve what they cook in the dining room. During Thanksgiving week three of the classes had a special Thanksgiving dinner. Some touching incidents have happened among the children and young ladies in my classes. One girl of fourteen was forced by her mother to marry a man thirty-five years old, another had to quit her cooking class and day school to keep house while her mother worked in the mill. A young lady was beaten so by her father that she was tempted to leave home, and another is the main support of a family of six, her stepfather being of no help at all, all of which impresses upon us the great need for Christian settlements. The Scout Club has been a real pleasure. It is gratifying to see the patrol leaders guiding their troops and taking charge of the devotional meetings. Gospel services have held up well. The Leaguers have been faithful and rendered some good programs."

Miss Ryley reports: "The kindergarten work this year has been most gratifying. The attendance has been good, and we have succeeded in getting children from some of our poorest families, which heretofore we have been unable to interest. Two of the mothers have given birthday parties for their children in the kindergarten. The Little Home-Makers' Club has an enrollment of about twenty-six little girls, and they take great pride and pleasure in learning to do the little household tasks."

#### Spartanburg, S. C.—Wesley House.

DEACONESS FLORENCE BLACKWELL, HEAD RESIDENT; DEACONESS KATE  
WALKER AND MRS. M. J. ADAMS.

Coming to this work September 1, the four months have been spent just getting acquainted with my field and my people and taking up the clubs just as they were bequeathed to me by my predecessor. After a few weeks spent in visiting in as many homes as I could I

took up the work, first reorganizing the Home-Makers' Club, which has increased from six at the first meeting to a membership of forty-two. This is a live working club, and we are taking up the new year with bright prospects for a year of real work. The Bible lessons have been a most popular feature of our work. We have just completed Genesis, the members studying the lessons at home and taking part in the discussions.

Two lectures by physicians have been very helpful. The monthly social meeting gives a touch of fun and freedom from formality that helps to lighten the burden of home cares that falls so heavily many times on our mothers. The banquet during the Christmas holidays, to which the husbands were invited, was a great occasion and much enjoyed by all.

The Camp Fire Girls show promising results of several years' patient work on the part of the leader and of the girls themselves. They are a fine group of girls, and the training in this work is making of them women whose influence for good in the world will be felt. Several hikes, picnics, and social meetings have been enjoyed.

The Girls' Friendship Club, a group of girls more recently organized, ministers to the recreational life. For several weeks before the holidays the meetings were given over to learning to make and making various kinds of fancy work for Christmas gifts. At the close of the meeting a little time was spent in healthful calisthenics and set-ting-up exercises.

A cooking class for girls who work has been started, with a volunteer teacher.

I have made about four hundred visits.

Miss Walker reports the work of the younger girls as follows: "In making my report for the year 1919, three months must be deducted as the time necessary to regain health and strength by resting. Work with the children is such a delight, leading the bright little ones to cleaner thought life and forming better habits. In the Junior Department of the girls' work the ages included are from seven to fifteen. The kitchen garden work is a beautiful work for the smaller ones, and one directing this gets a glimpse into the heart life of the child, as we play at keeping house, doing all the work of making the furniture and furnishing the home, also being a mother to the little doll. Many interesting hours are spent in the Little Mothers' Club as we study the girl and her problems, also our relationship to the home and community and what we may do to fight germs. Domestic science is a necessary art in most mill villages. We find our work very encouraging, and the girls show an eagerness to know the best methods and really be cooks in their homes. Many small girls are having to do the work of a mother, because the 'flu' left the home without a mother, and we have made special efforts to get these girls into our classes in cooking and sewing. Many people in town show their interest in the work and their desire to serve, as they assist us both in the cooking classes and sewing school. Joyful moments are those when the people we serve learn to love our Father and reach out for the fuller and better life."

Mrs. M. J. Adams reports for the boys' work: "Another year of service is past, a year of days filled with many and varied duties. The time has flown only too swiftly, and now, as we attempt to crowd into a few words and figures the entire year's work, it seems almost impossible. However, I may give you a vague idea of what has been accomplished with our boys' work here. Last year our time was given to obtaining and equipping a club house to be used by our boys and young men. This year has been given almost wholly to the

organizing of the work in this department. One of the first and most important steps was the forming of a governing council made up of representatives from the different divisions, junior, intermediate, and senior, of the department. This council has the entire ruling of the club. The worker is an honorary member and submits her plans or problems to the council to be discussed, discarded, or threshed out. This council has been invaluable in the service rendered, not only to the club and department, but to the worker. Bible classes, industrial classes, and clubs of various kinds were organized and have been well attended. We have been fortunate in securing splendid volunteer leaders who direct and teach in these clubs. Their success has made me realize more and more the truth in the statement: 'The boy problem or the girl problem doesn't exist. The problem is one of leadership.' Secure the right leader, and there is no trouble with the boy. Our latest possession is a newly-equipped gymnasium with a good instructor. These classes are most popular at present."

## OTHER ENGLISH-SPEAKING INDUSTRIAL CENTERS.

### Baltimore, Md.—City Mission.

DEACONESS WILHELMINA WAHLROOS.

Although during the past year we have failed to accomplish all that we set our hearts upon, we rejoice to know that there have been evidences of the Holy Spirit's work among us and that the divine approval and blessing have been vouchsafed to us through the ministry of the word and through personal effort.

Much of the work is taken up visiting in the homes of the people. In getting into close touch with the mothers in the home one is struck with the quiet heroism of many of their lives, lived often in the midst of circumstances that are heart-rending, sin, poverty, sickness, and sorrow. As we listen to their story there comes into our hearts a longing desire to help them and to win them for Jesus.

My Bible class for women held on Sunday afternoon is growing in numbers. The teaching of the Word is intensely practical; many have listened to great purpose and have become wise in the things of God—so taught as to be able to teach others.

The Mothers' Club meets every Thursday afternoon. The membership is not as large as last year, but to those of us who meet it has been and still is a season of helpfulness and blessing. We have had a variety of speakers, and when one remembers the earnest little talks of a quarter of an hour or twenty minutes each, we feel sure that so much earnestness and love must have a quiet effect and a lasting influence on the life.

Well-filled baskets were given out at Thanksgiving and Christmas to the sick and needy, with toys and books for the children.

The store and old-clothes room has been as great a boon as ever. Many a hard-working woman with more children than she knows how to keep has been more than thankful for shoes and warm clothing for her children during the cold winter months. Thus hundreds of garments have been distributed during the year.

Prayer services have been held with the sick and shut-ins. It has also been a great joy to render service in the Missionary Society, Junior Church, League, and Home Department of the Sunday school; special prayer meetings have been led, many visits paid to hospitals, annual and district meetings attended, and many talks made in the interest of the work.

It need scarcely be said that the chief aim in all our work is to lead the people to Christ. All our many-sided efforts make for this goal. We realize that there is only one power that can arouse and awaken the careless and sinful, and faith in that power alone keeps the worker hopeful and plodding.

### Louisville, Ky.—Wesley House.

MISS ELAII CANNON, HEAD RESIDENT.

Miss Cannon reports: "Dominated by the same spirit that has brought success in the past, but with broader program and larger hope, the Louisville Wesley House crosses the threshold of 1920. A radical change in its administrative policy has recently occurred. For the first time in its history, it has a male superintendent. In October of last year Capt. Phil H. Ryan, of Louisville, was appointed to this office and was made pastor of Marcus Lindsey Memorial Methodist Church. The main object of this joint appointment was to coördinate the work of these two institutions which occupy adjoining buildings. It is also expected that a man as superintendent will make possible an extension of the work among boys and men and facilitate other forward steps, including a much-needed new plant. The main achievement of the Wesley House during the past year was its faithful 'day-in-and-day-out' service to the community through the following activities: A Mothers' Club, kindergarten, library, literary club, cooking and sewing school, story-telling hour, manual training, elementary wood work, baby clinic, clothing sales, friendly visiting, athletics under the supervision of a trained coach, Boy Scout Troop, and Girl Scout Troop. A noon-day lunch hour and rest room is being planned for the benefit of the factory girls of our community. In the various activities, it is our hope to build character in its threefold development—spiritual, moral, and physical—making not only the true loyal citizen of to-day, but a better one for to-morrow. The inmates of the Wesley House not only receive good times, but are taught to share their joys and blessings with others. From time to time groups of children from the clubs give delightful programs and take fruit to the homes of the shut-ins in our own community, the children's hospital, and the Home for Incurables. During the Christmas season many who attended the festivities brought freewill offerings to be sent for the relief of the suffering Armenians across the seas. The total given by the Wesley House was \$25.78. This amount, added to \$31 which was raised in Marcus Lindsey Sunday School entertainment for the same purpose, made a fair little sum and showed a true spirit of altruism and service for others. The Wesley House this year had one of the very best Christmas seasons it has ever known. Many heads and hearts were busy for weeks ahead planning for the groups, entertainments ranging from a real turkey dinner with all of its trimmings, a live Santa Claus bringing gifts, beautiful Christmas tree and other festive decorations, to a banquet with a dignified program given by outside speakers. The joy manifested in the bright faces, laughter, songs, and yells was enough to make us truly thankful we were privileged to live in an age of service such as we are now passing through. Not only those who came to the Wesley House for such occasions were made happy. During Christmas week the gymnasium was a veritable beehive of activities in preparation for spreading joy in the way of food and toys among needy families who might otherwise have failed to have their share of Christmas cheer. As a result of this labor of love, on Christmas Eve one hundred and two families were made glad over the receipt of baskets containing a bountiful dinner, candy, fruit, and gifts. The distribution was made

possible by the loan of machines by friends of the Wesley House and was made by a live Santa Claus in full dress. Surely all the activities reflect the spirit of Him who brought Christmas to the world, for we have felt his guiding hand in all that we have enterprised in the past, and pray that he may ever guide us in the building of his kingdom in this place."

Miss Godat reports: "During the years since the establishment of the Wesley House effective work has been done for the boyhood of this community, and the past year's work has been but a continuation of that effort to give the boy the fourfold development which will make him the strong Christian citizen of to-morrow. To that end all activities have been directed. Little folks have enjoyed a kindergarten club where, after a program of song and story, they spend a half hour in simple construction. Woodwork has been an attractive feature, and as these active boys, ranging in age from eight to twelve years, saw animals and toys out of thin wood they have learned helpful lessons in self-control, accuracy, and perseverance. Older boys have made useful articles in the manual training class. Every child loves stories, and our faithful volunteers feel well repaid as they watch the eager, interested faces of their audiences at the weekly story hour held in connection with the library period. Athletics, always a popular feature, draw a large crowd of boys; and, under the direction of a trained coach, our team has been the victor in a majority of basketball games played during the season. Hikes, parties, social hours, and the annual Christmas banquet have added interest and variety to our program. The boys' worker has also taught an enthusiastic class of intermediate boys in Sunday school, and she glories in the opportunity to guide these young lives through lessons in practical Christianity. Thus day by day the threads in life's tapestry are woven, and when the pattern is fully completed we hope that it will be worthy of the Master Weaver's 'Well done!'"

### Memphis, Tenn.—Wesley House.

DEACONESS NELLE WYNN, HEAD RESIDENT.

The Memphis Wesley House is situated in a polyglot community and ministers to Jews, Italians, and Americans.

The day nursery, the classes, the clubs, and the Sunday school have each been a means of bringing the people of the community in closer touch with the workers, with each other, and we hope closer to the Father of us all. In the nursery we have cared for forty-nine children, and while we have met the needs of the children we have valued the contact this department has given us with the families perhaps more. Through the children we have our surest approach to the mothers and fathers and the older girls and boys.

The sewing classes, cooking classes, and kitchen garden class have each been well attended and have contributed their part toward the betterment of the community by reaching the families through the children and lifting the ideals and living conditions in the separate homes.

The Scouts' organizations for both boys and girls have gone far toward solving the good citizenship problem with the boys and girls of the next generation. Forty boys and girls are members of these clubs.

The Sunday school has an enrollment of one hundred and is doing efficient work in teaching the principles of the Christian religion and the personal relationship to Jesus Christ.

We have coöperated with the Juvenile Court, associated charities,



and many other associated and social organizations of the city. The work is growing, and attendance in all departments is good. We have a wonderful opportunity. Plans are on foot to build in the near future, with new and better equipment. We believe the work will be all that could be expected.

### Montgomery, Ala.—Methodist Settlement Home.

DEACONESS ALICE SHEIDER.

The work for the year 1919 has been along the same general lines as in former years. Through the preaching service and the Sunday school faithful effort has been made to bring the people of the community into vital touch with the Church and a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. In January we entertained the Board of Stewards and their wives and our pastor and his wife at dinner, after which we held our first stewards' meeting. Our assessment for pastoral support was raised from \$50 to \$100, which was paid at the beginning of the fourth quarter.

Our Junior Missionary Society continued to hold the interest of the children. The society had charge of Missionary Sunday in the Sunday school and gave several interesting programs. In May it was our privilege to entertain the district meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society in session in the city. The children gave a splendid program, including a report of the work of the society by the president. After the program the girls served punch and assisted in entertaining the guests.

In June forty-five Juniors enjoyed an all-day picnic at Oak Park. Automobiles to take the children to and from the park and a lovely picnic dinner were furnished by the Philathea Class of Court Street Church. The opening of their mite boxes was an interesting feature of the day.

Our weekly socials included a Valentine party, an Easter egg hunt, several good concerts, and a number of birthday parties. One of these was a surprise party given by the children to an old lady eighty-three years old. The birthday cake held one candle for each ten years and gave equal pleasure to the recipient and the children. Another was given at the Settlement Home for the oldest member of our Sunday school. The large cake, with sixty-one tiny pink candles, was enjoyed by all.

Through the kindness of friends we were able to take sixteen of our older girls and nineteen junior girls to the Y. W. C. A. camp for a few days' outing.

We have three bright young girls at Vashti Industrial Institute, all supported by friends in the city.

Much time was spent in friendly visiting and in looking after the sick.

The supply closet continues a helpful feature of the work.

It was my privilege during the year to attend the meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council in Memphis, Tenn., the meeting of the Alabama Conference Woman's Missionary Society, in Selma, Ala., and the Centenary Exposition, in Columbus, Ohio.

On account of illness, I left the work in Montgomery early in November, so I cannot report for the two closing months of the year, including the Christmas work. I know, however, that it was successfully carried on by the very capable and interested local workers.

## Murfreesboro, Tenn.—Wesley House.

MRS. E. L. SOUBY, HEAD RESIDENT.

The city of Murfreesboro is rapidly becoming an important manufacturing center. In addition to the pencil and other factories that have been long established, a number of new industries have recently come to Murfreesboro, among them being a big hosiery mill which employs a large number of women, and an overall factory, and a cotton mill is now under construction and will be in operation by next fall. This means, of course, an enlargement of the work of the Wesley House.

On my return to the Wesley House last June after a year's absence I found that the majority of the families with whom I had labored had moved to better surroundings and were no longer in need of our ministrations. In consequence, the work since my return has been among entirely new families. There is no better evidence of the value of the work of the Wesley House than the fact that many of the families formerly served by it have both desired and were able to move to better surroundings where they could live in a manner in keeping with their improved standards and ideals.

## PRESENT ACTIVITIES.

Perhaps the best work done among the women of our community has been the courses in hygiene and home care of the sick, given by a Red Cross nurse. As a result the mothers know better both how to prevent sickness and to care for their children when illness has overtaken them.

The clinic, furnished with modern equipment and served by the leading doctors and dentists during certain periods of the week, is proving a great asset to the community.

The sewing school is well organized and doing good work, and an increasing number of women are taking advantage of it.

The making of tin can toys is proving very interesting and helpful to the boys. It is by far the most appealing form of service we have ever undertaken for them. We are following the methods outlined in "The Making of Tin Can Toys," by Edward Thatcher, published by the J. B. Lippincott Company. It is a comparatively recent project and is proving successful wherever it has been tried. It is surprising how many different things can be made out of discarded tin cans.

The Girls' Club is proving very successful. Many of the girls made themselves creditable sweaters and gift handkerchiefs during the holidays, and some are knitting for profit, a number of them having made several dollars each already.

The day nursery has become a permanent necessity and will be increasingly patronized as a result of the new industries above mentioned. It is in charge of a very capable young woman and is rendering an important service to the women who work. These women appreciate it more and more.

The Sunday school meets every Sunday afternoon. The classes are taught by six volunteer teachers. The enrollment is sixty, and the average attendance is forty.

Our activities during the past Christmas were fruitful of good results. A list of one hundred and fifty names of children was given out, and different people of the city furnished them nice presents, wrapping and addressing each package. Food and coal were furnished certain needy families, widows mostly, by individuals and by organizations, such as Sunday school classes, Junior Leagues, etc. In some cases money was given. In all cases careful investigation was made

in an effort to prevent an unwise administration of charity. The people of Murfreesboro were extremely generous, and no families lacked such assistance as seemed necessary and proper.

The above report might have been more extensive and complete, but I hope it will serve the purpose.

#### Nashville, Tenn.—Wesley House.

MISS BESSIE ALLEN, HEAD RESIDENT; MRS. BERTHA CRENSHAW, DIRECTOR GIRLS' CLUBS; MISS LAWLER CLENDENIN, KINDERGARTEN NO. 1; MISS MARY HASLER, KINDERGARTEN NO. 2.

The year 1919 has been a most trying and eventful year. About the middle of January Miss Robinson, our splendid club worker, was called home by the death of her brother's wife and remained to care for his children. Between that time and June her place had been filled by four different workers. Miss Wike, our boys' worker and pastor's assistant at Humphreys Street Church, had a serious operation in the spring, and the Methodist Union, which had supported that work, decided to discontinue it, so that left us without a boys' worker. The President of our City Board met with a serious accident and was in the hospital a long time, and the Head Resident had two months' vacation in the summer. Notwithstanding all these obstacles, the work has progressed, and we closed the year with one of the happiest, fullest Christmas seasons we have ever had, in which we were able to give gifts and Christmas cheer to more than seven hundred.

We have added to our activities this year a new kindergarten near the May Hosiery Mill known as Mary Helm Kindergarten, a neighborhood laundry, carpentry for the boys, a Sunday school in Hosiery Mill Section and a Pollyanna Club, all of which are in successful operation.

I have, besides my responsibilities as head resident and house-keeper, the direction of all adult work, the boys' clubs, and the laundry. Our volunteer workers numbered fifty at the close of the year. They are, most of them, interested and faithful, many of them are very dependable and efficient, and to them belongs much of the credit of our success this year.

We have had many valuable boxes of canned goods and vegetables sent us by missionary societies without the Conference, which have tided us over the hard places and helped us meet the high cost of living splendidly. Our City Board has been the same faithful, efficient Board it had always been and provided for every need generously. God has blessed us indeed. To him be all the praise.

Mrs. Crenshaw has the following to say of the girls' work: "The months of June, July, and August were given mostly to visiting and playground work. When the regular work began in September, I was given supervision of most of the girls' work, including the Little Mothers' or Little Housekeepers' Class, cooking classes, Girl Scouts, gymnasium classes, and sewing school. Recently we have added another club, which the girls named the Pollyanna Club. It is composed of young working girls, and we are hoping to reach many of the young people through this club. The Girl Scouts, under the direction of Miss Nelle Gunn, are doing splendid work. They are learning beautiful lessons of service to others by actual service rendered them. With thirteen splendid volunteer teachers and helpers, the sewing school is doing excellent work. This Christmas the children were made very happy indeed by making artistic as well as useful gifts for their mothers. The "Little Mothers'" and the cooking classes are very encouraging, as the children show their appreciation of their

work by really putting the lessons into practice in their homes. Possibly the work most helpful to me is that in Fillmore Mission, a little Church in the neighborhood. I teach the Young People's Bible Class and help in other ways. It is a great privilege to me to be able to assist in a Church where there is such a great need of workers."

Miss Clendenin reports: "Our people seem to realize more and more what the kindergarten means to the child, and during the past nine months unusual interest has been manifested by both parents and children, a splendid attendance being the result. Each morning long before time to open kindergarten the children are here asking to play with blocks and toys. A number of birthdays have been celebrated, each child bringing something for the party. At our close in May the children gave a flower play and butterfly drill, which was largely attended. In September we opened with a full attendance. Our first real party was at Halloween. The table was beautifully decorated with souvenirs made by the children and cream, cake, and candy furnished by some good friends. At Thanksgiving instead of our usual party the children brought fruit and filled two baskets that had been decorated for the purpose, and our friends came with their cars and took them over to Mary Helm Kindergarten, which was opened in October on Houston Street, and gave the teacher and children a surprise party. For days afterwards the children talked of the good time they had surprising the children. We have had donations of money and material. A dear lady gave each child a narcissus bulb, and these were planted and kept in the kindergarten until they bloomed, when they were carried home with much pride by the happy owner or given to cheer sick friends. One of them gave much pleasure to an old lady on her eighty-sixth birthday. We marched in singing 'Happy Birthday' and presented the flower. Our Christmas tree was beautiful. I don't think the children were ever happier. It was a joy to watch them as they received the gifts from Santa. Seven children were promoted to the public school and given diplomas, these tied with bright Christmas ribbon. It was hard to decide which were happier, the mothers or the children."

Miss Hasler reports: "I have just completed three months in the Wesley House. It has been a blessed privilege to serve in this place. On October 2 the Mary Helm Kindergarten was opened at 417 Houston Street. We enrolled seven on the first day, and now there are thirty-one on the roll and an average attendance of twenty. We have grown in many ways, not in numbers alone. The children love to sing of Jesus and call for 'Old-Time Religion' every day. It has been a joy to watch these little lives unfold and develop. On December 19 we had our Christmas tree for the Sunday school, the mothers, and the kindergarten children. Each child had a lovely calendar to present to its mother. Each face beamed with Christmas joy as they sang of the Christ-child and the Christmas star. On Sunday afternoon Miss Allen and I gather the little folks in and have Sunday school for them in our little cottage on Houston Street. Here children learn of the love of God and have instilled within them a desire to become better men and women. The Busy Bee Club is composed of boys ranging from the ages of eight to twelve. They meet every Wednesday afternoon from 3:00 to 4:30. The younger boys make cardboard houses and furniture while the older ones make furniture from cigar boxes. They, too, made Christmas gifts for their mothers. It was a great pleasure to watch the interest and joyous secrecy with which each one labored on this gift of love. I enjoyed visiting among the people of my district. To have the personal touch with mother

and children, to come to know their joys and sorrows is like unto serving as one of them. I am grateful to have this opportunity of three months' service."

### New Orleans, La.—Mary Werlein Mission.

DEACONESS ALTHEA GRAHAM.

The activities of the mission are much as they were last year. The number of people whom we touch has not increased greatly, as our friends are constantly moving to other cities or to distant sections of this city. We just pray that some impress might have been made which will go with them and help in the better life. Their testimonies of what the mission has meant to them encourage us to keep on and try to have the new ones who take their places feel just as much the warm friendliness and kindly interest which we feel for them as we tell them the gospel message. My phase of the work is visiting in the homes, alleviating distress where possible, helping in the Sunday school, Junior League, mothers' meeting, and Missionary Society.

### Richmond, Va.—Methodist Institute.

DEACONESS HELEN A. GARDNER.

The work of the Methodist Institute is classified in the following way: Men's and boys' work, women's and girls' work, children's work, relief and correction, and the evangelistic department. While I have a part and interest in all these departments, my main efforts and time are given to the women's and girls' department.

One of the oldest organizations in the institution is the Mothers' Club, and it has just closed its most successful year. We have had splendid attendance, unflinching interest, and good missionary spirit. The women have given about twice as much as the preceding year in an offering given yearly for a free hospital of this city. The club meets every Thursday night, always opening with devotional exercises and sometimes devoting the entire evening to the consideration of spiritual matters. Once a month a social is furnished by the Epworth Leagues of the various Churches. At other times the evening is given to lectures on various helpful and practical subjects. Sometimes, in suitable weather, the good people from uptown come with their automobiles and take the women for a ride. The majority of these women work in the cigar and cigarette factories and keep house for a good-sized family after working hours. They greatly enjoy and appreciate the privileges of "their club."

The Camp Fire work, under which our young women and girls are organized, continues to be encouraging. There are about ninety girls enrolled in the various groups, including the Bluebirds, young sisters of the Camp Fire Girls. In addition to the regular Camp Fire activities, they have domestic science and gymnasium classes. During the spring they gave a good program on several occasions and raised sufficient funds to take them for a most delightful outing of one week. We went to the beautiful mountains of this State, where the girls enjoyed all the privileges of a summer resort at about the same rate as for an ordinary camp. This was made possible by the kindness of the owner of the resort. On returning to the city some of the girls felt very keenly the contrast between the happy, care-free days they had just had and the daily grind in the factory that faced them. Would that more of these days could be given them, for many are still children! One of their number died of tuberculosis during the year, and it was gratifying indeed to see this little girl, who would

probably have been lost to the kingdom but for our influence, dying with face lighted up with the holy light of faith.

Our people have learned to give as well as receive, and we had a delightful Christmas in the exchange of gifts, and especially in giving to Him. We endeavored to teach our entire community how to rightly keep his birthday. The Girls' Department gave an unusually good program of plays, drills, etc., during the holidays. A large crowd attended who seemed to thoroughly appreciate and enjoy their efforts. We have some real talent among our girls, the development of which has been decidedly encouraging.

We are endeavoring, through this work, to touch every phase of the community and home life, to supply their every need, and at the same time never become so loaded with routine that the chief emphasis will not be on the spiritual life, on a living faith in Christ Jesus.

Deaconess Selden Bryan reports: "The sewing school opened in the fall of 1919 with seventy-two little girls, all interested and eager to begin to sew. We had an opening party which helped greatly to get the school together for a good beginning. Besides the five regular grades, we were able to put in a postgraduate class this year, which gives the graduates further practice and more confidence in making their own clothes. There are seven in the postgraduate class, a dozen seniors, twenty-four in the old-clothes class, sixteen in the cradle class, and about fifteen each in the junior and primary classes. The opportunity with the sewing school is surely great, and the work is intensely interesting."

#### San Francisco, Cal.—Wesley House.

LOVICK P. SHEARER, PASTOR; MISS FLORENCE WHITESIDE, HEAD RESIDENT.

I was appointed pastor of the Wesley House April 1, 1919.

The foremost thing in the minds of those connected with our work is our new building. The excavation work is nearing completion, and actual construction will begin shortly. It will be a four-story reinforced concrete structure, 100x75 feet. There will be an auditorium and Sunday school department, a large social room with library and game rooms connecting; an office; a gymnasium with locker rooms, showers, and physical director's office; a women's and girls' clubroom, with domestic science departments and ladies' parlor connecting; boys' clubrooms; and apartments for pastor's family and individual workers; also a roof court for handball and other recreations.

The building committee has decided to change the name from "Wesley House" to "Wesley Hall" because of the great difference between our work and that of the other Wesley Houses.

We are located near an important junction, only a few blocks from the new civic center and within four or five blocks of the principal union labor temples of the city.

Our summer camp was conducted during the six weeks' school vacation on a beautiful stream among the alder trees, redwoods, mountains, and ferns. It was a "regular" camp—no buildings or sheds. Besides the two dressing tents, there were two large canvas inclosures for sleeping, with the trees and the sky for shelter. We cooked and ate right in the open. Sixty persons attended the camp during the season, staying from one to three weeks each. With the generous donation of a friend and the proceeds of an entertainment given by the Woman's Club we were able to finance the camp with a charge of \$4.50 per week for children and \$5.50 for adults. There were hikes over the hills and through the canyons, swimming, boat-

ing, swinging, ball games, and other forms of recreation. Books were provided, and much time was given to reading. We had a psalm at the breakfast hour, the evening prayer, and an occasional heart-to-heart talk around the camp fire at night.

The Boy Scout troop has grown in numbers, and the boys are greatly interested in their work. They take an interest in the other activities of the institution.

The "Wesley Athletic Club" has been organized among the non-descript boys of the streets. The smaller boys are organized as the "Wesley Cadets."

In August and September we conducted an evangelistic campaign for four weeks under the leadership of evangelists Jerry Jeter and Mrs. Jeter. The meetings were held in a large tent on the lot where our new building is being erected. There were about thirty-five conversions. Ten have joined the Church, and there were about twenty additions to the Sunday school as a result of the meetings. Besides this, we were put in touch with a great many new homes. We could have husbanded more of the results of the campaign if our quarters and equipment had not been so limited. We have found it difficult to hold a regular Church service.

Our Church has no larger opportunity for real Christian service in all this great golden West than here in this center of religious indifference. We shall trust the Great Shepherd of the sheep to send forth laborers to adequately man the work in the new plant and to raise up friends to adequately support the work.

Miss Florence Whiteside reports: "At the beginning of the year the Woman's Club decided to turn their attention to special relief work for children. A French-Italian family of six, left fatherless by the 'flu,' was helped until a widow's pension was secured. Eleven dollars in money, some food, and fifty garments were supplied. The club also cooperated in the preparations for and maintenance of the summer camp. In the fall a bazaar and rummage sale was given which was made successful by contributions of friends throughout the Conference. Ten dollars of the proceeds was appropriated to the Christmas tree for our own children. The club now has more than \$300 in savings for the furnishing of their clubroom in the new building. On the night of our White Gift service gifts of substance were brought by the women which helped to fill seven baskets of cheer for needy families. The Girl Scouts have had eight outings of various kinds during the year, besides the summer camp. One of these was an excursion into the Berkeley hills conducted by two students of the University. Another was an overnight hike, a wonderful experience in which we slept on the sand by the Pacific Ocean and had morning prayers to the music of the waves. On Valentine's Day the Girl Scouts, assisted by the Woman's Club, gave a party to the children in two wards of Letterman General Hospital. At Christmas time the girls had charge of the refreshment booth at the bazaar and raised \$8.75 to help Santa fill red socks for a needy family. One of the girls, who came to the Wesley House only to be a Scout, later joined the Sunday school, then the Church, and has been a strong leader among the girls. There is evidence of a deepening of the life of the girls and a growing interest in the kingdom of God. The little girls are reached through a sewing school and game hour which we have once a week. Two young ladies from the Normal Department of Lux School of Industrial Training have been secured as teachers and a regular course of instruction mapped out. All departments were entertained in the fall. Work was reopened in August by a camping party in the gym. Everybody was invited, and opportunity was given

us to make announcement of our tent meeting and introduce the evangelists, Rev. and Mrs. Jerry Jeter. One hundred and fifty were entertained in a series of four Halloween parties, in which we were assisted by a social service committee from the Berkeley Epworth League. The first of the year I had a class of young ladies in Sunday school and in the fall a class of small boys. I am glad to report that this class is growing. One boy who was faithful has helped to bring in others. All of these children are from nonchurched homes."

### Gadsden, Ala.—Tri-City Mission Board.

MRS. ALEXANDER GREET, PRESIDENT.

We found we could launch the work of the City Mission Board along certain lines without a trained worker, and the following is what we are undertaking and planning for: Friendly visiting and cottage prayer meetings for strangers, foreigners, and community; recreation center at First Methodist; night school at W. Gadsden Methodist with two well-equipped public school teachers in charge; planning for organization of girls into clubs, Camp Fire, etc., for vacation (I am in correspondence with public school teachers for this vacation work); domestic science class.

Our financial plan has not yet been perfected. The students at night school pay a tuition of \$5 per month (fifteen of them), which pays the teachers. We purpose working the girls' club, etc., in the same way. All the expense so far I have met. The finance committee are to bring a plan at our next meeting. We have purposed to have as little expense as possible; one really appreciates a thing more if he helps to pay for it. The boys at the night school are glad to have the opportunity to continue their studies. It takes some time to get these plans in good working order, but with the seven societies cooperating we expect to do our best to work out these plans.

We purpose having the same activities in Attalla and Alabama City that we have here. The Dwight Cotton Mill at the latter place has Miss Mary Hamilton, who used to be at Kingdom House, St. Louis, and who took her training at Scarritt, employed as a clinical worker at \$75 per month, a home, etc. She branches out all she can in the other work and would be glad to have a deaconess or city missionary.

## COÖPERATIVE HOMES.

### Corinth, Miss.—Corinth Coöperative Home.

DEACONESS ADELINE M. PEEPLES.

During 1919 fifty different young women have lived in the Home, some remaining for only a few days, others for the entire year. They seem, generally, to be very happy, several having been here off and on for three or four years. Two have lived in the Home six years.

Many are Church members; still, the religious life of the family is far from satisfactory, yet I note a growing improvement in their moral standards from year to year. Two of these young women, coming from homes without any religious influences at all, have united with the Church. We still continue our daily evening service at the table and Sunday school Sunday mornings. I believe the Sunday morning service is especially helpful, and many really seem to enjoy it.

Several periodicals come regularly to the Home, and a few of the young women take advantage of this opportunity to read.

Our social life has been very pleasant, and we enjoyed several parties with the young men friends of the girls during the year. Quite a num-



ber of young men have been on hand this year. Result: three weddings.

The business life of this Home is largely represented in the Weaver Pants Factory, though there are some telephone girls, clerks, and helpers in restaurants. There were also several business college students. The slight increase in wages at the factory and the Cumberland Telephone office has meant something to the employees, and I find there are several who are managing to save a little and have a small bank account. I am thankful to say that we have been able to keep free of debt, though the board remained at three dollars per week the entire year. This has been possible only because of the boxes and barrels sent by different Conference auxiliaries and also from some financial help that comes regularly from Corinth citizens and our own Missionary Society. Occasionally friends send small amounts of money.

My life is a very busy one. Besides being housekeeper, I have work in the Sunday school, Missionary Society, and Epworth League. This is my fourth year in Corinth. I have found many friends both in the Church and town who seem appreciative of this work. The Corinth Co-operative Home, though small and unpretentious, has accomplished something in the lives of young women who had seen very little of the bright side of life until God graciously led them to this shelter, where they have learned some things that have made them useful, happy women.

#### Houston, Tex.—Young Woman's Coöperative Home.

DEACONESS ANNIE ALFORD, HEAD RESIDENT; DEACONESS MATTIE M. CUNNINGHAM.

With the passing of the two large military camps from our city we felt that probably things would be a little dull at the Coöperative Home; but with from fifty to seventy girls full of energy and enthusiasm, full of hopes and adventure, there is always enough variety, interest, and excitement to keep one from being lonely.

During the year we have enrolled either as transients or permanent boarders about two hundred and seventy-five girls, besides entertaining fully half as many visitors. Each girl may have a guest occasionally if she likes, which makes this just a little more like home for her.

The floods during the summer caused many country girls to come to the city to seek employment as factory workers, telephone operators, office girls, or salesladies. Some came as students to a business college. Several are attending night school after working through the day. We have been able to assist about fifty girls in securing positions during the year and try, as far as possible, to meet and get acquainted with their employers, finding they take more interest in the girls and their welfare.

We have been made very happy to see several of our girls give their hearts to God and their lives to the Church, though not as many as we had hoped and prayed for. I had the privilege of helping one girl, whose home is in another State, to prepare herself for baptism in the Church of her faith, then led her out to the edge of the pool. Although dressed in my deaconess uniform, they seemed to look to me for it, and I was thankful I could be with her. When the heart is right the difference counts so little.

Several of our girls have married during the year and gone into homes of their own, but they frequently call up or come over to see how every one is at "home."

One of the greatest problems confronting us to-day is the young divorced girl, many of them but little girls still in their "teens" who

married soldiers, soon to find they could not agree or that they were already married men. We find by repeated experience it is unwise to mix them with single girls.

Many of them are living in cheap hotels and rooming houses practically unsupervised. What shall be done for them?

We are coöperating with all other organizations in the city for the interest and welfare of young ladies and pray every day for the Divine Hand to rule and direct their lives.

I have a Sunday school class of adolescent girls in McKee Street Church who are doing splendid work.

We are thankful for the privileges and opportunities afforded for service and the sympathy and coöperation of other workers, but above all we are thankful for that joy that comes from a patient and merciful Father and the promise that "as I was with Moses, so will I be with thee."

Miss Cunningham reports: "What changes a year may bring forth! I think no year of my life has had so many varied experiences as had the year 1919; yet I can but believe that God's hand has been in it all, and I praise him for the outlook for another year in his service and the joy in life among and work for and with the girls in the Coöperative Home. We endeavor to make the social life of the home pleasant and helpful. Special features in this line have been birthday parties, Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas occasions. Each month a special dinner is served at an appropriately decorated table for all girls who have birthdays that month. It has been a pleasure to note the general spirit of the entire body of young women in wishing a happy birthday to those celebrating, as well as to see the appreciation of the 'honored' individuals of this homelike recognition of their birthday. It is frequently said: 'This is the first time I ever had a birthday dinner.' For Halloween many of the girls invited friends from outside, and we had a full evening of amusement suited to the season. With Thanksgiving Day came the true spirit of Thanksgiving. Nothing marred the perfectness of the day in the home, notwithstanding that without the day was damp and gloomy. The dining room was attractively decorated, and at one long table as one large family we enjoyed a good turkey dinner. The girls were interested in the call for the Serbian relief fund, and we had a little box into which any one might slip her contribution if she cared to make one. Late that night when we opened the box our hearts were glad to find fifteen dollars. This, we felt, had been largely the secret of the day's pleasure. A number of the girls said: 'This has been such a lovely Thanksgiving Day.' Almost every one had voluntarily made her Thanksgiving offering to the worthy cause. The interest of the girls in each other, their attention in case of sickness, and often helping in ways a sister would help is a pleasant thing to see. It has been my pleasure to have conducted a class in the study of women of the Bible which has been well attended. The girls have studied the characters under discussion and taken an active part in the class discussion, often bringing some question to be answered at the next meeting. We have not had sewing classes, but have helped girls in altering and planning clothes, which has always been appreciated. I enjoy so much teaching the Philathea Class and my work in the Junior Church at Trinity Church. I am entering the new year with new physical strength and with gratitude for the blessings that have come to me here and would say: 'Lord, if I may, I'll serve another year.'"

**Lexington, Ky.—Coöperative Home.**

DEACONESS MARIA M. ELLIOTT.

Contrary to expectations, with the return of the soldiers from the war there was no appreciable falling off in the demand for women workers, but rather the reverse, due no doubt to the opening up of many industries closed by the war. Thus our cities are crowded more and more with women and girls from the country and small towns drawn thither by the hope of higher wages or by the call of the stern necessity of earning their daily bread. What a pity that the Church cannot reach out her sheltering arms and give to all of them who need it a real home to take the place of the one they may have had to leave or, sadder still, the one that has been broken up, thus throwing them out upon the world alone! We have room for only twenty-nine, but sometimes the necessity of the case has compelled us to "double up" and take one or two extra ones for a while.

With untiring zeal the ladies of the Board have worked to pay off the debt on the house, and the end of the year finds their goal practically reached, so that now they are planning to refurnish, repaper, and repair, so as to add to the comfort and beauty of the interior.

In January and February the influenza again broke out in the city, and we had a number of cases. A severe case of measles also caused a flurry of excitement, though no one else took it, and during the year three cases of appendicitis developed, two of which had to be taken to the hospital for operation; but through it all our Father's love kept us, and all recovered safely. With these exceptions the health of the household has been excellent.

Cupid has been busier than usual this year, and quite a number of marriages have resulted. In one instance the deaconess had to assist the little god by qualifying as guardian for the bride before the license could be procured.

During my four months' leave of absence Mrs. A. J. Hay kindly consented to conduct the affairs of the Home, and she was ably assisted by Mrs. Judith Wilder, our efficient housekeeper, so that I was enabled to rest secure in knowing that all was well.

On the whole, it has been a good year. The spiritual development showing itself in increased attendance at prayer service and otherwise is encouraging, and we feel that the Home has been a real help in more ways than one. Not merely to give wholesome food and recreation and proper shelter for the body, but "food convenient" for the soul, shelter from temptation, and protection from pitfalls that beset unwary feet has been our aim. If we have succeeded in this in even a small measure, we thank God and take courage.

**Richmond, Va.—Wilson Coöperative Home.**

DEACONESS SELDEN EPPS BRYAN.

The "Wilson" has kept pretty well filled, except through the summer months. As fast as some left or were sent away others came to take their places. Eighty-one girls have been benefited by the Home this year.

The girl problem seemed even greater this year than usual, but the servant problem has been big enough to cause much annoyance. I have tried all white help, and it seemed to work beautifully at first, but before long the girls began to feel so free in the kitchen, so free to help, which was very nice, but also so free to help themselves to food in the kitchen and pantry. In a home like this there are always some who abuse privileges and cause the one in charge to be stricter on all because some require it.

Billy Sunday came to Richmond in January, 1919. More than a dozen of my girls were converted or took a new stand for Christ. Our Home was much benefited by the revival. We have had several marriages here this year, one in the Home and several others the result of the social life of the Home. One marriage was a romantic runaway affair. The girl threw her suitcase out of the window at 2 P.M. to the boy and left next morning, pretending to go to work, but really to get married. I had tried to get them to wait for her mother's consent, as both were so young, and I thought I had succeeded in persuading them, but it seems I hadn't moved them at all. The wedding that we had here was very pretty and sweet. There were quite a number of guests, but they didn't stay for refreshments; so each of us had a double portion of cream and cake that kind friends donated for the occasion. We each contributed for a present for the bride, and our money bought a set of Rogers' knives, forks, and teaspoons.

The year has been very full, so much so that it leaves behind a poignant grief for the things that had to be left undone; but I thank my Father for the privilege of having had another year's service for him.

### San Francisco, Cal.—Mary Elizabeth Inn.

DEACONESS ETHEL JACKSON AND DEACONESS GATEWOOD.

This report covers a little more than eight months of active service. Beginning with March, the spring and early summer covered my four months of sabbatic rest. After thirteen years of continuous service the prolonged rest was hailed with delight.

The first month was spent with the good women of Waco, Tex. It was indeed a sabbatic time. God bless these women! It was a great privilege to attend the Council at Memphis and get the broader outlook and the bigness of the task before us. Then came the six weeks of rest. After this it was my privilege to live two weeks in the Eleanor Clubs of Chicago, getting ideas and seeing what was being done for the business girls in that great city. Returning home, one of my sweetest pleasures was my ten days' visit to my *Alma Mater*, the Scarritt Bible and Training School. It was a joy and benediction to be within her walls, she who had opened for me the door to larger service for Him and humanity.

I was back at my post of duty at the Inn the latter part of June, full of new ideas and plans for the remaining months of the year. As we talked of plans for fall and winter, efficiency was uppermost in the minds of the more ambitious girls. While night classes and courses were being planned I had many opportunities for heart-to-heart talks as to the "why" of this added night work. "I shall command better wages and be able to save more" was the most frequent response to my query, "What are you going to do with this efficiency?" As a working basis that sounded good to me, but after further reasoning it did not go far enough; there should and must be a remoter reason as to the advantage of this better pay. Efficiency is only a word and a boast unless you know the "why" of your endeavor. The bigger the motive, the greater the endeavor; but the main business was to make character.

Then there were the less ambitious ones waiting for something to turn up without any effort on their part. And together we have sought in the true spirit of sisterhood to contribute our share in the character-building of these who come and go in and out of our home.

This fine art of living together is the most difficult of all arts, and the *home* is the best school I know: happy if that be a Christian home. We are striving to that end at the Inn. The atmosphere and spirit has been fine the past year.

The regular attendance upon the daily vesper has been unusually good. Many bring their guests for the vesper service. We have had some splendid speakers of note during the year both for gospel messages and some fine lectures on moral, civic, and educational questions, also several splendid concerts. Quite a few of our incoming and outgoing missionaries have tarried with us, giving richly of themselves and their work.

During Fleet Week they served fifty sailors with quite a nice banquet, planning and financing it.

Thanksgiving, as usual, we shared with the boys away from home. All during the year we have had some of the boys to Sunday dinners with us.

Christmas was as ideal as we could hope for. The carol singers were up early, making the halls ring with the glad Christmas message. Then, together with our pastor, they went to the two near-by hospitals, getting back in time to join us around the most wonderful Christmas tree, where Santa Claus told us the story of the first Christmas tree (original). A little Jewish girl was heard to say at the close of the day: "It was truly my first real Christmas." The night before while visiting one of the older girls they had read the story of the birth of Christ from Luke, and she was awakened by the glorious old hymn. Then to receive from the Inn a beautifully bound copy of the New Testament was enough to make it a great contrast to any other she had spent.

We have enjoyed the more than three hundred girls who have lived with us during 1917. But while these ninety and nine have been safely housed and happily homed, we can never forget the more than fifteen hundred whose privilege it might have been ours to know and love if we had had more room. The high cost of living has made it necessary to raise our prices somewhat, but at the same time wages have advanced. On the whole we have had a good year.

In addition to my duties at the Inn I am president of our Woman's Missionary Society and teacher of the young ladies' class in Sunday school, of which one young woman who finishes normal this year has heard the call to definite service. She is one of our Inn family.

Miss Gatewood reports: "As one of the student secretaries my appointment ended in June, but I did summer conference work for the Council through the Y. M. C. A. and the Epworth League until the first of August. The summer conferences are great sources of faith to the young people of the Church. In every conference there were many talented young women who were seriously considering where they could make their lives count for most, and they welcomed a chance for a private interview with one who had made the same surrender and was happy in her decision. In nearly every conference I met young women whom I had known in their colleges in the winter, and it was good to see them putting the same energy and 'pep' into the work for Christ that they put into their college activities. The presidents of the League conferences were very gracious in giving me time to present the work and in making every possible opportunity for private conferences. It was my good fortune to be in Columbus at the great Centenary Celebration for the last four days. So much has been said about the impressions gained in Columbus that I shall only say with a little girl from a college in Mississippi: 'It made me glad I was a Methodist.' Friday, September 13, is usually considered a bad combination, but it was the date of my arrival at the Inn. Having been here less than four months, I do not feel justified in making much of a report. As financial secretary I have fallen heir to the monthly bills, bookkeeping, and other pleasant pastimes. However, I am glad to report that, in

spite of soaring prices and the dread of the H. C. of L., we continue to be entirely self-supporting. In her report Miss Jackson spoke of the social life at the Inn for the past year. Our plans for spring recreation have been interrupted on account of the 'flu,' but we are hoping to have even a more personal relationship to the girls in their social life. Many girls come here from other States and express a desire to meet fine young men under proper conditions. The young men often express a similar wish to meet the 'right girls.' We are trying to devise some plan making it possible for them to 'get together' in small group parties here in our parlors. These months have deepened my belief in this kind of work. When I first came and found myself spending hours answering telephone calls, doorbells, and assorting mail, I felt very much like an ordinary hotel clerk; but when these very avenues opened up opportunities for getting into the hearts of the girls, I began to value the 'day of small things' and to see the sacredness of even the most secular task. Business women, while very independent, are like all girls and feel the need of a friend and the sympathy and counsel of one whom they can trust. When the girls are ill and are home for the day there is always an open door for confidences and spiritual fellowship. It is a blessed privilege to be able through their very human needs to point them to their divine and true Friend."

#### Waco, Tex.—Rebecca Sparks Inn.

DEACONESS LILLIE BLACK, HEAD RESIDENT.

We have come before you this year with a new name, "Rebecca Sparks Inn." As so many seemed ignorant of what the word "co-operative meant and the girls resented the false impression so much, the Board decided to change the name. One of the members suggested "Rebecca Sparks Inn," and all voted to change it from Rebecca Sparks Coöperative Home to "Rebecca Sparks Inn."

Besides a new name, we have a new dress. Our friends made a campaign for funds and with the amount collected completely renovated the house both inside and outside, repapering, revarnishing, repainting, repairing fences, and all other needed work. Some new rugs and shades, too, were given us. A generous linen shower and much canned fruit, vegetables, jellies, and preserves have been received from missionary societies of Waco and the Central Texas Conference.

One of the largest donations was from a small Christian Church in Waco; and not the least addition to our house was a combination coal and gas kitchen range, a gift from the Central Texas Conference Missionary Societies.

There have been a great many changes in the personnel of our family the past year. Rarely does one fail to write us of her love and appreciation of the place.

Sometimes we grow discouraged and wonder if we are doing any good, but the true spirit of Christmas that came into the Home made our hearts happy.

The girls made up a purse and bought stockings, gowns, union suits, toys, and confections for two little children, four and six years of age, whose mother is in the hospital and will never walk again, except on crutches.

They were brought over to our Christmas tree, which was unusually beautiful to us, perhaps the more so because we were thinking of the children as we decorated the room and tree and of the dear Christ-child, in whose memory and for whose sake it was all done.

The girls have never seemed so happy.

We expect to have these children visit us from time to time and believe that the girls will continue to help them.

We have also started a Bible study on Thursday evenings and are so pleased to have so many take part and show a genuine interest in the work.

For several months after the armistice was signed our house was not full, but it is now, and we have had to say "no room" to several applicants lately.

We are always sorry not to be able to take all who come, for we realize more and more what it means for a girl to be away from home and in a strange city.

We are rejoiced to know that Texas will soon have a fixed minimum wage. This will lift a burden from many a girl's heart.

More of the girls had the privilege of knowing Mother Sparks this year than have ever known her. She boarded near and came more often to see us. God called her home a few weeks ago, and the girls who could get off from work came home and marched together to the funeral.

Truly her life has been a blessing to many girls, and Rebecca Sparks Inn stands as a monument to her memory, and we pray that God will make it a greater blessing each year to girls who are wanting a real home when they are away from their own.

## REPORTS OF CHURCH DEACONESSES.

### Beaumont, Tex.—First Church.

DEACONESS ELIZABETH ILES.

This is my third annual report from Beaumont. The rare privilege of service has been more appreciated this year than ever before. I am quite at home now and feel that I know the inner life of this Church in a peculiar way.

My report for the year ending is: Visits made, 704; visits received, 505; meetings conducted and talks made, 84; meetings attended, 310; socials attended, 45; persons helped in finding positions or otherwise materially, 56; persons induced to attend church, 76. I have no way of noting the heart-to-heart talks, the efforts to make our Master real to heartsick people. I can say, however, that those times have afforded the deepest satisfaction and have been most far-reaching in results. Truly, it is good to be here and to be used in some way every day for our Master.

### Birmingham, Ala.—First Church.

DEACONESS MARGARET RAGLAND.

The year just past has been one of increase in all departments of the work at First Church. There has been increase of membership in all the organized activities and increased giving resulting from the Centenary Movement and the various calls to follow up war service. We are now planning and looking toward the great revival to bring spiritual increase.

My work has been so linked up with the Church's activities that there is little of outstanding interest to be reported. I have cooperated in all the organized work of the Church, giving special help and attention where there seemed to be special need. For the past three months I have been supplying the teacher-training class in the Sunday school until a permanent teacher can be found for this important department of the Church's educational work.

In relief work the aim is always to be remedial and constructive.

and with the passing of years there comes the satisfaction of seeing families and individuals reestablished in self-help and helpfulness after experiences of misfortune and poverty that had overwhelmed them and made temporary assistance necessary.

There have been opportunities to give counsel and guidance to young people who have found themselves going into wrong paths, and having realized their error and sin, they turned to the Church deaconess to help them back into the "home path." It is very gratifying to be able to assist an earnest and promising young woman to complete her high school course with the purpose of taking special training for Christian service.

Varied endeavors, many of them very small and of apparently little import, make up the round of duty; but "it's all in the day's work" and if done in his name will receive his blessing. "God giveth the increase."

#### **Bristol, Va.—State Street Church.**

DEACONESS JENNIE DUCKER.

It is unnecessary to say that the goal I set for the past year was not reached. With Paul I can say that I pressed on toward the mark and feel very grateful for what was accomplished.

During the early months of the year our people with depleted bodies, as a result of the epidemic of the previous year, made a heroic fight to bring up the work that had been put down.

The fight was a hard one, but things gradually came back to normal. I continue to work in all of the adult societies of the Church. I assist in all of the social service work. I visit the various institutions, the sick, the poor, the distressed, and the strangers. Since prohibition has gone into effect there is seldom occasion for us to visit the jails. I conducted two mission study classes in the factories last fall. I continue to work with the young people's societies.

I found the deaconess filled a large place in the promotion of the "Centenary drive." The service rendered was not in the lime light, but it seemed necessary to the success of the drive. I also assisted in the various group meetings that were held in the district.

I am not as busy at Christmas as the deaconess in the Wesley House. For several years it has been the custom for the deaconess to assign a poor family to one of the families of the Church to provide for. Besides furnishing their dinner, they are Santa Claus to the children in the home.

This year the Sullins girls followed the example of our Master by providing for the poor children of the city. Chaperoned by the deaconess, several members of the faculty, the students remaining during the holidays, and friends who furnished cars started on the happy mission. There had never been such a procession seen on those streets and alleys before. The noon hour came all too soon, for there was yet a carload to be delivered. I feel safe in saying that there was not a homesick girl in the college that afternoon.

I am unable to tell how God has strengthened me each day for the tasks of love and service that I have been able to render.

#### **Chattanooga, Tenn.—Centenary Church.**

DEACONESS ELIZABETH TAYLOR.

The past year brought joy and sorrow, pain and pleasure as the months went by, but in each and every experience God richly blessed Centenary Church, and these experiences have banded the membership into a closer union with one another and a closer communion with our



Heavenly Father, and the entire Church is looking upward and forward, ready not only to "expect great things from God," but to "attempt great things for God."

The Centenary campaign wrought great things for us, bringing many to recognize their stewardship of time, means, and self and opening up a broader field of service.

The Woman's Missionary Societies of the city organized a Board of City Missions, Centenary Auxiliary taking a leading part in the work of organization and plans for the immediate establishment of a Wesley House in a great industrial center.

Centenary Church, with the Churches of all denominations in the city, indeed the entire city, experienced a great pentecost through the Billy Sunday meetings. Men and women were converted; city officials, business men and women, from the lowest to the highest, were convicted of their need of Christ and gave themselves to him. Backsliders were reclaimed, and the members of the Church renewed their consecration and loyalty to the Saviour and his Church.

The Missionary Society has developed in faith, zeal, and membership. The Sunday school is doing good work in every department. The Epworth League is meeting all financial obligations and, I believe, growing in spiritual things. All departments and organizations of the Church are working in harmony and unity of purpose.

God has blessed us, and as Church deaconess I humbly thank him for a share in the work of his Church and participation in her rich heritage of his grace.

#### Fort Worth, Tex.—First Methodist Church.

DEACONESS FRANCES MANN.

It has been my privilege to serve in this field since the first of May. My duties have been many and varied. The work of helping to revise the Church roll claimed most of my time and energy for the first two months. The great oil industry in the West has brought many people to Fort Worth and many new members to First Church, and it has been a great pleasure to make the acquaintance of these splendid people who come to us from all sections of the country. My work as friendly visitor brings me in touch with many shut-ins who are my joy and inspiration. In the Sunday school I first served as a teacher and now am serving as superintendent of the Cradle Roll Department. Our Church supports a little mission in the city, to which I give two afternoons out of each week. I teach in the Sunday school, which meets Sunday afternoons, and am leader of a woman's Bible class which meets on Thursday afternoon. We cooperate with the Fort Worth Relief Association in caring for the sick and dependent. During the year I have made one thousand one hundred and seventy-two visits, attended one hundred and sixty-eight services, and conducted or took part in forty-three services.

I am profoundly grateful to our Heavenly Father for his countless blessings. My prayer is that I may be able to render much better service this coming year.

#### Hillsboro, N. C.—St. Paul's Church.

DEACONESS DAISY DUNCAN.

The year 1919 was the best year of all previous years of our little mill Church at West End. This was the first whole year in which each fourth Sunday we gave a stated amount—two dollars and fifty cents—to furnish a scholarship for a pupil in our girls' school in Japan. It

is also a new move with us to give the fifth Sunday collection to our Raleigh Orphanage. Besides these gifts, at Christmas our women of the Sunday school sent to the Orphanage a package of towels which they decorated with crocheted trimming. Since knowing of the Orphanage and its needs, our people seem very much interested in the work.

We had a full evening's entertainment at Christmas time. In addition to the usual features, we had a program of tableaux and songs.

Our Sunday school is growing in number and in interest, and we have a fine ladies' aid, which meets once a week. Their dues are ten cents a week. Their one object now is to put some beautifying touches on the church and its furnishings.

I teach two sewing classes and one crochet class at the school each week. My work consists largely of visits in the homes of about two hundred rather scattered families.

### Los Angeles, Cal.—Trinity Church.

DEACONESSES EMMA BURTON AND MARY HANSCOM.

This is the fifth time that I have been called upon to give an account of my stewardship at Trinity Church, Los Angeles. The lines of work followed by a Church deaconess are very much the same year after year. This has been a good year for us. There have been some problems and hard places; but the Lord has been good to us, and we know that, in spite of the hindrances, we have been wonderfully blessed.

There has been the usual routine of office work, keeping the records up to date, giving out information, visiting the homes of our people, touching many homes that have no connection whatever with our Church, the homes of strangers, the poor, the sick, administering relief to the needy, attending meetings, coöperating with social welfare agencies, and doing each day the things that came next.

I was away from the work nearly four months on furlough and had the privilege of attending the wonderful Centenary Celebration and later the Summer School in Chautauqua, N. Y. During my absence Miss Hanscom kept my work going until she was called home by the sudden death of her mother and felt it necessary to take a leave of absence to be with her father in his loneliness. We are sorry to lose her, but feel that God can use her there.

In November we moved into a new church home, and our people are very happy and enthusiastic. We are still in a downtown district, and in a recent canvass of the community we found over two hundred stenographers and bookkeepers within four square blocks. We have started a nooday lunch on Thursday of each week and have a gospel service during the meal. We have a dinner every Wednesday evening, where our people may gather and become acquainted. We have recently organized a Young People's Missionary Society and hope to accomplish much through the young life of the Church.

Miss Hanscom writes: "This past year has been a full one, filled with work of many kinds, filled with some disappointment and with a great sadness. My plans for a business girls' club could not be worked out. When Trinity decided to move into new quarters we felt it was best not to go ahead with the large program as planned. That, of course, was a disappointment to me. The luncheons for business women carried on by the Church Federation kept up in interest, and I found much joy in service there, giving the Bible lesson, acting as cashier, or in greeting girls at the door or wherever I seemed to be needed. These luncheons seemed to me to be a practical plan of meeting the need of the lonely girl in business that should be possible for every city. Then I had charge of the young people at Trinity, assisting them in service

and social life. The Philathea Class of business girls remained a great joy to me. Indeed, I never saw a finer set of young people than at Trinity, and it was with much heartache that I laid down the work there. During Miss Burton's furlough I tried to keep her work going, the relief work and the employment bureau, and just a little of the Church visiting. So the year was filled to overflowing. In September I was called home. Just now my work seems to be here, and God seems to be opening avenues of service here. I do not know how long it may be, but I now stand awaiting his will and trying to serve in whatever way he may direct."

#### Memphis, Tenn.—First Church.

MRS. GRACE M. DRIVER.

Most workers, I believe, dislike making reports about their work, essential as it is to keep records. First, because as we look back over the year, with its possibilities and opportunities gone, and remember the hopes and desires of our hearts, so many of them unrealized apparently, our "report" looks meager to us, however large a space it may fill on the record books; for after all, perhaps, the thing which has really counted for most in the life of some one does not appear in the reports filed in our business office—the tender words of sympathy or encouragement, the gentle handclasp, the silent prayer which has lifted a soul to God perhaps. So as the right hand writes it may be that the left is keeping secret some loving ministry which will only be found in the records above. O, I trust that it may be true that my humble service has reached depths in lives hidden from me and that if its influence in any sense has been good and strong, the Master may use it where he will, even though I know it not.

The usual round of Church activities has engaged my time largely—visiting the sick and the strangers and attending in some measure to the needs of our poor. I have led the teacher-training class on Wednesday evenings and have taught a class of young women in Sunday school since September.

The annual meetings of Conference societies were attended, two young people's encampments, where I taught mission study classes, and the Epworth League Conference. It was our great joy to have the Council meet in our Church last year.

We have recently begun a Sunday school on Sunday afternoons at the juvenile court for the children detained there.

I am serving as secretary of the Social Workers' Club of the city, organized last year.

If various forms of work could make the year's record a success, maybe I could lay mine aside with that mark upon it; but well I know that all service is but form if it is not inspired by that motive which was his "who went about doing good" because he had compassion, and as he gives me the privilege of serving with him may my life be guided by this one thought: "The love of Christ constraineth me."

#### New Orleans, La.—First Church.

DEACONESS IDA M. STEVENS.

This has been a very delightful year in a most congenial field of labor, a downtown Church in a winter-resort city. New Orleans is beautiful and historic, and the ever-changing congregation forms a peculiarly interesting study.

Our splendid pastor and board of stewards, with their wives and other members, who feel the great opportunity of this Church, work and pray together until the fellowship and harmony is one of the big

drawing cards to people who come to the city looking for a Church home. Our prayer meetings are well attended and are the best I have ever been in.

The Sunday school is well organized, and the Woman's Missionary Society is in good working condition. My work is almost wholly that of visiting. Our Church membership of 675 is scattered all over the city.

The night congregation is often composed two-thirds of strangers. A group of ladies, as well as the stewards, is always on duty to meet and welcome all who come. We follow this up by visiting those who are going to be in the city for any length of time and trying to get every member of every family enrolled in the Sunday school, prayer meeting, and missionary societies.

I act as substitute teacher in the Sunday school. In this way I meet more pupils and have opportunity to visit in the different departments. People seem very responsive and appreciate a call and any little attention. The discouraging part is that so many are here only for a few months. We get their membership and have their children in Sunday school a few weeks, then they move on, and we must find other new people and try to win them.

First Church seems like "a house by the side of the road, where the race of men go by."

Our Christmas was particularly pleasant. We have twenty-five old ladies who are practically shut-ins, but who love the house of God. These were remembered with cards or more substantial gifts from the Missionary Society.

Different individuals added fruit or potted plants in special cases. Then the Sunday school had a giving Christmas. The gifts were presented to Santa Claus in a very sweet program on Monday night before Christmas. His efficient committee packed twenty-three splendid baskets and distributed them to as many homes.

The Centenary met with a fine response in our Church. We went over the top in our gifts, and several of our young people, already well prepared, are definitely considering mission work. The past year has been one of great joy in the Master's service.

### Ranger, Tex.—First Church.

DEACONESS CORNELIA GODBEY.

If any one has a longing for "something different," that longing can be abundantly satisfied by coming to Ranger and doing deaconess work.

Indeed, as I try to make my report for the year I find it almost impossible, since practically every day has brought something different.

There have been days and days when I have been shut in by the rain and mud. Then there have been days and days when I have walked miles through the dust and heat, trying to "line up" the old members and the newcomers in the general Church work; while for the past three months my little house has suddenly been transformed into a "community center," with so many visitors and others coming in that I have had almost no opportunity for outside work.

I have undertaken no real work among the more unfortunate classes, since my entire time has been given to the general "rounding up" and organization of the Church forces.

I have had charge of the young ladies' class in Sunday school since the day of my arrival, while at the same time the Cradle Roll and the Home Department were turned over to me. The young ladies' class has been a success; something has been done with the Cradle Roll; but no attempt has been made to work the Home Department.

I have also been First Vice President of the Woman's Missionary Society, presiding or leading the devotional exercises in almost half the meetings during the year, besides serving on the Program Committee and in various other ways where my services were needed.

The work of which I have been most proud has been my work with the young people. Last May we organized an Epworth League, and since that time we have not failed to hold one devotional and one social meeting every week. The social meetings are held in the church, so that we have really kept "open house" one night out of every week for the past eight months. These meetings have been well attended, and the interest keeps up.

The value of such an organization from the social side in a town like Ranger can scarcely be estimated; nor is the devotional and missionary side neglected, for our young people take part in these meetings as well as in the social meetings.

We have one missionary meeting each month and have already raised about sixty dollars as our part on the Africa special.

I am indeed grateful for every opportunity for service in this busy town; and while I am far from satisfied with what has been done, "I press toward the mark" of higher, better service for the coming year.

### Richmond, Ky.

DEACONESS EMILY OLMSTEAD.

When notice came from the office in Nashville that it was time for another annual report of my work in Richmond, Ky., I could scarcely realize that twelve whole months had come and gone and that we were living in an age when we no longer measured time by the growth of the elm tree across the way. More than once I have wished that I might say to-day, as my venerable grandmother said a hundred years ago in a letter to a friend: "Having nothing else to do, I take my pen in hand to let you know I am well and hope you are the same." These were halcyon days, and yet in many, many respects it is a wonderful privilege to be living in this age, though the days are strenuous ones, yet happy ones, if we are bent on business for our King.

My duties during the past year have been as numerous and quite as varied as Mr. Heinz's fifty-seven varieties of pickles. There is not the slightest chance of getting in a rut in my work here.

When Miss Bennett is in Richmond we both work from early morn until set of sun, for it seems as if the work of answering the numerous letters that come each day is never done. When she is out of the city, a part of my work is to acknowledge receipt of the mail in her absence as well as to keep her in touch with the correspondence at this end. However, my time is so wholly taken up when she is away that I have had to learn to systematize my waking hours to meet the many demands on my time. The little Methodist Church around the corner seems to know that when Miss Bennett is at home my duties are predominantly of a clerical nature, but the minute the whistle of the train is heard on which she is speeding away my duties as a deaconess commence.

Teaching a Sunday school class of fourteen bright young high-school students, attending regularly the weekly prayer service, and often having to lead in the pastor's absence, teaching a weekly mission study class of twenty-three splendid young women students of the Eastern Kentucky Normal School, and trying to perform all the duties that devolve upon a superintendent of the Social Service Department of the Epworth League—all of these will give one somewhat of a picture of the work that I find to do in this blue-grass town.

The hour that Miss Bennett and myself have together each morning in Bible-reading and prayer before beginning our day's work is one of sweet fellowship with each other and blessed communion with our Father. (Isa. xl. 31.)

Once a week, though not a regular thing because of Miss Bennett's absence from the city, she and a young normal teacher who is a volunteer for foreign mission work and myself spend two hours in Bible study in Miss Bennett's room. This is most helpful to each of us, as our lessons are carefully planned.

Just before Miss Bennett's departure to Europe, late in August, she urged my taking up some definite study in literary work during her two months' absence, as she rather thought I had some talent in this line. After my experience at Memphis last April in helping edit the Council *Bulletin*, I felt keenly the need of study that would make me more efficient as an associate editor.

After thorough investigation I learned of the Home Correspondence School, of Springfield, Mass. A friend of mine had taken the forty-lesson course in short-story writing, under Dr. S. Berg Esenwein, whose textbook was a basis of study in the course and who graded the papers himself as the lessons were sent in. For the benefit of my fellow workers who might have a literary talent buried in a napkin I most heartily recommend this course to them. It costs twenty-five dollars, and the lessons can be prepared at one's leisure, the course extending over a period of two years. It is well worth while in every way, and one will be surprised at the latent possibilities hitherto undiscovered. If possible, my desire is to finish this course and go on into journalism, that I may do more acceptably the work to which God has called me. Often we can do with our pens what might be an impossible thing to do with our lips.

This report would be too lengthy were I to speak in full of each of the above-mentioned duties. We have just closed a three weeks' protracted meeting, in which eight of my splendid Sunday school girls were converted, and one has dedicated her life in definite service to him who has called her to go as a medical missionary to the foreign field. Surely next to the joy of living and the joy of loving comes the joy of serving, and in my daily rounds as I have tried to touch the young life of our Church and the community God has wonderfully blessed me in making me his mouthpiece to these fine young people in Richmond.

Only those of us who know Miss Bennett can know what a joy and privilege it is to be closely associated with her, and daily a great "Thank you, Lord," goes up to the throne from the deaconess whose work is with her.

### St. Louis, Mo.—Centenary Church.

DEACONESSES MABEL KENNEDY, JOSEPHINE DREYER, AND GAY HOKE.

Deaconess Kennedy reports: "In looking back on the year 1919 all my visions and hopes were not realized. However, the year was very gratifying in that much good came to and through the individual lives of many, thus making our Church the stronger. Each organization has caught a new vision and is doing greater things for the Master. During six months we had no regular pastor, and the duties were multiplied, as this was the 'flu' epidemic period. I was busy making necessary calls and conducted many funerals. June 1 Dr. C. W. Tadlock, a former pastor, was appointed to Centenary Church and was unanimously welcomed, as we knew that our labors would be well directed under his competent leadership. The year was filled with many unnamable tasks,

every one giving me a new opportunity to present the principles of Jesus Christ as related to our daily conduct. I visited in 1,200 homes, directing and encouraging the membership in working all plans for the progress of Christianity in and through Centenary Church, also inviting the indifferent ones to Church and persuading many to profess faith in Jesus, the Saviour. As a result 85 persons united with Centenary through my direct and personal efforts. More than 2,500 letters were sent by me, conveying various messages pertaining to the work of the Church. Also I assisted in much office work pertaining to the Missionary Centenary and our local work. It was my great privilege to instruct 65 children preparatory for Church membership. This is a most satisfactory task and very vital to the Church of to-morrow. The usual social service work was done, having for its end a permanent good which no organized agency can do alone. I addressed or conducted 125 meetings and attended more than 400. My visiting is only one-half of my regular work, for at all hours equally as many persons are having conferences with me in the church, where I reside. Children and adults must be placed in institutions. Positions must be found for the unemployed. The work of the Church with its ever-changing plans must be presented to key leaders, and much time is given for these conferences. The sad and despondent ones must have some time to talk out their failures, using them as stepping-stones into a life of joy. I count these hours times of greatest opportunity and am so happy to have been permitted to serve another year."

Deaconess Dreyer reports: "After nine months of physical suffering and medical attention I realize, perhaps as never before, the joy of ministering to those in need not only of physical aid, but of those things which strengthen and restore spiritual life. Varied are the experiences of a deaconess in a great downtown church. Aside from attending all of the services of the Church and trying to win the people of the neighborhood to our Sunday school and to attendance on the Church services, we strive at all times to win them to Christ and the Church. Through my personal efforts thirty-nine have united with the Church, and many have been strengthened in their faith. We cooperate with all of the charity organizations of the city, placing children in homes, securing free medical care for the poor, conducting funerals, and, in short, doing everything that you can conceive of a woman doing. It has been my privilege to work with the Girls' Protective League and serve on the Organized Charity Case Committee. This committee is composed of forty people from various walks of life, and they dispose of all of the city chronic charity cases. One of my greatest joys is my Sunday school class of boys. I started with four, and now we have twenty-three enrolled. They are ten and eleven years old and are real live wires. All but one—and he is a new boy—have accepted Christ and are members of the Church. I wish you might hear some of their prayers. They would make some of us older folk feel ashamed when we say we cannot pray in public. This has been a happy year of service, and I trust that I may be true always to my trust. There is no other joy like the joy of service. 'Lord, if I may, I'll serve another year. Give me strength to do my best.'"

Miss Hoke reports: "Another year has passed. Another reckoning day has come. As I look back over the work of the past year, with its joys, its sorrows, its failures, and its successes, I can but say: 'Lord, if thou wilt, let me serve another year in this rich field.' My time is largely spent in visitation, personal work, and work in all the organized activities of the Church, such as Sunday school, Epworth League, prayer services, missionary societies, and regular Church services. In these services we act largely in the background, working out plans

through the regularly elected officers. In the Young People's Missionary Society I have developed a very active social service department, which does efficient work in holding cottage prayer meetings in homes of sick and shut-ins, sends flowers, and gives a bit of cheer in many other ways. This department furnishes an evening of amusement one evening a month for the delinquent boys and girls at the Detention Home. May I say that our Sunday school provided Sunday school for these boys and girls every Sabbath afternoon? For the most part, my work has been on the outside, visiting members old and new, prospective members, the sick, and shut-ins. Over 1,250 persons have been called on in homes and institutions, 137 visits have been made to sick folks, and fifteen funerals have been attended and arranged for and four held. This is indeed a field of opportunity. During the past year I have found myself constantly wishing I might be three or four persons, the opportunities seemed so many. Now that we are only two deaconesses, I feel we can in no wise meet the demands in such a way as to realize our opportunities and privileges. I pray that I may be used of the Master in a more nearly perfect way in 1920 than in the past year."

## COÖPERATIVE WORK WITH OTHER BOARDS.

### Albany, Ga.

MISS ELIZABETH HUGHES, MISSIONARY.

Mrs. Annie Muse has done quite a considerable portion of the work in the year just closed. This she has accomplished in a manner so entirely satisfactory to the Board that none feel that the work suffered perceptibly through the prolonged absence of the Council's worker through the spring and summer months nor during her illness in the fall.

Mrs. Muse until quite recently was the efficient President of our City Mission Board and is thoroughly conversant with all of its plans and operations.

Albany is a growing city, and since the demands of its increasing population are becoming heavier upon the time and strength of the one worker, a plan for releasing her entirely from the travelers' aid work has been arranged, the latter work to be cared for entirely by Mrs. Muse and the work in the city by the Council's worker, Elizabeth Hughes.

Visitation and relief of needy cases form the main channels of activities in this department, the Associated Charities supplying the necessary funds for aiding the needy, at the same time furnishing a considerable portion of the worker's salary.

It is in this way that we have seen our way clear to employ the additional worker.

Believing that our growing work is reaching many hearts and homes to help and bless, we look forward to the new year with increasing hope and trust.

### Macon, Ga.—South Georgia Conference Orphans' Home.

DEACONESS CONSTANCE PALMORE.

Again we stand on the threshold of a new year, and, looking back over the old one, we see that God led us into paths that we had no idea of ever entering at the beginning of the year 1919. My work until the middle of November was with primary and junior girls as matron of the Little Girls' Cottage. I had an average of thirty-four



girls in the cottage and was usually on duty from six o'clock in the morning until nine at night. The little girls did all the cleaning in the cottage, so I really had two housekeeping classes daily. Several of my little eight- and nine-year-old children could clean up a room as nicely as an older girl.

The little girls enjoyed the Bible memory work very much. They know a number of psalms, an alphabet of verses, part of the fourteenth chapter of John, and a number of other passages. All except a few of the smaller ones are members of the Church.

I took charge of these older girls on November 18. We have a nice new building, with two and three girls to a room. There are twenty-seven girls in the cottage, and they present as many problems. It takes infinite patience and love to win them. I am giving a series of talks on health and purity at our prayer service each evening. I also teach sewing morning and afternoon and answer many questions then.

This work with older girls carries with it added responsibility and opportunities for service. I will be able to tell better in a year what has been accomplished. My first and highest aim is to see each one, especially the most unruly, take Jesus as her personal Saviour. Pray for me.

## EDUCATIONAL WORK.

London, Ky.—Sue Bennett Memorial School.

(Established 1897.)

MR. A. W. MOHN, PRINCIPAL.

I have the honor to submit the annual report of the Sue Bennett Memorial School for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1919.

The enrollment for the year by schools was as follows: Model School, 116; High School, 103; Normal School, 108; School of Business, 93; and School of Music, 164—a total enrollment of 584 students. The number of individual students was 395. The faculty numbered twenty, of which number four taught on commission, and two were paid out of local fees.

Among the additions and repairs for the year may be mentioned the following: In the school building—walls replastered and tinted, concealed wiring and electric light fixtures installed, woodwork revarnished; many old double desks replaced by single desks, 155 in all; new window shades hung, and 400 square feet of blackboard placed. On the campus—walks laid, fences built, and much general repair work done. On the farm—barn reroofed, hog pen, chicken pens, and fences built. A new gasoline engine was purchased, thus making more certain a constant supply of water.

As proposed in last year's report, the work of the Model School has been reorganized, an additional teacher employed, and additional equipment secured, thus meeting the State requirements along these lines. At the same time, the enrollment has been limited to meet the State requirements as to attendance. The tuition rates were raised, making the school self-supporting. We believe we now have in many ways one of the best observation and practice schools in the State.

The contract for the long-talked-of high school and chapel building was let during the summer. The building should have been completed January 1, 1920; but owing to the scarcity of cars and material, it is not yet ready for occupancy. We hope to be in it by May 1. When this building is completed it will accommodate the entire high school and will give us the room in the present administration building for the Normal School, allowing us to give the State certificate courses, which we have not done heretofore. The chapel will seat 600 on the main

floor, thus accommodating the entire student body. The gallery will seat an additional 400, giving a total capacity of 1,000. This will enable us to do much needed community work of a social and religious nature. The basement will be occupied by the laboratories and manual training shops, allowing us to give a four years' course in farm shop-work, including work in wood, iron, cement, and leather. This, with the proposed four years' course in agriculture, will allow us to give this section a farm course much in demand and will reach a class of students not heretofore reached. We hope to have the High School on a self-supporting basis soon.

The School of Business and the School of Music continue to be very popular and are more than self-supporting. Our commercial graduates are in demand and find no difficulty in securing positions at once. The students in music find here a faculty of four efficient teachers which gives work the equal of that given anywhere in Eastern Kentucky. One of our graduates is now in the Cincinnati Conservatory, where she will finish in two years.

Another valuable addition to the school equipment is that of a small farm lying adjacent to the campus. It has already been laid out so as to provide for a four years' rotation of crops and to give ample ground for truck-gardening. We expect to produce our own vegetables, pork, chickens, milk, and butter and at the same time give work to a number of needy boys and girls. We hope, too, to lower the living expenses in the school, thus making it possible for all who wish to enroll with us to do so.

Our record in athletics was very good. We played such schools as Berea College, Eastern Kentucky State Normal, Union College, Cumberland College, and a number of high schools, winning our full share of games. However, our physical training work was much impaired by our lack of a gymnasium. Not having a gymnasium, we were not able to continue this work during the winter months. Surely this building will not be much longer delayed. Our alumni have promised us \$5,000, and interested friends will give another \$5,000. With this sum—\$10,000—to start with, I am sure the Council will provide the balance necessary.

Religious training was stressed throughout the school. Bible was taught in all grades and departments, chapel services conducted twice each week, weekly prayer meetings were held at which all boarding students were in attendance, and evening worship was held daily in the dining room. The Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. held weekly meetings, and all students and teachers attended Sunday school and preaching services each Sunday. In addition to these services, special revival services were held in the school, which proved most helpful to all. The social life of the school was enriched by a considerable number of parties, socials, and receptions.

#### **Brevard, N. C.—Brevard Institute.**

MR. C. H. TROWBRIDGE, PRINCIPAL.

The beginning of 1919 found our girls' dormitories full, with many applicants for every vacancy that occurred. The boys' dormitories, however, had not yet recovered from the double drain due to the war and to the influenza epidemic. We still were using two of the small boys' dormitories to house two families of mountain people whose children were in school. This experiment was worth trying, but the results were not very satisfactory in any way. Frequent sources of friction occurred, and consequently it is doubtful if the families received enough good to compensate for the difficulties involved.

At the first of the year two of the soldiers who had previously been workers here returned to us, and the farm and shops were gotten in good shape again.

In April Rev. E. K. McLarty, of Asheville, N. C., conducted a very effective revival service. There were a large number of conversions and reclamations. The spirit of the time tended to make the revival more difficult than under normal conditions; but a great deal of good was done, and when the meeting closed nearly all of the students considered themselves to be Christians.

The commencement exercises were fully as successful as usual. Ten diplomas and seven certificates were granted, which is about one-fourth less than usual. Among these diplomas were included the last tenth-grade diplomas the Institute will offer, as a diploma hereafter will be based on the eleventh-grade standard.

We were very much pleased in the summer to receive notification from the State Board of Education and our county superintendent that the Brevard Institute Summer School is one of the eight accredited summer schools in the State. This assured its students that their grades would be recognized by the State, and it added two teachers to the faculty at the expense of the State and county. The decision of the Board of Education came too late to be featured in our advertisements, but the dormitories were as full as they should be in warm weather.

It was evident early in the summer that the dormitories would not nearly accommodate the students who would desire to be here for the fall session. We therefore did no advertising except in our local paper and did no canvassing except one trip into the mountains back of us. The registration was limited to those from our own section and those from other places who on account of some peculiar conditions were particularly eligible. As vacancies have occurred during the fall they have in the main been filled at once from the waiting list. The result is an unusually choice lot of students. We have had fewer cases of discipline than usual, and the class work of the entire school is on a higher plane. Many of our students have plenty of money in their homes now, though there are still a number who are earning their expenses in whole or in part.

The Brevard Graded School is now well equipped, and our Primary Department has been discontinued. This increases the unity of our school plan, but interferes with the practice teaching of the Normal seniors.

Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb conducted our meeting this fall. She gave us a remarkable series of talks, leading directly and convincingly from man's need through God's love to God's power and salvation, and a very large percentage of the students were definitely helped by it. Her talks were quiet, and she made no specially urgent appeal for immediate decision in any meeting, but distributed cards for signatures and left the cards with the students. Consequently no figures are available as attempts to measure the good done. It is very probable, however, that this form of service will show as large fruits in the other world as any services we have ever had.

We are looking forward almost longingly to the construction of our new dormitory. For several years we have had to turn away about as many girls as we admitted. The boys also desperately need a dignified home. As it is, they are put into the frame cottages on the campus, which are filled in every corner. They have no gathering place for social, religious, or literary purposes, except in the girls' dormitory and the administration building. We are feeling also the great need of an inclosed space for the exercise of the girls in bad weather. Perhaps both of these needs can be satisfied in the new building.

The administrative officers of the school are doing more teaching than is possible for the greatest efficiency. This means that in some cases they are working harder than they ought, and in other cases things that should be kept up are slighted or omitted. We are, therefore, asking for an increase in the faculty for next year. We are presenting again our plea for a worker who shall be able to take the influence of the Institute into the coves of the mountains. There are great numbers of our mountain people who are absolutely unable to place their children in the school; and if the proper person could be assigned to visit in their homes, she could save the lives of children and of mothers and could stimulate a desire for more education and better living and in many ways do a good that would bring the best possible dividends for her salary.

### Laredo, Tex.—Holding Institute.

J. M. SKINNER, PH.D., PRINCIPAL.

#### INTRODUCTION.

The year has passed only too quickly. We have not done all that we had planned, but teachers and children have been kept in health and strength, for which we are devoutly thankful. No pestilence has wasted at noonday, nor has any plague come near to molest us. I am thankful for the confidence reposed in me as the superintendent and have endeavored to give full proof of my ministry. I am pleased at this time to call your attention to conditions and to make suggestions which, I trust, are for the good of the work.

#### TEACHERS.

Buildings, endowments, professorships, and what not do not make a school. A school is determined by the teaching. I suppose that we have the most unselfish set of teachers to be found in the country. When there are opportunities for advancement and increase of salary, they remain faithful, even under some conditions that are rather adverse. I deem it but right that their faithfulness should have some reward. Hence you will find in my estimates for the next year that I am asking for an increase of salary for them. I wish to say, too, that Mexican girls, and especially those trained in our own school, give excellent service and get good results in dealing with their own people.

#### TEACHING OF ENGLISH.

The school has an enviable reputation for the successful teaching of English, and this feature of our work is fully recognized by parents who wish their children to become proficient in the language. We spare no pains to make this work really worth while. To this end all studies are carried on in English, and not by the translation method.

#### RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES.

We may talk about plans and policies, and it is well to do so; but these without a religious motive are like a body without the breath of life. We have always been dissatisfied and shall be until we realize that contentment is a matter of religion. The challenge of this chaotic world crisis is to religion—for a closer walk with God. We need more religion, and this institution stands pledged to do its utmost in maintaining the standards of true religion. A wonderful influence is wielded over the children in Sunday school, Epworth League, and in the

preaching of the Word; while the daily study of the Holy Bible, under the careful direction of Miss Denton, cannot fail to have a far-reaching effect. Not so many children, comparatively, join the Church—that is, break openly with the Catholic Church—but every child coming under such influences from day to day goes away with a changed heart.

#### PURCHASE OF LAND.

Very soon after Council meeting last year I took up the matter of purchasing the land lying east of the original tract and purchased four blocks, or about ten acres. This land is very desirable for the school in giving us more breathing room as well as more play room. The cost was four thousand one hundred dollars. There will be some additional costs in the matter of abstracts, etc.

#### PLAYGROUND FUND.

Mrs. B. M. Keith, of the Western Virginia Conference, Superintendent of the Young People, started the matter among the young people of that Conference. She has raised \$145, and I have raised \$317.66, making a total in this fund of \$462.66. As the prices for iron pipe have been so very high, no purchases have been made. However, a part of this money will be invested in the near future.

The object is to provide some simple apparatus for the smaller children, who are not able to engage in the sports of the larger ones.

#### IMPORTANCE OF BUILDING.

Not because other denominations are building, not because the cities in this section are erecting commodious buildings for school work and equipping them with apparatus right up to date, but because our demands are such that we must have better room facilities for our students and better classrooms to accommodate our patrons. Dormitories having thirty or forty beds in one room may have done all right in the years gone by, but they will not answer the purpose to-day. If we are to bid for the best patronage, and we are in a splendid position to do so because of our location, we must be able to take care of the children in a modern way. The demand is for rooms to accommodate two students. We do not have them, or very few, indeed. Hence I am pleased to outline what I conceive to be the requirements for good school work.

#### ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

The Administration Building ought to provide an auditorium, recitation rooms for all work above the fifth grade, a laboratory, library, and an office for the superintendent at least, with possibly a few other rooms. Such a building is badly needed. Without it we cannot obtain the best results. Nothing short of the best ought to satisfy us.

#### ADDITION TO MAIN BUILDING.

Almost all of the girls, several of the teachers, and the superintendent live in the main building. Here are the large dormitories, with the double-decked beds. The girls have no place to assemble for a few words together, no place to take their friends. When in the dormitory they must sit on the edge of the lower bed. In the addition to this building it is planned to have about forty rooms for two girls each, a sitting room, bathroom, etc. It will be all right to have some dormitory rooms, and especially so for those who are unable to pay for the rooms; but for those who are able to pay there should be the opportunity.

## ADDITION TO BOYS' BUILDING.

The demand for better accommodations for boys is quite as urgent as that for girls. There is no discount made to boys, because there is no work for them to do; hence the demand is more reasonable. In the addition as planned there will be a sitting room, study hall, and so forth that will be ample to take good care of the proposition for many years to come. This will add very materially to the discipline, too, not that there is any trouble along this line; but conditions will be such as to foster easy control.

## HOSPITAL BUILDING.

The school is seriously in need of a small building in which to care for the sick. While we have but little sickness, still there ought to be a building, properly equipped for taking care of the few. We are very much handicapped in caring for a fever patient, a pneumonia patient, or even a severe cold. Isolation is impossible. Such a building could be built and fitted up for about five thousand dollars.

## NURSE.

There should be a trained nurse for such an institution as we have. It would not be necessary that she be registered, but she should be one specially trained for the work. When not engaged in caring for the sick other duties could be assigned, thus giving her steady employment and at the same time having her in readiness for any sickness needing attention. A fund might be raised to meet a part of this expense by charging each student five dollars a year for medical attention. A school physician could be employed, not as a house physician, but at a stipulated monthly salary, to treat the sick when called upon either in his office or when called to the school.

## SWIMMING POOL.

The equipment will not be complete, really complete, until we have a swimming pool. The river is treacherous, and children ought not to go into it at all. However, it is almost impossible to keep them out of it. I do not have an estimate on the cost, but it would not be so much.

## GENERAL SCHOLARSHIPS.

If some general scholarships could be secured for this school, it would be very helpful. For the last six years I have turned off each year fully one hundred children because their parents were unable to pay the small amount fixed by your body as a minimum charge—that is, five dollars a month. This seems to be a very small charge, but the revolution in Mexico has made many orphans and many, very many poor people. A little assistance judiciously given might help to work ultimate changes in the republic.

## HEATERS FOR DINING ROOM.

The dining room has never had any provision for fire. Of course many Mexican houses do not have fire. As we have some very cool mornings, provision for a little fire would not be amiss, and especially so for the comfort of the smaller children.

## CONCLUSION.

For almost seven years I have been at the head of the school, having had several titles in that time; but there has been a single purpose.

I have tried to be faithful in the discharge of my duties and to keep you informed relative to all the work. I have not had occasion to cover anything in the conduct of the school. These have been trying years in the management of any enterprise, and especially so here on the border. The revolution in Mexico has been a decided drawback to us all of the time. For a part of the time travel has been difficult and rather dangerous. When conditions began to clear there the effects of the great European struggle were felt in the increase in prices, etc.; then the drought has had its effects upon our work. With the present high prices it is difficult to make ends meet, but through it all we have had an abundance to eat, and we have been warm and comfortable. With it all we have had a very substantial balance at the end of each month, with no debts hanging over us. The school has a good patronage and stands well among the people. It has been a real pleasure to me to work under the direction of such loyal people as those with whom I come into touch in your Council. I trust that I have measured up in some small degree to what you expect of one in such a position.

### **Nogales, Ariz.—English-Speaking School.**

MISS MAY TREADWELL, PRINCIPAL.

From the opening sentence of this report to the closing word we would impress on the Council the first imperative material need of our work—namely, an adequate building. Since we are not to have graded school work, but are to confine our efforts largely to settlement work, we do not believe that a large building will be necessary for several years to come.

We are bringing to the attention of the Council two places for sale, both of which we believe to be good locations. One is on the opposite business street in a section where nearly all the families are Mexicans. Most of the children in our kindergarten have come to us from that side of the city. Here a very attractive brick house with two small bedrooms, a long reception room, serving also as a dining room, finished with hardwood and well screened, an attractive bathroom, a kitchen and laundry room, surrounded with a pretty yard inclosed neatly with brick and stone, having a paved street in front, can be bought for \$5,700 cash, I am told. A vacant lot next to this house is for sale; price, \$500 cash. Across the street in front are two vacant lots for \$500 cash. On these two lots, possibly on the one, a school might be built which would meet our present needs. Should the Council desire a larger site, just to the rear of these two lots I believe some additional lots could be bought on a hillside affording a beautiful view.

The other place is the house and lot which we now occupy, valued at \$10,000. From the outside this house presents a good appearance. The substantial walls are of stone. We are inclined to think that the cost of remodeling and renovating would be greater than that of a new house. It could, however, be converted into a magnificent plant. As regards size, the rooms downstairs are well adapted to the purposes of kindergarten and settlement work, while the large second story might be turned into a beautiful apartment.

We make the following recommendations:

1. That the Council purchase a site and build or renovate a house which may be ready for use by next June.
2. That as soon as possible a kindergarten teacher and a settlement worker, both experienced women and experts in their respective lines of work, be sent to Nogales.
3. That the worker now on the field devote her time to special English and Spanish classes and do as much visiting as she may have time and strength for in the interest of the work in general.

4. That each worker be personally responsible to the Council for the success of her respective department, receiving the appropriation for the same directly from the Council, spending it according to her own judgment, and rendering an account thereof in monthly reports to the Council, and that the responsibility of the home life fall equally on the shoulders of the three.

#### Augusta, Ga.—Paine Annex, Paine College.

MISS LOUISE YOUNG, DEAN OF WOMEN.

The work at Paine Annex is improving steadily. The girls are neat and orderly and show a real desire to learn to be good housekeepers. It has been a great pleasure to me to observe from month to month the very marked improvement of the new pupils who are having for the first time the benefit of systematic instruction in the care of their bodies and of their rooms. The matron, Miss Mary E. Bradshaw, has shown a fine spirit of coöperation toward me, and together we are working out several plans for the more efficient management of the dormitory.

As usual, we have had more applicants for the boarding department than we were able to accommodate. Although our dormitory was planned for only 51 girls, together with our 12 teachers, we have been able to provide for 92 without unhealthy crowding. The greater number of the rooms were originally furnished as single rooms, but for the past two years we have been assigning two girls to the single rooms and three to the double rooms. This has meant in many cases that two girls sleep together in a small three-quarter-sized bed. With the purchase of sixteen additional single beds we can care for our girls more satisfactorily. Our health record has been excellent, with no serious illness and only five cases of influenza.

The matron and I, with the assistance of the colored teachers, are conducting weekly meetings for the girls, where we talk about the rules for good housekeeping. In my weekly inspection I have been gratified to see a gradual improvement in the care of the rooms. The lessons of bodily neatness and cleanliness are learned even more promptly. The bathtubs are much in demand. The most difficult time for the matron to keep order is at the close of the nine o'clock study hour, when there is always a rush for the tubs.

The classes in cooking and sewing are popular and practical. Our enrollment for the cooking classes is 99; for the sewing, 130. These classes include day pupils as well as boarders, of course.

It is always a pleasure to show visitors our work at Bennett Hall. We hope especially that the ladies of the missionary societies will stop in to see us whenever it is convenient. As a new recruit for educational work among our Southern negroes, I wish to express my increasing faith in the possibilities that it offers for the developing in the colored people Christian character that bears fruit in intelligent service among their own people.

#### Laredo, Tex.—Holding Institute.

MISS FRANCES DENTON, BIBLE TEACHER.

Teaching English grammar, rhetoric, and literature to about twenty-eight and teaching Bible, each class every other day, to one hundred and twenty-five Mexicans, both from across the river and from various points of Texas, is an absorbing task. New teachers are usually impressed by the glib way in which the seventh-grader recites his grammatical rules and definitions. If it were not for a few peculiarities of pronunciation, such as the failure to blend words (especially "the")



and the substitution of long *e* for short *i*, a blind person might fancy himself facing rather exceptionally bright American boys and girls. Composition according to directions in a foreign language is hard at first, but the lively Spanish imagination and the close observation of the Indian are good allies. To be sure, the beginner calls both parents "fathers" and speaks of their sitting "in" the breakfast table and then of "making" their work; but all these expressions would be correct in Spanish, and how is one to find out the peculiarities of English all at once? One of the literary societies gave "Miles Standish" in the spring; and we believe it was genuine Americanization work, since few things could put them in closer sympathy with the ideals of our nation than impersonating the brave founders.

Three classes study the Old Testament and two the New Testament; but all learn thirteen verses describing the perfect life, beginning with the words, "Jesus was born in Bethlehem," and ending, "He appeared to the eleven and said, Go into all the world." The seventh and commercial classes are using Richard Moulton's selections from the Gospels and Acts. The words of the Revised Version are used; but there is the immense advantage that genealogies, difficult epistles, etc., are omitted, leaving only the subject matter actually required of the class.

### Kansas City, Mo.—Scarritt Bible and Training School.

DEACONESS MARY ORA DURHAM, SUPERVISOR OF FIELD WORK.

There is surely nothing monotonous about the life of the deaconess, for each day brings a new experience and with it the thought of what will happen next. I was reappointed to Louisville Wesley House at the Council meeting, and after a very busy and happy summer conducting daily vacation Bible school was enjoying my vacation at home. A message came from the chairman of the Deaconess Committee notifying me of my appointment to Scarritt Bible and Training School, asking that I report at once. It has been such a privilege to be here, for the wonderful infilling that has come into my life has more than compensated for any regret at leaving an activity which I so greatly loved. From the day when I welcomed the students until the present time, so full of preparation for consecration and commencement, there has been a great rejoicing that the Lord has given me this opportunity for service.

I have assisted in the supervision of the field work in the Department of Social Science. A report hour has been held each week, where problems of the week before are discussed and some general instruction given as to the best methods of meeting these and other problems that may arise. Each club or class has been visited sometime during the year and a report made of the same to Professor Trawick, the head of the department. Two hours each week are given to the Department of Missions, developing the big home mission program with those who are candidates for work in the home field.

Perhaps the greatest personal joy has been outside the classroom as I have come in the closest of contact with our students. To be able to love, advise, and sympathize; to give to them the benefit of the experiences that have come into my life as a deaconess; to inspire them with something of the great joy that comes through service—all seem to be a blessing.

I have been the teacher of the Philathea Class at the Institutional Church, have made talks at auxiliary and district missionary meetings, and also presented the opportunities for life service as a deaconess at a student conference of the Interchurch World Movement at the University of Oklahoma.

## DEPENDENT GIRLS.

### Vashti Industrial School.

(Established 1903.)

PROF. E. E. BISHOP, PRINCIPAL.

#### LOCATION AND CHARACTER.

Vashti is a home and training school for dependent girls of good character. It is located in Southwest Georgia, near the city of Thomasville.

#### ENROLLMENT.

The enrollment for the calendar year 1919 was one hundred and thirty-four, an increase of eleven over that of 1918. The average and prevailing age of students is fourteen. The conditions and environments from which the present enrollment came have been generally unfortunate. Probably not over twenty of the girls came from reasonably safe living conditions. There being several times as many applicants as openings, the management has been able to accept the most needy.

#### HEALTH.

In life insurance parlance, Vashti has always been a wonderfully safe risk. No deaths have occurred either during the past or the twelve preceding years, and no serious sickness the past twelve months.

#### SCHOOL WORK.

During the nine school months we employ three literary and three industrial teachers, besides matrons. Half the school day is spent by each grade in regular school work; the other half is devoted to some industry.

Domestic science, domestic art, basketry, and Bible study are given, besides regular school work. For lack of time instrumental music is carried only during vacation.

#### TEACHERS.

Vashti has been generally fortunate in the selection of its faculty, and the past year has been no exception. The daily work of properly training a hundred growing schoolgirls is a task of no little labor and anxiety, especially in an institution where students and teachers come in close contact, not five days in a week, but almost every hour of every day. Our instructors have borne this supreme test remarkably well and deserve commendation.

#### RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

Voluntary morning prayer is held in the early morning, but regular service is begun by grace at breakfast. This is followed by daily chapel exercises, and the day is closed by evening prayers in the various family rooms.

General prayer meeting is held in chapel on Thursday evenings. Sunday school comes each Sabbath morning and Y. W. C. A. every Sunday afternoon or evening. Special revival services are held each year.

#### BUILDINGS.

Vashti work was begun in a farmhouse about sixteen years ago, and four years later transferred to an abandoned cigar factory, rearranged and refitted for school purposes. The financial panic of 1907 came

while work was in progress, and repairs were never brought to a finish for lack of funds. Week of Prayer money raised some years later for this work was never applied. For these reasons Vashti has always been at a disadvantage in comparison with other schools of your Board. Several thousand dollars is now needed for repairs alone.

#### IMPROVEMENTS.

The past year considerable improvements have been made without, however, adding anything much of a visible nature. Much of the plumbing was repaired or renewed, the water tower rebuilt, porches added to two cottages, and patches added in various and sundry places.

#### FINANCES IN BRIEF.

##### *Receipts.*

From your Board for running expenses.....	\$13,220
From other sources, tuitions, donations of cash and material, etc. ....	10,780—\$24,000

##### *Running Expenses.*

Teachers and other help .....	\$ 7,000
For support of girls .....	17,000—\$24,000

The cost *per capita* for food, clothing, and incidentals averaged \$15 per month. Food has been ample in quantity and quality, but the supply of clothing has been inadequate.

##### *Estimates for 1920.*

Putting present building in good repair and appearance .....	\$ 8,000
For teachers' salaries and other regular help .....	7,600
Support of girls and board of teachers.....	20,000
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	\$35,600
Amount to be expected from tuitions and donations.....	12,000
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Required from Board, repairs, and running expenses.....	\$23,600

#### GENERAL COMMENT.

To my notion, Vashti stands for the most philanthropic work you are doing in home missions to-day. Other work and institutions improve living and social conditions. Vashti does as much, and in addition it saves most of its girls from certain ruin. It is almost unthinkable that here in America, in the enlightened twentieth century, children, especially girls in their teens, having had the misfortune to lose parents are counted moral driftwood to be rescued, if recovered at all, by reformatories or rescue homes.

Human life is composed of material entirely too precious for such a profligate policy. The forces of evil are already too numerous to be augmented through such social indifference. The training of the homeless child should be provided for just as certainly as that of any other child. The Church is able to do this work. The State is able. The one most awake on the subject is the most guilty.

Care, however, of children in this condition is not charity. It is no more charity than a parent exercises in protecting and educating his own child. It is rather a social investment of the highest class; for the girl protected becomes a valuable asset, while the one neglected becomes a social liability of the most serious character.

## PERSONAL.

"When in the course of human events it becomes necessary for a person to dissolve the bonds which have connected him with others, a respect for the opinions of mankind requires that he should declare the causes," etc.

In 1895 the writer was sent into the mountains of Eastern Kentucky to pioneer and build a school for the Kentucky Conference. Eight years later he was sent by your Board to open up the Brevard work, a four years' job, and this was followed by more than twelve years of service at Vashti.

Opening up new schools requires more attention and care than regular school work. Vashti, moreover, being an institution as well as a school, has been a twelve months' job each year, with very little room for intermission.

Although relations with your Board have at all times been most cordial and satisfactory, after a quarter of a century of almost continuous work of the same nature the writer feels that an indefinite vacation is essential to health and future efficiency.

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**DELINQUENT GIRLS.**
**Virginia K. Johnson Home.**

MRS. M. L. STONE, PRINCIPAL.

The Virginia K. Johnson Home, one of the most beautiful monuments to Christian womanhood in these United States of ours, has a capacity for a hundred, or perhaps more, girls, but we have never reached the limit of our capacity. During the year 1919 we came in touch with one hundred and one girls. With the religious atmosphere with which they are surrounded, from the rising bell in the morning until the last bed bell rings at night, we feel that only a reprobate can resist the great influence; and the spirit among the girls is wonderfully sweet. Think of girls from all casts and classes being thrown together in one building, and not even jars and wrangles that are often seen in private families are ever heard or felt among them, but always a spirit of helpfulness prevails.

The spiritual life and earnestness of our girls seems to grow and deepen, and there seems to be a yearning in their hearts to make their lives useful in loving service.

MRS. W. H. JOHNSON, FINANCIAL AGENT.

January, 1919. Paid-up shares .....	\$6,886 29
First quarter, January. Total .....	265 00
Grand total .....	\$7,151 29
Second quarter, April. Total .....	80 91
Grand total .....	\$7,232 20
Third quarter, July. Total .....	95 50
Grand total .....	\$7,327 70
Fourth quarter, October. Total .....	484 00
Grand total .....	\$7,811 70
Year's total .....	485 41
Girls' Loan Fund, 1919 .....	119 50

If the foregoing report chronicled the results of our year's work, we would pray for God's forgiveness and your compassion; but never have we faced such cyclonic financial campaigns, not one after another, but many together, religious, social, and national. Yet the messenger of the King never lowered its flag, but to our Southland rang out its plea for purity. It is God's work. He ordered it, and it cannot fail. The endowment must reach a worthy climax and humanity learn to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.

Our Heavenly Father's hand is so wonderfully displayed in this work that at times it seems but little below the miraculous. The dear old promise, "My God shall supply all your needs according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus," we see verified constantly.

The missionary societies have remembered us more generously, if possible, than in former years, and our hearts go out in praise and gratitude to our Father from whom all good gifts come and then to his own loving children for their loving thoughtfulness. May God richly reward and bless each and every one of them!

### **Macon Door of Hope.**

MRS. F. W. KNOWLES, MATRON.

During 1919 we cared for twenty girls. Eleven girls are now in the Home, one having left a day or two ago to go to her people. Her baby died. We have ten babies now. Five girls returned to loved ones to be married. One has a good home in Macon. The Home has a splendid record for 1919. I believe all the girls have been saved. We have two workers, Mrs. Knowles and Miss Morgan, who helps in the work and sewing. Most of the girls are young, all but two under twenty. I believe more and more that God intends his work to go on in the Door of Hope. He has done a wonderful work here. I pray that should the Council not see fit to take it they will give more and God will bless the girls here and those who have gone out for many years. They write and send nice things to the Home.

Two girls who have married came to see me Christmas. One brought a beautiful baby boy fifteen months old, so happy, and the husband was a fine-looking young man; the other had no child, but a fine-looking husband, a mechanic, who makes a good salary and seems very happy. I could write all day and tell of the very wonderful things which have happened here and what God has done for this Door of Hope. I feel grateful that he has allowed me to be the mother, full of love and sympathy, they need.

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## **DORMITORIES.**

**Denton (Tex.) College of Industrial Arts.**

METHODIST DORMITORY.

MRS. F. B. CARROLL, MANAGER.

The ever-increasing cost of living has made this a critical year and caused us to study very carefully the question of how we shall meet the increased expenses of the house. Like many, we had arranged our budget expecting a decrease instead of a thirty-per-cent increase in prices.

We hope the spring garden and fruits will again lessen the drain on monthly receipts from board of girls.

We have had our usual number of fifty-eight to fifty-nine girls. If a vacancy occurs, there are others waiting to take their places.

Everything moves along harmoniously. Two of our number were given the privilege of attending the Des Moines Conference. They returned filled with the spirit of work and have talked so much of the world's need for missionaries that they have inspired the rest with the desire to do something to make the world better. Some have already chosen fields for work, such as Korea, Africa, and their own country. They realize that a college education is a stepping-stone to higher service.

On March 14 we were able to pay the last remaining debt on the dormitory, \$1,320 due Mrs. W. H. Johnson for bond and interest on same. We were able to do this by the generosity of our good friends as follows: Mrs. B. H. Deavenport, \$100; Mr. Ed Bates, \$100; Dr. Neilson, \$100; Ladonia Missionary Ladies, \$100; North Texas Conference, \$20; from General Treasurer, Mrs. F. H. E. Ross, \$1,000. Total, \$1,420.

Of the amount paid Mrs. Johnson, a bond of \$100 was returned by this great and good woman as a nucleus for another dormitory like unto this. The bond is in the Denton County National Bank, awaiting greater sums to be added.

The dormitory was erected in 1907. It has stood well its thirteen years and has had but little repairing done to it, while from ten to fourteen thousand dollars has been spent upon the hall across the way, which is six months younger. We know that the older the building the more are the needs in the way of repairs and refurnishings. The clogging of the drains brought water into the basement and other damages which only an expert would know how to repair. Fortunately for us, the brick contractor was in town and was able to locate and remedy the trouble with a much less cost than we anticipated. The roof, guaranteed for ten years, has been good up to last year. The leaks were patched without helping the trouble, and the only remedy was a new roof. The work has been done at a cost of \$271 and guaranteed for four years. Painting the outside trimmings and alabastering five rooms at a cost of \$300 is work that must be done every two years to keep up the appearance of the house and drive away old age.

The financial report should show the increase in the cost of living as the months go by. We hope by close economy to steer clear of debt and have a margin to cover summer expenses. The sale of fruits and canning of fruits and vegetables has been a great help this year. This we hope to do again if the season permits.

During the thirteen years of the dormitory more than seven hundred girls have lived under its roof. Many of these are now teaching; others have families of their own and are corner stones of home and State.

A year ago the Board of Directors changed the name to Smith-Carroll Hall, thus putting into the bricks the names of two who have done their best to make the building a success.

It has been proved that this hall is a valuable asset to the cause of education. With the increasing attendance in college, it is evident that another hall would serve to strengthen the good work done.

### **Bible Chair, Methodist Dormitory, Denton, Tex.**

MISS HELEN STAFFORD, TEACHER.

A number of girls at the College of Industrial Arts have borne enthusiastic witness this year to the fact that the Bible work "was meaning more to them than any other course they were taking, that they never knew the Bible could be so interesting," and that they "certain-

ly would like to take more courses in Bible if only there were not so much required work." A decided preference has been shown for the New Testament studies; and as the limitation of time often means that a student cannot take both Old and New Testaments, it is felt that the choice of the New is wise. Courses have been offered covering the scope of both the Old and the New Testaments and also a special course in the Social Teaching of Jesus and one covering in a shorter time the material of the whole Bible; at the close of the New Testament course a series of lectures is given on the fundamental principles of the Christian religion. A short time ago the students in one of the classes asked for a special hour in which they could ask questions on certain subjects which were not included in the course they were then taking.

The college has added to the library this year a number of new books on the Bible and allied subjects for reference work in the courses offered.

The curriculum committee of the college has felt it necessary, in view of the limited number of elective subjects it is possible for a student to take, to plan a limit of three units or one year's work on the amount a student could elect and receive credit for in the Bible work. I had talked with different members of this committee about having this limit at least extended to six units, and this was done recently. This will make it possible for students who wish to specialize more in this work to do so.

A drawback in the way of some students who have wished to take the Bible work heretofore has been that the credits in this work would not be accepted by the State on work done for the State teacher's certificate. This limitation has recently been removed also on special representation from the college.

Seventy-one students have enrolled for different courses in Bible since the opening of the school year in September. The third quarter of the present year, opening the middle of March, will see additional enrollments.

## DEACONESSES WHO SERVED IN 1919-20.

Name and Date of Consecration.	Location.
Alford, Miss Annie (1919)	Coöperative Home, Houston, Tex.
Berglund, Miss Josephine (1917)	Warioto Settlement, Nashville, Tenn.
Black, Miss Lillie (1912)	Rebecca Sparks Home, Waco, Tex.
Blackwell, Miss Florence (1906)	Wesley House, Spartanburg, S. C.
Borchers, Miss Cora (1919)	Wesley House, Knoxville, Tenn.
Breeden, Miss Bertie (1919)	St. Mark's Hall, New Orleans, La.
Breeden, Miss Rosa (1910)	Bethlehem House, Nashville, Tenn.
Bryan, Mrs. Selden (1916)	The Wilson Home, Richmond, Va.
Burton, Miss Emma (1908)	Trinity Church, Los Angeles, Cal.
Cloud, Miss Ellen (1912)	Homer Toberman Clinic, Los Angeles, Cal.
Cox, Miss Elizabeth (1911)	Institutional Church, Kansas City, Mo.
Cunningham, Miss Mattie (1912)	Coöperative Home, Houston, Tex.
Daniel, Miss Mary (1910)	Wesley House, Dallas, Tex.
Dragoo, Miss Rhoda (1909)	Wesley Chapel, Dallas, Tex.
Dreyer, Miss Josephine (1915)	Centenary Church, St. Louis, Mo.
Ducker, Miss Jennie (1909)	State Street Church, Bristol, Va.
Duncan, Miss Daisy (1908)	Hillsboro, N. C.
Durham, Miss Mary Ora (1908)	Scarritt Bible and Training School, Kansas City, Mo.
Eidson, Miss Minnie Lee (1917)	Wesley House, San Antonio, Tex.
Elliott, Miss Maria (1904)	Coöperative Home, Lexington, Ky.
Ellison, Miss Berta (1914)	Wesley House, St. Joseph, Mo.
Fagan, Miss Connie (1911)	Coal Fields, Hartshorne, Okla.
Fail, Miss Maude (1913)	Wesley House, Meridian, Miss.
Gainey, Miss Ellen (1911)	Kingdom House, St. Louis, Mo.
Gardner, Miss Helen (1915)	Methodist Institute, Richmond, Va.
Gatewood, Miss Grace (1915)	Mary Elizabeth Inn, San Francisco, Cal.
Gibson, Miss Helen (1908)	St. Mark's Hall, New Orleans, La.
Godbey, Miss Cornelia (1911)	First Church, Ranger, Tex.
Graham, Miss Aletha (1912)	Mary Werlein Mission, New Orleans, La.
Grizzard, Miss Gertrude (1911)	Wesley House, St. Joseph, Mo.
Harris, Miss Laura (1910)	Coal Fields, Eckman, W. Va.
Hooper, Miss Ella (1919)	Wesley House, French Work, Houma, La.
Iles, Miss Eliza (1912)	First Church, Beaumont, Tex.
Jackson, Miss Ethel (1907)	Mary Elizabeth Inn, San Francisco, Cal.
Kennedy, Miss Mabel (1905)	Centenary Church, St. Louis, Mo.
Lowder, Miss Sarah (1915)	Wesley House, Atlanta, Ga.
Mann, Miss Frances (1907)	First Church, Fort Worth, Tex.
Miller, Miss Frankie (1915)	Coal Fields, Hartshorne, Okla.
Moore, Miss Mary (1911)	Institutional Church, Kansas City, Mo.
Murphy, Miss Rena (1915)	First Church, Shreveport, La.
Palmore, Miss Constance (1909)	Orphans' Home, Macon, Ga.
Parker, Miss Lillian (1914)	Coal Fields, Thurber, Tex.
Peeples, Miss Adeline (1908)	Coöperative Home, Corinth, Miss.
Olmstead, Miss Emily (1918)	Richmond, Ky.
Ragland, Miss Margaret (1907)	First Church, Birmingham, Ala.
Richardson, Miss Falla (1913)	Wesley House, Knoxville, Tenn.
Ritter, Miss Daisy (1915)	Spofford Receiving Home, Kansas City, Mo.
Rowland, Miss Grace (1915)	Rosa Valdes Settlement, West Tampa, Fla.
Sheider, Miss Alice (1910)	Wesley House, Montgomery, Ala.
Smith, Miss Eugenia (1909)	Wesley House, Fort Worth, Tex.
Stevens, Miss Ida (1907)	First Church, New Orleans, La.
Taylor, Miss Elizabeth (1903)	Centenary Church, Chattanooga, Tenn.
Thomas, Miss Berta (1910)	Wolf Settlement, Tampa, Fla.
Tinsley, Miss Lois (1912)	Wesley House, Biloxi, Miss.
Trawick, Miss Annie (1906)	Wesley House, Dallas, Tex.
Waddell, Miss Eva (1910)	Brookside Cotton Mills, Knoxville, Tenn.
Walker, Miss Kate (1913)	Wesley House, Spartanburg, S. C.
Wahroos, Miss Wilhelmina (1913)	35 S. Stricker Street, Baltimore, Md.
Womack, Miss Mollie (1911)	Coal Fields, Hemphill, W. Va.
Wynn, Miss Nelle (1912)	Wesley House, Memphis, Tenn.

## HOME MISSIONARIES.

Acton, Mrs. Julia B.	Oriental Work, Berkeley, Cal.
Adams, Mrs. M. J.	Wesley House, Spartanburg, S. C.
Alexander, Mrs. Mary.	Rosa Valdes Settlement, West Tampa, Fla.
Alfter, Miss Ellen.	Homer Toberman Clinic, Los Angeles, Cal.
Allen, Miss Bessie.	Wesley House, Nashville, Tenn.



Name and Date of Consecration.	Location.
Arnold, Miss Katherine.....	Rosa Valdes Settlement, West Tampa, Fla.
Baxter, Miss Eloise.....	Mary L. Cook Kindergarten, Columbus, Ga.
Bond, Mrs. Carrie.....	Wolff Settlement, Tampa, Fla.
Brand, Miss Bessie.....	Wesley House, Fort Worth, Tex.
Bunn, Miss Bessie.....	Warioto Settlement, Nashville, Tenn.
Byerly, Miss Ruth.....	St. Mark's Hall, New Orleans, La.
Cannon, Miss Jennie.....	Wesley House, Louisville, Ky.
Coburn, Miss May.....	Wesley House, St. Joseph, Mo.
Cole, Miss Sue.....	Wesley House, Danville, Va.
Crenshaw, Mrs. Bertha.....	Wesley House, Nashville, Tenn.
Crim, Miss Dorothy.....	Ensley Community House, Birmingham, Ala.
Cunningham, Miss Ethel.....	Avondale Wesley House, Birmingham, Ala.
Denton, Miss Frances.....	Holding Institute, Laredo, Tex.
Dodd, Miss Dorothy.....	Institutional Church, Kansas City, Mo.
Driver, Mrs. Grace.....	First Church, Memphis, Tenn.
Ford, Miss Sue.....	Ruth Hargrove Settlement School, Key West, Fla.
Godat, Miss Cora.....	Wesley House, Louisville, Ky.
Hoke, Miss Gaye.....	Centenary Church, St. Louis, Mo.
Howard, Miss Frances.....	Wesley House, Atlanta, Ga.
Hughes, Miss Elizabeth.....	Albany, Ga.
Lacy, Miss Margaret.....	Homer Toberman Clinic, Los Angeles, Cal.
Lee, Miss Mary.....	Wolff Settlement, Tampa, Fla.
Lewis, Miss Martha.....	Wolff Settlement, Tampa, Fla.
Mitchell, Miss Susie.....	Wesley House, Fort Worth, Tex.
Parsons, Miss Celia.....	Wesley House, Memphis, Tenn.
Reed, Miss Bethiah.....	Kingdom House, St. Louis, Mo.
Sells, Miss Mae.....	Institutional Church, Kansas City, Mo.
Souby, Mrs. E. M.....	Wesley House, Murfreesboro, Tenn.
Stewart, Miss Agnes.....	Duncan Memorial Chapel, Charlotte, N. C.
Stroup, Miss Nettie.....	Wesley House, San Antonio, Tex.
White, Mrs. Laura.....	Wesley House, French Work, Houma, La.
Whiteside, Miss Florence.....	Wesley House, San Francisco, Cal.

## FOREIGN MISSIONARIES OF THE COUNCIL.

### CHINA.

Year.	Name.	Field Address.	Home Address.
1878.	Miss Lochie Rankin,	Huchow via Shanghai.....	Las Animas, Colo.
1884.	Miss Virginia Atkinson,	Soochow.....	Atlanta, Ga.
1892.	Miss Alice G. Waters,	Shanghai, 21 Hankow Road.....	Murray, Ky.
1892.	Mrs. J. A. Gaither,	Huchow via Shanghai.....	Atlanta, Ga.
1892.	Miss Martha E. Pyle,	Shanghai, 1 Edinburg Road.....	Kansas City, Mo.
1892.	Miss Mildred B. Bomar,	Huchow via Shanghai.....	Richmond, Va.
1894.	Miss Clara E. Steger,	Huchow via Shanghai.....	Mt. Grove, Mo.
1896.	Miss Ella D. Leveritt,	Changchow.....	Monroe, Ga.
1899.	Miss Mary M. Tarrant,	Soochow.....	East St. Louis, Mo.
1901.	Miss Ida Anderson,	Changchow.....	Jackson, Miss.
1901.	Miss Mary Culler White,	Sungkiang.....	Nashville, Tenn.
1904.	Miss Maggie J. Rogers,	Soochow.....	Marlin, Tex.
1905.	Miss Elizabeth Claiborne,*	Shanghai, 1 Edinburg Road.....	Jackson, Tenn.
1905.	Miss Irene S. King,*	Sungkiang.....	Holden, Mo.
1906.	Miss Nettie Peacock,	Sungkiang.....	Macon, Ga.
1906.	Miss Mary Lou White,	Huchow via Shanghai.....	Norfolk, Va.
1906.	Miss Emma Lester,	Shanghai, 1 Edinburg Road.....	Augusta, Ga.
1907.	Miss Nelle D. Drake,*	Sungkiang.....	Port Gibson, Miss.
1908.	Miss Julia Wasson,	Shanghai, 21 Hankow Road.....	Ethel, Miss.
1909.	Miss Mary Hood, R. N.,*	Shanghai.....	Brownsville, Tenn.
1909.	Miss Clara Park,	Shanghai, 1 Edinburg Road.....	Sylvania, Ga.
1909.	Miss Lelia Tuttle,	Shanghai, 1 Edinburg Road.....	Lenoir, S. C.
1911.	Miss Mittie Shelton,	Huchow via Shanghai.....	Stamford, Tex.
1911.	Miss Annie Bradshaw,	Soochow.....	Lynch Station, Va.
1911.	Miss Bessie B. Combs,	Sungkiang.....	St. Joseph, Mo.
1912.	Miss Alice Green,	Changchow.....	Graham, N. C.
1912.	Miss Nina W. Troy,	Soochow.....	Greensboro, N. C.
1912.	Miss Frances Burkhead,	Soochow.....	Lexington, N. C.
1913.	Miss Lela Blier,	Huchow via Shanghai.....	Kansas City, Mo.

\*At home on furlough.

Year.	Name.	Field Address.	Home Address.
1913.	Miss Hattie F. Love, M.D.,	Shanghai.....	Sweetwater, Tenn.
1913.	Miss Laura V. Mitchell,	Soochow.....	Arcadia, Fla.
1913.	Miss May Hixson,	Shanghai, 1 Edinburg Road.....	Des Moines, Iowa
1914.	Miss Louise Robinson,	Soochow.....	New Decatur, Ala.
1914.	Miss Sue Stanford,	Huchow via Shanghai.....	Waco, Tex.
1914.	Miss Nina Stallings,*	Soochow.....	Mexico, Mo.
1915.	Miss Kate Hackney,*	Soochow.....	Asheville, N. C.
1915.	Miss Olive Lipscomb,*	Soochow.....	Nashville, Tenn.
1915.	Miss Ruth Brittain,*	Nanking.....	Guntersville, Ala.
1916.	Miss Mary Blackford,	Huchow via Shanghai.....	St. Louis, Mo.
1917.	Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon,	Huchow via Shanghai.....	Maxton, N. C.
1917.	Miss Marie Raffo,	Soochow.....	Tampa, Fla.
1918.	Miss Alma Pitts, R. N.,	Shanghai.....	Lahoma, Okla.
1919.	Miss Alice Alsop,	Soochow.....	Coleman, Tex.
1919.	Miss Marguerite Clarke,	Shanghai, 1 Edinburg Road.....	Sunny Side, Va.
1920.	Miss Sarah Brinkley (to be appointed),	Language School.....	Jewell, Ga.
1920.	Miss Floss McKnight (to be appointed),	Language School.....	Chaffee, Mo.

## KOREA.

1887.	Mrs. J. P. Campbell,	Seoul.....	New York City, N. Y.
1904.	Miss Ellasue Wagner,*	Songdo.....	Chilhowie, Va.
1905.	Miss Cordelia Erwin,	Chul Won.....	Dexter, Ky.
1906.	Miss Mamie D. Myers,	Seoul.....	Waycross, Ga.
1906.	Miss Lillian E. Nichols,	Songdo.....	Savannah, Ga.
1908.	Miss Kate Cooper,	Wonsan.....	Douglasville, Ga.
1909.	Miss Halle Buie,	Wonsan.....	Wesson, Miss.
1909.	Miss Laura V. Edwards,	Songdo.....	Hereford, Tex.
1910.	Miss Bertha A. Smith,	Seoul.....	Marshall, Mo.
1911.	Miss Carrie U. Jackson,	Choon Chun.....	Arlington, Ky.
1911.	Miss Ida Hankins,	Songdo.....	Wilmington, N. C.
1911.	Miss Bertha Tucker,	Seoul.....	Crawfordsville, Ky.
1911.	Miss Hortense Tinsley,	Seoul.....	Americus, Ga.
1912.	Miss Bessie Oliver,	Choon Chun.....	Unadilla, Ga.
1912.	Miss Agnes E. Graham,	Songdo.....	Comanche, Tex.
1913.	Miss Eva Hardie,	Seoul.....	Oak Park, Ill.
1915.	Miss Ellie Gray,*	Seoul.....	La Grange, Ga.
1916.	Miss Rosa M. Lowder, R. N.,	Songdo.....	Swansboro, N. C.
1918.	Miss Pauline Glass Randle,	Songdo.....	New Orleans, La.
1919.	Miss Carrie Turner, R. N.,	Seoul.....	Bremond, Tex.

## JAPAN.

1896.	Miss Ida M. Worth,	Oita, 55 Niage Machi.....	Tallula, Ill.
1910.	Miss Annie Bell Williams,	Kobe, 35 Nakayamate Dori, 4 Crome. Charleston, S. C.	
1913.	Miss Ethel Newcomb,	35 Nakayamate Dori, 4 Crome.....	St. Louis, Mo.
1915.	Miss Annette Gist,*	Ota, 55 Niage Machi.....	McIntosh, Fla.
1915.	Miss Charlie Holland,*	Kobe, 35 Nakayamate Dori, 4 Crome. Moscow, Fin.	
1917.	Miss Mabel Whitehead,	111 Niomon Dori, Hiromidu, Kyoto. Birmingham, Ala.	
1917.	Miss Katherine Hatcher,	Hiroshima.....	Harlem, Ga.
1919.	Miss Blanche D. Hager,	Kobe.....	Kobe, Japan
1920.	Miss Ruby Van Hooser,	Language School.....	Titusville, Fla.
1920.	Miss Mary Searcy,	Language School.....	Columbia, Mo.
1920.	Miss Jean Callahan,	Language School.....	Japan

## BRAZIL.

1892.	Miss Amella Elerding,	Rua Itaboca 72, Sao Paulo....	Deer Park, Ala.
1895.	Miss Eliza Perkinson,	Rio de Janeiro.....	Paola, Kans.
1896.	Miss Lillie A. Stradley,	Collegio Piracicabano, Piracicaba. Sweetwater, Tenn.	
1896.	Miss Ida Shaffer,*	Scarritt Bible and Training School. Kansas City, Mo.	
1901.	Miss Helen Johnson,	Collegio Americano, Petropolis....	Sebastian, Fla.
1903.	Miss Emma Christine,	Collegio Isabella Hendrix, Bello Horizonte. Kenwood Springs, Mo.	

\*At home on furlough.

Year.	Name.	Field Address.	Home Address.
1907.	Miss Eunice F. Andrew*	.....	St. Louis, Mo.
1911.	Miss Rachel Jarrett, Collegio Piracicabano,	Piracicaba.	Redwater, Tex.
1911.	Miss Lelia F. Epps, Collegio Americano, Petropolis.	.....	Kingstree, S. C.
1911.	Miss Lydia Ferguson, Collegio Americano, Petropolis.	.....	Belton, Tex.
1911.	Miss Sophia Schalch, Collegio Piracicabano, Piracicaba.	.....	Brazil
1912.	Miss Eva Louise Hyde, Rio de Janeiro.	.....	Fulton, Mo.
1912.	Miss Jennie Stradley*.	.....	Tippecanoe City, Ohio
1913.	Miss Mary Jane Baxter, Collegio Methodista, Ribeirao Preto.	.....	Huntsville, Ala.
1914.	Miss Elma Morgan*.	.....	Stephens, Ark.
1914.	Miss Gertrude Kennedy*.	.....	Kenbridge, Va.
1915.	Miss Ethel Brown*.	.....	Petersburg, Va.
1915.	Miss Maud Mathis, Collegio Isabella Hendrix,	Bello Horizonte, Brazil.	Arp, Tex.
1915.	Miss Mary Sue Brown, Collegio Americano, Porto Alegre.	.....	Gatesville, Tex.
1916.	Miss Lela M. Putnam, Collegio Isabella Hendrix, Bello Horizonte.	.....	Bello Horizonte, Albany, Tex.
1916.	Miss Nancy R. Holt, Collegio Methodista, Ribeirao Preto.	.....	Norfolk, Va.
1917.	Miss Sara Van Dyke Stout, Collegio Americano, Porto Alegre.	.....	Clarksville, Tenn.
1918.	Miss Mary Alice Lamar, Collegio Americano, Petropolis.	.....	Houston, Tex.
1918.	Miss Pearl O. Hicks, Collegio Methodista, Ribeirao Preto.	.....	Shawnee, Okla.
1919.	Miss Fannie V. Scott, Collegio Piracicabano, Piracicaba.	.....	Toney Creek, S. C.

## MEXICO.

1887.	Miss Lelia Roberts, Colegio Ingles, Saltillo.	.....	Bonham, Tex.
1896.	Miss Edith Park, Colegio Ingles, Saltillo.	.....	Amarillo, Tex.
1901.	Miss Norwood E. Wynn, Apartado 50, Chihuahua.	.....	Dallas, Tex.
1908.	Miss Mary E. Massey, Colegio Palmore, Chihuahua.	.....	Tuka, Miss.
1909.	Miss Sarah Warne, Apartado 17, Monterrey, Mexico.	Santa Ana, Cal.	
1911.	Miss Virginia E. Booth, Colegio Palmore, Chihuahua.	.....	Austin, Tex.
1912.	Miss Charlie M. Cunningham*.	.....	Lindsay, Cal.
1912.	Miss Lillie F. Fox, Colegio Palmore, Chihuahua.	.....	Odessa, Mo.
1913.	Miss Ethel McCaughan, Colegio Palmore, Chihuahua.	.....	Corpus Christi, Tex.
1919.	Miss Dora L. Ingram.	.....	Centralia, Mo.
1919.	Miss Annie M. Craig.	.....	Austin, Tex.
1919.	Miss Nora E. Darwin.	.....	Fort Worth, Tex.

## CUBA.

1881.	Miss Rebecca Toland, Apartado 94, Matanzas.	.....	Beeville, Tex.
1897.	Miss Annie Churchill, Independencia 89, Cienfuegos.	.....	Burnet, Tex.
1899.	Miss Frances B. Moling, Independencia 89, Cienfuegos.	.....	Kansas City, Mo.
1902.	Miss M. Belle Markey, Apartado 94, Matanzas.	.....	Cleveland, Tenn.
1913.	Miss Margaret C. Webster*.	.....	Ennis, Tex.
1918.	Miss Jessie Drew Gill, Independencia 98, Matanzas*.	.....	Tuskegee, Ala.

## AFRICA.

1917.	Miss Etta Lee Woolsey, Wembo-Niama, care A. P. C. M., Lusambo, Congo Belge.	.....	Bay City, Tex.
1917.	Miss Kathron Wilson, Wembo-Niama, care A. P. C. M., Lusambo, Congo Belge.	.....	Dodge City, Tex.
1920.	Miss Flora Foreman, M. E. C. M., care A. P. C. M., Lusambo, Congo Belge.	.....	Stratford, Tex.
1920.	Miss Eliza Iles, M. E. C. M., care A. P. C. M., Lusambo, Congo Belge.	.....	Dry Creek, La.
1920.	Miss Marzie Hall, M. E. C. M., care A. P. C. M., Lusambo, Congo Belge.	.....	Walnut Grove, Miss.
1920.	Miss Ruth Henderson, M. E. C. M., care A. P. C. M., Lusambo, Congo Belge.	.....	Richmond, Va.

## MISSIONARY TEACHERS.

1908.	Miss Laura Lee, Independencia 89, Cienfuegos, Cuba.	.....	Nashville, Tenn.
1914.	Miss Muriel Smith, Shanghai, China.	.....	England

\*At home on furlough.

Year.	Name.	Field Address.	Home Address.
1916.	Miss Lucile Vail,	Apartado 94, Matanzas, Cuba.	Cartersville, Ga.
1916.	Miss Myra Olive,	Soochow, China.	Seattle, Wash.
1917.	Dr. Louise Ingersoll,	Soochow, China.	Asheville, N. C.
1919.	Miss Charlotte Vimont,	Collegio Ingles, Saltillo, Mexico.	
1919.	Miss Alma McLain,	Shanghai, China.	Terre Haute, Ind. Columbia, Mo.

### FOREIGN MISSIONARIES SENT OUT BY THE COUNCIL, BUT NOT NOW ACTIVE IN THE SERVICE.

Appointed.	Name and Former Residence.	Conference.
1879.	Miss Dora Rankin,* Milan, Tenn.	Memphis
1881.	Miss Annie Williams,† Chapel Hill, Tex.	Texas
1881.	Miss Mattie Watts,* Louisville, Ky.	Louisville
1882.	Miss Anna J. Muse,† Atlanta, Ga.	North Georgia
1882.	Miss Blanche Gilbert, Roanoke, Va.	Baltimore
1882.	Mrs. Sara Burford, Georgetown, Tex.	Northwest Texas
1883.	Miss Nannie E. Holding,† Latonia, Ky.	Kentucky
1883.	Miss Mattie B. Jones, Norcross, Ga.	North Georgia
1882.	Miss Jennie C. Wolf, Pensacola, Fla.	Alabama
1884.	Miss Laura A. Haygood,* Atlanta, Ga.	North Georgia
1884.	Miss Dona Hamilton,* Paris, Tex.	North Texas
1884.	Miss Mildred M. Phillips, M.D.,† California, Mo.	Southwest Missouri
1884.	Miss Lou E. Phillips, California, Mo.	Southwest Missouri
1884.	Miss Mary W. Bruce,† Plattsburg, Mo.	Missouri
1887.	Miss Emma E. Kerr,† Brownsville, Tenn.	Memphis
1887.	Miss Kate R. Roberts,* Nashville, Tenn.	Tennessee
1887.	Miss Addie F. Gordon,* Port Gibson, Miss.	North Mississippi
1887.	Miss Elizabeth Hughes, Meridian, Miss.	Mississippi
1887.	Miss Lula H. Lipscomb,* Columbus, Miss.	North Mississippi
1887.	Miss Ada Reagan,† Nashville, Tenn.	Tennessee
1887.	Miss Marcia Marvin,* St. Louis, Mo.	St. Louis
1888.	Miss Augusta V. Wilson,* Charlestown, W. Va.	Baltimore
1888.	Miss Mary McClellan,† Brookhaven, Miss.	Mississippi
1888.	Miss Ella Granbery,† St. Louis, Mo.	St. Louis
1889.	Mrs. A. E. McClendon,† West Point, Ga.	North Georgia
1889.	Miss A. Clara Christman,* Beauregard, Miss.	Mississippi
1889.	Miss Ella Yarell,* Emporia, Va.	Virginia
1889.	Miss Lida Howell,* Duluth, Ga.	North Georgia
1889.	Miss Flora Baker,* West Point, Ga.	North Georgia
1889.	Miss Lula Ross, Greensboro, Ala.	Alabama
1889.	Miss Sallie M. Phillips, Homer, La.	Louisiana
1889.	Miss Lizzie Wilson,* Newport, Ky.	Kentucky
1890.	Miss Mattie Dorsey,† Charlestown, W. Va.	Baltimore
1890.	Mrs. E. E. Brelsford, Princeton, Ky.	Louisville
1890.	Miss May Littleton Smithy,* Jetersville, Va.	Virginia
1890.	Miss Mary Turner,† Sharpsburg, Ky.	Kentucky
1890.	Miss Kate P. Fannin,† Blountsville, Fla.	Florida
1890.	Miss Helen Lee Richardson,* St. Louis, Mo.	St. Louis
1890.	Miss Lucy Harper,† Georgetown, Tex.	Central Texas
1891.	Miss Mollie F. Brown, Austin, Tex.	Texas
1891.	Miss Kate C. McFarren,* Durango, Mexico.	New Jersey
1892.	Miss Delia Holding,† Latonia, Ky.	Kentucky
1892.	Miss Sue P. Blake,† Micosukee, Fla.	Florida
1892.	Miss Emma Gary,† Elberton, Ga.	North Georgia
1892.	Miss Sallie B. Reynolds,† Columbia, S. C.	South Carolina
1892.	Miss Alice Moore, Oxford, Ga.	North Georgia
1892.	Miss Susan Littlejohn,† Pacolet, S. C.	South Carolina
1892.	Miss Bessie Moore,† Savannah, Tenn.	Tennessee
1892.	Miss Annie Walter, M.D.,† Holly Springs, Miss.	North Mississippi
1894.	Miss Ella Coffey,† Long Mountain, Va.	Virginia
1894.	Miss Esther Case, Batesville, Ark.	North Arkansas
1894.	Miss Layona Glenn,†	North Georgia
1895.	Miss Willie Bowman,† St. Louis, Mo.	Missouri
1895.	Miss May Umberger,† Wytheville, Va.	Holston
1895.	Miss Viola Plackburn, Holly Springs, Miss.	North Mississippi
1895.	Miss Hattie G. Carson,† Savannah, Ga.	South Georgia
1896.	Miss Lizzie Martin,† Chapel Hill, N. C.	North Carolina

\*Deceased. †Married. ‡Retired.

Appointed.	Name and Former Residence.	Conference.
1896.	Miss Johnnie Sanders, † Union, S. C.	South Carolina
1896.	Miss Margaret Polk, M.D., Perryville, Ky.	Kentucky
1897.	Miss Susie E. Williams, † San Francisco, Cal.	Los Angeles
1897.	Miss Mary L. Richardson, * St. Louis, Mo.	St. Louis
1897.	Miss Leonora D. Smith, † Eclectic, Ala.	Alabama
1897.	Miss Laura V. Wright, † Baltimore, Md.	Baltimore
1898.	Miss Fannie Hinds, † Mt. Sterling, Ky.	Kentucky
1898.	Miss Mary Pescudi	North Carolina
1899.	Miss Arrena Carroll, † Mt. Crawford, Va.	Baltimore
1899.	Miss Lela McNemar, Edwards, Miss.	Mississippi
1899.	Miss Clara B. Fullerton, Louisville, Ky.	Louisville
1899.	Miss Maud Bonnell, * Muskogee, Okla.	East Oklahoma
1900.	Miss Sadie Harbaugh, † Washington, D. C.	Baltimore
1900.	Miss Elizabeth Davis, Durham, N. C.	North Carolina
1900.	Miss Alice Griffith, † Marion, Ky.	Louisville
1900.	Miss June Nicholson, * Edgefield, S. C.	South Carolina
1900.	Miss Mollie Cessna, Utica, Miss.	North Mississippi
1900.	Miss Sue Ford, Paris, Ky.	Kentucky
1901.	Miss Maidee Smith, La Grange, Ga.	North Georgia
1901.	Miss Orient Alexander, * Brookfield, Mo.	Missouri
1901.	Miss Mary Knowles, † Macon, Ga.	South Georgia
1901.	Miss Ida May Stewart, † Leesburg, Fla.	Florida
1901.	Miss Lily Whitman, Eupora, Miss.	North Mississippi
1901.	Mrs. Ellen B. Carney, Plant City, Fla.	Florida
1901.	Miss Della V. Wright, Anderson, S. C.	South Carolina
1901.	Miss May Treadwell, Edgewood, Ga.	North Georgia
1902.	Miss Josephine Hounshell, † Corinth, Va.	Holston
1902.	Miss Blanche Howell, Caixa 454, Rio de Janeiro.	W. N. Carolina
1903.	Miss Loula M. Norville, † Livingston, Ala.	Alabama
1903.	Miss Ara Riggins, * Pasadena, Cal.	Los Angeles
1904.	Miss Ada Parker, New Orleans, La.	Louisiana
1904.	Miss Janie Watkins	Mississippi
1905.	Miss Mattie M. Ivey, Calvert, Tex.	Texas
1905.	Miss Elizabeth Lamb, Fayetteville, N. C.	North Carolina
1905.	Mrs. F. K. Brown, † Knoxville, Tenn.	Holston
1906.	Miss Eleanor Dye, † Evansville, Miss.	North Mississippi
1906.	Miss Sophia Mann, * Mexia, Tex.	Northwest Texas
1906.	Miss Agnes Ruff, Wallaceville, S. C.	South Carolina
1907.	Mrs. S. S. Harris, Citra, Fla.	Florida
1907.	Mrs. Emily Runyon, M.D., Richmond, Va.	Virginia
1907.	Miss Ruby Kendrick, * Plano, Tex.	Northwest Texas
1907.	Miss Martha Ivie Batey, † Murfreesboro, Tenn.	Tennessee
1907.	Miss Ruby Lilly, † Whitman, Ga.	South Georgia
1907.	Miss Augusta May Dye, † Plano, Tex.	Northwest Texas
1907.	Miss Emma I. Steger, † Mountain Grove, Mo.	Southwest Missouri
1907.	Miss Linnie Barcroft, Tupelo, Miss.	Mississippi
1908.	Miss Kate Smallwood, † New Albany, Miss.	North Mississippi
1908.	Miss Bessie Houser, † Perry, Ga.	South Georgia
1908.	Miss Daisy Pyles, † Juiz de Fora, Brazil.	Brazil
1908.	Miss Mary F. Johnstone, † Dawson, Ga.	South Georgia
1908.	Miss Alma Jones, Webb City, Mo.	Missouri
1908.	Mrs. Nellie O'Bierne	Louisiana
1908.	Miss Trulie Richmond, Ennis, Tex.	Central Texas
1909.	Miss Hardynia Norville, Livingston, Ala.	Alabama
1909.	Miss Martha Nutt, Granbury, Tex.	Central Texas
1909.	Miss Valeria Vollmer, † Porto Alegre, Brazil.	Brazil
1909.	Miss Minnie Varner, † Greenville, Ala.	Alabama
1909.	Miss Elsie Lowe, † Midlothian, Tex.	Central Texas
1909.	Miss Tommie Foster, Tchula, Miss.	Mississippi
1909.	Miss Helen Hickman, Sherman, Tex.	North Texas
1909.	Miss Sara E. Warne, Santa Ana, Cal.	Los Angeles
1909.	Miss Terrie Etta Buttrick, Asheville, N. C.	Western North Carolina
1910.	Miss Maria Wightman Capers, † Charleston, S. C.	South Carolina
1910.	Miss Margaret Beadle, † Austin, Tex.	West Texas
1910.	Miss Nevada Martin, † Pelahatchie, Miss.	Mississippi
1910.	Miss Dora Ots, † Hopkinsville, Mo.	Missouri
1910.	Miss Gilberta Harris	Little Rock
1910.	Miss Nellie Bennett	Virginia
1910.	Miss Johnnie Pierson	Northwest Texas

\*Deceased. †Married. ‡Retired.

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Appointed.	Name and Former Residence.	Conference.
1910.	Miss Sallie J. Smith†	Virginia
1910.	Miss Ellen Alfter	Southwest Missouri
1910.	Miss Alice Dean Noyes, Macon, Ga.	South Georgia
1910.	Miss Virginia Howell, Lampasas, Tex.	North Texas
1911.	Miss Clare Beverly Cain, Los Angeles, Cal.	Los Angeles
1911.	Miss Myrtle Barker,† Warsaw, Ky.	Kentucky
1911.	Miss Miriam Steel,† Brownwood, Tex.	Northwest Texas
1911.	Miss Frankie Hooper, St. Joseph, Mo.	Missouri
1911.	Miss Margaret Simpson, Little Rock, Ark.	Arkansas
1911.	Miss Lillie Reed,† Waco, Tex.	East Oklahoma
1911.	Miss Florence Barton	St. Louis
1912.	Miss Mae Owings, Fountain Inn, S. C.	South Carolina
1912.	Miss Flora Herndon, Elberton, Ga.	North Georgia
1912.	Miss Maggie Lee Kenney,† Los Angeles, Cal.	Los Angeles
1912.	Miss Laura V. Summers, Barnesville, Ga.	North Georgia
1912.	Miss Lucy Henderson, Murfreesboro, Tenn.	South Georgia
1912.	Miss Bessie Lee Wilson	Tennessee
1912.	Miss Theodosia Wales†	North Georgia
1912.	Miss Edith Hayes†	North Alabama
1912.	Dr. Ethel Polk,† Kansas City, Mo.	Southwest Missouri
1913.	Miss Blanche Webb,† Chattanooga, Tenn.	Holston
1913.	Miss Bertha O. Attaway†	South Carolina
1913.	Miss Bessie Hardie†	South Georgia
1914.	Miss Manelle Forster†	South Georgia
1914.	Miss Elizabeth Love, Sweetwater, Tenn.	Holston
1914.	Miss Allene Pearce, Danville, Ky.	Kentucky
1917.	Miss Etha Mills†	Virginia
1917.	Miss Grace McCubbins†	Western North Carolina
1918.	Miss Edna Lee Booker, Los Angeles, Cal.	Los Angeles
1919.	Miss Teresa Whittal,† Chicago, Ill.	Illinois

\*Deceased. †Married. ‡Retired.

# REPORTS FROM THE FIELDS.

## CHINA MISSION.

### SHANGHAI AND SUNGKIANG DISTRICTS.

APPOINTMENTS FOR 1918-19.

#### *Shanghai.*

**McTyeire School.**—Miss Martha E. Pyle, Principal; Miss Elizabeth Claiborne, Science; Miss Lelia J. Tuttle, History and Literature; Miss Julia Wasson, Mathematics and Treasurer; Miss Clara Park, Expression and Physical Work; Miss Muriel Smith, Piano; Miss Emma Service Lester, English; Miss Myra Olive, Voice; Miss May Hixson, Preparatory Department; Miss Alma McLain, Assistant in Science and Mathematics.

**Evangelistic Work and Day Schools.**—Shanghai, Nanziang, and Tai Tsaung, Miss Alice G. Waters.

#### *Sungkiang.*

**Hayes-Wilkins Bible School.**—Miss Mary Culler White, Principal; Miss Irene S. King (on furlough).

**Susan B. Wilson School.**—Miss Nelle Drake, Principal; Miss Nettie L. Peacock (on furlough).

**Woman's Work and Day Schools.**—Miss Bess Combs.

**District Woman's Work and Day Schools.**—Miss Bess Combs.

### CONDENSED REPORTS.

#### SHANGHAI AND SUNGKIANG DISTRICTS.

MISS ALICE G. WATERS, DISTRICT SECRETARY.

In the Shanghai and Sungkiang Districts the work has been carried on during 1919 by eleven missionaries and three missionary teachers. One missionary belonging to the district has been on furlough. No new work has been opened during the year. Three day schools have been closed because of exchange. The opportunities for work were never greater. The need is for workers.

The statistical report of this district is as follows:

**Boarding Schools.**—Number, 1; foreign missionaries in same, 9; Chinese teachers in same, 122; pupils, 450; Church members in schools, 134.

**Bible Schools.**—Number, 1; foreign missionary in same, 1; Chinese teachers in same, 8; pupils, 31; Church members, 21.

**Day Schools.**—Number, 8; teachers in same, 13; pupils in day schools, 213.

**Kindergartens.**—Number, 3; teachers in same, 5; pupils in same, 84.

**Bible Women.**—In the district, 20; Bible women's homes, 11.

An interesting item is the amount given toward self-support. The fees collected on the districts from school patrons during 1919 amount to \$43,752.60. This is an indication of the growing appreciation of Christian education.

## McTYEIRE SCHOOL.

MISS MARTHA E. PYLE, PRINCIPAL.

McTyeire School has had another prosperous year. The work has been carried on by six missionaries and three missionary teachers. In addition to the staff of missionaries, there has been a strong corps of Chinese workers.

There have been three hundred and thirty-nine pupils in the school during 1919—seventy-one in high school, eighty-nine in preparatory, one hundred and twenty-two in primary, forty-seven in special classes, and twenty-six in the kindergarten. There were two graduates from the high school in June, one of whom is now a teacher in McTyeire, and the other is in Scarritt Bible and Training School, Kansas City, Mo.

The new dormitory for which plans are being made is a crying, not to say a tragic, need. There is no development possible without it. That and other needed buildings should be provided in the near future. The school chapel should be built as soon as the dormitory is finished.

MISS JULIA M. WASSON, MATHEMATICS.

My report for the year may be found in Isaiah xxviii. 10: "Here a little, and there a little." The beginning of the year found me back at the old place, 21 Hankow Road. I moved back during the Christmas holidays to help look after things there and to do the bookkeeping for the school. The first half year I continued to do all the work in mathematics at the high school except one class, which Miss Claiborne took. The work was so arranged that it was necessary to go out there only three days in the week.

At the opening of the fall term I gave up the work at the high school and took two hours a day in the preparatory department, two classes in Bible, one in arithmetic, and one in English.

The days have come and gone. Often they have been mere interruptions of the things planned. May the Master, who considered the fragments, be able to make something of the year's service!

MISS LELIA J. TUTTLE, ENGLISH AND HISTORY.

I have always tried to teach literature and history as living, growing things; but the world condition during the last few years has made these subjects, especially history, of vital interest to teacher and pupils. Whatever the textbook in history is, the emphasis is laid on getting a grasp of present-day conditions and of linking them up with the great volume of human history. The teachings of the prophets have seemed especially suited for these times, too, so that I often feel that I am most fortunate in the subjects I teach.

The midweek religious service is nearly always led by a person of note from the community or by some speaker passing through Shanghai. These services are looked forward to by teachers and students as times of real growth and uplift. The Sunday evening service is in the hands of the girls; and while it is voluntary, the attendance is good, for they enjoy the singing, which constitutes most of the program. For some months I have been the faculty representative on the Students' Council. This organization, which looks after the discipline of our school, has, we feel, also helped the girls to know how to govern themselves in their branch of the Student Union. Many splendid things are said about the patriotism, the efficiency, and the loyalty to high ideals of our girls.



## EVANGELISTIC WORK AND DAY SCHOOLS.

MISS ALICE G. WATERS.

After a year and a half in McTyeire School, in the beginning of January I returned to the work in Hongkew in connection with Allen Memorial Church. As we have no church building in Hongkew, our woman's work is mostly carried on from the day schools and kindergartens, where our Bible women live. We have held our weekly women's meetings there, and for most of the year have had a Sunday school for street children on Sunday afternoons. Our women have gone twice a month to Woosung to help in the work there. In our kindergarten and day school in Hongkew we have children from splendid families, and we hope it will become a strong feeder for McTyeire.

In addition to my work in connection with Allen Memorial, I have undertaken to help in the women's work at Moore Memorial. We have had a graduate Bible woman working there since Chinese New Year, and since summer one of the old Clopton School students employed by the Woman's Missionary Society has been working with her. The weekly women's meetings, which had not been held for several years, have been reopened. The missionary society has been reorganized and has taken on new life. We have plans for the next year which we hope to carry out, and we are hopeful of good results.

## SUSAN B. WILSON SCHOOL.

MISS NELLE DRAKE, PRINCIPAL.

During the Conference year the effort has been made in Susan B. Wilson to put through such features of the Centenary program of the Church as could be used in the school.

As soon after Conference as the pledge cards for intercession were printed, we made a study of prayer. Forty in the school signed the intercession cards. The next step was to bring before the students the plan of the Chinese Church for self-support. Thirty-seven dollars was raised by the girls, their full share. The tithing campaign was carried on for one week. Nearly every student signed a tithing card.

In the spring we secured Miss Paxson to conduct our annual evangelistic meeting. We had a genuine revival. A number were converted. Ten girls joined the Church. Four girls have become volunteers for some form of Christian work.

## HAYES-WILKINS BIBLE SCHOOL.

MISS MARY CULLER WHITE, PRINCIPAL.

Miss Irene King's furlough had to be prolonged on account of her health, so during the year 1919 I have continued in charge of the Hayes-Wilkins Bible School for Women in Sungkiang. The enrollment for the past year has been thirty-one. Our course consists of two years of preparatory and four years of Bible school work. We have a good Chinese faculty; but I have been the only missionary in the school and, in addition, have superintended the field work of the students and have had entire charge of our evangelistic work for women at our two Churches in Sungkiang. There are two Bible women working in Grace Church and five at McLain Memorial. The call of the great masses outside has made it hard sometimes for me to stay by the school, and I have sighed for the old

life on the canals in a house boat. Moreover, Miss Bess Combs, who has succeeded me in the "floating itinerancy," is doing so well with the Work that I fear I shall never be able to get it back. But there are compensations even in limitations. The compensation has been the wonderful development of the student body as a result of the Student Movement in China.

## SUNGKIANG DISTRICT WOMAN'S WORK AND DAY SCHOOLS.

MISS BESS COMBS.

Perhaps never before have I been so grateful for the honor of having a place of service in the Kingdom and cannot help being thankful that that place is in China. Comparatively speaking, the territory I cover in China is a very small part of the whole; and yet the district is so large and this being my first year in country work, most of the time has been spent in getting acquainted with the field. Many villages in my territory, and some where we have Churches, I have not visited at all this year. It is almost impossible to do intensive work in so large a territory.

There are six Bible women and six Bible women's homes in the district. These Bible women are stationed in the principal city of each circuit and are responsible for the woman's work in that city and all the surrounding country and villages. They are indispensable to the healthy growth of the Church. Where we have Churches without a Bible woman, the Church members are all men. The women are rarely ever reached, and the homes do not become Christian because the mothers are not Christians. The Bible woman's duties are as varied as the needs of the community. Her life is the biggest testimony for Christ among the women in the community.

There are four day schools on the district—three for girls and one for boys. The boys' school is supported by a Chinese woman in Shanghai who opened the school as a memorial to her husband.

At the close of the year we give thanks to Him who has blessed us, and in the confidence of his leading we enter with faith into the new year.

## SOOCHOW AND CHANGCHOW DISTRICTS.

APPOINTMENTS FOR 1918-19.

### *East Soochow.*

**Laura Haygood Normal School.**—Miss Kate B. Hackney, Principal; Miss Annie E. Bradshaw, Supervisor of Demonstration School; Miss Marie Raffo, Critic Teacher of Primary Department; Miss Margarita Park, Critic Teacher of Kindergarten; Miss Laura V. Mitchell, Religious Education; Miss Nina Troy, Instructor in Piano and Chorus; Miss Elizabeth A. Love (on furlough).

**Language School.**—Miss Marguerite Clarke, Miss Alice Alsop, Miss Alma Pitts.

**Mary Black Hospital and Medical School.**—Dr. Ethel Polk, Dr. Hattie Love, Miss Mary Hood, Dr. Louise Ingersoll (on furlough).

### *West Soochow.*

**Davidson Girls' School.**—Miss Olive Lipscomb, Principal; Miss Louise Robinson (on furlough).

**Moka Garden Embroidery Mission.**—Miss Frances Burkhead, Superintendent.

**Day Schools and Woman's Work.**—Miss Mary Minor Tarrant.

*Kong Hong (Central Soochow).*

**Maria L. Gibson Settlement.**—Miss Nina Stallings, Head Resident; Miss Edna Lee Booker, Social Work; Miss Maggie J. Rogers (on furlough).

*Changchow.*

**East Gate Day School (Humbert) and Kindergarten.**—Miss Ida Anderson.

**East Gate Woman's Work.**—Miss Alice Green.

**North Gate Day School and Woman's Work.**—Miss Ella D. Leveritt.

**Outstation Work.**—Wusih, Miss Ida Anderson; Nyishing, Miss Alice Green; Changshu Circuit, Miss Virginia M. Atkinson.

*Nanking.*

**Bible Teachers' Training School.**—Miss Ruth M. Brittain.

**Ginling College.**—No appointment.

CONDENSED REPORTS.

SOOCHOW AND CHANGCHOW DISTRICTS.

MISS VIRGINIA M. ATKINSON, DISTRICT SECRETARY.

This report will deal primarily with the outstation work of the district of Changshu, Bakmau, Siensang Jau, and Luchih. In these outstations we have three schools with one hundred and twenty-five pupils. Each school has a kindergarten. There are eight teachers and three Bible women at work in these outstations. There are two Woman's Missionary Societies with seventy members. The city of Changshu is about thirty miles from Soochow, or five hours by steam launch. It contains one hundred thousand inhabitants, and it and the surrounding country have been most promising fields. We need two schools in this city, one at North Gate and one at South Gate. Our one school is now on leased property. We need land and buildings.

At Bakmau, which is a town ten miles southeast of Changshu, we have a nice little day school and good woman's work. There is a good Woman's Missionary Society also.

Siensang Jau is another outstation, a small place northeast of Changshu. The trip is taken in wheelbarrows. The work is difficult to supervise.

At Luchih we once had a nice day school, but had to close it because of the scarcity of funds. Luchih is a town twelve miles from Soochow.

The people in these outstations are more ignorant and needy than we know how to express. There are many towns, some of them large, that are not being reached at all. Some of them are important manufacturing centers. Will we be considered free from the blood of our fellow beings if we continue to fail to reach them?

LAURA HAYGOOD NORMAL SCHOOL.

MISS KATE B. HACKNEY, PRINCIPAL.

The Normal School is still in its infancy, but we are nearer the realization of our ideals for it than ever before. There is a spirit

of harmony and singleness of purpose all through the school. The enrollment for the year is one hundred and ninety-six. The kindergarten practice schools have seventy-seven pupils; the Demonstration Department, eighty-seven pupils; and the Normal School proper, forty-two students.

The Normal School students took their place in the great Student Movement. During the summer months many of the students taught in the schools opened by the Student Association, whose aim is to educate the illiterate.

Our hearts were saddened when at the beginning of the last New Year God called our coworker, Miss Nina Keiser, to her heavenly home. She had taught faithfully for five years, and we miss her sorely.

During the last year we have been approached on the subject of making our school a Union Normal School for Central China. We ask for your prayers that we may be guided aright as we consider this vital question in the development of the school.

MISS ANNIE BRADSHAW, PSYCHOLOGY.

Intensively and extensively the Normal School has been improved during the year. We are certainly succeeding on our own ground, as seven-eighths of the children in the demonstration school are from our own neighborhood. We continue to regard it as a great privilege to be in the Association of the Normals of the Province. We have translated for them the Terman intelligence tests and are planning courses in English for them, grade by grade. The Association very much appreciates what we do. After we had given an hour's demonstration of the use of phonetics in English reading, a school principal was heard to remark: "It is surprising to see a Church school working along with us, but here is one that is doing it."

MISS LAURA V. MITCHELL, RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND ENGLISH.

The first part of the year was spent at home on furlough. I returned to China in August and began with the opening of the fall term. I am attempting this year to teach an advanced class in Chinese. My schedule calls for twenty-one hours of teaching and seventeen hours of Chinese study. This does not include irregular duties, such as supervising the Literary Society, leading chapel, teaching Sunday school, and attending the ever-present committee meeting of the mission.

MISS MARIE RAFFO, PRIMARY SUPERVISOR.

Since the opening of the school last September I have had supervision of the lower primary of the Demonstration School. Our students do their practice teaching in these grades, and we are giving them their first ideals for the schools they are to establish. We feel that the best is not too good for this department. It has taken the year to gain the full coöperation of the teachers in the Normal School ideal, but it has come. The Chinese move slowly but surely. We are looking forward to the day when the Laura Haygood Demonstration School shall take its place worthily beside any school of its kind anywhere.

MISS MARGARITA PARK, SUPERVISOR OF KINDERGARTENS.

The school year 1918-19 has been the most interesting year I have had in my teaching experience. During the year I have been acting as supervisor of kindergartens of the entire mission, and this

in addition to my duties at the Normal. The mission has eight kindergartens. Four are in Soochow, one in Changchow, one in Bakmau, one in Shanghai, and one in Sungkiang. Last year we had fifty children in the Senah Staley Free Kindergarten. We could have a thousand if we had accommodations for them.

MISS NINA TROY, MUSIC SUPERVISOR.

I have charge of the Music Department of Laura Haygood Normal and of Davidson School. These schools are over two miles apart. I have a Chinese assistant in each school. In the Normal School I have a piano class of thirty-five, chorus classes for the Normal students, and teach music in the grades of the Demonstration School. In Davidson School we have a piano class of thirty and chorus work in all the grades. I consider it a great privilege to come in contact with so many students, and it is my earnest purpose that the music in our schools may be the means of furthering the Christ spirit in the schools and communities of China.

DAVIDSON GIRLS' SCHOOL.

MISS OLIVE LIPSCOMB, PRINCIPAL.

Davidson Girls' School is now in its fifteenth session. It has an enrollment of one hundred and fifty-six, including twenty-five kindergarten children, and a faculty of two foreign and ten Chinese teachers. On the Chinese faculty there are two men who teach Chinese classics; two graduates of Laura Haygood Normal, who teach arithmetic and geography through the grades; a primary teacher; a teacher of physical training and hygiene; a teacher of sewing and Chinese reading; a music teacher; a kindergartner; and the business manager, Mrs. Tsiang, who takes the full responsibility of the boarding department. There is also a practical nurse, who lives in the school and cares for all the sick girls in the infirmary.

Three of last year's graduates are studying in Laura Haygood Normal this year, one in Virginia School, two have married, one is studying nursing, and the other eleven are teaching in day schools in their own and other missions. This June, 1920, we will graduate twenty-three, and we hope that a large proportion of them will go to Laura Haygood Normal or to one of our high schools. Our school is growing, and the spirit of the student body is notably splendid. The Student Movement in China has meant much to our students.

MOKA GARDEN EMBROIDERY MISSION.

MISS FRANCES BURKHEAD, SUPERINTENDENT.

What seems to me the most important work of the year and that to which I have given most of my time and thought has been the new phonetic script for this dialect. Feeling the desperate need of something to enable the women to read and write, I decided to try out in the Embroidery Mission the new phonetic alphabet which had been agreed upon by a committee, but not yet put into use in the Wu dialect section. With the help of both Chinese and foreign friends (for I know very little Chinese), I had charts made which were successfully used with our women. The result has been beyond my greatest dreams—so successful, in fact, that we are receiving numerous requests to teach Bible women and teachers of other missions so that they will be prepared to take up the work. The chart lessons have been put into a primer which has just come

from the press, this being the first book published in the new phonetic script adapted to this dialect. Our women are happy that they have the distinction of being the first class to learn the new writing.

In April a cable came telling me to ship embroideries to Columbus for the Centenary. This was done, and a very successful exhibit and sale of our work was made there. With the exception of the Columbus sales and a large buyer in Australia, we have sold very little this year outside of China, as exchange makes it very difficult to handle foreign trade.

#### WEST SOOCHOW DAY SCHOOLS AND WOMAN'S WORK.

MISS MARY MINOR TARRANT, SUPERVISOR.

Five years ago the old pupils and the Chinese friends of the boys' school asked to raise money for land for a much-needed building. The Chinese house we use is over a hundred years old. The Council accepted the offer of the Chinese and kindly appropriated the three thousand dollars, gold, that we asked for the building. The purchase of the land has been delayed owing to the fact that a suitable piece could not be had for the amount raised. This fall, however, a good piece was secured, and we hope to begin building next spring. A new difficulty confronts us now in the fact that in the past four years the price of materials has increased so much that it will be impossible to erect an adequate building for the amount in hand.

This spring it seemed best to close the Sallie Stewart Day School for girls. For many years it was an evangelistic influence in West Soochow; but its nearness to Davidson School, together with the financial strain, made its continuance difficult. Fourteen of the forty-five girls entered Davidson School this fall.

The woman's work has been carried on by eight Bible women for the larger part of the year.

#### M. L. GIBSON EVANGELISTIC CENTER, KONG HONG.

MISS NINA STALLINGS, HEAD RESIDENT.

Few people have the privilege of having a year's experience just before furlough in such a carefully planned, well-organized, inspiring work as this at the M. L. Gibson Settlement.

Our day school has forty-four pupils, more than half of whom are from non-Christian homes. A number came to us from the government schools to get English. The school Mothers' Club has held two meetings this fall. At each of these we had over fifty mothers and relatives. The alumnae and ex-students have an association which is supporting one child here in school and sending one to Davidson. The kindergarten of twenty-four is decidedly the most interesting spot on the place. We have one Bible woman giving full time and three giving half time to the work. We have a splendid Missionary Society, the social service department of which is conducting an afternoon free school. Thirty are enrolled. We have a Temperance Union and an Anti-Cigarette League. The work has not been developed as completely as we hope in a few years to have it. Our drawback is the shortage of workers.

#### CHANGCHOW—EAST GATE WOMAN'S WORK.

MISS ALICE GREEN.

I will give you a week's schedule of my work in East Gate, Changchow. Monday morning we have a workers' meeting, when

we plan the work for the week and pray together. Monday afternoon we enter the homes of the people for personal work and friendly visits. We have entrance into a cotton factory where six hundred girls are employed. On Tuesday twice a month we have a Young Married Women's Club. At these meetings we have talks on special subjects that are helpful to young mothers and home makers. After the regular meeting we have sewing and cooking with them. Wednesday we have a class for probationers and Church members. Thursday the Girl Scouts meet in our home. Once each month all clubs and classes come together for a big missionary meeting. We have sixty members and expect to have one hundred. Friday we have evangelistic meetings for outside women. Saturday is rest day. Sunday we have morning and afternoon Sunday schools and do personal work in the homes. Our home is the center of our work.

### CHANGCHOW—EAST GATE DAY SCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN.

MISS IDA ANDERSON.

The biggest work at East Gate this year has been the evangelistic work. Three Bible women have given all their time to visiting homes, leading meetings, and teaching Bible classes.

Our foreign house is a great attraction to the people, and most of our meetings are held there. The woman's missionary meeting is so well attended that the house is too small to accommodate the members. Our school, which was closed for a year, reopened the lower primary department this fall. We have a school at Nyi Shing and one at Wusih. At Wusih we have two Bible women. Wusih is full of opportunities, and some day we should have missionaries stationed there.

### NANKING UNION BIBLE-TRAINING SCHOOL.

MISS RUTH BRITAIN.

It is only the Chinese who can save China, and such schools as the Bible-Training School have a vital place in God's plan for evangelizing China. The school is yearly sending out young women who, with Bible study and training in various forms of Christian service, are prepared to take the place of leadership in the Church.

In 1919 a class of eight young women was graduated. There are now thirty-five graduates at work in the provinces of Fukien, Chekiang, and Kiangsu. Fifteen are evangelists, and ten are teachers in Bible schools. This fall thirty-four boarders and three day students enrolled. They represent ten provinces and fourteen denominations. They came from thirty-one schools. The Southern Methodists have three students—two from Laura Haygood and one from McTyeire.

Our greatest need is our new building, to which the coöperating boards gave their \$5,000 shares. The plans are being pushed forward, and we hope for it in the near future.

### HUCHOW AND NANZIANG DISTRICTS.

APPOINTMENTS FOR 1918-19.

**Virginia School.**—Miss Clara E. Steger, Principal; Miss Mittie Shelton, Home Economics; Miss Mary Blackford, History, Litera-

ture, and Language Study; Mrs. E. Pilley, Piano; Miss Mary Lou White, Science; Miss Sue Stanford (on furlough).

**District Bible School.**—Miss Mildred Bomar, Principal; Mrs. Julia H. Gaither.

**Memphis School.**—Miss Lochie Rankin.

**Day Schools and Outstation Work.**—Miss Mildred Bomar.

**Huchow City, Woman's Work.**—Mrs. Julia H. Gaither.

## CONDENSED REPORTS.

### HUCHOW DISTRICT.

MISS MILDRED BOMAR, DISTRICT SECRETARY.

There are two city day schools and one outstation day school in the Huchow District. The city day schools are supervised by the faculty of the Virginia School and serve as feeders to the school. The outstation day school is at Hutsun. It has about fifty pupils. This school should be made a community center. It should be supervised by a member of the faculty of Virginia School.

The plan of having all the district Bible women live in Huchow and itinerate to the outstations has proved far more satisfactory than the old plan. Four missionary societies have been organized in the district at Haitao, North Gate, Zeu Lien, and Hutsun. The Haitao society has sixty-one members.

During the year (in eight months' time) the Bible women have made fourteen itineraries, visiting about ninety towns and villages and leading eighty meetings. They report that many families have given up idolatry and have turned whole-heartedly to Christ.

The evangelistic work of the district is undeveloped. There is no suitable missionary worker free for this department. The force of Bible women is short, there being only two graduate Bible women and one assistant. At Conference last year this district was divided into the Nanziang and Huchow Districts. This year there has been work in the Huchow District only.

### VIRGINIA SCHOOL.

MISS CLARA STEGER, PRINCIPAL.

In the Virginia School the students have thrown themselves into all of the varied activities of the student organization with unflagging zeal and most satisfying results. They have led the girls' schools of the city in all activities and worked with the boys' organization, commanding their highest respect.

Following the Annual Conference and the inspiring messages brought there, fourteen of our strongest students pledged their lives to definite Christian service and formed a Student Volunteer Band. In this group are two of the Chinese teachers. More than fifty of the girls have signed the Centenary intercession cards. Recently thirty-six girls signed tithing cards.

For years this city has been antiforeign, and we have been met by a solid wall of opposition and bitter prejudice. We now feel that the city is ours, if we can go forward and take it. There are evidences on every hand that God is opening the way for a great forward movement, and in this Virginia School, with its faculty, will have a large part.

MISS MARY LOU WHITE, SCIENCE AND ENGLISH.

During the spring semester of 1919 I took courses at Teachers' College, New York, in psychology, advanced English, a comparative



study of European schools, standards and tests for secondary schools, and the teaching of elementary school subjects.

Because of the absence of Miss Stanford on furlough, my work in Virginia School for the fall semester has included several classes in high school science and mathematics. In addition, there have been classes in English and history in the sixth, seventh, and eighth grades and a French class in high school.

Teaching geology to the senior class in high school has been most interesting because of the opportunity for field work near Huchow. The class has made trips to three mountains and to the Hangchow bore. In place of term examination the present geology class is making out sets of lessons for the nature study and general science classes, presenting geology as it can be studied first hand near Huchow.

The term's work has been full of encouragement. The school program has been greatly interrupted by Student Movement activities on the one hand and mission meetings on the other; but progress in lessons has been made in spite of all, and the very occasions of interruption have been means of character development. Students are realizing the value of education, not only for themselves, but for their nation, and are impressed with the sense of responsibility to their nation.

#### MISS MITTIE J. SHELTON, HOME ECONOMICS.

During the spring term of 1919 I taught the usual home economics work, which for that term consisted of two high-school classes—one in textiles and one in sanitation—and four preparatory sewing classes. In addition, I had three preparatory science classes, one high-school mathematics class, one Bible class, the physical culture work, and one class of outside women in sewing. In the spring we were interrupted in our work by the students' strike; and while we were prevented in our plans for an exhibit of our home economics work, yet in the work done by the students in replacing the articles formerly brought from Japan all their home economics training was brought into play.

During the last term I have had three high-school home economics classes in dietetics, sanitation, and care of children. The preparatory science classes are the same; and I have one class in freshman science, two Bible classes, and one in mathematics.

Throughout the year I have had supervision of the Primary Day School at North Gate. This school is a branch of Virginia School. One of our preparatory graduates is teaching the school and doing excellent work.

#### CITY EVANGELISTIC WORK.

MRS. JULIA GAITHER.

The year just closing has mostly been given to teaching in the Bible School in the morning and to evangelistic work in the afternoon. There are three meetings every week and at other times house-to-house visits. It certainly is a joy to be permitted to bear the glad tidings of salvation to the ignorant and perishing. It is so delightful to see them growing in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The people in nearly all the homes are very cordial in receiving me and seem almost flattered by my visits. A few days ago a woman said after listening to the doctrine: "This is an honor to me." I have visited a great many people in Huchow, and they listen as if they were very glad to hear what I have to tell them. But it is

not easy to get them to decide whom they will serve. However, we are so thankful for all who can say: "But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

## KOREA MISSION.

### SEOUL DISTRICT.

#### APPOINTMENTS FOR 1918-19.

**Carolina Institute.**—Miss Bertha A. Smith, Principal; Miss Ellie Gray, Instructor in Music.

**City Primary Schools.**—*Non-Union Schools:* Water Gate (Central Texas) and West Gate (Mary Wikle). Miss Bertha Tucker, Supervisor.

*Union Schools:* Water Mark and West Gate (Munger) School. Miss Hortense Tinsley, Supervisor.

**Woman's Evangelistic Work.**—*Chong Kyo Church:* Miss Ellie Gray.

*Water Gate Church:* Pochun Circuit—Yang Ju (East) Circuit; Yang Ju (West) Circuit and West Gate Church. Miss Bertha Tucker.

*Union Bible Institute:* Water Mark and Cha Kyo Church. Miss Hortense Tinsley.

**Language School.**—Miss Carrie Turner, R.N.

**On Furlough.**—Mrs. J. P. Campbell, Miss Mamie D. Myers, Miss Eva L. Hardie.

### CONDENSED REPORTS.

#### CAROLINA INSTITUTE.

##### MISS BERTHA A. SMITH, PRINCIPAL.

The enrollment and average attendance of Carolina Institute for the first quarter of this year were about the same as last year, but because of the revolution the enrollment during the spring quarter was not as large. The school statistics are as follows: Number of pupils, 154; average attendance, 121; baptized Church members, 32; catechumens, 18; students from Christian homes, 77; number attending Church services, 110; number of boarders, 46.

The first catalogue ever published by the school in the twenty years of its history was published this year. The interest of the teachers in the spiritual welfare of the students has continued. In a special school revival service eight or ten testified to having received assurance of forgiveness of sins.

The addition to the dormitory is complete and is now occupied by the students. Three pieces of ground adjoining the original property have been bought and thrown in with the playground.

The kindergarten does not cease to be interesting, and many requests are coming to receive little boys, a thing which our conservative faculty has not yet approved.

##### MISS ELLIE GRAY, INSTRUCTOR IN MUSIC.

There has been a growing demand in Carolina Institute for private instrumental lessons, but I am able to teach less than half of those who desire to study. We have been teaching sight-singing in every grade except the first, and the upper grades learn two- and three-

part choruses. We have found the victrola a very helpful addition to the teaching program.

In addition to teaching music, I supervised two city primary schools and conducted woman's work at Cha Kyo Church. Except for the realization that I have done only about one-third of what should have been done in each of the three kinds of work assigned to me, it has been a good year, and I thank God for the privilege of having a part in his great harvest field.

#### WATER GATE CHURCH, SEOUL.

MISS BERTHA TUCKER.

This has been a good year for me. I have never been more conscious of God's care and goodness in my life than since the last annual meeting. It was then that my work at Water Gate began. In this Church we have a primary school of sixty to seventy children. The woman membership of the Church is forty-six, and they are organized into a Woman's Missionary Society. It means much to them.

The Water Gate community is an isolated settlement from the rest of the city of Seoul, consisting of about three thousand people. It is a factory town, full of looms and thread machines. The girls work in the factories. In about every home there are hand looms. Handwork and dyeing are the means of livelihood for this population. The people are the good, substantial middle class. There should be a Christian social settlement in this place. It is greatly needed. A fifteen-thousand-dollar building for this community would transform it.

#### EVANGELISTIC WORK IN SEOUL.

MISS MAMIE D. MYERS.

During the half year before I came home on furlough my work was confined to Chang Kyo Church and three country circuits. All the work has progressed during the year. The weekly Bible class at Chong Kyo had an attendance of thirty-five during this year. After the Centenary program was placed in our hands, we had Centenary meetings every Tuesday evening. Usually there were twenty-five to thirty in attendance. This gave a fine opportunity to teach missions. We studied tithing and stewardship. The women of the Church did a good deal of Red Cross work for Siberia and made over four hundred and fifty garments for Korean relief.

#### SONGDO DISTRICT.

APPOINTMENTS FOR 1918-19.

**Holston Institute.**—Miss Ellasue Wagner, Principal; Miss Lillian Nichols, Vice Principal and Manager of Self-Help Department; Miss Ida Hankins, Mary Helm Industrial Department of Holston.

**Ivey Hospital.**—Superintendent of Nurses, Miss Rosa May Lowder.

**Woman's Evangelistic Work.**—1. *North Ward, South Ward, and East Ward Missions:* Miss Ida Hankins and Miss Lillian E. Nichols.

2. *North Ward, South Ward, and East Ward Missions:* Young People's Work. Miss Ellasue Wagner.

3. *Joy Hardie Bible School:* Miss Laura Edwards, Principal.

4. *Quang Duk Circuit, Pyung San Circuit, Chang Dan Mission, Songdo West Mission, Songdo South Mission:* Miss Laura V. Edwards.

**On Furlough.**—Miss Agnes E. Graham, Miss Allene Pearce.

**Language Study.**—Miss Pauline Glass Randle.

CONDENSED REPORTS.  
HOLSTON INSTITUTE.

MISS ELLASUE WAGNER, PRINCIPAL.

As we look back over the past year, with its difficult problems and acute trials, we thank our Master that he has been present mighty to save and to deliver. There have been times when human strength failed and when the rocks ahead seemed insurmountable, but our path opened as we went forward.

Until March 1 the Higher Common School flourished, and the work of the students and teachers was most satisfactory. Then suddenly and without warning the Independence Movement struck the country like a hurricane, and we found ourselves in the midst of confusion and trouble. Since that time the primary and kindergartens have been continued as usual, but for the past six months the higher work has been closed and the girls sent to their homes. During the year we have enrolled two hundred and ninety in the Primary Department.

The enrollment of the three kindergartens has been two hundred and thirteen. The one on Holston Compound is the largest. We have no adequate building here. We are asking for funds to build one suitable to our needs. The Cordelia Erwin and Ruby Kendrick Day School buildings in East and South Wards are admirably suited to this work.

We need new workers—missionaries in every department of our work. How often have we said that if the Centenary gives us millions of money, but fails to call forth the workers necessary to carry on the enlarged work, it will be worse than a failure!

MARY HELM INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT OF HOLSTON  
INSTITUTE.

MISS IDA HANKINS, SUPERINTENDENT.

Those of you who are familiar with educational work in Korea to-day know that a graduate of a primary school would not be acceptable as a teacher even for the village school; so you may well ask: "What can a graduate of this Mary Helm School do?"

With the many changes that have taken place throughout Korea within the last few years, Mary Helm School naturally underwent changes too, the greatest of which took place a year ago last April, when it was incorporated as a part of Holston Institute.

I should like to call your attention to the course of study. These young women are taught Bible, Chinese, Japanese, reading, writing, ethics, singing, drawing, sewing, washing, dyeing, flower-making, embroidering, knitting, and crocheting. Having studied three years, the certificate received is a government license to teach industrial subjects in any private school in Korea. Although a graduate cannot teach the full primary course, she can be of great value in connection with the Kulpangs. The nurse-training departments of our mission hospitals are calling for just such young women. Best of all, they have the foundation for further education as Bible women.

EVANGELISTIC WORK FOR WOMEN IN THE CITY OF SONGDO.

MISSES WAGNER, NICHOLS, AND HANKINS.

The evangelistic work for women in the city of Songdo during the past year has been greatly handicapped on account of the

absence on furlough of Miss Agnes Graham, who had charge of this work. The educational workers in the city carried on as much of this work as they could with the heavy burden of other duties.

One of the most interesting features of this city work is the great opportunity with the young people, both the girls and boys, graduates of our mission schools. Their interest in Church work is beautiful; and Sunday schools, choirs, Epworth Leagues, and all branches of effort find in this class most enthusiastic helpers.

We all agree that the most pressing need along every line of our work is for new missionaries. Without doubt next to this the most outstanding need of the Songdo Station is for a central institutional plant that will provide a place as headquarters for the various phases of the evangelistic work for women and girls in the city. We expect this need to be met the very first among the Centenary askings.

### EVANGELISTIC WORK FOR WOMEN IN SONGDO DISTRICT.

MISS LAURA V. EDWARDS.

It has been my privilege to work principally with the country women during the past year. It has been a good year, and progress has been made both in the ingathering of new believers and in the deepening of the spiritual lives of the Christians; and all of this during a year in which these people have suffered as never before, first on account of the awful distress caused by the influenza last fall and then by the nation-wide movement for independence in the spring.

Twelve circuit classes were planned last fall, but three of them were made impossible by influenza, which was then raging in almost every village in the country. Yet, notwithstanding the havoc wrought by the disease in this land, His grace and strength were sufficient, and His power was made manifest in that we had eight well-attended Bible classes of four days each.

Immediately after Christmas our Bible Institute opened in Songdo, and thirty-six women from the country and sixteen from the city—fifty-two in all—were enrolled in its five classes. I am thankful indeed for the privilege of being in Korea just at this time, for we feel that these people are now being made ready for a great spiritual revival.

### NURSE-TRAINING DEPARTMENT, IVEY HOSPITAL.

MISS ROSA MAY LOWDER, R.N.

We have great cause to be grateful for what God has done for us this year at Ivey Hospital. If we should try to enumerate all of our blessings, time would fail us.

Our work has not been greatly interrupted by the political disturbances, though some of our mission institutions have been seriously distressed. When the demonstration took place in Songdo, our staff was called upon to care for some of the casualties.

This spring we had one bright young man, a consecrated Christian, to graduate from our Nurse-Training Department. Two freshmen nurses have been admitted, one man and one woman. The young woman is a graduate of Mary Helm of this year's class. At present we have eleven nurses, five men and six women.

Since October last we have been short one Korean doctor, and I have had to be first assistant in nearly all operations, in addition

to my other duties. This, together with influenza last fall, has placed me under careful professional medical supervision.

### LANGUAGE STUDY.

MISS PAULINE GLASS RANDLE.

The past year has been spent in diligent study; I feel justified in saying that much for myself. I have passed both the written and oral examinations for the first year. Study has always been fascinating to me, and this past year has been the most enjoyable year of study that I have ever spent. The height of my ambition is to learn to speak this language like a native. In studying Latin and the Romance Languages many points of similarity may be found; English and Korean are both quite difficult, and that is the only point of similarity of which I can think at this time. O, yes, there is one other; they are both quite beautiful if spoken correctly or written well.

I hope by next year to be able to have something of interest in my report. This time I can only say: "This one thing I do—study."

### CHOON CHUN DISTRICT.

APPOINTMENTS FOR 1918-19.

**Educational Work for Girls.**—Miss Carrie Una Jackson.

**Woman's Evangelistic Work.**—Miss Bessie Oliver.

### CONDENSED REPORTS.

#### EDUCATIONAL WORK FOR GIRLS.

MISS CARRIE UNA JACKSON.

Our country day schools have held their own pretty well in spite of the forces working against them. The government schools in four of the five places in which we have our schools have opened their doors to girls too and have tried to get our pupils to attend them. But we have lost only a small per cent of our girls and have hopes that the situation will be relieved in the near future.

There are several calls over the district for the "kul pangs" asked for in the Centenary askings, so we hope the Council will see fit to grant us some of these small schools in connection with the Churches over our district.

In the Bible School we had a most happy and profitable year. Out of the twenty-three enrolled, fifteen attended regularly and studied well. We had five graduates of which we naturally feel a little proud, they being our first ones. And they were naturally proud of their diplomas, for which they had worked so long and faithfully. On their class day they gave a play on the Centenary Celebration which all enjoyed. One of these graduates is the first woman delegate to the Korean Annual Conference.

The woman's work in the country Churches I visited was doing splendidly when the revolution broke out. The Bible women are doing faithful work.

#### WOMAN'S EVANGELISTIC WORK.

MISS BESSIE OLIVER.

During the fall of 1918 I had the pleasure of visiting a number of Churches on the district and held three Bible institutes.

Miss Jackson was with me in the institutes at Kapyung and Wha Chun. With the Bible women and Choon Chun (Korean) pastor, we had a good institute at Sampot.

The District Bible Institute was held in Choon Chun in November. During the circuit and district institutes tithing was emphasized, and many decided to tithe. All our Bible women are faithful tithers. We found the song, "When the tithes are gathered in," very helpful. The first three months of the year I taught in the Choon Chun Bible School. At this time I had a special class of Bible students in Sunday school.

We have a number of young married women who are graduates of our Girls School in Songdo, Holston Institute. They needed something done for them. In talking the question over with them I found that they were very anxious to study foreign cooking. Orientals more and more are cultivating a taste for Western food. It is considered quite an accomplishment to know how to prepare Western food. I was glad to have the privilege of meeting with them in a class once a week.

We have fifteen Women's Missionary Societies in the district, with one hundred and eighty-three members. During the past year they paid into the treasury \$58.68. They have assumed the full support of a Bible woman for a mission that has been opened in a non-Christian town in In Jay County.

I am so thankful that God has given me the privilege of being in Korea at this day and hour of her history.

### WONSAN DISTRICT.

#### APPOINTMENTS FOR 1918-19.

Lucy Cuninggim Industrial School.—Miss Hallie Buie, Principal.

Frances Hitch Girls' Primary School.—Miss Hallie Buie, Principal.

Alice Cobb Bible Institute.—Miss Kate Cooper, Principal.

Country Day Schools.—Miss Hallie Buie, Supervisor.

Woman's Evangelistic Work, City and Country Districts.—Miss Kate Cooper.

### CONDENSED REPORTS.

#### EDUCATIONAL WORK FOR GIRLS, WONSAN DISTRICT.

##### MISS HALLIE BUIE, SUPERVISOR.

The Lucy Cuninggim Industrial School did good work during the few months it was running, and we regret very much its having to close, because we feel that training of the kind it offered is sorely needed by the women and girls of the Church.

The enrollment in the Girls' Primary School in Wonsan for the year was ninety-nine and the average attendance sixty-nine. The school had to close for a few weeks this spring. With that exception, the school has been running as usual.

Only about twenty of our girls are from Christian homes, yet it is gratifying to see how they love their Bibles and how well they know the Bible stories. There is always a peculiar joy in working with children, for one always feels the force of the truth that when a child learns to love its Saviour a whole life has been saved; and the words, "Suffer the children to come unto me," are a constant inspiration.

The country day schools at Chu Dong, Sung Book, and Tunamni are doing good work. The total enrollment for these three schools is seventy-seven, and the average attendance is sixty-four. If it

were not for these schools, the children in these remote places would have no chance whatever to learn to read.

### WOMAN'S EVANGELISTIC WORK, WONSAN DISTRICT.

MISS KATE COOPER, SUPERVISOR.

During the year there have been eight Bible women working in the country Churches in the Wonsan District, all of whom are graduates of the Alice Cobb Bible Institute. They have supervised the Bible study classes for women and the thirty-two missionary societies in the various Churches and have ministered in every possible way both to the spiritual and physical needs of the women in their circuits.

In the spring, because of the political disturbances, it was impossible for the missionary to visit the country Churches. All the Bible women were invited to Wonsan, and a session of "itinerating prayer" was held.

The women who studied in the Bible Institute this year were few in number, owing to the political disturbances. We have had a wonderful opportunity in Wonsan of doing house-to-house visiting and personal work. It was the first opportunity I have ever had during eleven years on the field. I had a Bible class in some section of the city every night. We taught Ernmoon (reading) to those who could not read.

In the Wonsan District the thirty-two missionary societies have not suffered by political disturbances. The offerings, to the amount of \$145.08, have come in as usual. All things have worked together for good this year.

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## JAPAN MISSION.

APPOINTMENTS FOR 1918-19.

### KOBE DISTRICT.

**Lambuth Memorial Training School.**—Miss Annie Bell Williams, Principal; Miss Charlie Holland; Miss Ethel Newcomb (on furlough).  
**Language School, Tokyo.**—Miss Blanche D. Hager.

### MATSUYAMA DISTRICT.

**Oita Evangelistic Center.**—Miss Ida M. Worth, Head Resident (on furlough); Miss Annette Gist; Miss Mabel Whitehead.

### HIROSHIMA DISTRICT.

**Hiroshima Kindergarten Training School.**—Miss Katherine Hatcher.

### CONDENSED REPORTS.

#### LAMBUTH MEMORIAL TRAINING SCHOOL.

MISS ANNIE BELL WILLIAMS, PRINCIPAL.

This year has added two to the list of graduates which before numbered fifty, the first having graduated in 1906. The opening of another school year in April brought in six new students, making our number twelve. Two of the older ones have since withdrawn for health reasons, and another has been admitted. The new class



was an interesting one for several reasons: (1) Not one of them came from our own missionary territory; (2) they represented four different missions; and (3) most of them had had some experience in a professional or business way, two of them as teachers and one as a nurse. Five of them are on scholarships.

The cost of keeping up this school seems entirely out of proportion to the small number of students, but we want you to think of it as an evangelistic center as well as a school. Counting over our own Sunday schools, we touch ten different centers in Kobe and its suburbs.

The summer conference this year included the kindergartners as well as the Bible women and was a most interesting meeting. It brought together two classes of workers who must work in the same Church for the same purpose, and it made them appreciate each other more fully. All of us came away from the hours of heart-searching and inspiration with a firmer determination to serve more devotedly our common Lord.

We are most deeply interested in the new plans of the mission to build in the great city of Osaka a plant which will combine a community center, the kindergarten training school, and this school.

MISS CHARLIE HOLLAND, BIBLE TEACHER.

The past year has been spent in the Lambuth Memorial Bible Training School. I have had seven hours of Bible-teaching and three hours of English. Most of my teaching is with the first-year class, which consists of six who entered in April and one who takes part study only. It is said by a Japanese teacher who has been in the school for some time that the present first-year students are the best in quality that have entered for several years.

There have been sixty-one children enrolled in the kindergarten since April 30 and one who graduated at that time. A mothers' meeting has been held once a month. One meeting of the graduates has been held during the year.

As a result of the faithful visiting of the Bible school students, the work in the village of Mori-Mura is growing. The enrollment of the Sunday school is more than fifty. The mothers asked for a woman's meeting. There are now sixteen women studying Christianity.

I have been assisting in teaching English songs in several of the commercial schools in Kobe. In one of them there are five hundred girls. Some classes are so crowded that three girls sit on a seat made for two. It is pitiful to see mere children in these commercial classes. We want to reach these commercial students for Christ.

WOMAN'S EVANGELISTIC PLANT, OITA, JAPAN.

MISS ANNETTE GIST, HEAD RESIDENT.

In February of this year, when Miss Worth left for America, the responsibility of her work and mine too fell my way. But at the same time God gave me a strength I had never known before and upheld me mightily during these months of being alone. In September Miss Whitehead was most heartily welcomed to Oita. She is progressing nicely with her Japanese study and doing about the same work that I did before Miss Worth's departure.

My work consists of the superintendency of three kindergartens, four Sunday schools, and various other activities, in addition to language study. Our kindergarten in Kantan is very greatly in

need of a building. Thirty-five little children are housed in a small bare room behind a wine shop. If it were not for the little breathing space in the rear, we could hardly survive. The main kindergarten (called Airin) in Oita is progressing splendidly. One great lack is a Bible woman to do follow-up work in the homes of the children.

Our country evangelistic work is a most wonderful field. During the year we have made much of distribution of Christian books, magazines, and tracts. I must say a word as to what our lovely new home is meaning to our people. It is becoming a center for them. The year has been too short. I would it had had more days to be spent in the Master's service.

MISS MABEL WHITEHEAD.

This year's work falls into two divisions, since at our annual meeting in August my appointment was changed from Kyoto to Oita. While in Kyoto I had the superintendency of the Kyonan Kindergarten, which is developing into a center of big opportunities right in the midst of a business section and near the big Hon-gonji temples.

Since coming to Oita my duties have been many and varied. Of course half of my time is still given to the mastery of this language, and I will not have completed the required three-year course and examinations until June of 1920. However, I thoroughly enjoy my study.

Every Thursday is spent in Beppu supervising the Shinai Kindergarten, teaching a small English class of women, and visiting with our Bible woman and kindergarten teachers in the homes of the people.

The necessary language study and a lack of workers have crowded out the larger part of the country evangelistic work. We are distressed over this, but thus far we have not been able to remedy it.

I am well and happy in my work and feel that God is richly blessing me in giving me the privilege of serving here.

STATISTICS FOR LATIN AMERICA AND AFRICA.

	When Founded.	Value of Plant.	Missionaries.	American Teachers.	Native Teachers.	Bible Women and Helpers.	Boarders.	ENROLLMENT.		Medical Treatment.	Native Receipts.
								Day Pupils.	Total Pupils.		
<b>INSTITUTIONS.</b>											
<b>BRAZIL.</b>											
People's Central Institute, Rio de Janeiro.....	1906	Gen. Dept.	2	2	5	4	31	325	325	.....	\$11,513 00
Collegio Americano, Petropolis.....	1891	\$ 60,000	4	4	6	.....	67	36	67	.....	5,828 94
Collegio Isabella Hendrix, Bello Horizonte.....	1894	190,000	4	4	9	1	17	109	126	.....	14,812 78
Collegio Praxedisbano, Piracicaba.....	1881	100,000	5	5	12	.....	56	145	201	.....	13,743 48
Collegio Methodista, Ribeirao Preto.....	1899	52,500	3	3	15	.....	50	127	177	.....	4,869 28
Collegio Americano, Porto Alegre.....	1901	Rented.	1	1	10	.....	12	87	99	.....	.....
Woman's Evangelistic Work, Sao Paulo.....	.....	Rented.	1	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Day School, Institutional Church, Porto Alegre.....	.....	Gen. Dept.	6	.....	3	.....	.....	130	130	.....	.....
Missionaries on furlough.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	.....	\$332,500	27	.....	60	9	166	959	1,125	.....	\$50,283 45
<b>MEXICO.</b>											
Methodist Normal School, Saultillo.....	1887	\$ 85,000	2	1	13	2	65	145	210	.....	\$ 6,296 14
Oak Cliff Day School, Saultillo.....	1902	Rented.	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	31	31	.....	.....
Collegio Palmone, Chihuahua.....	1890	240,000	4	4	11	.....	16	301	317	.....	4,497 34
Collegio Cristiano, Chihuahua.....	1919	19,350	3	3	2	1	.....	290	290	.....	152 95
Collegio Progreso, Parral.....	.....	4,000	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	265	.....	784 88
Girls School, Monterrey.....	1919	52,500	2	.....	7	.....	1	75	76	.....	539 64
Total.....	.....	\$400,850	11	5	37	3	82	552	1,189	.....	\$12,270 75
<b>CUBA.</b>											
Eliza Bowman School, Cienfuegos.....	1907	\$ 68,000	3	3	4	.....	18	150	168	.....	\$ 5,355 37
Irene Toland School, Matanzas.....	1899	28,750	3	2	7	1	58	100	158	.....	14,401 31
Total.....	.....	\$ 96,750	6	5	11	1	76	250	326	.....	\$19,756 68
<b>AFRICA.</b>											
School, Wembo-Niama.....	.....	\$ 1,000	2	.....	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orphan school.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hospital, Wembo-Niama.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	.....	\$ 1,000	2	.....	26	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,279
Grand total.....	.....	\$831,110	46	10	134	14	324	1,761	2,640	.....	\$32,330 88

# REPORTS FROM THE FIELDS.

## AFRICA MISSION.

### APPOINTMENTS.

*Wembo-Niama.*

**Educational Work.**—Miss Etta Lee Woolsey.

**Medical Work.**—Miss Kathron Wilson.

### CONDENSED REPORTS.\*

MISS ETTA LEE WOOLSEY.

During the first quarter of 1919 we had only four weeks and one day of school, when the influenza broke out in the village and Miss Wilson recommended the closing of school. Some of our mission boys left during the epidemic, and all except two had the disease, but none died. With grateful heart I write of my seeming immunity to the disease. I was able to give my entire time to waiting on those who were sick in our own homes, as well as those in the village.

The school work has run smoothly, and it is gratifying to see the real progress made by the children. More and more we are trying to get the work not only classified, but graded, so that our pupils can be sent regularly, year by year, to the higher school in classes and not just one pupil at a time. But with only one missionary to handle a school of one hundred and thirty enrollment, with an actual attendance of about one hundred and ten (this is the morning session) and a very limited supply of school material to work with, we cannot expect to do the thorough work which we long to do and hope to do when we have more help. We have had not more than seven little girls at a time as boarders. One of the mission boys brought his little sister, but her husband made such a fuss about her being away that the father came and got the child to satisfy the husband. Then the boy brought his little wife in the place of his sister; she stayed two months, when her father said we only wanted her for a slave, so he "killed the marriage," as they say, in order to be able to take the child from the mission. O, do pray for me as I train these little girls and try to fight off the husbands and fathers when I can't convert them to my way of thinking!

Miss Wilson and I kept up our Sunday school work in Osumba, as well as here on the mission, until her illness prevented; and I have made regular trips to Ekunda, a near-by village, on Friday afternoons, except during vacation, to teach a school full of little children. My Primary Department here has outgrown our little shed; so we are now sitting out under the trees until an industrial man can come to build us a new school shed, which can also be used for Sunday school classes.

In January a meeting was held with the women to explain what a Missionary Society is and its purpose and to ask them if they would like to have one. Most of them welcomed the idea, and in February the first African auxiliary of the Woman's Missionary

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\*Reports for Africa were compiled from quarterly reports and letters.

Society was organized here on the mission, with an enrollment of forty-five charter members, including the three missionary women who were here on the station. The dues are only one egg or its equivalent (one cent) in money. Of course Mrs. Anker, Miss Wilson, and I pay the regular twenty cents. We have an honor roll of paid-up members, and they like to be on it. We are studying about the women and customs in Korea. At the April meeting the women decided to support an evangelist in a village which had never had one before; so our society has been paying Mundadi's salary (\$1.30 a month), while he carries the message of the Saviour for them to the people at Okita Ngandu. At first the chief there refused to enter the church; so the fifteen women of the society who are baptized Christians met with one of the missionaries once a week in their several homes for special prayer for the chief and for Mundadi. Our hearts were rejoiced when we recently learned that the Spirit was at work in the heart of the chief and that he had begun going to church. We feel that these prayer meetings in their homes with our women are making them grow in grace, for some of them have expressed willingness to pray in the public Church service if called upon. This is a brave step for them, for they fear the ridicule of the men and boys, since it is such an unusual thing for an African woman to hold any place or do any work of importance. We praise God that he is using us to help a tiny little bit in the uplift of our benighted sisters in this land.

I am glad to report that the new house built by the Council for its workers has been finished, and we moved in July, just one year and a half to the day after our arrival on the mission. The house is comfortable, convenient, and pretty, even though the framework is made of trees from the forest tied together with vines, the walls are mud, and the roof grass. Our floors are hand-sawed boards, as are also the window and door frames and the doors. We have four glass windows, the others being closed by shutters. The woodwork in the living and dining rooms is painted white, and that against the soft, dove gray of the mud wall is very pretty. Take our handsome library table in the center and several pretty rockers, all made by the industrial department, a few good pictures in frames on the wall, our white dotted Swiss curtains, and several rugs, and we have a living room into which we would be proud to invite even Miss Bennett and Bishop Lambuth; but the kitchen, with its big windows, convenient tables and shelves, and nice, big pantry, is the joy of our hearts.

I am so disappointed that the new missionaries could not come out this year. Of course regular work could not be carried on as usual during the weeks of Miss Wilson's illness in October and November. I am grateful for her improvement, but I fear she resumed work before she was really able to do so.

#### MISS KATHRON WILSON.

An epidemic of Spanish influenza swept our village in February and March, when such things as sores were almost forgotten in the overwhelming rush of work that came in caring for the stricken. There were in school on the compound about one hundred mission boys and evangelists in training, and of course the disease raged among them. Every effort was made at segregation, strict warnings about visiting were given, and all work of the mission was stopped; but to no avail. Every house was full, and every boy on the mission had the "flu," with the exception of two. In less than two weeks a large part of the village was down. Since I was

quite sick, Miss Woolsey waited on me largely, and Mr. and Mrs. Anker looked after our people, which kept them busy from early morning till late at night. Before the two weeks had passed Mrs. Anker was down; then with sick in both mission homes, some of our people dying and others very ill, you may imagine our anxiety for days. A number of deaths occurred among the natives, one of the most promising and useful young Christians being one of the number taken.

A great many native superstitions and customs were seen during the epidemic. We had difficulty in buying things to eat, because the people of the surrounding villages refused to receive our salt or money for fear of contracting the disease from it. We were told that those who had salt which they had gotten from us or our people took it outside and placed it some distance from their houses. When our people were sent to buy eggs and other produce, they were told to "get out." In their superstition they claimed that it was a white man's disease and that the mission people would give it to their people.

In September Mr. Anker finished the new hospital ward, and the patients were moved in. These rooms are much better ventilated and lighted than were the old ones, and we were all glad to be able to move into nice new rooms. The capacity of this building is eighteen beds.

Most of our patients have been afflicted with terrible sores. But one man who was a former evangelist had never recovered from the influenza and had developed some terrible disease as a result, making him unable to walk for months. His body was a perfect skeleton, but his hands and feet were quite swollen. We brought him to the hospital and treated him about three months. He is now up and seems well and has returned home.

In August was brought a young boy who had fallen from a tall palm tree and broken his leg in two places above the knee. The accident had happened about forty-eight hours before his arrival here, so it was very difficult to locate the break on account of the swelling. But we put it in splints and left orders for him to be kept practically quiet. But, African-like, while we were away his father carried him out of doors and lifted him from bed to bed. Of course this dangled his leg about until the splint became loose and had to be put on again. This time we scared him up so, and so strongly forbade his moving at all, that he lay quiet in his room, until now he is able to walk about some, although the place is not perfectly straight. He has been the most patient and lovable person we have had out here, and we were happy to hear him say that he wants to become a mission boy.

Some of the mission boys have been quite sick, but none fatally. Except for occasional headaches, due largely to overwork, the health of the missionaries on this station has been good.

[In October Miss Wilson was taken severely ill, and the medical work was practically suspended for a number of weeks. The latest news from the field is encouraging. She is at work again.]

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## BRAZIL MISSION.

### APPOINTMENTS.

Secretary for work in Brazil and Central Brazil Conference, Miss Emma Christine.

**BRAZIL CONFERENCE.***Rio de Janeiro.*

**People's Central Institute.**—Miss Rachel Jarrett, Miss Virginia O. Howell.

*Petropolis.*

**Collegio Americano.**—Miss Lydia Ferguson, Principal; Miss Leila F. Epps, Miss Mary Alice Lamar, Miss Helen Johnson.

*Bello Horizonte.*

**Collegio Isabella Hendrix.**—Miss Emma Christine, Principal; Miss Maud Mathis, Miss Lela Putnam, Miss Nancy Holt.

**CENTRAL BRAZIL CONFERENCE.***Piracicaba.*

**Collegio Piracicabano.**—Miss L. A. Stradley, Principal; Miss Sophia Schalch, Miss Mary Sue Brown, Miss Sara Stout, Miss Fannie Scott.

*Ribeirao Preto.*

**Collegio Methodista.**—Miss Jennie Stradley, Principal; Miss Ethel Brown, Miss Pearl Hicks.

*Sao Paulo.*

**Evangelistic Work.**—Miss Amelia Elerding.

**SOUTH BRAZIL CONFERENCE.***Porto Alegre.*

**Collegio Americano.**—Miss Eunice F. Andrew, Principal; Miss Elma Morgan, Miss Gertrude Kennedy.

**At Home on Furlough.**—Miss Eliza Perkinson, Miss Mary Jane Baxter, Mrs. F. K. Brown, Miss Eva L. Hyde, Miss Ida Shaffer.

**CONDENSED REPORTS.**

## MISS EMMA CHRISTINE, SECRETARY.

When the news came of my appointment as secretary in Miss Perkinson's absence, I followed Ezra's example and sat down astonished. Later, when I had recovered, I went to Petropolis to receive the secretary's books and the necessary instructions from Miss Perkinson. Dr. Tarboux had been asked to receive and sell our drafts and to make the necessary distribution of the Council funds. This division of labor and responsibility has made the work lighter for me. On the whole, the year has been a prosperous one for all of our schools. The individual reports will give you a better idea of the work done than will anything I can write, as I have not visited any of the schools except at Petropolis, which was found to be moving on with its usual degree of prosperity and perfection.

An unprecedented number of our women are going on furloughs at the close of the year, while there are but two, possibly three, to return. This will leave us with diminished forces in all of our schools. Where we now have four missionaries to a school, we shall have but three. In Miss Virginia Howell's withdrawal from the work we lose one of our most efficient workers.

At last we see the realization of our dreams, the fruition of our hopes, in the purchase of property for our Rio Girls' School. In

September Bishop Moore and his committee decided on the house and grounds, and in a short time the red tape of making the purchase began to unwind. The school in Petropolis is to be sold in time. With the opening of the Rio school we shall need a much stronger force of workers. The Mineiro property in Juiz de Fora that has so long stood idle was at last transferred to Granbery College. The final transaction took place during the Annual Conference in September. In exchange for the Mineiro, the Council receives \$15,000 and the parsonage property here in Bello Horizonte, which becomes a part of the Isabella Hendrix and will be a desirable acquisition for this school.

We have missed Miss Perkinson's wise counsel in the knotty problems which have called for solution. Once again we have had to dispense with our annual meeting. Last year the influenza kept us from meeting, and this year the small number of workers on the field and the call for our reports at such an early date render a meeting unnecessary.

Never before have our opportunities been so great, never has there been such a demand for the advantages which our schools offer. "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he send forth laborers into his harvest."

### BRAZIL CONFERENCE.

#### PEOPLE'S CENTRAL INSTITUTE, RIO DE JANEIRO.

##### MISS RACHEL JARRETT, EDUCATIONAL AND EVANGELISTIC WORK.

On April 5, after six months of waiting, I sailed from New York for Brazil, and the usual voyage of three weeks brought us to Rio. After a few days with Miss Virginia Howell at the People's Central Institute, I went on my way to Porto Alegre, reaching there one month after leaving New York. A cable telling me to stay in Rio having been received before reaching Porto Alegre, my time there was short, but long enough for me to realize something of the vastness of the uncultivated territory we have in the South. My work was at St. John's Church.

I made the return trip alone. No, not alone, for He who said, "Lo, I am with you alway," was present; and I had many opportunities of speaking to non-Christians and of distributing Gospels, with which I had supplied myself before leaving Porto Alegre. A number of people came to me and asked for them.

My appointment was Piracicaba; but as there was a delay about the change, I was glad to help in People's Central Institute, Rio.

Nowhere in Brazil have I found the children more responsive to the gospel teachings. It was a sorrowful time for all of us when Miss Howell was unable to continue her work.

Readjustments were made, and Miss Landis, our splendid social worker, took Miss Howell's place in the direction of the school; I took over some of Miss Landis's work, which, with the night school and classes in the day school, has occupied my time. It was a new experience to talk with the sick who come daily to the pharmacy and to conduct a mothers' club.

Although I am sorry to leave the people here, especially my faithful class of twenty-one little children in the Sunday school, I shall be pleased to be again in the school at Piracicaba next year.



## COLLEGIO AMERICANO, PETROPOLIS.

MISS LYDIA FERGUSON, PRINCIPAL.

"The Lord has done great things for us, whereof we are glad." Never in my life did I feel my unfitness and my unworthiness so keenly as when I was told that I had been appointed to take charge of the Petropolis school in Miss Perkinson's absence. If I had not had a firm belief that God will not let anything be put on us that we cannot bear, I would have refused to undertake this task. My heart is full of gratitude to God, who is always with us, and to the faithful coworkers, Misses Johnson, Epps, and Lamar, that he sent here, and also to the native teachers. On New Year's Eve, while looking for a verse, I happened to read: "The Lord is at hand. In nothing be anxious." He has been so real and so precious in all of the vexing problems.

Miss Perkinson, by long and faithful work, has splendidly organized and planned the work of the school, and we have endeavored to carry it on and do the best we could. The boarding department has been more than full. We could have twice as many girls if we could only accommodate them. Because of the long distance from the center of town, the number of day pupils is limited.

As we are so far from the church, on Sunday nights we have service at home. We have a Bible lesson, hymns, biographies of missionaries, and wholesome stories. The girls choose and play the hymns and often lead in prayer. They also have a prayer circle that meets every evening for about fifteen minutes. This is altogether voluntary. The greater number of the girls attend and seem thoroughly interested. My eyes are failing, and I feel that I shall have to give up teaching; but because I know these girls and know better their one great need—to have a Saviour, Friend, and Keeper—I can pray for them with more understanding. It seems to me that the burden of our prayers should be for thoroughly consecrated and prepared laborers for the great harvest.

MISS LEILA FLOSSIE EPPS, SCIENCE AND BIBLE.

This year I have five Bible classes that have meant much to me in many ways; but in all of my life nothing has meant quite so much to the development of my own heart life as the work I have tried to do in preparation for our Sunday evening services. We live too far from the church to take the children there twice on Sundays, therefore Miss Ferguson kindly let me take charge of a service with them here at home. We always have a lesson from his Word, prayers, songs selected and played by the little girls themselves, and stories. I have written in Portuguese and read for the children the stories of David Livingstone, Helen Keller, and Gypsy Smith. During the week I help the girls, who know English very well, to read good stories, and then they tell them to the others in Portuguese on Sunday evenings. We are glad to share our rich store of English stories with them. There is nothing that Brazilian children need more than clean literature.

Last year I wrote you about my little natural science class; it is still mine. We are now studying bees and have never studied anything quite so interesting. It is a joy to watch the children laugh and play and enjoy their outdoor games. The girls in our school have developed wonderfully in the sweet spirit they show on the playground.

For eight years I have thankfully tried to do my best, and it has been a real joy to try to prepare myself to teach my classes,

and this is the first time in my life that I have not been able to accept joyfully my appointment. I went down to visit the mission in Rio last week, and it nearly broke my heart to see those poor little children, and the very thought of the responsibility almost overwhelmed me. If I could have the teachers and the money to give the children plenty of nourishing food, baths, clothes, medical attention, school supplies, balls, games, etc., it would be a joy. I feel convinced that if our Council is going to continue to help in that work, we ought to have two women appointed there instead of one. I know my Father has all power; and if he can use me down there, I am willing to go. Pray for me that I fail him not in this great new field of service.

MISS HELEN JOHNSON, DOMESTIC SCIENCE AND ENGLISH.

The year now drawing to a close has been a good one, and for the rich mercies of our Father we are profoundly grateful. Through the study of the Word one of our dear girls was led to the truth and accepted Christ as her Saviour. Her awakening began with the study of the Ten Commandments. She studied and investigated until she was convinced of the error of the way of the Roman Church and decided for Christ. In July she went to the States and has entered college there. Her great desire is to complete her studies and come back to Brazil to teach the Bible. Among a number of our girls there seems to be more serious thinking along religious lines.

My work has been the same as heretofore reported—English, Bible, domestic science, and housekeeping.

Soon after the beginning of the June holidays I was ill; but with medical care and good nursing, which Miss Lamar untiringly gave me, I was able to be up again in a few weeks. Since then I have had to be more careful, but have been able to do my part of the work.

We rejoice with the Council and the friends in the homeland that the school in Rio is soon to be a reality. The Petropolis school is very dear to us, and the thought of giving it up is not altogether free from pain. However, we realize that growth here is impossible because of the situation and capacity of the school building. Pray for us that, with a deeper consecration and larger faith, we may conquer in his name.

MISS MARY ALICE LAMAR, LANGUAGE STUDY AND TEACHING.

In January of this year I came to Petropolis and early in February began what work I could do, along with the task of language study. It seemed pitifully little, and I find it still hard not to be impatient because of my limitations. My teaching has included classes in arithmetic, in which I attempted to use Portuguese—algebra, English, penmanship, and gymnastics. Some household duties fell to my lot and very pleasantly varied my program. I have continued what seems to be the best effort I could make toward some knowledge of the language and have finished a little more than the second year's course. I am grateful to have been able to give Miss Ferguson some help with the office work, because of the joy of easing her burden ever so little and because it afforded me a closer association with her, which has been both delightful and helpful.

The year has brought blessings to us all, and with them has come courage to undertake the tasks of another twelve months. Our girls show an increase in desire for spiritual life. My new appoint-

ment to remain in this school has been very gratefully received. We are eagerly looking forward to Miss Perkinson's return and regretfully trying to become accustomed to the idea of doing without Miss Epps, who has been appointed to People's Institute, in Rio.

I trust that the work attempted in this first year of my missionary life may have prepared me to enter the open doors of usefulness that the coming days will reveal to me.

### COLLEGIO ISABELLA HENDRIX, BELLO HORIZONTE.

MISS EMMA CHRISTINE, PRINCIPAL.

The abrupt interruption in the work of last year caused by the Spanish influenza prepared us for a keen appreciation of the quiet, uninterrupted work of this year.

Our matriculation of one hundred and twenty-seven for the year is a little better than usual, and the attendance has been exceptionally good, due to a rule we made at the beginning of the year, whereby the absence of twenty school days during a single term debars a pupil from the examinations. The pupils have worked with a right good will and with more harmony than usual.

During a series of meetings many of our pupils "took the first step." With this awakening of interest in the gospel, a spirit of opposition arose among the Catholic girls of the school. They called upon all good Catholics to make special and unceasing intercession to the Virgin Mary and to the saints that their companions might be saved from becoming Protestants. They attended the students' prayer meeting and counted their beads or held rival prayer meetings. But all to no avail. When the day appointed came, the girls joined the Church. Four of our girls finish the course this year.

We have been blessed with a good faculty. Every member has done good work. We had the full time of four missionaries, an entirely unique experience for me. Bishop Moore, however, has broken up our present arrangement by appointing Miss Holt to Ribeirao Preto. We shall miss her; but when the need is so great we consider ourselves fortunate not to be called upon to give up more than one of our number. We still have Miss Mathis and Miss Putnam. Having secured the services of a good bookkeeper, I had more time for my work as substitute secretary of the mission; but even so I found it expedient to resign from the superintendency of the Sunday school the first of the year, but was afterwards made secretary of the same, teacher of the normal class, member of the board of stewards, Conference Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Societies, and in addition have had the direction of the Bible woman's work.

The enlargement of our borders by the transference to the Collegio Isabella Hendrix of the parsonage property will assure the school a greater future than it otherwise could hope to have.

MISS MAUD MATHIS, DOMESTIC SCIENCE AND BIBLE.

During my fourth year's work in Collegio Isabella Hendrix I have been quite busy, but practically along the same lines as last year.

My one new class was the fifth-year Bible, which I enjoyed very much, especially the second term, as the girls showed a real interest and comprehension of the development of the primitive Church as given in Acts.

The class interest and enthusiasm for domestic science have been

a real stimulus to the teacher. One pupil, quite a wealthy girl, wanting more practical work, asked for and was given permission to help our housekeeper do the Saturday's baking. Owing to the limited space and the small equipment we cannot have more than six in the class, though others are asking to enter. We have had applications from young ladies of the city, but lack of time on my part prevents us from having a special class.

I began, in company with our Bible woman, to do special visiting among our Church members and in the suburbs of the city, but to my regret soon had to give it up for lack of time and because of illness. I have grown to love more and more the little folks of our primary department in the Sunday school. Three of the most advanced class joined the Church about two months ago, and others have "taken the first step."

#### MISS LELA PUTNAM, TEACHING.

Last year I was supervisor of the primary department, but Miss Baxter's absence made it necessary for me to go up higher; so this year my work has been with the older pupils, teaching arithmetic, geography, Bible, and English, which I have enjoyed very much. I never had more gratifying results, and as we rounded out the year's work I was glad to feel that we had accomplished in a large measure what we had undertaken. No class has given me more pleasure than my advanced class in the Old Testament. In the final examinations the most strongly Catholic girl in school came out second.

During a series of revival services held in our Church in August all our non-Christian girls except three took the first step, and of this number four have already united with the Church. A few days ago, before leaving for home, one of our girls turned over to me her collection of saints, rosaries, images, and other paraphernalia belonging to the worship of the Catholic Church. To see the light and change which have come in the life of this girl makes any sacrifice more than worth while in order to give the truth to those in darkness.

#### CENTRAL BRAZIL CONFERENCE.

##### COLLEGIO PIRACICABANO, PIRACICABA.

#### MISS L. A. STRADLEY, PRINCIPAL.

We feel that in Collegio Piracicabano we are a part of the great incoming wave that is filling the earth with the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea and are deeply grateful. In spite of some hard places, we have had a good year.

I am thankful to say our school is continually rising in the esteem of the people. The official government reports invariably place it in the first rank and speak of it in the highest terms. We have boarding pupils from all points of Brazil, east, west, and south; and the places for next year were nearly all taken before the close of this one. We have many requests for our graduates as teachers, but we have not enough young women prepared to supply our own schools. We need some way of holding and training worthy girls, perhaps a loan fund. We also need a better library, better laboratories, and well-prepared teachers for high-school work. Preparing teachers for our own work, for parochial schools, and even government work is our imperative duty.

The Roman Church is trying hard to dominate the government schools and preaches constantly against us, visiting from house to

house and threatening parents and children with excommunication if they come to our school. We also suffered great loss this year through a second visit from influenza accompanied by measles.

Our matriculation was two hundred and one, of whom fifty-six were boarders. Our first class in domestic science completed its three years' course, and three young ladies received their certificates.

The religious status of the school has been excellent. Twenty-nine pupils are members of the Church.

MISS MARY SUE BROWN, HIGH-SCHOOL SUBJECTS AND DOMESTIC SCIENCE.

I thank my Heavenly Father for his loving hand that has guided me through the days and weeks and months.

My work has been practically the same as during the last two years, teaching pedagogy, Bible, English, and domestic science. My classes in Bible have been absorbingly interesting. My pedagogy work has been to prepare two classes of girls who are planning to be teachers. One girl will graduate next year and hopes to go to the United States to continue her studies. She is the daughter of a pupil of Miss Watts and bears her name, Martha. My domestic science classes did satisfactory work. Three girls finished the three years' course. They can do simple home cooking, make good bread, plan meals intelligently, and know something of the care of the home. I had the Philathea Class in Sunday school, with an average attendance of seventeen. We furnished several teachers for the Sunday school. I was superintendent of the department of mission study in the Sunday school until I feel ill in October. As Vice President of the local Woman's Missionary Society, I organized a Young People's Missionary Society, which has steadily grown in interest and numbers. There are thirty-seven members, almost all of whom are students in the college; twelve are titheers. They have contributed to the support of the two Conference schools which the Brazilian Woman's Missionary Society is maintaining.

In June I finished the four years' course of language study and would have continued had I been able to keep my teacher. During the year my health was good, and I easily carried more than the regular number of hours' work required of our missionaries until the hot weather came, when I was not at all well. I was under appointment to go to Porto Alegre the first of November; but instead of going there I came to Pocos de Caldas, where the invigorating mountain air and the mineral waters have put new life into me. I pray that God may give me more of the true missionary spirit and more zeal for saving souls.

MISS SARA VAN DYKE STOUT, MUSIC DEPARTMENT.

I began the new school year with the determination to keep up my language study, but found it very hard. With the departure of Mrs. Brown, I had many new responsibilities in addition to heavy teaching, and I found it a bit awkward to teach in Portuguese. I taught an average of fifteen pupils during the year until another epidemic of influenza caused the loss of some of our pupils. Monthly recitals were given, which I believe were of benefit to the department. The two assistant piano teachers did good work. Felicissima de Souza Barros, who has been my pupil for two years, finished the course this year and gave quite a creditable piano recital. She will be able to give full time to teaching next year. I have also worked to develop another pupil who has had a few pupils and is giving satisfaction as a teacher.

In addition to teaching and directing the music department, I have taken my share in the home duties. I have also helped in the Sunday school as assistant superintendent and superintendent of the Cradle Roll Department and have substituted, toward the end of the year, as the superintendent of mission study. I also served as Church organist. After Miss Brown's illness in October I helped Miss Stradley by assuming some of her work, teaching two English classes. The variety of my work made the last two months very pleasant.

A few weeks ago I received my appointment to Porto Alegre. Though in many ways I regret leaving my work in Piracicaba, I realize it is best for me. I am grateful to God for this new evidence of his faith in me. I know that I shall begin my new work with a deeper knowledge of my Lord and a more earnest desire to serve him.

### COLLEGIO METHODISTA, RIBEIRAO PRETO.

MISS JENNIE STRADLEY, PRINCIPAL.

Collegio Methodista has had a most encouraging year. There has been such an eagerness for places that it has taxed the capacity of the school greatly to receive those who have come. Perhaps the experiences during the time of the Spanish influenza helped to draw the people to our work. Doubtless the fact that Brazil and the United States are allies and the great admiration which the people have for President Wilson have helped to produce these favorable conditions. God has given to Brazil in these last days its opportunity. In the near future is coming the reaping time for the long years of sowing and culture. The press is now ready to publish articles combating errors and setting forth the truth, while thirty years ago money would not pay for publishing the notice of a preaching service.

The priests are fighting us as though it were their death struggle, but they are losing ground. More than ever this year we have been unhampered in our efforts to win our pupils to Christ. One gentleman who has three boarding pupils with us said to me: "I am a Catholic, but I do not wish my children to be behind the times because I am. They are in this school to learn for themselves and to decide for themselves." Another said: "My child asks to join the Church. She must decide that question for herself. No man can come between a soul and its God." One class of older girls enjoyed a Bible study, answering the question: "Why am I a Protestant?" Attendance was voluntary, but some of the pupils who were convinced of the truth and desired material with which to reach their families or friends considered it their most interesting and profitable work.

The boarding department of the school has been crowded beyond its limits, and the insufficiency of classrooms has made the work much harder and less satisfactory than it should have been. We are hoping that the Centenary contributions will relieve the extremely crowded condition. The school needs more classrooms, an assembly hall, a gymnasium, a social room for the girls, and piano rooms, and it would be very helpful to add a domestic science kitchen.

The house where the gardener lived and one other small house on the school grounds were condemned this year by the sanitary authorities and must be removed; so our house space is decreasing rather than increasing to meet the needs.

The exposition of classroom and examination papers, maps, drawings, embroidery, clay-modeling, etc., was very much appre-

ciated. We closed the school year with a good program presented by the music class.

MISS ETHEL BROWN, GRADE SUBJECTS.

Every year that I have been in Brazil has been happier than the one before it, and this last year has been different from all the others. There is just a touch of sadness to the closing of this year because I cannot go on until the end of the race, but I am glad that I have been able to stay out here four years and a half.

My teaching work brought me the same joy that it has always. I enjoyed most a voluntary class, which was not a part of the regular course. In this hour I tried to explain the doctrines of the Roman Church, because there are so many who do not know what their religion teaches, and we also studied the teachings of the Bible on the same subjects. The pupils could not but see the great difference between the Bible and the teachings of their Church and realize how the Church has hidden from them the truths that are in Jesus Christ. My Sunday school class has had an average attendance of forty-five children.

I shall be very close to the work in Brazil, even during these months of rest, and shall be longing for the time when I shall enter actively into his service.

MISS PEARL O. HICKS, ENGLISH.

It has been possible for me to continue my language lessons one hour a day with a very splendid teacher, almost uninterrupted throughout the year. I have taught all the classes in English from the second to the sixth grades and several special pupils. For a few months I taught two girls the life of Christ in English. One of the girls moved to Rio de Janeiro, and we had the joy of seeing the other enter the Church on her sixteenth birthday. During the second semester I supervised the geography in the fifth grade, at times teaching the class. I enjoyed this work very much and hope to extend it to some other classes.

Always I had my share of the regular duties that fall to us in a boarding school. I have been ever since my arrival the organist at the Central Sunday School and have recently been elected Superintendent of the Missionary Department of the Epworth League.

Though our part in the great Centenary campaign was very different from yours, it was nevertheless profitable. I was a member of a team in our local Church and appreciated the opportunity to enter the homes of so many members.

Our Father has blessed me with exceptionally good health and with a burning desire for greater usefulness in his kingdom.

SAO PAULO.

MISS AMELIA ELERDING, EVANGELISTIC WORK.

The work of the year 1919 has differed very little from that of other years. My helpers did faithful work. All were glad to have the Bible woman's salary increased and have put in more time. Sickness, poverty, and high prices still continue; yet it seems as if that invisible resistance against the gospel (which began when the war began five years ago) is decreasing. Last January a Methodist Federation was organized of willing workers to work in the evangelization of Sao Paulo. Our expectations were not realized, and it may be for the best. Nevertheless, three new preaching places and

Sunday schools were opened, and the work gives promise of future success. It has also been helpful in developing Christian workers. In each place some have stepped out on the Lord's side. Annual Conference has strengthened our work in Sao Paulo and given us more workers. Several ex-priests have lectured against Romanism. The lectures of one came out in the dailies and is working as a leaven among the people and awakening a desire for investigation which fills us with hope and courage. May the Lord grant a general revival that will spread over the entire nation, and may sinners be converted by the thousands and become active Christian workers!

### SOUTH BRAZIL CONFERENCE.

#### COLLEGIO AMERICANO, PORTO ALEGRE.

MISS EUNICE F. ANDREW, PRINCIPAL.

One hundred and fourteen pupils were matriculated during the year. Of this number, twelve were boarders and fifteen were day boarders. Two of our boarders were graduated in November, lovely girls, both members of our Church. One will return next year as assistant teacher; the other expects to continue the course in music. The health record has been good, almost without exception. Miss Morgan has been physical culture teacher.

We trust that during the coming year land may be purchased and a new building erected in the near future. We were disappointed that property could not be bought while Bishop Moore was here.

Ever since I came to Porto Alegre I have had a Sunday school class of young women. It has been the banner class in attendance during the year. As First Vice President I have done what work I could in the League. Outside the regular round of school duties we have done as much visiting among Church members as was possible. The girls in our school seemed to catch a new vision of God and his great love for lost souls during the revival held in our Church. Many of them testified publicly for the first time.

Miss Morgan, Miss Kennedy, and I are expecting to sail for the United States sometime in December. We are glad to go, yet we find the ties of friendship strong here.

MISS ELMA MORGAN, BIBLE AND ENGLISH.

This is my fifth annual report. It is sad to part with my pupils, whom I have come to love dearly, especially our boarders, who seem like our very own, and the primary children whom I had in chapel exercises in Bible and in English. For the closing program they learned "Luther's Cradle Hymn" in English and sang it well. My heart filled with joy when I heard them singing these wonderful old hymns, for I realize that these they may never forget; and even though many of these little ones may not be won for the Church because of opposition of parents, the gospel has been sown and may some day bear fruit. During the year several of the primary pupils who never attended our Sunday school before have become very faithful members.

As superintendent of the primary department in Sunday school I have been very happy to have an increase in number and a greater interest shown on the part of parents. As Fourth Vice President in the Epworth League I have had charge of the missionary lessons given once a month in Sunday school. I gave the life of Living-



stone, which to me has been a blessing, and I hope it was to others also.

I enjoyed having part in making the house-to-house canvass of members and others interested a few weeks before our revival, which was a time of great blessing.

MISS GERTRUDE KENNEDY, TEACHING.

The years have passed quite rapidly, and now I have come to the last year of my first term. In some ways this has been the most pleasant year that I have spent in Brazil.

I taught classes in geography, algebra, history, and English, the first three subjects in Portuguese. I had some pupils who did excellent work. One of the girls in particular, who was very earnest and studious, had original ways of doing her problems in algebra. She finished the course here, and Miss Andrew is very desirous of her returning next year as a pupil-teacher. Not only is she excellent in her studies, but she knows how to sew, embroider, and crochet beautifully and is a good housekeeper and nurse.

Besides my school work, I am treasurer of the Sunday school and have the dearest little Sunday school class one could wish. Yesterday some of my girls who had gone home when school closed came a long distance to have our class win the banner. They think a great deal of that.

## CUBA MISSION.

### APPOINTMENTS.

#### *Cienfuegos.*

**Colegio Eliza Bowman.**—Miss Frances B. Moling, Principal; Miss Annie Churchill, Miss Jessie Drew Gill, Missionaries; Miss Laura Lee, Missionary Teacher.

#### *Matanzas.*

**Colegio Irene Toland.**—Miss Rebecca Toland, Principal; Miss M. Belle Markey, Miss Anne M. Craig, Missionaries; Miss Minnie Davis, Missionary Teacher.

### CONDENSED REPORTS.

#### COLEGIO ELIZA BOWMAN, CIENFUEGOS.

##### MISS FRANCES B. MOLING, PRINCIPAL.

Because of circumstances I have been forced at different times to act as cook, housemaid, accountant, as well as substitute in almost every grade of both the English and Spanish Departments during the past year. I have had little work outside the school except as teacher of the normal class in Sunday school and as President of the Epworth League. On Rally Day two of the girls in my class received certificates for the prescribed normal course and took classes in the Sunday school the following Sunday. These girls have pledged \$81 to the Centenary Fund.

The Cuban girl who has held the kindergarten has been faithful, but we need an American kindergartner.

We are hoping that when the Centenary gives us the new building we so much need on our block of land recently purchased, the Council will retain the property where we are at present located

and make it possible for us to open industrial work, continue our kindergarten, and provide a home for young women who work in the downtown offices.

Cienfuegos celebrated her centennial in April, and we were asked to take part in the exposition given by both public and private schools. Our drawing, painting, handwork, sewing, and dressmaking attracted much attention. The mayor and other distinguished guests called during the day. So gratified were they with the class work in English and the painting and drawing of one of our pupils that he was awarded a diploma and also offered a government scholarship when he shall complete the course in our school the coming year. Twelve other children received diplomas, and Eliza Bowman School was awarded a diploma and a silver medal—two testimonials of the mental, moral, and manual efforts of our children which shall act as a great force in changing the sentiment of the community in our favor.

We have a Temperance Society of forty-seven members. The children must be taught with patience the evils of intemperance. We are proud of the fact that ours was the first organization of this kind in Cuba, so far as we know. We gave the first silver medal contest; and a student in our school, president of our society, a Protestant, and member of my Sunday school normal class, won the medal. A little later she won the medal in the first gold medal contest in Havana. The modern health crusade is our latest. The majority of Cubans are extremely careless in the observance of the very simple laws of health, and tuberculosis is prevalent. The children and many of their parents are asking for cards so that they may observe the regulations.

Thanksgiving fell on one of Cuba's national holidays this year. Miss Lee brought before the children their opportunity in such a way that they cheerfully responded to her appeal for gifts for the poor, the sick, and the "shut-in."

Two of our girls finished the course this year. One will continue her studies at Irene Toland School, Matanzas, and the other is now teaching in one of the Cienfuegos schools.

The special services held by Rev. Henry Smith resulted in great good. All of the children in the house and quite a number on the outside made profession of faith and are now candidates for Church membership.

#### MISS ANNIE CHURCHILL, BIBLE AND ENGLISH.

The year just closing has been a very busy one, though the things which go to make it up seem too small to put on record—just overseeing the girls in the home, helping in household duties, visiting a little, and teaching sewing, Bible, and English classes. A number of the pupils are interested in their Bibles, and we are praying that they may soon give themselves unreservedly to the Lord. Some attend Sunday school and manifested interest in the protracted meeting which was recently held in our Church. Several from my Sunday school class gave their names as candidates for Church membership.

In our Epworth League we have a missionary department. We need literature in Spanish in our mission work. Almost all of our programs have to be translated from the English before we can present them. The missionary department also has charge of a Sunday school about six miles out in a suburban town. I am superintendent and go out on the street car every Sunday afternoon.

When we look about us and see so much to be done and so few

to do the work, we long for more workers and pray the Lord of the harvest to send them to us.

MISS JESSIE DREW GILL, LANGUAGE STUDY AND ENGLISH.

One year ago I reached Cuba. Of course a new missionary has many new experiences during her first year on the field. I have tried to accept such experiences as great lessons for stronger and better service; and because of the victories I have had through Christ, I know as my new year begins that I have greater love for these dear Cuban people and greater faith in the power of Christ.

My year for half-day language study will be over this month, and I will then devote all of my time to teaching. Now my time is filled with study and teaching special English for the Spanish department.

As my knowledge of the language grows I hope to be able to visit a great deal in the homes of the Cubans and in this way know them better and help them more. I love this kind of work and long to be able to do it.

COLEGIO IRENE TOLAND, MATANZAS.

MISS REBECCA TOLAND, PRINCIPAL.

The school has been crowded with boarding and day pupils all the year. Since the first week in January, when we had to refuse two boarding pupils for want of room, we have continued to turn away prospective students, although the enlargement of the building during the summer by the addition of two rooms for classroom and infirmary gave us a little more space for dormitories. Having oversight of this work and of necessary repairs on the buildings, in addition to my duties as principal of the school, has made heavy demands on my time. The auto-bus has greatly facilitated the work of getting the day pupils to school and back again to their homes.

We have had a good year in spite of privations caused by insufficient water supply, political unrest throughout the island, and railroad strikes which interfered with travel, delayed the mails, and created scarcity of bread and other necessities.

The installation of the apparatus and formulating of plans for adding the last two years of high school to our course were the means of securing a visit from the Director of the Institute, who expressed himself as being pleased with our work. Our girls who took the Institute examination in English all passed creditably, and two of them received honorable mention. Eight girls entered the new high-school department in September. The music department has prospered under the direction of Miss Vail, and Miss Davis has done excellent work in the English department. Miss Anne Craig came to us in the fall. A large part of her time was left free for language study, but she also taught some English classes. Miss Markey took charge of the school the middle of October, when I was compelled for health reasons to be absent from duty for a number of weeks. I am glad to be back at my post. Every one speaks highly of Miss Markey's management, and everything seems to have been well kept up.

MISS M. BELLE MARKEY, MISSIONARY.

Until the close of school last May my full time was given to the high-school work. During the summer I was appointed principal of the new school to be opened by the Council at Havana. I was

hastening back from the Centenary Celebration in Columbus to put the house in readiness to open school in September, when word came that we could not get possession of the property until January. Miss Toland had to go to the United States for rest and medical treatment; so it seemed providential that I was at liberty to help prepare for Miss Toland's departure and take over her work as principal. I have been able to do this and teach one hour and a half a day. Ninety-three students, fifty-three being day pupils, crowd the dining room at noon on school days. We have had to reject about fifty boarders for want of room. To meet this emergency Miss Anne Craig's appointment was changed from Mexico to Cuba.

The efficient work of students organized by Miss Minnie Davis into a Red Cross Chapter was recognized by the National Society, and Miss Davis was awarded a medal. The boarding pupils gave \$57 to the Centenary, and the whole school group contributed \$265.25. Eleven boarding girls have joined the Church during the year. The music class is flourishing under Miss Vail's management, with an assistant teacher. The Cuban teachers in the primary and elementary departments are former students of the school. Eighteen pupils have availed themselves of the sewing class which has been organized in the school by Mrs. Whitehead, the pastor's wife.

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## MEXICO MISSION.

### APPOINTMENTS.

#### CHIHUAHUA DISTRICT.

##### *Chihuahua.*

**Centro Cristiano.**—Miss Lillie F. Fox, Head Resident; Miss Norwood E. Wynn, Miss Ethel McCaughan.

**Colegio Palmore.**—Rev. J. P. Lancaster, Principal; Miss Mary E. Massey, Associate Principal; Miss Virginia E. Booth, Miss Nora E. Darwin.

#### MONTERREY DISTRICT.

##### *Monterrey.*

**Girls' School.**—Miss Dora L. Ingram, Principal; Miss Sarah E. Warne.

##### *Saltillo.*

**Methodist Normal School.**—Miss Lelia Roberts, Principal; Miss Edith Park, Missionary; Miss Charlotte C. Vimont, Missionary Teacher.

### CONDENSED REPORTS.

#### CHIHUAHUA DISTRICT.

##### CENTRO CRISTIANO, CHIHUAHUA.

##### MISS LILLIE F. FOX, HEAD RESIDENT.

The month of January I spent in Chicago, visiting all kinds of settlements—large, small, religious, nonsectarian, and nonreligious. I had a month of "home, sweet home," and on the first of March I crossed the Rio Grande into Mexico. The train was heavily guarded, as Villa had attacked a station a few days before. A most

hearty welcome awaited me both from missionaries and Mexican people.

The work of destruction and construction on the building, begun in April, was finished in August, when our first Wesley House work in Mexico was opened. Early in September the formal opening and dedication of Centro Cristiano took place. Friends of our work and State and city officials were present and greeted us with a hearty welcome.

Twenty-five have been enrolled in the kindergarten; more than fifty women and girls attend the classes in cooking; a class of small girls receives instruction in kitchen garden; boys come for basket and volley ball games; boys and girls enjoy our playground filled with swings and seesaws; the day nursery children are happy in their pleasant room; a large night school in both English and Spanish fills the rooms every evening; a music department is being developed rapidly; a large men's club has possession of house and playground every Saturday night; our friendly visitor and the missionaries touch the homes of the people; about fifty members of the Woman's Missionary Society meet every week, just as our women do at home; a large Bible class for women has been organized, and the workers also have their part in the great work of the Church. The Primary, Junior, and Intermediate departments of the Sunday school have their class work in the Centro. May God still more abundantly bless us the coming year!

#### MISS NORWOOD E. WYNN, EVANGELISTIC AND STUDENT WORK.

Under my appointment of evangelistic missionary I came to Chihuahua, expecting to remain here. Traveling in Mexico these days is no easy matter, and I thought I would do very little of it; but it was not long before other duties began to call me elsewhere, until at the close of the year I realized that I had traveled more during this one year than in all the other years of my missionary life in Mexico together. As Secretary of the Centenary Subcommittee I have visited the three districts in our Conference, helping the preachers to understand better the Centenary Movement and speaking to the congregations on the subjects of intercession, stewardship, and tithing. We set for our goal for the League of Intercession six hundred members, but there are more than nine hundred enrolled at present. A great many of our members accepted the obligation to tithe and have found joy in paying the Lord what they owe him.

Practically four months of the year were given to the work of the Centenary Celebration in Columbus. At the Centenary Convention in Saltillo more than thirty young people responded to the call for life service, and some of us felt it was an answer to a prayer that had been offered many times to our Heavenly Father that God would call the Mexican youth to work for the evangelization of their own country. I was appointed student secretary. Six volunteer bands have been organized, with a membership of one hundred and thirty. There is great lack in Spanish of helpful literature for these young Christians.

We are trying to get the women's societies all organized into regular missionary societies. It is not an easy task, as there is no literature in Spanish and our work is so largely separated. We believe, however, that before the end of this year we shall have a Conference organization in working order. The women's Sunday school class has grown both in numbers and interest. More than sixty are on the roll; fifteen have been organized into a Bible class,

which meets weekly. Nearly every Sunday new people are seeking the light, who are anxious to be visited in their homes. On Sunday afternoon I have the primary department in a mission Sunday school, which affords another opportunity for personal work in the homes. I have averaged two cottage prayer meetings each week that I have been in Chihuahua and have made at least ten visits a week when I have been here. Thank God for the privilege of service; and if I am permitted to do so, I hope to give another year to him in Mexico.

MISS ETHEL M'CAUGHAN, HOME ECONOMICS AND EVANGELISTIC WORK.

The first half of the past year my work consisted largely of visiting and Church work, while we were awaiting the remodeling of the building which was to be used as our settlement house. On September 8 was held the inauguration of our Centro Cristiano, and the great desire which had been mine for years of being engaged in settlement work in Mexico was at last realized.

My special work is the Domestic Science Department. I have five cooking classes of ten members each, two for women and three for girls. In these classes women and girls of all stations in life, rich and poor, meet together with the common motive of learning to be better housewives. I have an interesting kitchen garden class of fourteen little girls, in which I am assisted by a young Mexican woman of a wealthy family who belongs to our volunteer band and wants to dedicate her life to mission work among her people. I also have charge of the sewing department of our Missionary Society, which meets weekly. We sew for two hours, then have a program which we try to make instructive and inspiring to our women. One of the greatest joys in my work is my Sunday school class of twenty-four sweet, lovable girls between thirteen and sixteen years of age. Our class is organized, and we have a meeting every Saturday afternoon conducted by the girls themselves. I try to visit three days each week in the homes of the people who come to our Church and to our settlement house.

The past year has been full of blessings, and we look forward to much joy in service during the year 1920.

COLEGIO PALMORE, CHIHUAHUA.

REV. J. P. LANCASTER, PRINCIPAL.

The past year has seen many avenues which had looked inviting closed to us, and many new images have come to unfold their possibilities. The work is delightful because it is constant, hard, and full of promise.

The fifteen teachers of Colegio Palmore have given faithful service. Twelve fine young men were graduated in December from the grades, and we have a class of more than twenty who look forward to finishing in June of this year. During the year we have opened the commercial course under the efficient direction of Professor Alanis, of this city. The Kindergarten Department also started work with Miss Hope Jack, of Canada, as the very acceptable director. Both these departments begin the new year with enough pupils enrolled to be self-supporting. Miss Nora Darwin, a missionary, and Miss Irene Nixon, a teacher, have come to us from the great State of Texas. They make a splendid addition to our family of workers.

We hope to have our new building soon, for which we have asked

in the Centenary, in order to accommodate the growing school and give further courses as the need arises. During the year ten of the Palmore workers have offered themselves as volunteers for life service. Sixty-six of the pupils are in our Sunday school. Colegio Palmore is facing the future conscious of its matchless opportunities.

MISS MARY E. MASSEY, ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL.

Since the beginning of the year the school has continued to grow. I was kept very busy with teaching full time—first and second grades—until the close of the spring term, in addition to the responsibility for the home and oversight of necessary repairs on building and furniture. Because of unsettled conditions in Mexico, the opening of the girls' boarding department was deferred until the fall term; still our family was large enough to make the house-keeping rather heavy work.

It was my privilege to attend the Centenary Celebration at Columbus, Ohio, in the capacity of a steward and to attend the Centenary Conference for Mexico in Saltillo in August.

In the fall I went into the classroom again for lack of teachers in the English Department, which is very popular with the people. I could not be relieved of this work until almost the close of the year. I had charge of the home and the girls' boarding department. The enrollment in the latter has been small, owing to the prices we are obliged to charge, due to the high cost of living, and because many of our patrons who live at a distance are afraid to send their girls away from home in these unsettled times.

The revival was a time of great blessing to all in the school and the Church.

MISS VIRGINIA E. BOOTH, TEACHER IN ENGLISH DEPARTMENT.

My school work is the same as last year, but my opportunities in Church work have greatly broadened. I have a splendid Sunday school class of young ladies to whom I have given special courses in Bible study. I also have entire supervision of the Epworth League, and this requires a good deal of time, as I help the different officers to become familiar with their duties and also encourage them to perform them. I give from three to four evenings each week to the different Church services. I enjoy my work, but the demands are so pressing that I often feel that I am unable to meet them all. I hope to be relieved of teaching in English next year in order to devote more time to Bible-teaching.

MISS NORA E. DARWIN, LANGUAGE STUDY AND ENGLISH.

Six English classes daily from the Spanish Department of the school, with my study of the Spanish language, have kept me quite busy. I have to do very definite planning for the English classes in order to make the work worth while.

At first I had three Spanish lessons a week with Mrs. Pascoe, our pastor's wife, who speaks both English and Spanish. When Mrs. Pascoe had to give up the classes, I had to make several changes in teachers, but have continued my study.

I have been very happy in doing some gymnasium work with our boys and girls. I know of no finer place to put into real practice some of the fundamentals that make for the abundant life—truth, a sense of fair play and justice, righteousness, loving-kindness, and charity. I joined the Woman's Missionary Society, and

it has been a joy to attend the meetings. I love my people and my adopted country very devotedly and count it a joy to serve my Father here.

### MONTERREY DISTRICT.

#### GIRLS' SCHOOL, MONTERREY.

MISS DORA L. INGRUM, PRINCIPAL.

The opening of the school in Monterrey was delayed about three weeks pending the agreement between the Christian Woman's Board and our own; but in spite of the delay and other hindrances we have enrolled more than seventy girls during the months of October, November, and December. We are indebted to Laurens Institute for about thirty girls. They had planned to take only boys this year; but when we could not open school on time, they enrolled girls also. All of these, except four in the commercial class, who were to finish their work at Christmas, were invited to come to our school. We have received a number of pupils who would not have gone to that school because their parents do not approve of coeducational schools. We have made no effort to start the boarding department, because our roof is in such condition at present that we have very little space that is fit for beds.

Because of repairs that could not be left till vacation, my work has been very heavy. I have five and a half hours' teaching each day as well as the duties that belong to the principal. Thus far it has not been possible for me to have the time I should have for language study. Miss Warne and I cannot give all the classes that the pupils ought to have in the English Department. The Mexican girls are so anxious to learn English that this department has proved to be the great attraction. I have been appointed Superintendent of the Cradle Roll Department in the Sunday school. This is new work for me, but I am glad to help the little ones in this way. Part of the task is to prepare our own materials for lack of helps in Spanish. I hope I may be given the physical strength and the spiritual power that I need to be of real service in saving many souls for Him during the coming year.

MISS SARAH E. WARNE, ELEMENTARY TEACHING.

After five years spent in recuperation and in further preparation for service, I find great joy and satisfaction in being enlisted in the Lord's work under the Woman's Missionary Council once more. The summer was spent in study in Los Angeles; very great help and inspiration came from visiting the Homer Toberman Settlement, where every ministration is planned to bring the individual into a personal knowledge of the love of Christ.

I reached Monterrey on September 12 and have been associated with Miss Ingrum in the school for girls which we opened in the building formerly owned by the Christian Woman's Board. My work has been with the elementary grades of the English Department principally, although I teach all the English in the Spanish Department as well. My responsibility is no light one, since I come in personal touch daily with each child in the school; but my desire and prayers have been that I might reach these people, and the Lord is certainly preparing the way. Never have I been associated with more attractive, lovable, and responsive children, and great opportunities for service are presented on every hand.

I have just been appointed Superintendent of the Home Depart-



ment of the Sunday school. This will give me further entrance into the homes.

I thank the Lord for the blessings granted and the opportunities offered and trust him for guidance that I may render unto him faithful and effective service.

#### METHODIST NORMAL SCHOOL, SALTILLO.

MISS LELIA ROBERTS, PRINCIPAL.

In January Professor Dominguez, head teacher in our Normal Department, was ill; but the seeming affliction was converted into a blessing. He moved with his family to the United States, where he informed himself concerning religious, social, educational, and other institutions. Since resuming his duties here he is preparing textbooks in the Spanish language, incorporating in them the best elements to be found in our most approved English editions. In February my precious mother passed away. I am consoled by the thought of her consecrated life and Christian service. Miss Esther Case, our beloved secretary, visited us this month. In May a memorable District Conference and Bible Institute combined was held here. Dr. and Mrs. Howland, of Mexico City, and Dr. Salmans, of the Methodist Hospital in Guanajuato, were the principal speakers. June suggests final examinations, commencement exercises, and vacation. The Sub-Centenary Committee met in Saltillo July 31 to August 3; the Centenary Movement in Mexico was launched, the Student Volunteer Movement was organized, and plans were made looking to the correlation of our work along all lines. In September we opened the Kindergarten Training Department in our school. In October, for the first time in the history of our Church in Mexico, women went as delegates to Annual Conference. Misses Lillie Fox, E. E. Rivera, and myself were thus privileged. In November we pushed the campaign for stewardship of life and possessions and began the big drive which is not yet completed, December 31, 1919. In the Monterrey District alone the Centenary pledges already amount to more than \$30,000 (Mexican currency).

The total enrollment in all departments of the school is 245; in the Normal Department, 68. Many well-equipped evangelistic workers received their training in our Normal Department. Conversions among our student body have been frequent. The total number of Church members now is seventy. In Saltillo a self-supporting Church is sending evangelistic workers to the near-by towns of Ramos Arispe and Gomez Farias, and our local Missionary Society is supporting a Bible woman. For carrying on this extension work the Council has given us a Ford car. We have almost perfected the organization of our Conference Missionary Society. I was appointed to translate and adapt our Constitution and By-Laws.

We are now the happy owners of the entire block of land on the west side of the principal park in this city, and plans for a new administration building are in the hands of an experienced architect. It will probably cost \$150,000. We expect to collect a considerable part of this sum from friends and ex-students who have expressed their desire to contribute to our building fund.

MISS EDITH A. PARK.

The impressive scene before me as the year 1919 was dying—our little church filled to overflowing with an attentive, reverent congregation, and gathered around the altar a group of twenty-five persons taking the vows of Church membership, among them ten

of our own dear girls, was to me a crowning close to a year full of blessings, though not without its trials as well. The close of the year also finds us with nearly twice as many girls in the home as at the beginning. This is now the only evangelical normal school in Northern Mexico, and we have girls from all denominations. In the commercial class I have seven girls—three Methodists, one Presbyterian, one Baptist, and two Roman Catholics—two of these having been converted since entering the school.

One of the greatest privileges of the year to me has been that of conducting the mothers' class in Sunday school. One woman was recently received into the Church with her four children; another, with her husband and children, was among those received on the last night of the year.

I am Vice President of the Social Department of our flourishing Missionary Society of more than twenty-five members, which supports its own Bible woman.

Among the pupils of the fourth, fifth, and sixth grades I formed at the beginning of the year a Camp Fire Circle, which has proved a link between the homes and the school.

These are only impressions of the year's work—to enter into details of the daily duties would be impossible—but in every task there is given the opportunity of witnessing for Christ and pointing some young life to him.

# PORTIONS OF THE CONSTITUTION, BOARD OF MISSIONS, M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH, THAT BEAR ON THE WOMAN'S WORK.

## CONSTITUTION FOR CONFERENCE SOCIETIES.

ARTICLE I. The missionary operations of the Methodist Board. Episcopal Church, South, formerly administered under the Board of Missions, the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and the Woman's Home Mission Society shall hereafter be administered by a Board of Missions, which shall have charge of all foreign missions of the Church and of such missions in the home field as are not provided for by the Annual Conferences. The Board shall carry on its operations under two departments—namely, the Department of Foreign Missions and the Department of Home Missions.

ART. II. Said Board shall consist of a President, a Vice President, a General Secretary, four Secretaries (if necessary) for the Department of Foreign Missions, four Secretaries (if necessary) for the Department of Home Missions, four Educational Secretaries (if necessary), and thirty Managers, of whom ten shall be preachers, ten laymen, and ten women (one of whom shall be the President of the Woman's Missionary Council); the bishops, the Treasurer of this Board, and an Assistant Treasurer (who shall be a woman); the Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, Corresponding Secretary of the Epworth League Board, Secretary of the Sunday School Board, and the President and General Secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement shall be *ex officio* members. Said Board shall be elected quadrennially by the General Conference as follows: The President, Vice President, and Managers on nomination of the Committee on Missions; the General Secretary by ballot at the time of the election of the other connectional officers; the members elected to continue in office until their successors are chosen. The Board shall fill all vacancies that may occur. The Secretaries for Foreign Missions, the Secretaries for Home Missions, the Educational Secretaries, the Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer shall be elected quadrennially by the incoming Board, the women on nomination of the Woman's Missionary Council. The officers and members shall continue in office until their successors are elected.

Officers and  
Managers.

ART. III. The Board shall be located in the city of Nashville, Tenn., but its annual meeting may be held in such place and at such time as the Board shall determine.

ART. IV. The Board shall have authority to regulate its own proceedings; to appropriate money to defray current expenses; to establish missions; to build churches and residences for missionaries and to build and maintain hospitals and schools; to select and publish books and other suitable literature for its work at home and abroad; to aid in the establishment and support of training schools for Christian workers, for native converts and preachers,

and to coöperate with other Churches in the establishment and support of such schools wherever it may be practicable; to make provision for the missionary education of the Church; to provide for the support of superannuated missionaries and widows and orphans of missionaries who may not be provided for by any Annual Conference; to provide funds and to appropriate the same for the maintenance of all the work under its care. It shall annually pay to the Board superintending the Epworth Leagues, as a cultivation fund for the development of missionary liberality in the Epworth Leagues, a sum equal to ten per cent of the amounts contributed by the Epworth Leagues for missionary specials. It shall also publish annually a statement of its transactions, naming the missions supported by it and the amount appropriated and paid to each, and lay before the General Conference a report of its operations, including the location and value of property held by the Board.

General  
Secretary.

ART. V. The General Secretary shall preside at a meeting of all the Secretaries of the Board to be held monthly for the consideration of the interests under their care. He shall supervise the inauguration of new policies and negotiations looking to coöperation with other denominations and shall look after the legal and other general business of the Board. He shall have oversight of the affairs of the Board in all its departments and shall be responsible to the Board for the execution of its policies.

Foreign De-  
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ART. VI. The Department of Foreign Missions shall administer all the missions of the Church in foreign lands and the funds appropriated for the same and shall supervise the work of the foreign missionaries on the field, who shall be subject to appointment by the bishop in charge. This work shall be directed by the Secretaries for the Department of Foreign Missions.

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ART. VII. (a) The Department of Home Missions shall administer the home mission enterprises of the Church; provided the Annual Conference Board shall have charge of all the missions they may establish and provide for within their bounds. Candidates for mission work under this department shall be accepted by the Committee on Candidates on the basis of candidates for foreign work as to fitness and tenure of service. When accepted, such candidates shall be nominated for appointment to the bishop in charge of the Conference in which they are to work; provided, further, that this paragraph shall not be construed as forbidding Annual Conference Boards of Missions employing other than such candidates. The office and work of deaconess shall be under the direction of this department—Woman's Work. The work of this department shall be directed by the Secretaries for the Department of Home Missions. (b) The office of deaconess is hereby authorized. A deaconess shall be a single woman or a widow not less than twenty-three years of age nor more than fifty when accepted for service. She must be a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. She must be in good standing and must have shown a fitness for this work by active service in some line of Christian work. She must have good health and must have had a high-school education

and two years of college work or its equivalent. No person shall be consecrated to the office of deaconess without having successfully completed the prescribed course of study in an accredited Bible training school and having served a probation of two years of continuous service. She shall be recommended for service by the Quarterly Conference. She shall wear the uniform prescribed by the Council. The duties of the deaconess shall be to engage in Christian social service, and, relinquishing all other pursuits, she shall devote herself to such work as the Church may determine. When engaged in this voluntary service, support shall be provided, covering a monthly stipend and living expenses. Necessary regulations for effectuating the foregoing provisions shall be prescribed by the Woman's Missionary Council. No vow of life service shall be exacted of a deaconess, but any one applying for a recommendation from a Quarterly Conference shall have considered this step carefully and shall believe herself called of God to this work. A deaconess desiring to retire from the work shall be permitted to do so at the close of the term of her appointment, when she shall surrender her certificate and cease to wear the uniform. If found unsuited to the work and calling of the deaconess, she shall be retired and her certificate revoked by the Woman's Missionary Council.

ART. VIII. The Educational Secretaries shall provide sug- Educational Secretaries.  
gestive plans and policies for the missionary education of the Church, with special reference to the Sunday school, the Epworth League, the schools and colleges of the Church, the Laymen's Missionary Movement, the Woman's Missionary Societies, and other agencies of the Church.

ART. IX. The Secretaries shall reside in Nashville, Tenn. Residence and Salaries of Secretaries.  
It shall be their duty to keep a permanent record of the proceedings of the Board and to publish an abstract of them in the Church papers; to conduct its correspondence; to attend to its legal business; to prepare the Annual Report and to publish monthly (either in a missionary paper or in the Church papers, as the Board shall direct) statements of the condition, needs, and prospects of the various missions; and to discharge such other duties as the Board may direct. The salaries of the Secretaries shall be fixed by the Board, and all their necessary traveling expenses shall be allowed.

ART. X. The Secretaries of the Board together with three Committee on Estimates.  
members of the Board, one of whom shall be the President of the Woman's Missionary Council, shall be a committee on estimates, of which the General Secretary shall be Chairman. This committee shall consider the work and needs of the different fields, mission stations, and enterprises at home and abroad, the number of persons to be employed in each, and the amount of money needed for the same and for the expenses of the Board, submitting a full report of the same to the Board for its adoption in annual session.

ART. XI. The Board shall meet annually to determine Annual Meeting.  
what fields shall be occupied as missions, the number of persons to be employed in each, to estimate the amount that may be necessary for the support of the missions under

its charge, and to apportion the same to the several Annual Conferences.

Quorum. ART. XII. Eleven members shall constitute a quorum at an annual meeting of the Board and nine at a called meeting.

Executive Committee. ART. XIII. There shall be an Executive Committee of the Board, consisting of nine members, three of whom shall be women, which shall meet quarterly and hear reports from the field, consider and decide all questions that may arise from time to time, excepting such questions as they may deem necessary to refer to the Board. This committee shall keep a record of all its proceedings, to be reviewed by the Board.

Missionaries. ART. XIV. The Board shall employ only effective missionaries for its work and shall require each one to make a quarterly report to the Secretaries concerning the state and prospects of the work in charge.

Sources of Revenue. ART. XV. The revenue of the Board shall be derived from apportionments to be distributed to the several Annual Conferences for collection in every congregation; from the Woman's Missionary Societies, provided that the funds raised by the Woman's Missionary Societies shall be appropriated to the work established by them or hereafter to be inaugurated under these provisions; from the Sunday school and Epworth League; from such other plans as may be adopted by the Board or congregation; from special collections by the Secretaries and the bishops; and from donations, annuities, and legacies.

Treasurer. ART. XVI. The Treasurer shall hold the funds in safe deposit in the name of the Board of Missions, subject to the drafts of one of the Secretaries designated by the Board, payable when countersigned by the Treasurer. He shall also furnish an annual report, to be published with that of the Secretaries, and perform such other duties as the Board shall direct. The salaries of the Treasurer and of the Assistant Treasurer shall be fixed by the Board, and each shall give bond to the Board in such sum and upon such conditions as the Board may fix. The accounts of the Board shall be examined at least annually by an expert accountant and a report of the same made to the Board.

Treasurer of Conference Board. ART. XXV. The Treasurer of the Conference Board of Missions shall give bond in such sum as the Board may require, said bond to be approved by the executive officers of the Board. He shall transmit to the Treasurer of the Board of Missions on the first day of each month all the moneys he may have on hand for foreign missions, including amounts contributed by the Sunday schools, a separate account of which shall be kept. His accounts shall be audited annually by a committee appointed by the Annual Conference Board. The Annual Conference Treasurers of the Woman's Missionary Societies shall transmit quarterly to the Assistant Treasurer of the Board of Missions all the moneys they may have on hand for the general missionary fund.

Duty of Presiding Elders. ART. XXVI. It shall be the duty of the presiding elder to preach on the subject of missions annually in each charge in the district; to see that efficient and well-defined plans be adopted for the missionary education of the Church and

for raising missionary funds; to conduct with his preachers a missionary institute early in the Conference year; to see that they hold missionary mass meetings; and to encourage the organization and foster the work of Woman's Missionary Societies.

ART. XXVII. It shall be the duty of the preacher in charge to preach frequently on the subject of missions, to organize a Missionary Committee, and to hold missionary mass meetings annually in every church in his charge; to see that a canvass is made of every member early in the Conference year for a missionary contribution; to see that a Missionary Committee is appointed in each Sunday school, that one Sunday in the month is observed as Missionary Day, that the entire missionary offering of the Sunday school goes to the Board of Missions and that this offering shall be designated, forwarded, and reported as expressly directed in Paragraph 264 of the Discipline; to see that each League holds a monthly meeting and studies the subject of missions; to circulate missionary literature and to seek in every way the education and inspiration of his people concerning the evangelization of the world, and to see that Woman's Missionary Societies are organized in every Church where at all practicable.

ART. XXVIII. The women of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, are hereby authorized to organize and conduct missionary societies among women and children in the Annual Conferences and in the Churches in the interest of home and foreign missions. These societies shall promote missionary intelligence and activity and secure missionary funds by means of membership dues, life and honorary membership fees, from devises, annuities, bequests, voluntary offerings, and collections at meetings appointed in behalf of the policy.

ART. XXIX. There shall be a delegated body to be known as the Woman's Missionary Council. It shall be composed of a President, one or more Vice Presidents, two or more Secretaries, a Treasurer, Superintendents of Bureaus, the Corresponding Secretary or alternate, the President or alternate of the Woman's Missionary Society of each Annual Conference Society, and the President and Secretary of the Deaconess Workers' Conference. The Secretaries of the Board of Missions, both men and women, the Assistant Treasurer, and the women who are members of the Board of Missions shall be *ex officio* members of the Woman's Missionary Council.

The Council shall hold annual meetings to hear reports from the fields, home and foreign, and from the societies; to consider the fields, lines of work, the various enterprises and the amounts needed for the same, and make recommendations to the Board of Missions through the Committee on Estimates, to be considered with other estimates of the Board for final determination, and to consecrate the women who have been accepted for service. It shall make recommendations to the Board of Missions for employment and support of deaconesses.

The Council shall enact its own by-laws and provide a constitution and by-laws for the Conference and auxiliary societies, all of which shall be in harmony with the con-

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stitution of the Board of Missions. The Council shall plan to enlarge the membership of the societies, to increase the income from them, and to further the work of missionary education among women and children.

At its annual session preceding the General Conference the Council shall elect its officers by ballot, without nomination, and in the same way shall be authorized to choose the women who are to be nominated as officers and members of the Board of Missions, as provided for in Article II.

All property hereafter acquired by the Woman's Missionary Society through devises, bequests, annuities, gifts, or purchase shall be held by the Board of Missions for the use and benefit of Woman's Work.

## BY-LAWS OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL.

President. 1. The President shall preside at the session and actively advance the interests of the Woman's Missionary Council.

Vice President. 2. The Vice President shall preside in the absence of the President. She shall actively promote the interests of the Woman's Missionary Council.

Administrative Secretaries. 3. The Administrative Secretaries of the Council shall be the Secretary of the Western and Central Division, the Secretary of the Gulf States and Eastern Division, the Secretary of the Oriental Fields, and the Secretary of Latin-American and African Fields.

They shall execute the will of the Council in the administration of the affairs of their respective departments. They shall furnish the officers and members of the Council all needed information concerning workers and institutions. They shall acquaint themselves with the conditions, needs, and opportunities of mission fields, which they shall publish for the information of the Church. They shall hold the legal documents pertaining to the real properties and shall sign all orders on the treasury for the work of their respective departments.

(1) The Administrative Secretary in charge of the Gulf States and Eastern Division shall have supervision of home mission work in the Conferences in all the States bordering on the Gulf of Mexico, except Texas, and the Conferences in all the States bordering on the Atlantic Ocean and the Western Virginia and Holston Conferences.

(2) The Administrative Secretary in charge of the Western and Central Division shall have supervision of home mission work in the Conferences in all States west of the Mississippi River except Louisiana, and in all Conferences in Tennessee and Kentucky except the Holston Conference.

(3) The Administrative Secretary of the Oriental Fields shall have supervision of the work and workers of the Council in Oriental lands. She shall administer the funds appropriated by the Council for such missions.

(4) The Administrative Secretary of Latin-American and African Fields shall have supervision of the work and workers of the Council in Latin America and Africa. She



shall administer the funds appropriated by the Council for such missions.

4. The Educational Secretaries shall provide suggestive plans and policies for the missionary education of the Church through the Woman's Missionary Society.

(1) One shall supervise mission study and Bible study and give attention to the missionary education of students in Church and State schools, shall promote missionary education through institutes and summer conferences, and shall have charge of candidate correspondence.

(2) One shall supervise the publication of leaflets and special literature ordered by the Council and direct the publicity work for the dissemination of missionary information.

5. The Treasurer shall hold the funds of the Council in safe deposit made by her as Treasurer subject to authenticated drafts. She shall be Chairman of the Committee on Loans and Investments. She shall collect interest, handle bequests, hold in safe deposit all negotiable papers belonging to the Council, and shall perform such other duties as usually pertain to the office of Treasurer. She shall make quarterly and annual reports. Treasurer.

6. The Administrative Secretaries of Home and Foreign Work and the Educational Secretaries shall be nominated as Secretaries of the Board of Missions, and the Treasurer shall be nominated as the Assistant Treasurer of the Board of Missions. Officers of Board of Missions.

7. The Secretary of the Home Base shall conduct the correspondence with the members of the Council. She shall receive from the Conference Secretaries reports of their work, a summary of which shall be published quarterly and annually. She shall maintain a depository of missionary and religious literature and shall superintend the distribution of literature and supplies necessary for the work of the Conference. She shall promote Christian stewardship, and she shall, with the Administrative and Educational Secretaries, plan for itineraries and for Conference and special meetings. She shall in every way practicable strengthen the Home Base. Secretary of the Home Base.

8. The Superintendent of Young People's Work shall develop and direct the work of the young people. She shall publish quarterly and annual reports.

9. The Superintendent of Children's Work shall develop and direct the work of the children. She shall publish quarterly and annual reports.

10. The Administrative, Educational, and Home Base Secretaries and the Treasurer shall hold monthly conferences for the purpose of correlating the interest of the various departments and for the consideration of the work under their care. Monthly Conferences.

11. There shall be one or more Field Secretaries, who shall advance the interests of the work by travel and as otherwise directed by the Council. They shall, by correspondence with the Secretary of the Home Base, keep her informed as to conditions in the field. Field Secretaries.

12. The Recording Secretary shall give notice of all sessions of the Council and shall keep the journal of the sessions in permanent record, the same to be signed by the Recording Secretary.

President. She shall give notice of the mid-year meetings of the Executive Committee. She shall send a copy of the minutes of the Executive Committee to each of the members of the committee. She shall prepare a condensed report of the called sessions of the Council and of the Executive Committee, to be presented to the annual session of the Council, and she shall present all recommendations of the Executive Committee to the Council.

## Managers.

13. The ten women nominated by the Council to be the ten women managers of the Board of Missions shall be members of the Executive Committee of the Council. They shall extend the work by attending Conference, district, and other meetings when practicable and shall seek to advance the interests of the work in every way possible.

## Bureau of Social Service.

14. There shall be a Bureau of Social Service. The Bureau shall be in charge of a superintendent.

## Bureau of Supplies.

15. There shall be a Bureau of Supplies for the purpose of sending boxes and needed supplies to ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to institutions in both home and foreign fields, under the direction of the Council, to the Missionary Training Schools, and to the institutions supported by Conference Societies. This Bureau shall be in charge of a Superintendent. She shall report quarterly to the Secretary of the Home Base.

## Additional Bureaus.

16. Bureaus may be created when new lines of work develop which shall require special supervision.

## Supply of Vacancies.

17. When vacancies among officers, managers, or superintendents of bureaus or standing committees occur during the year, they shall be filled by the Executive Committee until the next annual session of the Council.

## Executive Committee.

18. (1) The Executive Committee of the Council shall consist of its officers, managers, and superintendents of bureaus, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum. This committee shall hold a mid-year meeting to review the work of the year, to prepare for the annual session of the Council, and to attend to any other necessary business.

(2) Such Council business *ad interim* as cannot be deferred until the Council meeting or the mid-year meeting of the Executive Committee shall be conducted by the members of the Executive Committee resident in Nashville. Five shall constitute a quorum. This meeting may be called by the President or any Secretary.

## Estimates and Expenses.

19. (1) The Council in annual session shall appropriate money for the maintenance of its work in all fields, for the expense of administration, and for a contingent fund. These appropriations shall be recommended to the Board of Missions.

(2) Appropriations for one year shall not exceed the income of the previous year from all sources except annuities, bequests, devises, and the sale of property.

(3) The necessary expenses of the Executive Committee of the Council and the traveling expenses of officers, managers, superintendents of bureaus, candidates, returned missionaries, and speakers at the annual session of the Council shall be from the treasury.

## Extra Sessions of Council.

20. Extra sessions of the Council may be called upon the written request of seven officers or of twenty-seven members at large. This request must be in the hands of the

President and Recording Secretary at least fifteen days before the meeting.

21. (1) No new work shall be projected and no money outside of the contingent fund shall be appropriated except at the annual session of the Council. Restrictions.

## 22. STANDING COMMITTEES.

(1) There shall be such standing committees as shall be found necessary for the conduct of the business of the Council.

(2) The standing committees shall serve during the quadrennium. Each committee shall elect its own chairman.

(3) The chairman of a standing committee shall hold one called meeting annually, the expenses of which shall be met from the treasury of the Council.

### *Committee on Educational Institutions.*

(1) There shall be a Standing Committee on Educational Institutions of eleven members, who shall be the President, the Administrative Secretaries of Home and Foreign Work, three members from the Executive Committee of the Council and three from the Council at large.

(2) No persons shall solicit gifts for an object not authorized by the Council.

(3) It shall be the duty of this committee to become familiar with the educational work of both departments. It shall recommend to the Council in annual session the superintendent or principal of each home mission educational institution. It shall act upon applications for teachers for home and foreign fields.

(4) There shall be a subcommittee whose duty it shall be to consider such applications as cannot be postponed until the regular meeting of the committee.

### *Committee on Applicants for Scholarships.*

(1) The Committee on Applicants for Scholarships shall consist of seven members, who shall be the Administrative Secretaries of Foreign and Home Work, the Educational Secretary in Charge of Candidate Correspondence, one representative from the Training School, and a member of the Council resident in Nashville.

(2) An applicant for either a gift or loan scholarship shall present her papers to the Corresponding Secretary of the Conference in which she lives. If the applicant meets the standard required by the Council, her papers shall be forwarded to the Educational Secretary in Charge of Candidate Correspondence, who shall refer them to the committee.

(3) It shall be the duty of this committee to examine the papers of applicants for scholarships. Applicants shall meet the educational requirements of the Council and the physical requirements of the Board of Medical Advisers before being recommended for a scholarship.

*Committee on Candidates for Deaconess and Missionary Work.*

(1) There shall be a Committee on Candidates for Deaconess and Missionary Work, who shall be the President, the Administrative Secretaries, the Educational Secretary in Charge of Candidate Correspondence, and three members of the Woman's Missionary Council.

(2) It shall be the duty of this committee to act upon applications from deaconesses and from foreign and home missionary candidates. Should the candidate meet the standards adopted by the Council, her papers shall be accepted and referred, with recommendations, to the Committee on Missionary Candidates of the Board of Missions.

(3) This committee shall arrange for the consecration of accepted candidates.

*Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work.*

(1) The Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work shall consist of the President, the two Administrative Secretaries of Home Work, the two Administrative Secretaries of Foreign Work, and nine members from the Council.

(2) It shall be the duty of this committee to act upon applications for deaconesses and home missionaries and arrange for annual appointments in annual session and any *ad interim* transfers of deaconesses and home missionaries.

(3) Applications for deaconesses and home missionaries or for change of workers shall be submitted to this committee through the Administrative Secretary of Deaconess and City Mission Work.

(4) It shall be the duty of this committee to take such oversight of this department as will insure the proper location of mission houses or homes, the class of work to be done in them, the expenditure of funds, to encourage or restrain expansion, and to aid in devising ways and means for raising funds.

(5) It shall be the duty of this committee to investigate the conditions and needs of cities where there are no city boards of missions and where conditions are encouraging. The same shall be reported to the Council in annual session or Executive Committee meeting. If authorized, the committee shall aid in the organization of a city board and the establishment of a mission on a safe basis.

*Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.*

(1) There shall be a Committee on Constitution and By-Laws of seven members.

(2) To this committee shall be sent, not later than sixty days before the annual session of the Council, all proposed amendments to any constitution or by-law made by the Council. A complete list of these proposed amendments, together with the recommendations of the committee, shall be sent to the members of the Council before its annual session.

*Committee on Literature.*

(1) There shall be a Standing Committee on Literature of thirteen members.

(2) It shall be the duty of this committee to plan the yearbooks, leaflets, and other literature ordered by the Council and to assist in their preparation.

(3) The amount and character of the general supply of literature shall be determined by the Committee on Literature at an annual *ad interim* meeting. The Secretaries, in conference with the Educational Secretary in charge of the publication of literature shall determine the literature needed for their special work in the interim.

*Committee on Estimates.*

(1) There shall be a Standing Committee on Estimates for Home and Foreign Work, consisting of the President and the members from the Executive Committee resident in Nashville.

(2) It shall be the duty of this committee to consider the estimates from the home and foreign fields, received through the Administrative Secretaries, and to prepare them for presentation to the Council in annual session.

*Committee on Laws.*

(1) There shall be a Committee on Laws of three members.

(2) It shall be the duty of this committee to watch all proposed legislation and to call attention to any overlapping, conflicting, and unnecessary legislation.

(3) It shall be the further duty of this committee to prepare for use, under the proper headings in the Annual Report, a copy of all Standing Rules.

*Committee on Loans and Investments.*

(1) There shall be a Standing Committee on Loans and Investments, consisting of the President, the Treasurer (who shall be Chairman), the four Administrative Secretaries, and a business adviser, who shall be chosen by the other six members.

(2) It shall be the duty of this committee to attend to the loans and investments of the Woman's Missionary Council.

*Committee on Retirement and Relief.*

(1) There shall be a Standing Committee on Retirement and Relief composed of five members.

(2) It shall be the duty of this committee to increase the interest in this fund by keeping the subject before the Woman's Missionary Societies and before the men and women of the Church. It shall also decide what home and foreign workers shall have the benefit of the Retirement and Relief Fund and to what extent.

*Committee on Scarritt Bible and Training School.*

(1) There shall be a Standing Committee on the Scarritt Bible and Training School consisting of the elected mem-

bers of the Board of Managers who are also members of the Council and an equal number of the Conference Council members.

(2) It shall be the duty of this committee to consider and report upon all matters relating to the Scarritt Bible and Training School requiring action by the Council.

#### 23. SESSION COMMITTEES.

(1) The work of the Woman's Missionary Council in annual session shall be conducted by Session Committees appointed by the Executive Committee.

(2) Each Session Committee shall elect its own chairman and secretary.

(3) Council Secretaries shall present their work and recommendations to the Session Committees. No Council Secretary shall act as chairman of a Session Committee.

#### 24. SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

Such special or *ad interim* committees as may be deemed necessary may be ordered by the Council in annual session. The chairman of a standing or *ad interim* committee may hold one called meeting annually, the expenses to be met from the treasury of the Council.

#### 25. AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS.

The By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any annual session.

No change which was not submitted to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws sixty days before the session shall be voted on at that session.

## CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS FOR CONFERENCE SOCIETIES, ADULT, YOUNG PEOPLE'S, AND CHILDREN'S AUXILIARIES.

### CONSTITUTION FOR CONFERENCE SOCIETIES.

1. In each Annual Conference there shall be organized a Conference Society auxiliary to the Woman's Missionary Council.

2. The object of this society is to plan and direct the woman's missionary work of the Conference.

3. The Conference Society shall consist of:

(1) Auxiliary delegates representing one or more societies, the number to be determined by each Conference, according to its requirements.

(2) A District Secretary from each district.

(3) Any officer or manager of the Woman's Missionary Council residing within the bounds of the Conference.

(4) Any editor of the Woman's Department of the Church paper residing within the bounds of the Conference.

(5) Any President of a City Mission Board located within the Conference.

(6) And the following officers: A President, a Vice President, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and Superintendents of Young People's Work, of Children's Work, of Study and Publicity, of Social Service, and of Supplies.

**BY-LAWS FOR CONFERENCE SOCIETIES.**

1. The Executive Committee shall transact business in the interim of the annual sessions. Five shall constitute a quorum.

2. The Conference officers shall be nominated and elected by ballot at an annual meeting. The election shall take place annually, biennially, or quadrennially, as the Conference shall decide. The officers shall constitute the Executive Committee. The President and the Corresponding Secretary shall be members of the Woman's Missionary Council. Only women residing within the bounds of the Conference shall be elected to Conference offices. If after election an officer moves outside the Conference bounds, such removal shall be considered her resignation from her Conference office.

3. Two members of the Executive Committee of the Conference shall be elected at each annual session as alternates to the Woman's Missionary Council. Alternates from Missionary Societies in foreign fields shall be elected from among missionaries at home on furlough.

4. The District Secretaries shall be nominated by a committee composed of the President, the Vice President, the Corresponding Secretary, and the Treasurer, and shall be elected by acclamation.

5. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Conference Society and of the Executive Committee and shall actively advance the interests of the work. She shall sign all orders on the treasury.

6. The Vice President shall perform the duties of the President in her absence and shall assist in actively promoting the interests of the Conference.

7. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the society and supply the auxiliaries with information and with literature, if so ordered by the Conference. She shall promote Christian stewardship, shall use all possible means for the organization of Adult, Young People's, and Children's Auxiliaries in every charge of the Conference, and shall report each new organization to the Secretary of the Home Base, to whom she shall also make quarterly reports of the work of the Conference by the fifteenth day of April, July, October, and January. She shall make an annual report to the Conference Society and report the preceding session of the Woman's Missionary Council. She shall sign all orders on the treasury.

8. The Recording Secretary shall give notice of all meetings of the Conference Society and of the Executive Committee and keep the minutes of the same on record.

9. The Treasurer shall receive all funds of the society, keeping an account of each auxiliary and submitting the same annually to an auditor. She shall disburse the Conference expense funds on the written order of the President and the Corresponding Secretary. She shall make an annual report to the Conference Society and shall send itemized reports promptly, on the fifteenth day of April, July, October, and January, to the Treasurer of the Woman's Missionary Council, therewith transmitting such funds as are collected for the general treasury. She shall also send an itemized statement to the Conference Corresponding Secretary and to the President.

10. The Superintendent of Young People's Work shall have charge of the young people's work and shall report quarterly to the Council Superintendent of Young People's Work and to the Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Society.

The Superintendent of Children's Work shall have charge of the children's work and shall report quarterly to the Council Superintendent of Children's Work and to the Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Society.

11. The District Secretaries shall organize Adult, Young People's, and Children's Auxiliaries and use every available means to promote the work of the Woman's Missionary Society in their districts. They shall present a report of their work at the District Conference and shall hold annual meetings in the district and all-day meetings whenever practicable. They shall conduct the correspondence with auxiliaries and send a quarterly report to the Conference Corresponding Secretary and a copy of the same to the President of the Conference Society.

12. The Superintendent of Study and Publicity shall promote mission study and Bible study and shall disseminate missionary information through the Church and secular press. She shall report quarterly to the Educational Secretary.

13. The Superintendent of Social Service shall stimulate and direct the study and investigation of social questions. She shall report quarterly to the Administrative Secretary of Educational Institutions and Social Service.

14. The Superintendent of Supplies shall superintend the sending of boxes and needed supplies to ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and to institutions in the home and foreign fields under the direction of the Council. She shall report quarterly to the Council Superintendent of Supplies.

15. Conference Societies shall not project new work nor respond to special calls for aid unless authorized by the Woman's Missionary Council.

16. The membership funds of all auxiliary societies—Adult, Young People's, and Children's—also funds contributed to make life members, honorary life members, and honorary life patrons, are a part of the general fund, which cannot be directed by the Conference.

17. A Conference Expense Fund shall be provided by Conference assessment, the basis to be determined by each Conference according to the requirements. In no case shall membership dues or pledge funds be used for Conference expenses.

18. The thank offering during the Week of Prayer shall be applied to some specific object, to be determined each year by the Woman's Missionary Council in annual session.

19. The Conference Society may make such by-laws as the work demands, provided they do not conflict with those made by the Council.

20. The last half of each forenoon during the annual session of the Conference shall be devoted to Bible study.

## ADULT AUXILIARIES.

### CONSTITUTION.

Any number of women may form an Adult Society auxiliary to the Conference Woman's Missionary Society by adopting the following Constitution and By-Laws and electing the officers herein provided:

1. This society shall be called the Woman's Missionary Society of the ——— Church, auxiliary to ——— Conference Society of the Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

2. The object of this auxiliary shall be to hasten the coming of the kingdom of God throughout the world by enlisting the women, young people, and children in a study of the needs of the world in active missionary service; by raising funds for the evangelization of mission fields at home and abroad, for the maintenance of the institutions under the care of the Woman's Missionary Council, and for the betterment of civic and social conditions.



3. Any one may become a member of this auxiliary by giving prayer, service, and a contribution to the annual auxiliary budget.

The auxiliary shall assume the responsibility of payment of a budget, the total amount of which shall include annual dues of \$2.40 per member, a contribution to the Conference Expense Fund from each member and to the Retirement and Relief Fund from each member, and a pledge from the auxiliary. The dues, pledge, and any other undirected funds shall be prorated by the Council, forty per cent for the home and sixty per cent for the foreign work. Opportunities shall be given for offerings to be directed by individual donors for the support of special work. These special offerings by individuals shall not be prorated.

4. Any one may become a life member of the auxiliary by the payment of twenty-five dollars, an honorary life member by the payment of one hundred dollars, and an honorary life patron by the payment of three hundred dollars, provided the money is paid for the special purpose. It shall not be included in the pledge nor in any special assumed by individuals or that has been assigned to the auxiliary. Such membership should be considered an honor and should not release the holders from the obligations of active membership.

5. A name may be placed on the Memorial Roll by the gift of twenty-five dollars for this specific purpose.

6. Every auxiliary member shall pay toward the Relief and Retirement Fund and the Conference Expense Fund.

7. The auxiliary shall carry on local work, which shall consist of the care of the parsonage and the charity work of the Church. This work may be done through a committee, the funds to be raised as the auxiliary directs.

8. The officers of the auxiliary shall be a President, one Vice President, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, an Assistant Treasurer and Superintendents of Young People's Work, of Children's Work, of Study and Publicity, of Social Service, and of Supplies.

9. The auxiliary shall hold one or more meetings during the month for the transaction of business and for the study of the work. The first regular monthly meeting of the year shall be devoted to the consideration of plans and financial pledges for the new year and to the installation of officers. At the last business meeting of the fiscal year the annual election of officers shall be held.

#### BY-LAWS.

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the auxiliary and shall actively advance its interests. In her absence the Vice President shall assume her duties.

2. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the auxiliary and shall promote Christian stewardship. She shall send to the District Secretary full reports by the first of January, April, July, and October. She shall send to the District Secretary and Conference Corresponding Secretary the names and addresses of all newly elected officers of the auxiliary. She shall also send to the Conference Superintendents the names and addresses of their corresponding Auxiliary Superintendents. She shall send her books to the district meeting for examination.

3. The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of the regular and called meetings and see that each meeting is properly announced.

4. The Treasurer shall collect all moneys of the auxiliary, keep an account of the same, and make an itemized report monthly to the auxiliary. She shall remit to the Conference Treasurer on the first

of January, April, July, and October, giving an itemized statement of the amount, a duplicate of the same to be furnished the Auxiliary Corresponding Secretary. The books of the Treasurer shall be audited annually.

5. The Assistant Treasurer shall have charge of local funds. She shall make a monthly report to the auxiliary, and she shall furnish the Treasurer a quarterly statement to be included in her report. She shall pay out money from the local treasury only upon an order signed by both the President of the auxiliary and the Chairman of the local committee.

The auxiliary as a society shall not assume obligation for the assistance or support of outside organizations, such as orphanages, hospitals, travelers' aids, Y. M. C. A., etc.

6. The Superintendent of Young People's Work shall be responsible for the organization of the Young People's Auxiliary and shall develop and direct its work. She shall send reports when required by the Conference Superintendent of Young People's Work.

The Superintendent of Children's Work shall be responsible for the organization of the Children's Auxiliary and shall develop and direct its work. She shall send a quarterly report to the Conference Superintendent of Children's Work.

7. The Superintendent of Study and Publicity shall be responsible for the organization of mission study and Bible study classes and prayer circles and for the dissemination of missionary information through the Church and secular press. She shall report quarterly to the Conference Superintendent of Study and Publicity.

8. The Superintendent of Social Service shall stimulate and direct the study and investigation of social questions and shall seek to bring about social reforms. She shall report quarterly to the Conference Superintendent of Social Service.

9. The Superintendent of Supplies shall superintend the sending of boxes and necessary supplies to ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and to institutions in the home and foreign fields, under the direction of the Council. She shall report each box sent and its value to the Conference Superintendent of Supplies.

10. The Secretary, Treasurer, and Superintendents shall make written reports at the regular meetings.

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S AUXILIARIES.

### CONSTITUTION.

1. This auxiliary shall be called the Young People's Society of — Church, auxiliary to — Conference Society of the Woman's Missionary Council, Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

2. The object of this auxiliary shall be to hasten the coming of the kingdom of God throughout the world by enlisting the young people in active missionary service, by raising funds for the evangelization of mission fields at home and abroad, for the maintenance of the institutions under the care of the Woman's Missionary Council, and for the betterment of civic and social conditions.

3. Any young person fourteen years old and over may become a member of the auxiliary by giving regularly prayer, service, and a stated offering monthly or quarterly. At approximately the age of twenty-five, members shall transfer to the Adult Auxiliary. Each member shall be asked to make an offering for the maintenance or extension of such objects of the work in the home and foreign fields as are assigned to the young people by the Council. Such funds shall constitute the pledge of the auxiliary.

Membership funds and pledges shall be prorated by the Council Treasurer, forty per cent for the home and sixty per cent for the foreign work.

Each member shall be expected to contribute to the Retirement and Relief Fund and to the Conference Expense Fund.

4. Any one may become a life member of the auxiliary by the payment of fifteen dollars, provided the money be paid for that special purpose. It shall not be included in the pledge nor in any special assumed by individuals or that has been assigned to the auxiliary.

5. A name may be placed on the Memorial Fund by the gift of fifteen dollars for this special purpose.

6. The officers of the auxiliary shall be a President, a Vice President, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and the Superintendents of Study and Publicity, of Social Service, and of Supplies.

7. The auxiliary shall hold one or more meetings during the month for the transaction of business and for the study of the work. At the last meeting of the fiscal year there shall be the annual election of officers. At the following meeting there shall be a full report of the year's work, installation of officers, and consideration of plans for work and financial pledges for the new year.

#### BY-LAWS.

1. The President shall preside at the meeting of the auxiliary and shall in every way advance its interests. In the absence of the President the Vice President shall preside.

2. The Vice President shall preside in the absence of the President and shall actively promote the interests of the auxiliary. She shall be agent for the *Voice* and the *Young Christian Worker*.

3. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the auxiliary and shall promote Christian stewardship. She shall report the full scope of the work quarterly to the Conference Superintendent of Young People's Work and to the District Secretary, to whom she shall send the names and addresses of the newly elected officers.

4. The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of the regular and called meetings and shall see that each meeting is properly announced.

5. The Treasurer shall collect all funds of the auxiliary, keeping a ledger account of the same, and remit to the Conference Treasurer on the first of January, April, July, and October.

6. The Superintendent of Study and Publicity shall be responsible for the organization of mission study and Bible study classes, for prayer circles, and for the dissemination of missionary information through the Church and secular press. She shall have charge of subscriptions to the *Missionary Voice* and the *Young Christian Worker*. She shall report quarterly on the first of January, April, July, and October to the Conference Superintendent of Study and Publicity.

7. The Superintendent of Social Service shall have charge of social service studies issued by the Council. She shall cooperate in the social service movements of her Church and the community. She shall report quarterly on the first of January, April, July, and October to the Conference Superintendent of Social Service.

8. The Superintendent of Supplies shall superintend the packing and sending of boxes of supplies to institutions in the home and foreign fields under the direction of the Council. She shall report each box sent and its value to the Conference Superintendent of Supplies.

**CHILDREN'S AUXILIARIES.**

## CONSTITUTION.

1. This auxiliary shall be called the Children's Society of — Church, auxiliary to — Conference Society of the Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

2. The object of the auxiliary shall be to hasten the coming of the kingdom of God throughout the world by giving the children of the Church missionary education, training them for Christian service, and by cultivating in them habits of liberal and systematic giving and of daily Bible study and prayer.

3. The Children's Auxiliary shall consist of Baby and Junior Divisions, under the direction of the Superintendent of Children's Work of the Woman's Missionary Auxiliary, whose work shall be correlated with that of the Conference Superintendent of Children's Work. All membership, mite box, and other undirected funds shall be sent through the Conference Treasurer, to be prorated by the Council on the basis of forty per cent to home and sixty per cent to foreign work.

*Baby Division.*

1. Any child six years of age or under may become a member of the Baby Division upon the payment of an enrollment fee of twenty-five cents. Each member of the Baby Division shall be given a certificate of membership and shall be furnished with a mite box for voluntary offerings. The mite boxes shall be opened and their contents sent quarterly by the Treasurer of the Junior Division to the Conference Treasurer. Where there is no Junior Division through which to report, the Superintendent of Children's Work of the Adult Auxiliary shall send the money of the Baby Division to the Conference Treasurer.

2. Any one may become a life member of the Baby Division of the Children's Auxiliary by the payment of five dollars, provided the money be paid for that specific purpose. It shall not be included in the pledge nor in any special assumed by individuals or that has been assigned to the Baby Division of the Children's Auxiliary.

3. Names of children may be placed on the Memorial Roll by the gift of ten dollars.

4. Special meetings for the members of the Baby Division shall be arranged by the Superintendent of Children's Work of the Adult Auxiliary, at which time inspirational programs shall be presented.

5. Members of the Baby Division at the age of six years shall be promoted to the Junior Division and shall be given certificates of promotion.

6. The Superintendent of Children's Work of the Adult Auxiliaries shall have charge of the Baby Division.

*Junior Division.*

1. Any child between the ages of six and fourteen may become a member of the Junior Division of the Children's Auxiliary by giving regularly prayer, service, and a stated monthly offering to missions. Each member of the Junior Division shall be furnished with a mite box for voluntary offerings. Mite boxes shall be opened quarterly, and the contents, with all other offerings, shall be sent to the Conference Treasurer.

2. Any one may become a life member of the Junior Division of the Children's Auxiliary by the payment of ten dollars, provided the money be paid for that special purpose. It shall not be included in the pledge nor in any special assumed by individuals or that has been assigned to the Junior Division of the Children's Auxiliary.

3. Names of children may be placed on the Memorial Roll by the gift of ten dollars.

4. The officers of the Junior Division shall be a President, a Vice President, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and Superintendents of Study and Publicity and of Social Service. The officers, with the Superintendent of Children's Work, shall hold a meeting of the Committee of the Children's Auxilliary.

5. The Junior Division shall meet at least twice a month to transact necessary business and to follow the lines of study arranged by the Woman's Missionary Council, for which programs shall be furnished. At the close of each quarter the Superintendent of Children's Work of the Adult Auxilliary shall hold a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Junior Division to see that the work of the quarter is correctly and promptly reported to the proper officers. At the last meeting of the fiscal year there shall be the election of officers. The first regular monthly meeting of the year shall be devoted to making plans and financial pledges for the new year's work.

#### BY-LAWS.

1. The President shall preside at the meeting of the auxilliary and in every way advance its interests. In the absence of the President the Vice President shall preside.

2. The Vice President shall assist in the work of the Baby Division and shall be agent for the *Young Christian Worker*.

3. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the auxilliary and promote Christian stewardship and shall report quarterly to the District Secretary. The Corresponding Secretary shall send the names and addresses of all newly elected officers to the District Secretary.

4. The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of the regular and called meetings of the auxilliary and shall see that each meeting is properly announced.

5. The Treasurer shall collect all funds of the auxilliary, keeping a ledger account of the same, and shall remit to the Conference Treasurer quarterly. The Treasurer's books shall be audited annually.

6. The Superintendent of Study and Publicity shall assist in organizing and developing mission study and Bible study classes and shall send items of missionary news to the *Young Christian Worker* and local papers. She shall report quarterly the first day of January, April, July, and October to the Conference Superintendent of Study and Publicity.

7. The Superintendent of Social Service shall assist in carrying out such lines of social service study and activity as are sent out by the Council. She shall report quarterly on the first day of January, April, July, and October to the Conference Superintendent of Social Service.

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#### STANDING RULES.

1. Standing committees shall meet for organization before leaving the place of meeting of the Council. Each committee shall have the right to make its own quorum, with the provision that the quorum of no committee be less than three. The actions of the quorum of each committee shall be submitted to all members of each committee.

2. The Woman's Department in each Church paper shall be edited by one woman only. She shall be selected by the President and Corresponding Secretary of the patronizing Conference.

3. Candidates who meet all requirements educationally and physically, and who are recommended by the faculty as eligible, shall receive appointment at the beginning instead of at the close of the

senior year, contingent on the indorsement of the faculty, medical examiners, and Committee on Missionary Candidates at the close of the senior year.

4. Scholarships shall not be granted for home mission workers by Council or Conferences to young women who do not meet the educational requirements adopted by the Council.

5. In each Conference Society a committee of three, one of whom shall be the Corresponding Secretary, shall be elected to visit the home institutions within its boundary and cooperate with them for the advancements of their work.

6. No recommendations for action shall be placed in the body of the annual reports of the officers of the Council.

7. Each and every memorial or resolution referred to a session committee of the Council shall be listed and reported back to the Council in a committee report.

8. The Chairman of the Session Committee on Laws shall be given supervision of the preparation of a collection of the standing rules to be printed in each annual report of the Council.

9. A campaign for mission study shall be urged in October and special effort made to organize classes in every Adult, Young People's, and Children's Auxilliary.

10. All manuals, booklets, helps, etc., ordered by the Committee on Literature shall be submitted to each member of the committee before going to print.

11. A yearbook of young people's programs shall be prepared annually by the Standing Committee on Literature and the Superintendent of Young People's Work of the Council.

12. A yearbook of children's programs shall be prepared annually by the Standing Committee on Literature and the Superintendent of Children's Work of the Council.

13. A yearbook of programs for Adult Auxiliaries shall be prepared annually by the Standing Committee on Literature and the Educational Secretary.

14. One handbook and one yearbook shall be furnished free to the President of each auxilliary.

15. Two copies of the booklet "Helps" shall be furnished free of cost to each Adult, Young People's, or Children's Auxilliary.

16. The week beginning with the first Sunday in November shall be observed as a Week of Prayer.

17. Members of the Council at large shall give the pledges of the children separately from those of the adult and young people.

#### YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

1. Wherever there are at least six young people in the Church a serious effort should be made to organize a Young People's Missionary Society.

2. All organizations must be reported under the name of Young People's Missionary Societies, even though they select for themselves a local name.

3. Our young people shall be urged and encouraged to send representatives to the various missionary assemblies for young people.

4. Good Friday shall be set apart as a day of special prayer for volunteers for both the home and foreign fields.

5. All Conferences shall adopt for their specials for young people those named by the Council from year to year.

6. Members of the Council at large, in giving pledges for their Conferences, shall give those of the young people separately from those of the Adult Society.

7. Every Conference shall be asked to make a place on its annual program for an inspirational presentation of "Young People's Missionary Work."

8. One afternoon of the Week of Prayer of the Adult Auxiliaries shall be given to the young people.

9. The offering given the afternoon devoted to the Young People's Work during the Week of Prayer shall go through the channel of the Young People's Society.

10. October shall be set apart as a special time for organizing mission study classes.

11. Leaflets shall be prepared setting forth the specials for young people.

12. Cards shall be printed for the use of Young People's Societies upon which they may state at the beginning of each year the amount of their membership offering and the amount to be given toward the pledges fixed by the Council.

13. One leaflet bearing exclusively on young people's work shall be published each quarter.

14. A leaflet on Christian Stewardship for Young People shall be prepared and distributed in time for the stewardship meeting in January.

15. The special for the young people for the ensuing year shall be made at each annual meeting of the Council.

16. Small numeral ribbon flyers shall be given each year to such Young People's Auxiliaries as attain the Standard of Excellence.

17. The work of the Young People's Missionary Society shall be emphasized in the district meetings by giving the young people and their work a place on the program.

18. The Conference President, the Superintendent of Young People's Work, and Corresponding Secretary shall constitute a committee whose duty it shall be to keep in touch with the Methodist college students within the bounds of their respective Conferences. A list of the volunteers in these colleges shall be furnished this committee, and they shall pray for them daily by name.

#### CHILDREN'S WORK.

1. A Certificate of Honor shall be granted at the close of each fiscal year to each auxiliary that has attained the Roll of Honor.

2. One day of the Week of Prayer shall be made a special day of prayer for the children, and a special program shall be prepared to be used by the children.

3. The offering of the children on Children's Day of the Week of Prayer shall go through the channels of the Children's Society.

4. Pictorial leaflets shall be prepared setting forth the specials for children.

5. Pledge cards designed especially for children shall be prepared and shall be ready for the January meetings.

6. Auxiliary Superintendents of Children's Work shall cooperate with other organizations of the Church in promoting missionary education and activity among the children.

7. An effort shall be made by Auxiliary Superintendents of Children's Work to establish missionary libraries and curio cabinets for the use of children in their missionary studies.

8. A full presentation of the children's work shall be made at annual and district meetings.

## RULES GOVERNING CANDIDATES FOR MISSIONARY WORK.

### EDUCATIONAL STANDARD.

#### FOREIGN MISSIONARIES.

Require-  
ments.

A candidate subject to appointment to the foreign field must be a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in good standing and must have shown fitness for this work by active service in some line of Church work. She must be a single woman not less than twenty-four nor more than thirty-five years of age.

Young women desiring to engage in any line of missionary work in the foreign field under the Woman's Missionary Council must be between the ages of twenty-four and thirty-five. The following educational standard has been adopted:

#### *I. Educational Missionary Candidates.*

Minimum  
Education-  
al Stand-  
ard.

1. A candidate must present a diploma from a State university or a standard college.
2. A candidate will be eligible who presents a diploma from an accredited high school and a State normal. By a graduate of a State normal is meant the holder of a diploma from a State normal requiring four years of work.
3. A candidate must have had two years of successful teaching experience.

#### *II. Evangelistic Missionary Candidates.*

1. A candidate must present a diploma from a State university or a standard college.
2. A candidate will be eligible who presents a diploma from an accredited high school and a State normal. By a graduate of a State normal is meant the holder of a diploma from a State normal requiring four years of work.
3. A candidate must have had two years' experience in practical religious work.

#### *III. Missionary-Nurse Candidates.*

1. A candidate must be a graduate of an accredited high school or its equivalent and a diploma graduate of a standard hospital.
2. A candidate must have had one year of nurse practice.

#### *IV. Kindergarten Missionary Candidates.*

1. A candidate must present a diploma from an accredited high school or its equivalent and from a standard kindergarten training school or college.
2. A candidate must have had two years of successful teaching experience.

#### *V. Medical Missionary Candidates.*

1. A candidate must present a diploma from a recognized medical college.
2. A candidate must have had one year of practice in-ternship or postgraduate work.



## DEACONESES AND HOME MISSIONARIES.

A candidate for the office of deaconess or the work of home missionary must be at least twenty-three and not more than fifty years of age. No candidate over fifty years of age will be recommended for consecration unless, because of her qualifications, she is recommended by an accredited training school for positions where there is a special demand for the services of a deaconess. Requirements.

*I. Deaconess and Home Missionary Candidates.*

1. A candidate for the office of deaconess must have a diploma from an accredited high school or its equivalent and two years of college work or its equivalent. Minimum Educational Standard.

2. A candidate for the work of a home missionary must have a diploma from an accredited high school or its equivalent and two years of college work or its equivalent.

3. The equivalent of two years of college work shall be one of the following: (a) Three years of work in an accredited normal school. (b) Four years of successful experience as a teacher.

*II. Kindergarten Candidates.*

A candidate for kindergarten work must have a diploma from an accredited high school and a diploma from a standard kindergarten training school.

*III. Nurse Candidates.*

A candidate for the work of a nurse in the home department must have a diploma from an accredited high school and a standard nurse-training school.

A young woman with marked business or administrative ability will be eligible for the office of deaconess or work of home missionary if she presents a diploma from a standard high school and a diploma from an accredited business college and has had three years of successful business experience.

## HOME AND FOREIGN CANDIDATES.

In addition to the above requirements, all candidates desiring to engage in any line of missionary work under the Woman's Missionary Council must present a diploma from an accredited missionary training school, after which they must have the recommendation of its faculty and the Council Board of Medical Examiners before acceptance by the Council. Additional Requirements.

Preference is given to Scarritt Bible and Training School, at Kansas City, Mo., owned and controlled by the Woman's Missionary Council. Catalogues of this institution and other literature giving the courses of study, entrance requirements, etc., may be obtained upon application. Training School.

Upon completion of the course at the Training School the papers of candidates, together with the faculty and medical recommendations, are passed upon by the Candidates Committees of the Council and Board of Missions, which recommend their appointment to a definite field. Candidates Committee.

After acceptance candidates are subject to the appointment of the bishop in charge of the field where they are to serve. Candidates are consecrated at an annual session of the Woman's Missionary Council, unless prevented by unusual circumstances.

*Instructions.*

1. Candidates must present their applications on the blanks prepared by the Woman's Missionary Council. These may be secured from the Candidate Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

2. A candidate must write a letter in which she gives her life history as it bears on her call to missionary work.

Applicants  
for Schol-  
arships.

3. Applicants for scholarships shall forward blanks, when properly filled out, to the Corresponding Secretary of the Conference in which they reside. The Corresponding Secretary of the Conference shall bring them before the Executive Committee of the Conference Society. If favorably acted upon, she shall forward them to the Candidate Secretary, who shall present them to the Committee on Applicants for Scholarships and then communicate to the candidates and to the Conference societies the decision of the committee.

4. Candidates who are able to defray their own expenses at the Training School, or whose expenses are borne by relatives or friends, shall send papers to the Principal of the Training School.

*Financial Assistance.*

Scholarships at Scarritt Bible and Training School will be available for young women who meet the educational requirements of the Woman's Missionary Council and who intend to become home or foreign missionaries.

Missionary funds cannot be used for college education. The Council recommends that an effort be made to interest individuals in providing the means for a college education for young people desiring to become missionaries.

Professional training will be given to young women meeting the educational requirements of the Woman's Missionary Council and indorsed by the Committee on Candidates of the Council.

## RULES GOVERNING FOREIGN MISSIONARIES.

Official Re-  
lationship  
of New  
Mission-  
aries.

Missionaries, after acceptance by the Candidates Committee, shall make their plans for the use of the time intervening before going to the field, only in consultation with the Administrative Secretary.

Outfit.

The Council shall provide a fund for the outfit of each new missionary. The amount allowed to all fields except Africa shall be \$250. In the case of Africa the amount shall be \$350. The outfit allowance shall be payable immediately after consecration and should be invested by each missionary in conformity with instructions from the Administrative Secretary, setting forth the special demands of the field to which she is appointed.

Traveling expenses to and from the field shall be provided by the Council. Not more than ten dollars shall be allowed for excess baggage, with the following exceptions: In Brazil, owing to peculiar baggage regulations, twenty-five dollars excess is allowed. In Africa, because of unusual conditions, the allowance for excess cannot be stated. Missionaries should send to the Administrative Secretary an itemized account of traveling expenses and should give the date of sailing and of reaching their destination. Blanks for this purpose shall be furnished by the Secretary.

Travel.

Missionaries of the Council shall receive \$750 for the first year of service on the field, except in Rio de Janeiro, where the salary for the first year shall be \$850. The salaries of new missionaries shall begin with the date of sailing in the case of Brazil and Oriental fields. In the case of Africa, half salary only shall be paid during transit. In the case of Mexico and Cuba, the salary shall begin with the date of arrival on the field. After the first year missionaries shall receive \$900 a year, except in Rio de Janeiro, where they shall receive \$1,000. All salaries of missionaries shall be paid quarterly, in advance. The Council shall provide homes, but the missionaries shall pay their own board.

Salary.

Missionaries shall be required to devote the first year on the field to language study. In case there is a language school, they shall take advantage of it. Otherwise they shall follow the course in language study prescribed in their respective fields. In case authorization is granted in Latin-American and African fields for part-time work the first year, it shall be understood that the full morning shall be allowed for language study. In Oriental fields one-half time of the second and third years shall be allowed for language study, preferably the morning hours. Tuition fees in language schools and language teachers' salaries during the first year shall be paid by the Council. Each missionary pursuing language study shall report periodically her progress to the Administrative Secretary.

Language Study.

Each missionary shall have an annual medical examination at Council expense. The doctor's report shall be sent to the Administrative Secretary in duplicate, together with a bill for the same. Missionaries returning on furlough shall bring a physician's report of their physical condition, in duplicate, which shall be accompanied by translations when written in foreign languages. Upon reaching the homeland, after consultation with the Secretary, they shall be examined by the Medical Examiner of the Council.

Medical Examination.

Missionaries shall arrange their work so as to allow one month of vacation during the year, which shall be spent, if possible, away from the mission station.

Vacation.

The missionaries of each field shall hold an annual meeting for inspiration, consultation, and consideration of the needs of the work as a whole. At this meeting the estimates for the following year shall be approved, and any recommendations to the Council shall be prepared.

Annual Meeting.

Expenses to this annual meeting shall be included in the estimates.

Reports to  
the Coun-  
cil.

Each missionary shall make an annual report descriptive of her work. Each person handling funds of the Council shall at the end of each quarter and of each year send a detailed account of all moneys received and disbursed. (In case reports are given in foreign currency a parallel column shall be used, giving the amounts in United States currency.) At the end of the year the statement shall show the true balance and shall be accompanied by the report of the Auditing Committee on the field. Any surplus in any department of the work shall be kept in the treasury on the field until its use shall be authorized by the Council. Where there is a general treasurer or secretary on the field she shall furnish the Council annually a statement of any increase in property valuation and the nature, location, condition, and estimated value of any new property acquired for the Council during the year. She shall also report annually the amount of insurance carried on the field on all properties. Where there is no general treasurer or secretary the missionary in charge of each institution shall report these items. Each person in charge of work shall send quarterly and annual statistical reports. All annual reports shall be in the hands of the Administrative Secretary not later than February 1.

Estimates.

Missionaries in charge of work shall prepare annually itemized estimates of funds needed for the support of the work for the ensuing year covering the *full budget of expenses*, including missionaries' salaries, support of native workers, Bible women, scholarships, running expenses, repairs, furlough travel, travel to annual meeting, annual medical examination of missionaries, Christian literature, insurance, taxes, and *all other* necessary items. The estimates shall be accompanied by an itemized statement of the income on the field from fees of patrons and other sources, which income shall be considered by the Estimates Committee as a part of the basis of appropriation. Whenever the mission is organized, estimates shall be submitted to the mission for indorsement before being forwarded to the Administrative Secretary. Otherwise they shall be indorsed by the missionaries of the station. All estimates shall be in the hands of the Administrative Secretary not later than February 1.

Financial  
Appeals.

No missionary shall appeal to the Church or to individuals, through public print or otherwise, for pecuniary aid in any missionary enterprise without the approval of the Council. All appeals for continuance of specials or for payments of deficits on specials shall be made only through the Administrative Secretary.

New Work.

No new work shall be opened without consent of the Council, and no missionary shall make any investment or create any liability against it without authority. No missionary shall open new work with personal funds.

Furlough.

Each missionary remaining in the employ of the Council shall be granted a furlough year with salary. No missionary shall remain on the field after her furlough time without special authorization. In Brazil furloughs shall be al-

lowed after each five years of service; in Africa, after each three years; in all other fields the first furlough shall follow a period of five years of service and thereafter a period of seven years. Missionaries on furlough shall spend their time in rest, study, and a limited amount of public work. Decision as to use of the furlough period shall be determined through consultation with the Administrative Secretary and shall be based upon medical advice.

Missionaries shall conform in all respects to the regulations of the Woman's Missionary Council. Their time and labor are to be devoted exclusively to the interest of the mission with which they are connected. They may in no case enter into engagements affecting their relation to the mission nor receive compensation for work so undertaken, without authorization of the Council. No missionary shall be required to sign a written contract. There are, however, moral obligations which should be regarded as binding on both parties. While it is the understanding that missionaries enter upon their work for life, circumstances may arise which would make this impossible. If a resignation is necessary, it shall, if possible, take effect at a furlough period. Each time a missionary goes to the field she shall be regarded as going for a specified period of service, unless prevented by ill health. A missionary returning home before the completion of her term of service shall bear the expense of travel, unless the Council shall rule otherwise. Three months' notice shall be given of intention to withdraw from service. If a missionary evinces unfitness for the work, the agreement may be canceled by the Council after a like three months' notice. In such cases expenses home will be paid by the Council. Missionaries who resign within the first five years for any other cause than ill health shall refund the amount paid for outfit and travel.

Obligation  
for Service.

## RULES GOVERNING DEACONESSES.

The duties of the deaconess are to minister to the poor, care for the sick, provide for the orphan, comfort the sorrowing, seek the wandering and sinful, and do any religious or teaching work to which she may be assigned, and, relinquishing all other pursuits, devote herself to these or other forms of Christian work.

A candidate for the office of deaconess must be at least twenty-three and not more than fifty years of age. She must be a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in good standing and must have shown fitness for this work by active service in some line of Christian work. She must be a single woman or widow without dependents for support or companionship. She shall have a high-school education and two years of college work or its equivalent. The equivalent of the two years of college work are:

1. Three years of work in an accredited normal school.
2. Four years of successful experience as a teacher.
3. A diploma from a standard kindergarten training school.
4. A diploma from a standard nurse-training school.

Requirements.

A young woman with marked business or administrative ability will be eligible for deaconess work if she presents a diploma from an accredited high school and a diploma from a standard business college and has had three years of successful business experience.

No Vows  
Required.

No vows shall be required of any deaconess; but it is expected that one seeking to become a deaconess will have considered carefully the step she is taking and, feeling called of God to do this work, will enter upon it with the purpose of devoting herself wholly to it.

A deaconess shall be at liberty to retire from work after three months' notice to the Woman's Missionary Council.

Preparation.

A deaconess candidate must have two years of preparation at a standard training school, and when she has finished the required course of study she must be recommended by the faculty to the Board of Missions for acceptance. She shall have a certificate of good health from a reputable physician and the recommendation of the pastor and the Quarterly Conference of the Church of which she is a member.

An accepted candidate shall serve a period of probation of not less than two years prior to consecration to the work and office of deaconess.

For the further testing of her fitness a probationer shall be appointed to a place where there are leaders of experience.

Consecration.

When the deaconess shall have finished her probationary course of training, the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work shall present her to the Woman's Missionary Council in annual session for final acceptance and consecration. She shall then receive a certificate duly signed by the President, the Administrative Secretary of the Home Work of the Woman's Missionary Council, and the General Secretary of the Board of Missions. This certificate shall be her credentials as a regularly authorized deaconess of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and must be annually renewed. If she should retire or be found unsuited to the work, her certificate shall be surrendered to the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work, and she thereby ceases to be a deaconess. When the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work deems it advisable to have one or more deaconesses consecrated in the interim of the annual meeting, it shall arrange for the time and place of service.

Nurse-Deaconesses.

1. If a candidate for nurse-deaconess has had a course of nurse-training and can present a diploma from the hospital where she received training and also an indorsement as to ability and adaptability for such work, together with the usual testimonials required of deaconess candidates, she shall be required to take only one year of study in a Bible training school before consecration. She must be recommended, as other deaconess candidates, by the faculty of the school where she receives her Bible training.

2. A candidate for nurse-deaconess work who has not received her nurse-training shall have one year in a Bible training school before she enters on the course for nurse-training, this training to be had in a Christian hospital selected by the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission

Work. The course of study in both cases described shall be arranged for and adjusted by the Secretary of the Home Work and the principal of the Bible training school in which the candidate is to study. During the whole period of training the candidate for nurse-deaconess work shall be under the control and care of the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work.

3. Any one receiving training for home work from the Woman's Missionary Council shall refund the money if she voluntarily retires from its employ before the expiration of four years. The amount expended shall be repaid in full in case the deaconess leaves the work without the consent of the Council before she shall have completed her term of service—viz., two years for each paid by the Council. No fraction of a year's work will be received in lieu of service.

Obligations  
for Train-  
ing.

4. No one shall be recognized as a deaconess of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, who does not comply with the disciplinary requirements and does not hold a certificate from the Woman's Missionary Council.

Recognition.

5. When the preacher in charge and the Quarterly Conference present a candidate that they deem an exception to the general rule requiring a course in the training school, the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work shall examine the candidate and, if satisfied that all the requirements are met, shall recommend her to the Quarterly Conference for election, and she shall be consecrated at the next annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council, or at such time and place as the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work shall direct, and shall be granted by that Council a certificate as a regular deaconess, subject to the rules governing the same.

Exceptions.

1. A deaconess shall receive a minimum salary of \$900 per year.

Financial  
Adjust-  
ment.

2. A City Board or Church employing a deaconess is required to pay her traveling expenses from the place from which she comes to them. The traveling expenses of a new worker just from the training school shall be paid from her home to the place of appointment.

3. Every deaconess shall be allowed a month's vacation, during which time she shall receive her salary from the Board or Church employing her. An additional sum of \$25 shall be paid each deaconess for vacation money.

4. In case of temporary sickness of a deaconess who has been in its employ not less than one year the agency employing her shall for a period not exceeding two months pay such worker the equivalent of her stipend and living expenses for said time, and the deaconess shall bear her own expenses incurred by sickness. Beyond this the agency employing the worker shall not be held responsible for relief.

5. In case of prolonged illness of a deaconess exceeding two months, the agency employing her shall report the same to the Administrative Secretary of the Home Work of the Council, who shall pay to such deaconess her stipend for an additional period not to exceed six months, after which time the Council shall not be held responsible.

6. No promise of life support, when disqualified by sick-

ness or old age, shall be made to those who enter the work after the age of forty years or those who shall have given less than ten years of efficient consecutive service as deaconess, the ten years not to include the two years of training. No candidate over fifty years of age will be recommended for consecration unless, because of her qualifications, she is recommended by an approved training school for positions where there is special demand for the deaconess uniform.

Duration of Appointment.

The appointment of a deaconess shall extend from the session at which she receives her appointment to the next session of the Woman's Missionary Council, and she shall hold herself legally and morally bound for twelve months' service unless her health should fail or for other good and sufficient reasons she should be released by the committee.

Temporary Withdrawal.

When a deaconess withdraws from active work in response to family or other cause that she regards as providential, she may have her certificate renewed and wear the uniform for one year, but no longer; if, after continuing out of the work for several years, she desires to return to it, she can do so without reconsecration, but must furnish satisfactory testimonials of her life during the interim and of her health at the time she applies for readmission.

Uniform.

1. When the deaconess is on duty, a simple uniform shall be worn. The exact details of this uniform will be kept in printed form and may be had from the Administrative Secretary of the Home Work of the Woman's Missionary Council.

2. Every deaconess accepted by the Woman's Missionary Council shall be provided with a suitable uniform for consecration from the funds of the Council.

Obligations of Pastors, Boards, Etc.

Pastors, mission boards, or other agencies employing deaconesses shall obligate themselves to provide for their maintenance as specified by items under "Financial Adjustment."

Continuous Study.

All deaconesses shall be required to pursue a continuous course of study and reading prescribed by the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work.

Rest Day.

One day of the week shall be a day of rest for the deaconess, and time shall also be given for the reading and study so necessary to keep her work at the highest point of efficiency.

The deaconesses and home missionaries shall be given a period of rest not shorter than three months after seven years of consecutive work, with furlough salary.

## RULES GOVERNING HOME MISSIONARIES.

Requirements.

1. A candidate for acceptance and appointment to home mission work must feel moved by the love of souls and the providence of God to take upon herself the work of a home missionary. She must be at least twenty-three years of age, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, recommended by the faculty of the training school where she has studied and the pastor of the Church of which she is a member. She shall also have a good health certificate from a reputable physician.



2. A candidate for Home Mission Work must have a diploma from an accredited high school or its equivalent and two years of college work or its equivalent, the equivalent of two years of college work to be one of the following:

- a. A diploma from a standard nurse-training school.
- b. A diploma from a standard kindergarten training school.
- c. Three years of work in an accredited normal school.
- d. Four years of successful experience as a teacher.

A young woman with marked business or administrative ability will be eligible for home mission work if she presents a diploma from a standard high school and a diploma from an accredited business college and has had three years of successful business experience.

In addition to the above requirements all candidates desiring to engage in any line of missionary work in the home field under the Woman's Missionary Council must present a diploma from an accredited missionary training school, after which they must have the recommendation of its faculty and the Council Board of Medical Examiners before acceptance by the Council.

3. The Woman's Missionary Council shall not support in training schools any young woman who is not twenty-one years of age nor appoint as home missionary a young woman under twenty-three years of age. She shall be willing to accept the appointments given by the Council.

4. All appointments of missionaries made at the annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council or by the Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work during the year shall continue until the next annual session of the Council, unless the missionary's health should fail or for good and sufficient reasons she should be released. Appoint-  
ments.

5. A kindergarten accepted and appointed by the Woman's Missionary Council shall sustain the same relation to the work as any deaconess or home missionary shall be regarded as a missionary. She shall assume her part of responsibility in the general work of the institution and assist in the other activities, but not to such an extent as shall interfere with the best development of her own department.

6. A home missionary shall receive a salary of not less than \$900 per year. Incidental expenses, including laundry and car fare, are to be met by the missionary herself. She shall be allowed a vacation of one month with salary.

7. She shall make a monthly report to the City Board and quarterly and annual reports to the Woman's Missionary Council.

8. A missionary kindergarten shall receive the same monthly salary as a home missionary. She shall be employed for a term of not less than nine months.

### INDORSED WORKERS.

1. Young women holding certificates from an accredited missionary training school may apply for service in the Home Department and, if recommended by the Committee on Candidates, may be recommended for employment by local boards.

2. Young women showing fitness for missionary work, recommended by the Quarterly Conference of local Churches and the District Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society, may apply to the Administrative Secretary of the Home Department of the Woman's Missionary Council and, if indorsed by the Committee on Candidates, may be registered in the Home Department of the Council and may be recommended for employment by local boards.

These last two classes will be recorded as "Indorsed Workers" and will be on file in the offices of the Home Department.

Should a woman in either class of "Indorsed Workers" desire to become a deaconess or home missionary, she shall be required to meet the standards adopted by the Council.

## RULES GOVERNING WESLEY HOUSES AND INSTITUTIONAL WORK.

1. *Deaconesses*.—Every deaconess shall keep a ledger account of all moneys received and disbursed by her in the work. Her books shall be audited annually.

2. *Head Resident*.—The Head Resident shall direct the work of the Wesley House and keep in the closest possible touch with all workers connected with the institution. She shall submit all plans for the development and conduct of the work to the Executive Committee of the City Mission Board. She shall use a system of records and files such as the work of the institution demands. It shall be her duty to see that all workers do their part in the keeping of such records. She shall conduct a bimonthly cabinet meeting, or workers' conference, at which time each worker shall be given an opportunity to bring up the problems of her department, especially as they relate to the work of other departments thus preserving the harmony of the institution. She shall be responsible for developing and maintain the highest degree of efficiency and spirituality in the workers.

3. *Resident Workers*.—The plans of all workers for their departments shall be submitted to the Head Resident for approval before they are presented to the City Mission Board.

4. *Institutional Churches*.—Where union is desired between a City Mission Board and the local Church in the conduct of an institutional Church, the following plans are adopted:

(1) That the work be divided into two main departments, to be called the Church Department and the Wesley House Department.

(2) That the City Board conduct the Wesley House Department, having a Head Resident and a corps of workers, and be responsible for the support and control of its own work.

(3) That the City Board assume no financial responsibility or control in the conduct of the Church Department.

(4) That the workers of the Wesley House Department cooperate with the pastor of the Church Department in advancing the growth and development in the spiritual life of the community.

5. *Local Church*.—Where a City Mission Board conducts a Wesley House independently, and yet desires to cooperate with the community Church, the following plans are adopted:

(1) That the deaconess and other resident workers of the Wesley House cooperate with the pastor of the community Church and seek in every way to advance its interests and build up its constituency.

(2) That the City Mission Board as an organization assume no part of the financial responsibility of the Church.

6. *Clinic.*—(1) The clinic may be an activity of the Wesley House, provided the neighborhood is large enough to justify the outlay of funds and service.

(2) When there is a clinic maintained, it shall be conducted as the out-patient department of a city hospital is maintained. Sick persons may be seen and prescribed for in rooms set aside for clinic work. Cases that require operation involving anaesthesia or the constant attendance of a nurse should be referred to institutions prepared for the care of such patients.

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## CLASSIFICATION OF WORK.

City missions under the auspices of the Woman's Missionary Council shall be divided into two classes, according to ability to support and conduct mission work.

Class A shall consist of Wesley Houses where the City Mission Board can pay regularly not less than \$100 a month for current expenses. Through the Standing Committee on Deaconess and City Mission Work of the Council shall have control of the appointment of one or more workers, the character and amount of work done, and the location of the house. The Head Residents of these Wesley Houses shall be women of experience and training and shall have full charge of the internal affairs of the home and superintend the work of the other residents. The work of the home shall, if possible, be so correlated with that of the nearest Methodist Church as to make this Church the center of its operations and the conservator of its results.

Class B shall consist of those missions where the City Board pays regularly not less than \$60 or as much as \$100 a month for current expenses. As this amount is not sufficient to maintain a Wesley House, this class of missionary work shall not be so designated, and the forms of work undertaken shall be limited to such as the funds make possible of success. The missionary shall not be required to keep house or to live in the community wherein she works, but near enough to give attention to its demands. The work shall be carried on, wherever possible or desirable, in the nearest Methodist church; or, if that is not possible, in close correlation with it.

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## LAWS GOVERNING CITY MISSION BOARDS.

### I. COMPOSITION.

1. In all our cities and towns where there are two or more auxiliaries, whether in one or several Churches, they may unite for the promotion of city missions under the title of Board of City Missions. There shall not be in any city more than one such board.

2. A Board of City Missions shall be composed of representatives from auxiliaries which cooperate regularly in the activities and financial support of the work. Each auxiliary shall have at least three representatives and one additional for every ten members. Council and Conference officers residing in the city, the preachers in charge of Churches where the auxiliaries are located, and the presiding elders shall be advisory members.

### II. OFFICERS.

The officers of a Board of City Missions shall be a President, a Vice President, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and superintendents of departments of work. These officers, with the presiding elders, shall constitute the Executive Committee. The

election of officers shall take place at the December meeting of the City Mission Board.

### III. DEPARTMENTS.

A Board of City Missions shall divide its work into as many departments as the work may require. Each department shall be under the supervision of a superintendent elected annually by the City Mission Board.

### IV. COMMITTEES.

1. Each coöperating auxiliary shall have representation on the standing committees. These standing committees shall be nominated by the Executive Committee and elected by the Board of City Missions at the January meeting.

2. Standing committees shall meet at the call of the superintendents of the departments.

3. Such special committees as are necessary for the conduct of the work may be appointed by the President.

4. The Nominating Committee for officers of the Board of City Missions shall consist of the presidents of the coöperating auxiliaries.

### V. MEETINGS.

1. There shall be one or more regular monthly meetings of the Board of City Missions.

2. There shall be called meetings of the Board when necessary.

3. There shall be one or more regular monthly meetings of the Executive Committee.

### VI. FINANCES.

1. The coöperating auxiliaries shall make annual pledges for the support of the work of the Board of City Missions, such pledges to be paid monthly.

2. All Boards of City Missions employing one or more workers appointed by the Council and expending \$60 or over each month for current expenses shall be entitled to receive from the Woman's Missionary Council an appropriation of ten per cent on the amount reported by voucher to the Conference Treasurer as having been so expended the previous year. This report shall be based upon funds contributed by auxiliaries and not upon funds received from coöperating agencies.

### VII. BY-LAWS.

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board and actively advance its interests. She shall sign all orders on the treasury.

2. The Vice President shall preside at all meetings in the absence of the President and assist the President in all efforts to advance the interests of the work.

3. The Treasurer shall keep an account of all money received and expended and shall make a monthly, quarterly, and annual report of the same to the City Mission Board and a quarterly and annual report to the Treasurer of the Conference. She shall pay money only on the order of the President of the Board of City Missions. Her books shall be audited annually.

4. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence and shall make quarterly reports to the Administrative Secretary of the Home Work of the Woman's Missionary Council.

5. The Recording Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the City Mission Board and a correct roll of its membership in permanent form. She shall give notice of all regular and called meetings.

6. The department superintendents, acting with their standing com-

mittees, shall plan for and actively advance the interests of their departments. No new work or policy enterprised by any department shall be put into operation without being approved by the Board of City Missions.

7. The Executive Committee shall in the interim of the monthly meetings conduct the necessary business of the City Mission Board. It shall act upon all questions relative to applications for employment or dismissal of workers and shall submit such action for approval to the Board of City Missions in regular or called meeting.

#### VIII. RULES AND REGULATIONS.

1. Each coöperating auxiliary may determine for itself the method of raising funds for the support of the work of the City Mission Board.

2. A City Board employing deaconesses or city missionaries shall conform with the regulations of the Woman's Missionary Council relative to the employment of such workers. (See Regulations.)

#### IX. REPORTS.

Monthly reports shall be made to each auxiliary by its representatives on the City Mission Board.

### UNIFORM CONSTITUTION FOR CITIES AND TOWNS HAVING CITY MISSION BOARDS COMPOSED OF BOTH MEN AND WOMEN.

#### ORGANIZATION AND OBJECTS.

At the call of the presiding elders, district secretaries, and the presidents of the auxiliaries of a city or town having two or more auxiliaries and congregations, at least three delegates from each auxiliary and one delegate from every one hundred members or fraction thereof of each congregation may meet and organize a Board of City Missions in accordance with this Uniform Constitution governing City Mission Boards composed of both men and women, provided:

That before a meeting for this purpose is called the preachers in charge of the Churches from whose membership the participating auxiliaries and congregations are composed, the presiding elders, district secretaries, and Secretaries of the Home Department of the Board of Missions have made a survey of the field and have recommended the organization of the Board and have designated the location of the work to be undertaken.

The said Board shall promote local evangelistic activities, relief work, religious education enterprises, institutional welfare undertakings, social service and settlement work, in such sections of the city as there is need, except where there is work administered by the Conference Board of Missions or where it is being successfully carried on by other Protestant denominations.

#### COMPOSITION.

A Methodist Board of City Missions shall be composed of representatives from each coöperating congregation and auxiliary on the following basis: One representative from each congregation for every one hundred members or fraction thereof and three representatives from each auxiliary, the representatives from the congregations being elected by the respective official boards, and from the auxiliaries by the membership of the respective auxiliaries. No person can at the same time represent both a congregation and an auxiliary. The Board

shall be composed, as nearly as is expedient, of an equal number of men and women.

The presiding elders and district secretaries of the districts and any Council or Conference officers or Annual Conference secretaries shall be *ex officio* members of the City Mission Board. All elections shall be confirmed by the Quarterly Conferences.

#### OFFICERS.

The officers of the Board shall be a President, two Vice Presidents (one representing the congregation and one the auxiliaries; the Vice President from the auxiliaries to have direction of the work and workers for women, girls, and children, and the Vice President from the congregation to have direction of the work for men and boys), a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and the superintendents of the departments. These officers with the presiding elders and the district secretaries, shall constitute the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee, as nearly as expedient, shall be composed of an equal number of representatives from the congregation and from the auxiliaries. All action of the Executive Committee shall be submitted to the City Mission Board for approval. The officers shall be elected annually from the membership of the Board.

#### FUNCTION.

This Board shall have authority to regulate its own proceedings and to make its own by-laws; to raise and appropriate money for the conduct of the work; to employ and supervise workers; to determine the policies and departments of work to be undertaken; provided these policies conform to the laws and usages of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and in no sense contravene the laws and rules of the Board of Missions and the Woman's Missionary Council.

#### REVENUE.

The revenue for this work shall be derived from the offerings from the Churches and missionary auxiliaries and may be supplemented by appropriations from the Board of Missions.

#### MEETINGS.

There shall be one or more regular meetings of the Board each month and called meetings when necessary. The Executive Committee shall hold one or more regular monthly meetings.

#### AMENDMENTS.

This constitution may be amended at any regular meeting, after due notice has been given by a three-fourths vote of the members present and voting and the concurrence of the Board of Missions and Woman's Missionary Council.

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